



STUDENTS' GYMKHANA ELECTIONS

Year 2015-16

Indian Institute of Technology, Guwahati

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Agendas and Declaration Form

Post contesting for: Vice President

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Nick Name.: Mandu, Gujju

Tagline (Punch line): We can and we will.



Agendas: IIT Guwahati is a premier institution for engineering and innovation in our country. Any institution with such a reputation deserves to have a strong and proud representative standing at its forefront. I, Bhavin Mandalaywala, promise you that if elected for the post of Vice-President of Student Gymkhana Council, will build upon the work of the present Gymkhana. I will try my best to achieve a strong partnership between the student body, faculty members and the administration. I will work for the improvement of the Institute's infrastructure and Health- Care. My target will be to ensure the best possible environment for the all-round development of the entire student community of IIT Guwahati. The following points describe the course of action that I wish to adopt to ensure the fulfilment of my promises:

Academic

1. Floating Industrial Courses

- Floating Industry oriented courses like Programming Challenges (Stanford) in CS, entrepreneurship in HSS etc. Also contacting companies like Microsoft, Oracle, IBM etc to float short term credit course.
- IIT Hyderabad has couple of credit courses which are undertaken by Microsoft. IBM at present is teaching its new artificial technology, Watson in 10 universities across North America.

2. M.Tech. Convocation

- There will be a separate convocation ceremony for the M.Tech. graduates in the month of July to provide accommodation to more parents in the institute.
- This would also allow the M.Tech graduates to not wait for a whole year to get their degree.

3. Research Forum(open/ funded/ completed/ ongoing)

- There will be a research forum where all the projects will be categorised into the categories of open, funded, completed and ongoing.

4. Soft Skills Development

- Organising various training programmes to improve the communication, technical writing skills and pitching ability of students which is crucial for placements as well as higher studies.

5. Travel & Conferences

- Reimbursing the travel costs of various students travelling to various conferences around the world. This will enhance the visibility of IIT Guwahati as a research institute.

6. Branch Change and Minor Selection

- Organising sessions for fresher fraternity to guide them through the branch change and minor selection processes.

7. Suggesting Electives

- Students can suggest the electives that should be floated in the coming semester for them. The request can be forwarded in the DUPC/DPPC meeting.

8. Entrepreneurship

- Proposal for floating minor courses and electives on entrepreneurship will be put forward.

Directly for the Junta

1. Bus Schedule for intra bus transport

- The number of buses running during busy hours such as before 9 a.m., after 12 noon and after 5 p.m. will be increased to cater the commuting needs of students. This implementation will be done post survey.

2. Bus route for inter

- The buses running between the city and campus should have a stop at other hostels.
- As the number of students staying in campus have increased and the total strength of the campus has risen to approx. 6.5k there is necessity to increase the frequency and timings after taking a survey.
- Display of bus number on the bus and its scheduled time of departures.

3. Hospital

- Equipping the hospital with important amenities like plastering capabilities, X-ray machines, computerised eye testing machine etc.
- Digitisation of medical records to keep track and access the personal and insurance information of a patient through his/her enrolment number.
- Setting up of a canteen in the vicinity of the hospital that can cater the basic needs of patients.

4. Souvenir Shop

- Setting up of a souvenir shop where all the merchandises made and designed by the IITG student fraternity will be on sale.
- The shop will also be responsible for obtaining various approvals as well for the merchandises.

5. NAC Water Coolers

- Increasing the number of water coolers in NAC and relocating them to a better place.
- Including drinking water fountain taps in NAC and hostels.

6. New student bodies at IIT Guwahati

- Will work for strengthening new born bodies like sailing and SAB.

7. Technology Incubation Centre

- Technology Incubation Centre, at present, is under utilised. It will be publicised through seminars to IITG alumnus and other local colleges where Dean, R&D will spread the word of incubation at IIT Guwahati.

8. Fests

- Will coordinate with Alcheringa and Techniche team to make the fest bigger and better.
- Security and financial plans of the fest will be discussed upon at least 2 weeks before the fest.

9. Dustbin

- Installing dustbins at various sites around the campus to facilitate proper disposal of garbage.

10. Maintenance

- Increasing the number of maintenance contractors from one for the entire campus to a few more to facilitate the maintenance of various facilities and establishments.
- Implementation of central portal for all maintenance related complaints with better facilities where student will have the right to close a complaint.
- Cleanliness of the roads in students' residential areas will be focussed upon.

11. Electronic payment card

- Every student will be allocated an electronic payment card which they can be swiped to make various payments in the campus and the due amount will be deducted from their account. If we can build up on this, then we can indeed have a cashless campus.

12. Automatic vending machine

- Installing automatic vending machines at various places in the NAC to provide students with easily available readymade snacks.

13. Public discussions, common benches

- Setting up more open public gathering places for recreational and other activities by installing more common benches at appropriate sites.

14. Improved Wi-fi Connectivity

- Strengthening the wi-fi connectivity in academic areas and also extending it to the hostels.

15. Insti wiki

- Setting up an institute Wiki to collect and preserve various how-to guides at a single place.

16. Food Court

- The ambience and hygiene of the food court will be improved so as to have a well-established college hangout place for recreation.

17. Prevention, prohibition and punishment of sexual harassment

- Will work to lay down guidelines as done by BoG of IIT Delhi in their 186th meeting.

18. Stray animals

- Rehabilitation of stray animals in a safe manner to maintain the hygiene in residential areas.

19. Scholarships

- The clashes of IMS, McM and SC/ST scholarship will be reduced.

20. IITG Knowledge Network

- The work done in clubs can be put forward in the form of tutorials. This will contribute to the brand value of IIT Guwahati.

21. Counselling

- Counselling cell initiative by the Welfare Board needs to be expanded and publicised to reach to the maximum. This can be done by increasing the number of student volunteers.
- Increased role of faculty advisors in counselling the irregular students and the ones with backlogs.

- Organising interactive discussion sessions with the institute counsellor to keep students motivated and removing the stigma of visiting the counsellor.

22. Village by NSS

- Will coordinate with NSS, Techniche and Alcheringa to adopt nearby villages.

Execution of the Gymkhana

1. Gymkhana Calendar

- Maintaining a calendar server of the institute by including all gymkhana, academic and any other event in the campus.

2. Timings not clashing with regular activities

- All the gymkhana events will be well scheduled so that they do not clash with any other activities like NSS, NSO, NCC etc.

3. Sports Facility Improvement

- Improving the sports facility in the campus by bringing in new equipments.
- Awarding Inter-IIT events winning players with prizes.
- Providing travel amenities to the players going for Inter-IIT and subsidising the sports gear.

4. Accountability / Transparency in Gymkhana activities

- Transparencies in matters of monetary transactions will be ensured.
- Minutes for all gymkhana meetings regarding various activities will be updated on the gymkhana website.

5. Club activities

- Monthly senate meetings will be held in which the club secretaries will have to give the details of work done in the previous month and their future plan along with the financial details. This information will be made public to IITG community.
- An effort for the involvement of faculty in each club will be made.

6. General Body Meetings

- Institute level GBMs will be organised twice a semester preventing it to clash with the mid-semester and end-semester examinations.

Experiences (Credentials if any):

1. General Secretary, Manas Hostel during 2014-15
2. Techniche '14 Core Team member, Chief Organiser of Technothon
3. Welfare Secretary, Manas Hostel during 2013-14

Declaration by the candidate:

I hereby declare that the above information is to the best of my knowledge. I do not have any disciplinary probation by the Institute and will abide by the rules and regulations laid for Gymkhana Election. I do not have any active backlogs to be cleared.

I know that any false information in this nomination form will lead to cancellation of my nomination and disciplinary action.

Signature of candidate with date:

Signature of CEO