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Indian Institute of Technology Dharwad

# INDIAN INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY DHARWAD

## MINUTES

### OF

## THIRTEENTH(13<sup>th</sup>) MEETING OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS

**VENUE :- Boardroom, IIT dhArwAD**

**MODE :- HYBRID**

**DATE :- 28<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2023 (Tuesday)**

**TIME :- 4:00 PM**

# INDIAN INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY DHARWAD

## MINUTES OF 13<sup>th</sup> MEETING OF THE BoG HELD ON

**TUESDAY, 28TH FEBRUARY 2023**

Thirteenth Meeting of the Board of Governors of the Indian Institute of Technology Dharwad was held on Tuesday, 28th February 2023 at 4:00 PM in Hybrid mode. The following were present: -

<b>Shri Vinayak Chatterjee</b>	<b>:</b>	<b>Chairperson</b>	<b>Present</b>
<b>Prof. Venkappayya R. dEsAi</b>	<b>:</b>	<b>Member</b>	<b>Present</b>
<b>Ms. Saumya Gupta</b>	<b>:</b>	<b>Member</b>	<b>Present (Online)</b>
<b>Shri. S. R. Umashankar*</b>	<b>:</b>	<b>Member</b>	<b>Present (Online)</b>
<b>Prof. S. S. Murthy</b>	<b>:</b>	<b>Member</b>	<b>Present</b>
<b>Prof. Bhavin Kothari</b>	<b>:</b>	<b>Member</b>	<b>Present (Online)</b>
<b>Dr. Shamasundar S</b>	<b>:</b>	<b>Member</b>	<b>Present (Online)</b>
<b>Prof. Nagesh R. Iyer</b>	<b>:</b>	<b>Member</b>	<b>Present</b>
<b>Prof. S. R. M. Prasanna</b>	<b>:</b>	<b>Member</b>	<b>Present</b>
<b>Dr. D. Lakshmanan</b>	<b>:</b>	<b>Special Invitee</b>	<b>Present</b>
<b>Dr. S. Basavarajappa</b>	<b>:</b>	<b>Member-Secretary</b>	<b>Present</b>

\* Shri. Narasimha, Joint Secretary, Dept. of Higher Education, Govt. of Karnataka represented the 13<sup>th</sup> BoG Meeting on behalf of Shri. S. R. Umashankar, ACS, Dept. 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.

## **SECTION A:**      **CONFIRMATION ITEMS**

**Item No. 13.1:**      **Confirmation of the minutes of the 12<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Board of Governors held on 21.12.2022.**

- i) The Board **NOTED** that the Minutes of the 12<sup>th</sup> BoG meeting and all the comments were received and incorporated accordingly.
- ii) The Board **RESOLVED** to **CONFIRM** the minutes of the 12<sup>th</sup> BoG meeting held on 21.12.2022.

**R.1/13.1/23**

**Item No. 13.2:**      **Report of action taken on certain items of Minutes of the 13<sup>th</sup> BoG meeting.**

- i) The Board **NOTED** and **APPROVED** the action taken report.

## **SECTION B:**      **PROGRESS REPORT**

**Item No. 13.3:**      **To note the Progress Report for the period between 12<sup>th</sup> BoG to 13<sup>th</sup> BoG.**

- i) Registrar 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.
  - 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).
  - Updates on Global Centre of Excellence in Affordable and Clean Energy (GCoE – ACE)

- 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 (Side Notes):**

- The Board **SUGGESTED** that the slide on “Placement” in the presentation needs to be presented by the Faculty-in-charge of Career Development Cell from next BoG. The presentation matter should include analytics such as percentage of placements, offers made and accepted, CTC, core companies visited etc., in comparison with other 3G IITs. The purpose is to find scope for improvement and different ways that can attract student talent.
- The Board **SUGGESTED** that the Faculty Welfare section should also provide information on Faculty – staff - student ratio, category wise applications received, shortlisted, interviewed etc.,
- The Board **SUGGESTED** the BoG members to give few names of eminent people for STRategic Initiatives Group (STRING) within 7 days and authorized the Director to finalize the names and proceed further. All the members of the BoG including Chairman were requested to send the eminent personalities names. The names will be finalized in the next BoG Meeting.

**Item No. 13.4: To note the Progress of Permanent Campus Construction.**

- i) Dean (IPS) 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 12<sup>th</sup> BoG to 13<sup>th</sup> 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 (Side Notes):**

- The Board **SUGGESTED** that the committee constituted under the chairmanship of Dr. Amar Gaonkar should submit the draft report or the roadmap in the next BoG Meeting 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 committee chairman should present the same before the Board. Also, an Action Taken Report having the details of effective utilization of the existing campus needs to be presented by the Chairman of the committee under the guidance of the Director.
- The Board **SUGGESTED** to work out a detailed plan for creative and structural utilization of the reserve forest area for Horticulture, Landscaping, Bio Energy and/or Herbal Medicine promotion 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. Also the Board informed that in the next BoG Meeting, the details of the Environmental Consultant/Agency hired for getting necessary Approvals/Clearances/permissions from the concerned authorities either from Government of Karnataka or Government of India should be reported with detailed terms and conditions.

## **SECTION C: ITEMS CONSIDERED FOR APPROVAL**

### **RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE SENATE:**

**Item No. 13.5: - NIL -**

### **RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE FINANCE COMMITTEE:**

**R.2/13.5/23**

The Board made a note of all the recommendations of the 11<sup>th</sup> Finance Committee meeting held on 28th February, 2023 as per minutes given in **Appendix-A**. Some of the major recommendations are as detailed below.

**Item No. 13.6: Consideration and Approval of recommendation of 11<sup>th</sup> Finance Committee Meeting**

- 1. FC Item No. 11.4 - To consider the recommendations of BWC for additional funds for works in Permanent Campus & Transit Campus.**

#### **11.4(a) - Additional Funds over & above the Approved Project Cost**

<b>Sr. No.</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Amount (₹ in crores)</b>
1	Project Cost as per approved DPR	851.88
2	Tendered Contract Amount	643.86
3	Additional items approved by BWC/FC/BoG	65.30
4	Final settlement claims on minor change in finishing, additional items for overall completion over and above estimated cost as approved in 12 <sup>th</sup> BoG (Appendix-C; Table 1 Total of Sl no I-1 to I-5)	79.92
5	<b>Sub-total (2 +3+4)</b>	<b>789.08</b>
6	Impact of additional 6% GST	32.68
7	Escalation under 10CC of Tender	74.10
8	TPQA Charges as per MoU	2.10
9	Contingencies @ 1% of 643.88cr = Rs.6.43 Cr. restricted to Rs.5.00 crores to cover other charges including licensing, statutory, etc. by CPWD	5.00
10	Expenditure incurred by IITDh for consultant fees, vetting charges, and Statutory Payments	10.36
11	Additional expenditure on payment towards consultancy, statutory payments etc. @ 2% of Rs.851.88 cr [closure will be based on actuals]	17.04
12	<b>Sub-total (6+7+8+9+10+11)</b>	<b>141.28</b>
13	<b>Revised Cost of the Project: Total (5+12) [This is 9.25% of approved project cost; project cost escalation permissible up to 10% as per GFR is Rs. 937.06cr]</b>	<b>930.36</b>

The BoG **REVIEWED** the proposal recommended by the FC for additional funds over and above the approved project cost of 852.88crores, (as per approved DPR). The cost overrun therefore, is **₹ 78.48** crores which is **9.25%** above the approved project cost of ₹ 851.88crores.

The Board **RESOLVED to APPROVE** the same and authorized the institute to approach the Government to approve and release the addition amount of **₹ 78.48** crores over and above the approved DPR.

#### **11.4(b) - To consider the proposal for construction of KV school**

The FC **REVIEWED** the proposal for construction of KV school recommended to hold the proposal and consider the same in Phase 2 construction of Permanent Campus.

The Board **NOTED and APPROVED** the same.

#### **11.4(c) - Solar Power System under CAPEX Mode**

The FC **REVIEWED** the proposal for installation of Roof Top Solar System with “Net metering” from HESCOM under the Capex mode instead of the originally proposed RESCO mode and recommended to the board for its approval.

The FC **REVIEWED** the proposal and **RECOMMENDED to DEFER** the proposal.

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

#### **11.4(d) - Emergent Civil Works in the WALMI Campus within the Sanctioned Budget**

The FC **REVIEWED** the proposal for emergent civil works in the WALMI Campus within the sanctioned budget and recommended to the board for its approval.

The FC **REVIEWED** the proposal and **RECOMMENDED** to look for alternative options for supply of water such as supply of required water through tanker lorries to the transit campus till the regular supply of water is restored.

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

**2. FC Item No. 11.5 - To consider and recommend formation of fee revision committee for rationalization of fee structure of the Institute**

The FC **REVIEWED** the formation of fee revision committee for rationalization of fee structure of the Institute and **RECOMMENDED** the proposal to the Board.

The composition of the Fee Restructuring Committee may be as follows:

1.	Dean	Chairman
2.	Internal member 1	Member
3.	Internal member 2	Member
4.	Officer-in-Charge(F&A)	Member
5.	External Member 1	Member
6.	External Member 2	Member
7.	Officer-in-Charge (Academics)	Member-Secretary

The Director to have powers to nominate Dean and co-opt members of the committee.

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

**3. FC Item No. 11.6 - To consider and recommend adoption of govt. of India guidelines on payment of gratuity act 1972 applicable to regular employees of the Institute.**

The FC **REVIEWED** the recommend adoption of govt. of India guidelines on payment of gratuity act 1972 applicable to regular employees of the Institute and **RECOMMENDED** the proposal to the Board.

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



**4. FC Item No. 11.7 - To consider and recommend procurement of official vehicles for the Institute.**

The FC **REVIEWED** the proposal for procurement of official vehicles for the Institute and recommended to the board for its approval.

The Finance Committee **REVIEWED** the proposal and **RECOMMENDED** to continue with the hiring of Car for official use of Director.

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

**5. FC Item No. 11.8 - To consider and recommend additional fund requirement for procurement of furniture and equipment due to GST impact**

The FC **REVIEWED** the proposal for recommending additional fund requirement for procurement of furniture and equipment due to GST impact and **RECOMMENDED** the proposal to the Board for additional GST burden of ₹ 23 crores.

The FC **REVIEWED** the proposal and **RECOMMENDED** to have a elaborated discussion on the cost escalation including increase in cost of equipment and Furniture due to escalation in cost and change in GST rates.

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

**RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE BUILDING & WORKS COMMITTEE:**

**Item No. 13.7: Routed through FC**

**OTHER ITEMS:**

**Item No. 13.8: In-principle approval for seeking permission from Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan (KVS) for establishing Kendriya Vidyalaya (KV) at Permanent Campus of IIT Dharwad**

- i) The Board **CONSIDERED** and **DID NOT APPROVE** the proposal for establishing the Kendriya Vidyalaya (KV) which was already in the Phase 2 of DPR.

**Item No. 13.9: Change in association of Prof. Nagesh R. Iyer from Department of MMAE to Department of Civil Engineering**

- i) The Board **CONSIDERED** and **RESOLVED to APPROVE** the Proposal for change in association of Prof. Nagesh R. Iyer from Department of MMAE to Department of Civil Engineering

#### **SECTION D: ITEMS FOR RATIFICATION**

**Item No. 13.10: BY THE CHAIRMAN:**

- i) The Board **NOTED** and **RATIFIED** the following actions approved by the Chairman:
  - a. Appointment of Faculty & Non-faculty Members.
  - b. Approval of Recruitment Rules and Promotion Policies for Non-Teaching Staff of IIT Dharwad

**Item No. 13.11: BY THE DIRECTOR:**

- i) The Board **NOTED** and **RATIFIED** the following actions approved by the Director:
  - a) Addition of Visitor Nominee to Board approved experts - EE and MA 2023
  - b) Rolling advertisement for Faculty positions at IIT Dharwad BSBE and Chemistry Pay Fixation Note
  - c) Appointment of Chief Vigilance Officer (CVO), Liaison Officer for Other Backward Classes (OBCs) and Scheduled Caste (SC) and Scheduled Tribe (ST).
  - d) Board of Directors for DhaRTI foundation

- e) Faculty In-charge for DhaRTI foundation
- f) Providing Rs. 5,00,000 to DhaRTI Foundation as an Ideation grant
- g) Correcting the typo in the consultancy project document - Regarding the Institute share from 30% to 20% for the retainer consultant
- h) Appointment of Visiting Faculty (VF), Professor of Practice (PoP) and Adjunct Faculty
- i) Conversion of eligible Assistant Professors from Grade 2 to Grade 1
- j) Relieving of Faculty Members
- k) Relieving of Staff Members
- l) Relieving of Visiting Professor/Professor of Practice/Adjunct Professor
- m) Confirmation of Faculty Members
- n) Confirmation of Staff Members
- o) JRF selection for SERB/DST Projects

## **SECTION E: ITEMS FOR INFORMATION**

### **Item No. 13.12:**

- i) The Board **NOTED** the following information items:
  - 1. Update on Arbitration matter.
  - 2. Release of Notification of Non-Teaching Staff Recruitment.

### **SUPPLEMENTARY ITEM (S):**

#### **Item No. 13.13: Recruitment of Faculty other than Regular Cadre**

- i) The Board **CONSIDERED** and **RESOLVED to APPROVE** the Proposal for Recruitment of faculty other than regular cadre as per suggestion of BoG Member Prof. S S Murthy.

- ii) The Board **SUGGESTED** to discuss with other IITs and work out a plan for the same in consultation with Prof. S S Murthy.

**Item No. 13.14: Short term Faculty deputation to Industry**

- i) The Board **CONSIDERED** and **RESOLVED to APPROVE** the short term (less than 4 months) Faculty deputation to Industry to enhance value addition and interaction.
- ii) The Board also **SUGGESTED** to be in touch with IITACB who has shown interest to help in this activity.

**Item No. 13.15: To consider the proposal for Authorizing Chairman, BoG to approve the panel of experts for the selection of staff members**

- i) The Board **CONSIDERED** and **RESOLVED to APPROVE** the proposal for Authorizing Chairman, BoG to approve the panel of experts for the selection of staff members for Recruitment Advertisement No. IITDH/Admin/Staff/Recruitment/24/2022-23 dated 01st Feb 2023 for recruitment on various administrative, technical and engineering positions.

**ANY OTHER ITEM WITH PERMISSION OF THE CHAIR**

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

**REGISTRAR**

**DIRECTOR**

**CHAIRPERSON**