

After detailed discussions, the Senate expressed that the following views concerning the proposal of a common national test and JEE be forwarded to IIT Council.

1. The Joint Entrance Examination of IITs should take place in 2013 largely in the same format as has been happening in recent years. Any minor change can be done by the Joint Implementation Committee (JIC) and Joint Admissions Board (JAB), as has been happening from time to time.
2. The eligibility for JEE-2013 should continue to be 60 percent and 55 percent, depending on the category of the student, for those who gave 12<sup>th</sup> class examination in 2012 so that they are not affected in any way by the change. However, those students who will appear for the Board Examination in 2013, the eligibility for appearing in JEE may be decided on percentile terms. Final decision about the issue of considering the Board performance in percentile form should be taken by JAB.
3. IIT Kanpur desires to have a two-stage process for admission from 2014. It is agreed that in principle, the first stage (screening) could be the common national test, and the second stage should be JEE conducted by IIT system.
  - (i) Chairman, Senate shall appoint a committee which will interface with the group responsible for the common national test. The committee shall provide inputs about what may be tested (for example, aptitude, communication skills, etc., beyond Physics, Chemistry, and Mathematics). This committee shall identify expertise within the Institute and coordinate the contributions of IIT Kanpur towards the common national test
  - (ii) The decision of using the common national test as a screening test for JEE will be re-affirmed by Senate in July 2013 based on the feedback by this committee.
4. When a two-stage admission process is implemented, JAB should decide the format of the JEE, the number of candidates to be permitted, and other operational details.
5. Even when two-stage admission process is implemented, the ranking for the purpose of admission shall be only based on performance in JEE. No weight is to be given to national test and/or board performance in ranking.
6. IIT Kanpur would be willing to provide necessary help and expertise, primarily in academic matters, to develop a high quality national test in the country.