MINUTES OF THE SIXTH STANDING ACADEMIC COMMITTEE OF ALL INDIA INSTITUTE OF MEDICAL SCIENCES, PATNA HELD ON FRIDAY, THE 16th DECEMBER 2022, IN THE COMMITTEE HALL, ADMIN BUILDING, AIIMS PATNA

The meeting of the 6th Standing Academic Committee of AIIMS Patna was held from 12:00 hrs onwards on the 16th of December 2022, in the committee hall of AIIMS Patna. The following members of the Standing Academic Committee attended the meeting:-

1) Prof. Surya Kant

-- Chairperson

Professor and HoD, Department of Respiratory Medicine, King George Medical University, Lucknow

2) Prof. T. N Singh

-- Vice-chairman

Director, Indian Institute of Technology, Patna

3) Dr. Sanjay Jaiswal

-- Member

-- Member

Hon'ble Member of Parliament, Lok Sabha

4) Prof. Rajesh Upadhyay

Senior Director and Head, Gastroenterology & Hepatology,

Max Superspecialty Hospital, New Delhi

5) Prof. Rajiva Kumar Singh,

-- Member

Professor, Department of Physiology,

Patna Medical College, Patna

6) Prof. Devi Prasad Tewari,

-- Member

Ex-Vice-Chancellor, Veer Kunwar Singh University,

Ara, Bihar

7) Prof. (Dr.) Gopal Krushna Pal,

-- Member Secretary

Executive Director, All India Institute of Medical Sciences, Patna.

Prof. Vijaylakshmi Saxena, Member, Standing Academic Committee, and **Prof. Subrata Sinha**, Member, Standing Academic Committee, were absent, and leave of absence was granted by the Chairman. The Quorum of the Meeting was available to proceed for the meeting.

Prof. Umesh Kumar Bhadani, Dean (Academics), AIIMS Patna and Dr. Arun Prasad, Deputy Director (Admn.) attended the meeting as special invitee with the permission of the Chairperson.

Prof. (Dr.) Gopal Krushna Pal, Executive Director, AIIMS Patna welcomed the Chairman of the Standing Academic Committee to Chair the 6th Meeting of the SAC, AIIMS Patna, and all the other members present. He requested Chairman to deliver his welcome note.

The Chairman, Prof. Surya Kant welcomed all the members present. He said that AIIMS is an apex academic body and we are ready to serve for it as per the aspirations for

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which it was envisaged. I am really thankful to our Executive Director, Prof. (Dr.) G K Pal, who is efficiently leading the All India Institute of Medical Sciences, Patna. I think academic work is the top priority work for any medical institution or any academic institution.

Then he requested Dr. G. K. Pal, Member Secretary to conduct the Agenda Items as listed in the SAC documents.

Prof. (Dr.) G K Pal, Member Secretary, welcomed all the SAC Members and expressed his heartfelt thanks for the Members attending the Meeting in spite of their heavy schedules.

He expressed his special thanks to Dr. Sanjay Jaiswal for attending the meeting in spite of the Parliament in session.

Dr. Pal informed three important achievements of the Institute that are linked to the Academic activities of the Institute.

- He said that the Rolling Advertisement prepared by AIIMS Patna for Faculty Recruitment was the First of its kind, in the country and the AIIMS-Patna model of Rolling advertisement has been adopted by all AIIMS for Faculty Recruitment.
- 2. He informed that 83 Faculty members have been recruited through the last faculty recruitment conducted by Standing Selection Committee in the month of November, 2022.
- 3. Dr. Pal also informed that the Results of the Faculty Recruitment was declared on the record time on the third day for the APS Promotion and on the fifth day for the Direct Recruitment.

All the Members highly appreciated the works done by the new Executive Director of AIIMS Patna and they expressed their appreciation that now the Academic Environment at AIIMS Patna will be more vibrant.

AGENDA ITEM No.- SAC/06/01

Confirmation of the Minutes of the 5th meeting of the Standing Academic Committee

Approval Sought:

The Hon'ble SAC is kindly requested to consider and approve the minutes of the 5th meeting of the Standing Academic Committee of AIIMS Patna.

Discussion:

The Chairman said that since no comments have been received from the members, the Standing Academic Committee confirms the minutes of the 5th SAC meeting.

Decision:

Approved unanimously

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Action taken report on the minutes of the 5th Meeting of the Standing Academic Committee

Approval Sought:

The Hon'ble SAC is kindly requested to consider and approve the action taken report of the minutes of the 5th meeting of the Standing Academic Committee of AIIMS Patna.

Discussion:

The Chairman said that since no comments have been received from the members, the SAC confirms and approves the action taken report of the 5th meeting of the Standing Academic Committee.

Decision:

Accepted.

AGENDA ITEM No.- SAC/06/03

<u>Proposal for increasing the number of seats allotted to various Departments in the MD/MS Academic Courses</u>

Approval had been granted by the Standing Academic Committee to start MD/MS Academic Courses in various Departments in the 3rd Standing Academic Committee held on 19th May 2018, vide Agenda point 3, 4th Standing Academic Committee held on 2nd April 2019, vide Agenda point 4, and 5th Standing Academic Committee held on 1st December 2021, vide Agenda- SAC/05/09.

Approval Sought:

The Hon'ble SAC is kindly requested to consider and approve the proposals for increasing the number of seats allotted to various departments in the MD/MS courses.

Discussion:

The Executive Director, AIIMS Patna informed about the faculty strength and the infrastructure present with AIIMS Patna for increasing the number of postgraduate seats. As per the recently concluded Direct Recruitment process and Annual Promotion of the Faculty, the faculty strength of the institute has been increased by 66, and many more selected faculty are expected to join in the coming days.

Decision:

Approved unanimously the proposed seats below.

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S. No	Name of the Department	Name of the Course (3- year)	Current seats /year	Seats approved/year
1.	ENT	MS	02	05
2.	Obstetrics and Gynaecology	MS	06	16
3.	Pathology	MD	05	10
4.	Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation	MD	02	04

Starting of New Post Graduate Academic Courses (MD/MS)

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The Rules and Regulations of Postgraduate Academic Courses for the conduct of the PG course had been approved in the 5th Standing Academic Committee vide Agenda-SAC/05/07.

Approval Sought:

The Hon'ble SAC is kindly requested to consider and approve the proposal for starting of new postgraduate academic course (MD/MS).

Discussion:

The Executive Director, AIIMS Patna briefed about the increase in the faculty strength of the Department of Transfusion Medicine and Blood Bank and also the need for the Institute to start this new post-graduate MD academic course (3-year).

Decision:

Approved unanimously, with the proposed seats below.

S. N.	Name of the Department	Name of the Course	Subject/ Specialty	Proposed seats/year	Total approved seats/year
1.	Transfusion Medicine & Blood Bank	MD (3-year course)	Transfusion Medicine	02	02

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<u>Proposal for increasing the number of seats allotted to various Departments in the DM/M.Ch Academic Courses</u>

Approval had been granted by the Standing Academic Committee to start DM/M.Ch Academic Courses in various Departments in the 4th Standing Academic Committee in its meeting held on 2nd April, 2019, vide Agenda point 4, and 5th Standing Academic Committee in its meeting held on 1st December, 2021, vide Agenda- SAC/05/11.

The Rules and Regulations for the conduct of the course had been approved in the 5th Standing Academic Committee vide Agenda- SAC/05/08.

Approval Sought:

The Hon'ble SAC is kindly requested to consider and approve the proposal for increasing the number of seats allotted to various departments in the DM/M.Ch academic courses.

Discussion:

The Executive Director, AIIMS Patna briefed about the increase in the faculty strength of the various super speciality departments and also the need for the Institute to increase the number of seats allotted to various departments in the DM/M.Ch academic courses.

Decision:

Approved unanimously, with the proposed seats below.

S. N.	Name of the Department	Name of the Course	Subject/ Specialty	Existing approved seats/year	Total approved seats/year
1.	Cardiothoracic and Vascular Surgery	M.Ch (3- year course)	Cardiothoracic and Vascular Surgery	02	04
2.	Pulmonary Medicine	DM (3-year course)	Pulmonary Medicine	02	06
3.	Burns and Plastic Surgery	M.Ch (3- year course)	Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery	03	06

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Starting of New Post-Doctoral Academic Courses (DM/M.Ch) 3-year course

Approval had been granted by the Standing Academic Committee to start DM/M.Ch Academic Courses in various Departments in the 4th Standing Academic Committee in its meeting held on 2nd April, 2019, vide Agenda point 4, and 5th Standing Academic Committee in its meeting held on 1st December, 2021, vide Agenda- SAC/05/11.

The Rules and Regulations for the conduct of the course had been approved in the 5th Standing Academic Committee vide Agenda- SAC/05/08.

Approval Sought:

The Hon'ble SAC is kindly requested to consider and approve the proposal for starting of new post-doctoral academic courses (DM/M.Ch) 3-year course.

Discussion:

The Executive Director, AIIMS Patna briefed about the increase in the faculty strength of the various super specialty departments due to the recently concluded recruitment process at the Institute. Due to the induction and joining of the newly recruited faculties in various super-specialty departments, the Institute envisages starting of new healthcare services in these super specialty departments. Starting these new super-specialty services will help the patient population of this State and also patients coming from nearby states for medical/surgical treatment.

Dr. G. K. Pal informed the Committee that the subject Clinical and Interventional Physiology has come up recently with the heavy demand for various utilities of interventional physiology in bigger corporate Hospitals and health-care set-up for patient management. He gave a detailed inputs about the recent developments in Clinical and Interventional Physiology and presented the details of some other important aspects of Clinical and Interventional Physiology, such as; Heart Rate Variability (HRV) Bio-feedback Therapy, Vagal Nerve Stimulation (VNS) Therapy, Intra-Operational Neurophysiological Monitoring (IONM), Neurophysiological Deep Brain stimulation therapy, Respiratory Assisted Therapy, Yoga Therapy for various diseases and lifestyle modifications therapies such as exercise and nutrition, that are performed primarily by the Department of Physiology. He emphasized that creating the DM course in Clinical and Interventional Physiology will make these therapies more robust in terms of research-oriented output and will create trained manpower for various aspects of patient management.

If AIIMS New Delhi authorizes AIIMS Patna to conduct entrance examination for admission to these newly started DM/M.Ch course, AIIMS Patna will conduct the said examination as per the guidelines of conduct of such examination as AIIMS New Delhi.

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Decision:

The SAC unanimously approved the proposal for starting of the new Post-doctoral Academic courses (DM/M.Ch) with the proposed total seats below. The Members unanimously appreciated the proposal of starting DM course in Clinical and Interventional Physiology.

S. N.	Name of the Department	Name of the Course	Subject/ Specialty	Total approved seats/year
1.	Cardiology	DM (3-year course)	Cardiology	03
2.	Neonatology	DM (3-year course)	Neonatology	02
3.	Nephrology	DM (3-year course)	Nephrology	03
4.	Physiology	DM (3-year course)	Clinical and Interventional Physiology	04
5.	Urology	M.Ch (3-year course)	Urology	04

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Starting of New Post-Doctoral Academic Courses M.Ch 6-year course

Approval had been granted by the Standing Academic Committee to start DM/M.Ch Academic Courses in various Departments in the 4th Standing Academic Committee in its meeting held on 2nd April, 2019, vide Agenda point 4, and 5th Standing Academic Committee in its meeting held on 01st December, 2021, vide Agenda- SAC/05/11.

The Rules and Regulations for the conduct of the course had been approved in the 5th Standing Academic Committee vide Agenda- SAC/05/08.

Approval Sought:

The Hon'ble SAC is kindly requested to consider and approve the proposal for starting of new post-doctoral academic courses M.Ch 6-year course.

Discussion:

The Executive Director, AIIMS Patna briefed that the M.Ch post-doctoral academic courses are structured super-specialty courses that provide training and skills in the area of super-specialty.

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Currently, admission to a 3-year postdoctoral (DM/M.Ch) academic course is made on the basis of MD/MS level while admission to a 6-year (DM/M.Ch) academic course is made on the MBBS level through a national level entrance examination. In the past few years, it has been observed that the seats of M.Ch. postdoctoral (3-years) academic courses in CTVS and Trauma Surgery are not filled by the candidates and they remain vacant. This change in the selection of these super-specialty has adversely affected patient healthcare services. It has been envisaged that if the M.Ch (6-year course) is made available to MBBS students a reversal in the trend may be observed and such candidates may opt for these super-specialty departments.

Starting off these new 6-year M.Ch academic courses at AIIMS Patna will provide training and skills to the interested students in the area of super-specialty and thereby help in catering to the needs of a vast number of the patient population of the state and the country.

If AIIMS New Delhi authorizes AIIMS Patna to conduct entrance examination for admission to these newly started M.Ch course, AIIMS Patna will conduct the said examination as per the guidelines of conduct of such examination as AIIMS New Delhi.

Decision:

Approved unanimously the proposal for starting of the new post-doctoral academic course M.Ch (6-year course) in the subject of Cardiothoracic and Vascular Surgery and Trauma Surgery and Critical Care with the proposed total seats below.

S. N. Name of the Department		Name of the Course	Subject/ Specialty	Total approved seats/year
1.	Cardiothoracic & Vascular Surgery	M.Ch (6-year course)	Cardiothoracic & Vascular Surgery	04
2.	Trauma Surgery	M.Ch (6-year course)	Trauma Surgery and Critical Care	06

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Starting of new Department of Endocrine Surgery

In the last few years, there has been an increase in the number of patients presenting with complaints related to endocrine glands and breast. These include both benign as well as malignant conditions. Department of Endocrine is a super specialty of General surgery involved in the comprehensive and enhanced management of these patients.

Currently, there are only a handful of institutes in India having a department of Endocrine Surgery. The state of Bihar does not have a department of Endocrine Surgery in any hospital. Starting this department at AIIMS Patna would be an important step in serving the entire Eastern India. The department of Endocrine Surgery exists as a separate department in Madras Medical College, Chennai, SGPGI, Luck now, KGMU, Lucknow, and CMC, Vellore. AIIMS, New Delhi runs special Breast and Endocrine surgery clinics.

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Approval Sought:

The Hon'ble SAC is kindly requested to consider and approve the proposal for starting of new Department of Endocrine Surgery.

Discussion:

The Executive Director, AIIMS Patna gave the following justification for starting the new department of Endocrine Surgery at this Institute:

- 1. The department will be a dedicated unit to deal with the patients of endocrine and breast disease that will enhance patient care.
- 2. It will provide highly trained endocrine and breast surgeons who can provide their services.
- 3. The department will implement a comprehensive follow-up programme and maintaining a registry of Thyroid and Breast cancer patients.
- 4. It will create awareness among trainee surgeons for promoting research and judicious applications of the research.
- 5. Premier institutions like SGPGI, Lucknow and CMC, Vellore have full-fledged departments.
- 6. The division of Breast and Endocrine surgery is already functioning in the department of General Surgery of AIIMS Patna for many years.
- 7. AIIMS Patna is the only Institute in Bihar with a trained Endocrine and Breast Surgeon and all advanced and open and endoscopic endocrine surgeries along with routine and advanced breast surgeries are routinely done in Unit III of the General Surgery department.
- 8. There are an adequate number of patients with Breast, Thyroid, Parathyroid and Adrenal ailments who visit the department.
- 9. The Institute has available patient input and clinical material with support departments like Pathology, Biochemistry, Radio diagnosis, Radiotherapy and Nuclear Medicine.

Decision:

The SAC unanimously approved the proposal for starting the new department of Endocrine Surgery.

AGENDA ITEM No.- SAC/06/09

Approval for separation of the Department of Trauma & Emergency to Department of Trauma Surgery and Department of Emergency Medicine

The department of Trauma and Emergency, AIIMS Patna was established in 2012 and is providing its services from Trauma and Emergency Block, AIIMS Patna. Dr. G. K. Pal informed that communications have been received from the Ministry to separate the Department of Trauma & Emergency into two Departments, viz. Department of Trauma & Surgery and Department of Emergency Medicine. However, Dr. Pal informed that in Trauma Surgery currently we have five faculties but in the Department of Emergency Medicine, there is no faculty.

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Further, there are ten (10) MD seats approved in Emergency Medicine per year and presently three (03) MD students are already there in the department of Emergency Medicine. The department of Emergency Medicine is currently running with the support from the surgeons of Trauma Surgery in the absence of faculty in Emergency Medicine.

Dr. Pal informed that Dr. Divendu Bhushan, Associate Professor of Medicine has been looking after the ICU of Emergency Block for the last three years. He informed that he had proposed the name of Dr. Divendu Bhushan for appointment as Associate Professor and Head of Department of Emergency Medicine to the Hon'ble President, AIIMS Patna who has already approved the proposal.

The Hon'ble SAC is kindly requested to consider and approve the proposal for the separation of Department of Trauma & Emergency into two departments that is Department of Trauma Surgery and Department of Emergency Medicine.

Also, the Hon'ble SAC is kindly requested to consider and approve the appointment of Dr. Divendu Bhushan as Associate Professor and Head of Emergency Medicine, AIIMS Patna, which will be ratified in the forthcoming IB/GB meeting.

Decision:

The SAC unanimously approved the proposal of separation of Department of Trauma Emergency into the Department of Trauma Surgery and Department of Emergency Medicine. The Committee also approved the appointment of Dr. Divendu Bhushan as Associate Professor and Head of Emergency Medicine, AIIMS Patna. However, the committee strongly recommended that the faculty who have been appointed in Trauma should continue to work in Trauma and should give a written statement that they will not be shifted to the Department of their subject of degree in future.

AGENDA ITEM No.-SAC/06/10

- a) Change in the name of the Department of Radiotherapy to Department of Radiation Oncology
- b) Change in the name of MD Postgraduate Academic Course from Radiotherapy to Radiation Oncology

Approval Sought:

- a) The Hon'ble SAC is kindly requested to consider and approve the proposal of change in the name of the Department of Radiotherapy to Department of Radiation Oncology.
- b) The Hon'ble SAC is kindly requested to consider and approve the proposal of change in the name of MD Postgraduate academic course from Radiotherapy to Radiation Oncology.

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Decision:

The SAC unanimously approved the proposals for change of name of the Department of Radiotherapy to Department of Radiation Oncology and change in the name of MD Postgraduate academic course from Radiotherapy to Radiation Oncology.

AGENDA ITEM No.-SAC/06/11

Proposal for consideration of major part of teaching & training students of full-time MBA programme in Hospital and Healthcare Management, IIM, Bodhgaya at AIIMS Patna

The Member Secretary, Dr. G. K. Pal informed that IIM, Bodh Gaya has given a proposal for starting a full-time MBA programme in Hospital and Health-care Management and the major part of the teaching and training of the course Hospital and Health-care Management will be performed at AIIMS Patna as there is a MoU between AIIMS Patna and IIM, Bodh Gaya. After a detailed deliberation **following decisions were taken**:

- a. The MoU should be revised to accommodate such a full-time academic programme to be effectively implemented at AIIMS Patna.
- b. As already there is deficit of manpower for the routine patient management of AIIMS Patna, it was felt that for running such a course of 60 students, AIIMS Patna will be taxing the current load of patient management. Therefore, it was decided that the 50 % of the admission fee of IIM, Bodh Gaya should be paid to AIIMS Patna.
- c. It was recommended that the degree given by IIM, Bodh Gaya should be the dual degree from both AIIMS Patna and IIM, Bodh Gaya.
- d. It was also decided that the recommendations of SAC should be taken to the IB/GB of the Institute for further discussion and approval.

AGENDA ITEM No.- SAC/06/12

Approval for the Constitution of the Institutional Board of Studies for MBBS, Nursing (UG & PG), Post-graduate courses (MD/MS/MDS), and Post-doctoral (DM/M.Ch/PDF) courses

Approval Sought:

The Hon'ble SAC is kindly requested to consider and approve the Constitution of the Institutional Board of Studies for MBBS, Nursing (UG & PG), Post-graduate courses

(MD/MS/MDS), and Post-doctoral (DM/M.Ch/PDF) courses.

Discussion:

The Executive Director informed the members of the SAC that as of now, there is no Board of Studies of the Institute to frame the guidelines for academic activities, to frame the curriculum, and to monitor the academic curricular activities of the various Undergraduate, Post-graduate & Post-doctoral courses at AIIMS Patna. The newly proposed and constituted

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Institutional Board of Studies (BoS) will further help in streamlining the various undergraduate, postgraduate and postdoctoral academic courses at AIIMS Patna.

Decision:

The SAC unanimously approved the proposal for creation of Four Board of Studies as suggested. The Committee also recommended that in each Board there should be minimum three Subject Experts from outside including one from a private Institution/Hospital of repute.

AGENDA ITEM No.-SAC/06/13

Any other items, with permission of the Chairperson

1. The proposal for starting the Institute-funded PhD Programme.

The Member Secretary Dr. G. K. Pal gave the proposal for creating the Institute-funded PhD Programme, which will be considered as Institute Fellow. After a thorough discussion it was decided that in addition to the existing PhD Admission through funded projects / external fellowship programme, the AIIMS Patna will have intramural funded PhD Programme with the following recommendations:

- a. The student will be admitted through National level PhD Entrance Examination to be conducted by AIIMS Patna.
- b. The guidelines of PhD should be made robust incorporating into it the Rules and Regulations of PhD Programmes of JIPMER Puducherry and AIIMS New Delhi (The new PhD Guidelines should be circulated to all the Members of the SAC).
- c. There should be restrictions of a Professor not taking more than five PhD Students at any given time, and Additional Professor not more than three students and Associate Professor not more than two students. The Assistant Professor should not be allowed to guide the PhD Students.
- d. A faculty who is retiring within three years should not take a fresh PhD Student
- e. The PhD Monitoring and Implementation should be under a designated PhD Monitoring Committee of the Institute.
- f. Each PhD Conducting Departments can take maximum six PhD candidates per annum (three from intramural funded projects and three from external funding).
- g. The eligibility criteria for becoming PhD Guide should be made very strict with the number of years of service, the experience in the subject of research and the number of Pub-Med publications.

2. Imposition of Penalty for candidates leaving the PDCC Course in the middle.

It was decided that the candidate who leaves the PDCC course after joining the course, must pay Rupees Two Lakh (INR 2,00,000/) as penalty.

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3. MoU of AIIMS Patna with BAPIO for AMRCP Degree.

Hon'ble M.P., Dr. Sanjay Jaiswal proposed that British Association of Physician of Indian Origin (BAPIO) is a very strong organization with Headquarters at United Kingdom. The BAPIO is offering a dual programme of Accelerated MRCP for the Post-graduate students in India, which has been already implemented in some of the reputed private medical Institutes of the Country. He advised that similar kind of arrangements can be made with the Government Institutes and AIIMS Patna can be the first institute to avail this programme. He suggested that AIIMS Patna can sign a MoU with the BAPIO for implementation of AMRCP programme which will be highly beneficial for the MD students of AIIMS Patna. Some of the seats in Medicine at AIIMS Patna can be brought under this BAPIO AMRCP scheme. He informed that the President of BAPIO will be visiting India in the first week of the February, 2023 and he will arrange a meeting of the President, BAPIO with the Director and concerned administrative personnel of AIIMS Patna.

The proposal of AMRCP Degree in collaboration with BAPIO was approved by the SAC and it was recommended that the details of it can be discussed in the proposed meeting of the Officials of BAPIO and AIIMS Patna to be held in the month of February, 2023.

Vote of Thanks

Member Secretary the Executive Director of AIIMS Patna, Dr. Gopal Krushna Pal conveyed his sincere thanks to all the members for sparing their valuable time for attending the 6th Meeting of Standing Academic Committee of AIIMS Patna and extending their guidance for all-round development of the Academic Facilities of the Institute.

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