**Item No. 1: To discus the future policy to be adopted for Admission to Engineering Programmes in Centrally Funded Technical Institutes (CFTIs) in the light of the recommendations of the Ramasami Committee presented before the IIT Council on 18.09.2011.**

The Chairman (Director) provided a briefing on the proposal from MHRD for a Common Entrance Examination for Admission to Engineering Programmes in the Centrally Funded Technical Institutes (CFTIs), in the light of the recommendations of the Ramasami Committee, and gave a brief overview of the discussions held in the Institute Faculty Meeting held on 23rd April, 2012. After significant discussion on the proposal, the Senate decided as under:

1. Admissions to Engineering Programme in the Centrally Funded Technical Institutes should be made through a two stage examination process, with effect from the academic session 2013-14.
2. **Stage-I:** The Stage-I examination would be conducted by the Central Board of Secondary Education in April 2013. It would be an objective answer type of examination in Physics, Chemistry and Mathematics and would carry a weightage of 60%. The remaining 40% weightage would be given to the 12th Board performance as proposed by Gautam Baruah.

**(3) Stage-II:** The top 5 percentile of the group of candidates arrived at by adding the normalised score of Stage-I written examination, and the normalised score in the 10+2 examination as detailed in Para (2) above, are to be permitted to appear in the Joint Entrance Examination, which will be jointly conducted by the IITs. This examination will consist of a descriptive type of question paper in Physics, Chemistry and Mathematics. Since the Board Examination marks will be available only by early June 2013, the JEE examination will be held in early July 2013. The ranks for admission to the IITs will be based only on the performance of a candidate in the JEE examination. The whole process of evaluation and counselling should be completed by early August. The semester can start by late August or early September. The Academic Calendar of the IIT system shall accordingly be aligned and modified. The Senate of IIT Roorkee does not see a problem with the shifting of the academic calendar from end July to end August.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.