

INDIAN INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY DHARWAD

MINUTES

OF

THE TENTH MEETING OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS

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The Tenth Meeting of the Board of Governors of the Indian Institute of Technology Dharwad was held on Monday, 25 July 2022 at 11:00 AM in Online mode. The following were present: -

Shri Vinayak Chatterjee	:	Chairperson	Present
Prof. P. Seshu	:	Member	Present
Shri. Rakesh Ranjan	:	Member*	Present
Prof. S. S. Murthy	:	Member#	Present
Dr. Shamasundar S	:	Member	Present
Prof. Bhavin Kothari	:	Member	Present
Prof. Nagesh R. Iyer	:	Member	Present
Prof. S. R. M. Prasanna	:	Member & Registrar (I/c)	Present
Prof. S L Bapat	:	Special Invitee	Present
Dr. D. Lakshmanan	:	Special Invitee	Present
Dr. S. Basavarajappa	:	Special Invitee	Present

^{*} Received comments to the agenda (As enclosed in **Appendix A**).

Member(s) granted Leave of Absence:

Smt. Rashmi V. Mahesh, Principal Secretary, Department of Higher Education, Government of Karnataka, State Government Nominee.

At the outset, the Chairman extended a warm welcome to all the members and the invitees present in the meeting.

[#] Received comments to the agenda over email (As enclosed in **Appendix B**).

Section A: CONFIRMATION ITEMS

- Item No. 10.1: Confirmation of the minutes of the Ninth (9th) Meeting of the Board of Governors held on 27.03.2022.
 - i) The Board **NOTED** that the Minutes of the Ninth (9th) BoG Meeting were circulated and no comments were received.

R.1/2022 10.1/10 ii) The Board **RESOLVED to CONFIRM** the minutes of the Ninth (9th) Meeting of the Board of Governors held on 27.03.2022 as circulated.

Item No. 10.2: Report of action taken on certain items of Minutes of the Ninth Meeting of the Board of Governors.

- i) The Board **NOTED** and **APPROVED** the report of action taken on the minutes of the Ninth Meeting of the Board of Governors.
- ii) The issue of pending approval for the Recruitment Rules and Promotion Policy (RRPP) of IIT Dharwad was discussed. While agreeing in principle, it was **SUGGESTED** to respond to the email from the MoE formally seeking the approval.

Section B: PROGRESS REPORT

Item No. 10.3: To note the Progress Report for the period between 9th BoG to 10th BoG.

- i) Director made a brief presentation on the progress made by the Institute during the period. The progress presentation covered the following aspects:
 - Admission of students to IIT Dharwad.
 - Academic session in Offline & Online mode.
 - Admission to M.Tech and Executive M.Tech through Common Admissions Portal (CoAP).
 - 2nd Ph.D defense completed from IIT Dharwad
 - Sports activities at IIT Dharwad.
 - Cultural event SPIC MACAY ANUBHAV 4 conducted at IIT Dharwad.

- Gold Medals and Group Champions Trophy in 1st
 Inter IIT Yoga Competition held at IIT Bhilai.
- Placement and internship details and statistics.
- Staff and Faculty recruitment details, Faculty R&D projects as well as publication details.
- R&D outreach activities at IIT Dharwad
- Updates on TREES and SAMVAAD talks.
- Inauguration of Space Data Science Lab.
- Development of facilities at Temporary Campus.
- 3rd Convocation preparations.
- ii) The Board **COMMENDED** the Institute on the various initiatives. The Board **APPRECIATED** the progress on diverse fronts and urged the Institute to keep up the good work.

Item No. 10.4: To note the Progress of Permanent Campus Construction.

- i) Director made a brief presentation on the progress of Permanent Campus construction during the period. The progress presentation covered the following aspects:
 - Progress in construction from 9th BoG to 10th BoG.
 - Short Video on the Construction progress.

The Board **APPRECIATED** the efforts being put in by the Institute for the smooth progress of the project despite various challenges.

The Board also **APPRECIATED** the efforts of Prof. Nagesh R Iyer, Dean IPS and his team.

Few other points of discussion:

• The Board **SUGGESTED** the Institute to work on improving its presence/coverage in print, electronic and social media.

- The Board also **SUGGESTED** the Institute to consider having a Horticultural Consultant/Expert for Permanent Campus Landscaping before the Inauguration of Permanent Campus.
- The Board **SUGGESTED** hiring a Professional Consultant following due process, to draft/prepare a roadmap for the activities in the temporary campus (WALMI Campus) towards setting up a world-class laboratory base for testing facilities; industry interface activities; Research Park activities keeping in mind the development horizon of Hubli-Dharwad-Belgaum region. The Board also **SUGGESTED** to organize an internal workshop to prepare the necessary outline of Institute plans in this regard.
- The Board SUGGESTED that, for each MoU signed by the Institute for academic and research collaboration, a coordinating faculty member be identified to keep track of the progress in the implementation of the MoU.

Section C: ITEMS FOR APPROVAL

RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE SENATE:

Item No. 10.5: To consider the Proposal of Approval for the award of the degree of B.Tech (and B.Tech with Minor)

- i) The Board CONSIDERED the proposal for the award of the BTech degree (and BTech with Minor) to the eligible students of 2018 batch and backlog students.
- ii) The Board **RESOLVED to APPROVE** the proposal for the award of the degree of B.Tech (and B.Tech with Minor) to the eligible students of 2018 batch and backlog students (list as per **Annexure 10.5** of agenda papers).

R.2/2022 10.5/10 Item No. 10.6: To consider the Proposal for Approval for the award of the degree of MS

- The Board **CONSIDERED** the proposal for the award of i) the degree of MS.
- The Board **RESOLVED to APPROVE** the proposal for the ii) award of the degree of MS (list as per Annexure 10.6 of agenda papers).

R.3/2022 10.6/10

> Item No. 10.7: To consider the Proposal for Approval for the award of the degree of Ph.D

R.4/2022 10.7/10

The Board CONSIDERED and RESOLVED to APPROVE i) the proposal for the award of the degree of Ph.D. to Mr. Souradip Chattopadhya (183111001).

Item No. 10.8: To consider the Proposal for Approval for Medal and Cash **Awardees**

- i) The Board **CONSIDERED** the proposal for approval for Medal and Cash Awards for meritorious students.
- ii) The Board **RESOLVED to APPROVE** the proposal for R.5/2022 10.8/10

Medal and Cash Awards for meritorious students (list as per **Annexure 10.8** of agenda papers).

Item No. 10.9: To consider the Proposal for Approval for MS Degree **Certificate Format**

R.6/2022 10.9/10

The Board CONSIDERED and RESOLVED to APPROVE i) the proposed MS Degree Certificate Format.

Item No. 10.10: To consider the Proposal for Approval for Degree Certificate Format for Minors / Honors.

R.7/2022 10.10/10 The Board CONSIDERED and RESOLVED to APPROVE the proposed Degree Certificate Format for Minors / Honors.

Item No. 10.11: To consider the Proposal for Approval for a minor change (Chairman to Chairperson) in the Degree Certificate Format

R.8/2022 10.11/10 i) The Board **CONSIDERED** and **RESOLVED to APPROVE** the proposed minor change (Chairman to Chairperson) in all the Degree Certificate Formats henceforth.

RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE FINANCE COMMITTEE:

Item No. 10.12: Consideration and Approval of recommendation of 8th Finance Committee Meeting

R.9/2022 10.12/10 The Board **RESOLVED to APPROVE** all the recommendations of the 8th Finance Committee meeting held on 25th July, 2022 as per minutes given in **Appendix-C**. Some of the major recommendations are as detailed below.

1. FC Item No. 8.4 - To consider the recommendations of BWC for additional items towards the development of the Permanent Campus

The FC **REVIEWED** the proposal recommended by the BWC for additional items towards the development of the Permanent Campus and **RECOMMENDED** the cost estimates of about 11.13 crores to the Board for its approval within the estimated cost approved by the cabinet in the DPR.

The Board **RESOLVED to APPROVE** the recommendation of the 8th Finance Committee meeting held on 25th July, 2022 for additional works in the permanent campus worth 11.13 crores.

2. FC Item No. 8.5 - To consider and recommend "Development of Electric Vehicle Prototype for hands-on exploration, and research and development as a Multidisciplinary Thematic Project (MDTP)"

The FC **REVIEWED** the proposal of "Development of Electric Vehicle Prototype for hands-on exploration, and research and development as a Multidisciplinary Thematic Project (MDTP)" and **RECOMMENDED** the funding to the tune of about 85.00 Lakhs to the Board for its approval.

The Board **RESOLVED** to **APPROVE** the recommendation of the (8th) Finance Committee meeting held on 25th July, 2022 for budgeting Rs. 85.00 Lakhs for "Development of Electric Vehicle Prototype for handson exploration, and research and development as a Multidisciplinary Thematic Project (MDTP)"

3. FC Item No. 8.6 - To consider and recommend "Development of Land for Outdoor Sports & Organic Farming"

The FC **REVIEWED** the proposal for the development of outdoor sports facilities & organic farming in the permanent campus and **RECOMMENDED** the cost estimates of about 2.75 crores to the Board for its approval within the available margin under the capital head of civil works as approved by the cabinet in the DPR.

The Board **RESOLVED to APPROVE** the recommendation of the 8th Finance Committee meeting held on 25th July, 2022 for the development of outdoor sports facilities & organic farming in the permanent campus worth 2.75 crores.

4. FC Item No. 8.7 - To consider and recommend the Annual Accounts for F.Y. 2021-22

The FC **REVIEWED** the Annual Accounts for the Financial Year 2021-22 and **NOTED** that the same is required to be submitted to the C & AG Office for commencement of Audit for the FY 2021-22 and **RECOMMENDED** the proposal to the Board.

The Board **RESOLVED to APPROVE** the recommendation of the 8th Finance Committee meeting held on 25th July, 2022 for the Annual Accounts for F.Y. 2021-22

5. FC Item No. 8.11 - To consider and recommend signing of Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between IIT Dharwad and Shraman Foundation, USA.

The FC **REVIEWED** the signing of the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between IIT Dharwad and Shraman Foundation, USA. and **RECOMMENDED** the proposal to the Board.

The Board **RESOLVED to APPROVE** the recommendation of the 8th Finance Committee meeting held on 25th July, 2022 for 1. signing of Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between IIT Dharwad and Shraman Foundation, USA.

RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE BUILDING & WORKS COMMITTEE:

Item No. 10.13:

- NIL-

OTHER ITEMS:

Item No. 10.14: To consider the Proposal for Registration of Section 8 Company.

- 1. To adopt the resolution for Section 8 Company
- 2. To authorize the Registrar, IIT Dharwad to sign the resolution for Section 8 Company.
- 3. To approve all the other documents of Section 8 Company.
- i) The Board **CONSIDERED** and **RESOLVED to APPROVE**:
 - a. The Proposed Registration of Section 8 company.
 - b. To adopt the resolution for Section 8 company.
 - c. To authorize the Registrar, IIT Dharwad to sign the resolution for Section 8 Company.

R.10/2022 10.14/10 d. To approve all the other documents of Section 8 Company.

Item No. 10.15: To Consider the Proposal for signing of Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between IIT Dharwad and Sensesemi Technologies Private Limited

i) The Board CONSIDERED the Proposal for signing of Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between IIT Dharwad and Sensesemi Technologies Private Limited

R.11/2022 10.15/10 ii) The Board **RESOLVED to APPROVE** the proposed signing of Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between IIT Dharwad and Sensesemi Technologies Private Limited

Item No. 10.16: To consider the proposal for signing of Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between IIT Dharwad and École de technologie supérieure, Montréal, Canada

 The member secretary requested the postponement of the discussion related to this item due to pending clearances.
 The same will be deferred to the next board meeting.

Item No. 10.17: To consider the proposal for signing of Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between IIT Dharwad and Shraman Foundation, USA

R.12/2022 10.17/10

- i) As per the comments received from AS(TE), this Agenda item is routed through FC and the recommendations of FC to this item is attached in **Appendix C**.
- ii) The Board **RESOLVED to APPROVE** the same as per the recommendations of the 8th Finance Committee meeting held on 25th July, 2022

Section D: ITEMS FOR RATIFICATION

Item No. 10.18: BY THE CHAIRMAN:

- i) The Board **NOTED** and **RATIFIED** the following actions approved by the Chairman:
 - a. MoU with Ministry of Education for FY 22-23.
 - b. Annual Report for the FY 21-22.
 - c. Appointment of Faculty & Non-faculty Members.
 - d. Appointment of Visiting Faculty, Professor of Practice and Adjunct Faculty
 - e. In-Charge Registrar
 - f. MoU with Deshpande Startups

Item No. 10.19: BY THE DIRECTOR:

- i) The Board **NOTED** and **RATIFIED** the following actions approved by the Director:
 - a) Staff Matters

Section E: ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

Item No. 10.20:

- i) The Board **NOTED** the following information items:
 - 1. Minutes of the 10th BWC Meeting
 - 2. Minutes of the 16th and 17th Senate Meeting
 - 3. Extension of term of Director, IIT Dharwad till further order
 - 4. Faculty Recruitment Status of Filling up of Vacancy Positions
 - 5. NEP 2020

- 6. Progress of the essential tasks undertaken by the Government of Karnataka
- 7. Status of Arbitration Matter
- 8. GTE as reporting item to BoG

SUPPLEMENTARY ITEM (S):

Item No. 10.21:

ANY OTHER ITEM WITH PERMISSION OF THE CHAIR

- NIL-

-NIL-

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

(S. R. M PRASANNA) REGISTRAR (I/C) (P. SESHU) DIRECTOR (VINAYAK CHATTERJEE) CHAIRMAN