

INDIAN INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY DHARWAD

MINUTES

OF

TWELFTH(12th) MEETING OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS

VENUE :- Boardroom, IIT dhArwAD

MODE :- HYBRID

DATE :- 21st DECEMBER 2022 (Wednesday)

TIME :- 4:00 PM

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HELD ON

WEDNESDAY, 21st DECEMBER 2022

Twelveth Meeting of the Board of Governors of the Indian Institute of Technology Dharwad was held on Wednesday, 21st December 2022 at 4:00 PM in Hybrid mode. The following were present: -

Shri Vinayak Chatterjee	:	Chairperson	Present
Prof. VenkappayyA R. dEsAi	:	Member	Present
Shri. Rakesh Ranjan	:	Member*	Present
Prof. S. S. Murthy	:	Member	Present
Prof. Bhavin Kothari	:	Member	Present (Online)
Prof. Nagesh R. Iyer	:	Member	Present
Prof. S. R. M. Prasanna	:	Member	Present
Dr. D. Lakshmanan	:	Special Invitee	Present
Dr. S. Basavarajappa	:	Registrar	Present

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

Member(s) granted Leave of Absence:

- 1. Smt. Rashmi V. Mahesh, Principal Secretary, Department of Higher Education, Government of Karnataka, State Government Nominee Member.
- 2. Dr. Shamasundar Member

At the outset, the Chairman extended a warm welcome to all the members and the invitees present in the meeting. He appreciated Prof. P. Seshu, Former Director, IIT dhArwAD for his sincere efforts and support in establishing IIT dhArwAD and the overall development of the Institute and also welcomed Prof. VenkappayyA R. dEsAi as the Director, IIT dhArwAD.

SECTION A: CONFIRMATION ITEMS

- Item No. 12.1: Confirmation of the minutes of the 11th Meeting of the Board of Governors held on 11.09.2022.
 - i) The Board **NOTED** that the Minutes of the 11th BoG meeting were circulated and no comments were received.

R.1/12.1/22

- ii) The Board **RESOLVED to CONFIRM** the minutes of the 11th BoG meeting held on 11.09.2022.
- Item No. 12.2: Report of action taken on certain items of Minutes of the 11th BoG meeting.
 - i) The Board **NOTED** and **APPROVED** the action taken report.

SECTION B: PROGRESS REPORT

- Item No. 12.3: To note the Progress Report for the period between 11th BoG to 12th BoG.
 - i) Director made a brief presentation on the progress made by the Institute during the period. The progress presentation covered the following aspects:
 - Highlights of the 3rd Convocation of IIT dhArwAD
 - Admission of students to IIT dhArwAD.
 - Academic session in Offline & Online mode.
 - Sports activities at IIT dhArwAD.
 - Congratulating IIT dhArwADs Gold Medalist in Weight-Lifting event the at 55th Inter IIT Sports Meet held at IIT Delhi.
 - NSS Activities
 - Placement details and statistics.
 - Faculty recruitment details, Faculty R&D projects as well as technical publication details.
 - R&D outreach activities at IIT Dharwad
 - Updates on Talks on Renewables, Empowering Earth and Sustainability (TREES) talks.

- Incorporation of Dharwad Research & Technology Incubator (DhaRTI) Foundation.
- Updates on Space Data Science Lab and Sophisticated Central Instrumentation Facility (SCIF).
- 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.

Few other points of discussion:

- The Board **SUGGESTED** to include the progress made in the MoUs between IIT dhArwAD and other agencies/organizations/Institutes such as Honeywell-SELCO, ANTRIX, Infosys Foundation, etc., Champions for each MoU have to be identified to keep track of the progress in the implementation of the MoU. If required, the Champions of Concerned MoU may be invited to the meeting for a brief presentation.
- The Board **SUGGESTED** to hold regular meetings of the STRategic Initiatives Group (STRING) to discuss how the Institute can be setup in the next few years to develop a futuristic vision and strategy roadmap to leapfrog in the development trajectory to become a globally recognized Institute for Higher Education, Research and Innovation.

Item No. 12.4: 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 11th BoG to 12th BoG.

• Short Video on the Permanent Campus Construction progress.

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

Few other points of discussion:

- 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; skill development; capacity building; industry interface activities; Research Park activities keeping in mind the development horizon of Hubli-Dharwad-Belgaum region. The Board also **SUGGESTED** organizing an internal workshop to prepare the necessary outline of Institute plans in this regard.
- The Board **SUGGESTED** to work out a detailed plan for creative and structural utilization of the reserve forest area for Horticulture, Landscaping and Forestry in the permanent campus for the spiritual upliftment of the community by following due procedures and necessary approvals/permissions from the concerned authorities.

SECTION C: ITEMS CONSIDERED FOR APPROVAL

RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE SENATE:

Item No. 12.5: Modification in the Scholarship Guidelines

R.2/12.5/22

The Board CONSIDERED the proposal and RESOLVED to APPROVE for modification in the Scholarship Guidelines as per the recommendations of the Senate.

RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE FINANCE COMMITTEE:

The Board **RESOLVED to APPROVE** all the recommendations of the 10th Finance Committee meeting held on 21st December, 2022 as per minutes given in **Appendix-B**. Some of the major recommendations are as detailed below.

Item No. 12.6: Consideration and Approval of recommendation of 10th Finance Committee Meeting

R.3/12.6/22

1. FC Item No. 10.4 - To consider the recommendations of BWC for additional items towards development of 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 4.57 crores to the Board for its approval within the sanctioned project cost.

The Board **RESOLVED** to **APPROVE** the same.

2. FC Item No. 10.5 - To consider and recommend delegation of Financial power to Associate Dean

The FC **REVIEWED** the proposal of delegation of Financial power to Associate Dean and recommended to hold the proposal. The Board **NOTED** and **APPROVED** the same.

3. FC Item No. 10.6 - To consider and recommend transfer of IRG funds to Corpus Fund of the Institute.

The FC **REVIEWED** the proposal for transfer of IRG funds to Corpus Fund of the Institute and **RECOMMENDED** the same to the Board.

The Board **RESOLVED** to **APPROVE** the same.

4. FC Item No. 10.7 - To consider and recommend the Revised Annual Accounts and Audit report for F.Y. 2021-22

The FC **REVIEWED** the Revised Annual Accounts and Audit report for F.Y. 2021-22 and **NOTED** that the same and **RECOMMENDED** the proposal to the Board.

The Board **RESOLVED to APPROVE** the same.

Section F: Any other items with the permission of the Chair

The FC **RECOMMENDED** in-principle the expenditure of up to ₹ 2.00 cr towards the inauguration of the permanent campus of IIT dhArwAD. FC **FURTHER RECOMMENDED** the administrative concurrence of the Director to be obtained on all the expenditure to be incurred on inauguration programme.

The Board RESOLVED to APPROVE the same

RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE BUILDING & WORKS COMMITTEE:

Item No. 12.7:

Routed through FC

OTHER ITEMS:

Item No. 12.8: Contract to be executed by Chairman regarding the appointment of Director

R.4/12.8/22

i) The Board **CONSIDERED** and **RESOLVED to APPROVE** the Contract to be executed by the Chairman regarding the appointment of the Director.

Item No. 12.9: To consider the Proposal for approval for:

- 1. Updated CSE Expert List
- 2. Updated EE Expert List
- 3. Updated Maths Expert List

i) The Board CONSIDERED and RESOLVED to APPROVE the Proposal for approval for:

R.5/12.9/22

- 1. Updated CSE Expert List
- 2. Updated EE Expert List
- 3. Updated Maths Expert List

Item No. 12.10: To consider the proposal for the Appointment of Professor

i) The board **CONSIDERED** and **RESOLVED to APPROVE** the proposal in principle for the Appointment of the Professor.

R.6/12.10/22

i) The Board further instructed to frame and put up the procedure for implementation of the same in the next BoG meeting.

Item No. 12.11: To consider the proposal for signing of Memorandum of Understandings (MoUs) between IIT dhArwAD and the

following Universities/Centres -

- 1. Carleton University (CU), Ottawa, Canada.
- 2. Ecole de technologie supérieure (ETS), Montreal, Quebec, Canada
- 3. ROMA TRE University, Rome, Italy
- 4. University of Houston, Texas, USA
- 5. XLIM a Joint Research Unit of the University of Limoges and Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique (CNRS), Brive, France
- 6. Centre for Adivasi Research and Development, Odisha

i) The Board **CONSIDERED** and **RESOLVED to APPROVE** the proposal for signing of Memorandum of Understandings (MoUs) between IIT dhArwAD and the above mentioned Universities/Centres –

R.7/12.11/22

Item No. 12.12: To consider the proposal for the Approval of Registration of IIT Dharwad Alumni Association

R.8/12.12/22

i) The board **CONSIDERED** and **RESOLVED to APPROVE** the proposal for the Approval for Registration of IIT Dharwad Alumni Association

Item No. 12.13: To consider the proposal for the Approval of the Annual Report for the year 2021-22

R.9/12.13/22

i) The board **CONSIDERED** and **RESOLVED to APPROVE** the proposal for the Approval of the Annual Report for the year 2021-22

Item No. 12.14: To consider the proposal for the Shifting of Positions for Direct Recruitment

i) As per the comments received from AS(TE), MoE this item is kept on hold till further decisions/actions are made.

SECTION D: ITEMS FOR RATIFICATION

Item No. 12.15: BY THE CHAIRMAN:

- i) The Board **NOTED** and **RATIFIED** the following actions approved by the Chairman:
 - a. Appointment of Faculty & Non-faculty Members.
 - b. Appointment of Prof. N. S. Punekar as Dean (Academic Programs)

Item No. 12.16: BY THE DIRECTOR:

- i) The Board **NOTED** and **RATIFIED** the following actions approved by the Director:
 - a) Appointment of Visiting Faculty (VF), Professor of Practice (PoP) and Adjunct Faculty
 - b) Grade 2 to Grade 1 conversion of Assistant Professors

- c) BSBE and Chemistry Pay Fixation Note
- d) Relieving of Faculty Members
- e) Relieving of Staff Members
- f) Relieving of Visiting Professor/Professor of Practice/Adjunct Professor
- g) Confirmation of Faculty Members
- h) Confirmation of Staff Members

SECTION E: ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

Item No. 12.17:

- i) The Board **NOTED** the following information items:
 - 1. Minutes of the 18th Senate Meeting [Dt. 28.11.2022]
 - 2. Minutes of the 11th BWC Meeting [Dt. 18.11.2022]
 - 3. Arrangement of accommodation for the Director
 - 4. Appointment of Associate Deans
 - 5. Appointment of Heads of Departments
 - 6. Appointment of Faculty In-charge
 - 7. Relieving of Prof. P. Seshu
 - 8. IIT Dharwad awarded 5-Star Green Rating for Integrated Habitat Assessment (GRIHA) Large Development (LD) Master Plan rating
 - 9. State Government initiatives to facilitate inaugurationcum-partial opening of the Permanent Campus proposed in November-December 2022
 - 10. Update on the Arbitration matter
 - 11. Visitor's Nominee on the Selection Committees for the post of Professor in various Departments of IIT dhArwAD

SUPPLEMENTARY ITEM (S):

Item No. 12.18 (1): To consider the Proposal for approval for:

1. Updated Civil Expert List

R.10/12.18(1)/22

- i) The Board **CONSIDERED** and **RESOLVED to APPROVE** the Proposal for approval for:
 - 1. Updated Civil Expert List

Item No. 12.18 (2): To consider the Proposal for approval for:

2. Rolling Faculty Recruitment Advertisement

R.10/12.18(2)/22

i) The Board **CONSIDERED** and **RESOLVED to APPROVE** the Proposal for approval for Rolling Faculty Recruitment Advertisement.

ANY OTHER ITEM WITH PERMISSION OF THE CHAIR

-NIL-

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

REGISTRAR DIRECTOR CHAIRPERSON