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INDIAN INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY DHARWAD

MINUTES OF
THE SIXTEENTH (16th) MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF GOVERNORS (BoG)

VENUE :- Board Room, Permanent Campus, IIT dhArwAD

MODE :- Hybrid

DATE :- 18th March 2024 [Monday]

TIME :- 4:30 PM

INDIAN INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY DHARWAD

MINUTES OF THE SIXTEENTH (16TH) MEETING OF BoG HELD ON 18TH MARCH 2024 [MONDAY]

Sixteenth Meeting of the Board of Governors of the Indian Institute of Technology dhArwAD was held on Monday, 18th March 2024 at 4:30 PM in Hybrid mode. The following were present: -

Prof. VenkappayyA R. dEsAi	:	Officiating Chairperson and Director	Present
Shri. Govind Jaiswal, IAS	:	Member	Absent*
Shri. Srikar M.S., IAS	:	Member	Absent
Prof. S. S. Murthy	:	Member	Present (Online)
Prof. Bhavin Kothari	:	Member	Present (Online)
Dr. Shamasundar S.	:	Member	Present (Online)
Prof. S. R. M. Prasanna	:	Member	Present
Prof. Narayan S. Punekar	:	Special Invitee	Present
Dr. Amarnath Hegde	:	Special Invitee	Present
Shri. Sandeep Pareek	:	Secretary	Present

*Did not received the comments to the agenda from Technical Section.

At the outset, the Officiating Chairperson - Prof. Venkappayya R. dEsai extended a warm welcome to all the members and the invitees present in the meeting.

SECTION -A: CONFIRMATION ITEMS

Item No. 16.1: R1.16.2024	Confirmation of the minutes of the Fifteenth (15th) Meeting of the BoG held on 27th August 2023 - The Board NOTED and RESOLVED to CONFIRM the minutes of the Meeting of the BoG held on 27 th August 2023.
Item No. 16.2:	Action Taken Report - The Board NOTED and APPROVED the Action Taken Report.

SECTION -B: ITEMS FOR APPROVAL

Item No. 16.3:	Recommendations from the Building & Works Committee (BWC) Various Agenda Items routed through Finance Committee (FC) - The Board NOTED the same.	
Item No. 16.4:	Recommendations from the Finance Committee (FC) The following recommendations of the 13th Finance Committee meeting held on 18 th March 2024 were placed before the Board for approval:	
	FC Agenda Item No.	13.4
	FC Item	To consider the proposal to reserve 8 Incubation Centre seats for IIT dhArwAD for 8 years at IIT Alumni Centre Bengaluru (IIT ACB).
	FC Recommendation	IIT ACB will be approached to check the allotment of free seats as co-owner of IIT ACB, if any. Rationalization of the No. of seats required by IIT dhArwAD will be ascertained subsequently.
	- The Board CONSIDERED and APPROVED the proposal as per recommendations of the FC.	

FC Agenda Item No.	13.5
FC Item	To consider and to recommend the proposal for the purchase of laptops/notebooks and similar devices for eligible officer[s].
FC Recommendation	Not recommended.
<p>- The Board CONSIDERED and APPROVED the proposal as per recommendations of the FC.</p>	
FC Agenda Item No.	FC Agenda Item No. 13.6
FC Item	To consider and to recommend the proposal to purchase buses and utility vehicles for campus use.
FC Recommendation	2 Buses and 1 UV is recommended, following due procedure.
<p>- The Board CONSIDERED and APPROVED the proposal as per the recommendations of the FC with a CONDITION that the Buses to be procured should be either Electric Vehicles (EV) or Hydrogen powered vehicles. This will enhance the Institute's vision and support the Go-Green initiative, and it will further serve the Institute's Transportation sector, it will also assist in Education/ Research purposes. The Board did NOT RECOMMEND purchase of conventional Internal Combustion Engine Buses. In view of any immediate requirement, the institute may proceed with hiring Buses through External Agencies.</p> <p>- The Board also SUGGESTED to explore and seek corporate sponsorship from market-leader companies for purchase of EV buses.</p>	
FC Agenda Item No.	13.7
FC Item	To consider and to recommend the proposal to waive off EMD (Earnest Money Deposit) on procurement of goods and services up to ₹ 100 Lakhs.

	FC Recommendation	Not recommended.
	- The Board CONSIDERED and APPROVED the proposal as per the recommendations of the FC.	
	FC Agenda Item No.	13.8
	FC Item	To consider and to recommend the proposed revised fees for B. Tech, M. Tech., and Ph. D. from July/ August 2024 onwards
	FC Recommendation	The breakup needs to be provided along with the minutes of Meeting mentioning clearly that B.Tech tuition fees -as decided by the IIT Council shall prevail.
	- The Board CONSIDERED and APPROVED the proposal as per recommendations of the FC.	
	FC Agenda Item No.	13.9
	FC Item	To consider the recommendations of 13 th BWC for additional items towards the development of Permanent Campus (PC) within the sanctioned project cost
	FC Recommendation	Recommended except Point No. 6 and 10(3). Both the items require further deliberation and need to be routed through BWC again.
	- The Board CONSIDERED and after reviewing and deliberating on Point No. 6 and 10(3), APPROVED the proposal as per recommendations of the FC.	
	FC Agenda Item No.	13.10
	FC Item	To delegate the financial power to Associate Professor[s], who will be appointed as Dean[s].

	FC Recommendation Recommended. - The Board CONSIDERED the matter and SUGGESTED that all such cases be proposed for approval of the Board. The Board will consider the delegation of financial powers on a case-to-case basis.
Item No. 16.5:	To consider the proposal for converting EWS (Economically Weaker Section) category unfilled position to UR(Unreserved) category [among the Group A positions] - The Board CONSIDERED and SUGGESTED that full efforts should be made to recruit more Faculty members to ensure a Quality Education for students. It should not be compromised in any way. However, such converted appointments may be put up for approval of the Board on a case-to-case basis along with the details of making genuine efforts to recruit Faculty Members from relevant categories.
Item No. 16.6:	To consider the proposal to appoint Associate Professors as regular Deans with financial powers at par with existing regular Deans, who are Full Professors - The Board CONSIDERED this item. In view of the mid career path of the Associate Professors, it is SUGGESTED not to have a blanket approval for appointing Associate Professor as full time Dean (s). - However, the Board CONSIDERED and SUGGESTED putting such cases on a case-to-case basis for approval of the Board by circulation. Further, the Full Profiles of suitable candidate(s) [including History/Background of responsibilities held earlier] is to be circulated for approval among all BoG members. - The Board also SUGGESTED that more Experienced Visiting Professors should be appointed to manage the shortfall of Professors. These Visiting Professors may also be appointed as Full Dean(s) as per requirement to shoulder important Institute responsibilities.

Item No. 16.7:	<p>To consider the proposal to increase the Faculty and Staff strength to match the Faculty Student Ratio as approved by the Ministry of Education (MoE), GoI, for the 3rd Generation (3G) IITs, which is 1:10 currently.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Board APPRECIATED the efforts made by the Faculty Welfare office in summarizing and presenting the future projection of vacancies and Faculty and/or Staff strength required to accommodate the Faculty Student Ratio. However the Board SUGGESTED to have a detailed proposal of existing students' strength and the projections for future and accordingly the same may be put up for approval of the Board.
Item No. 16.8:	<p>Proposal to approve the constitution of Faculty Association at IIT dhArwAD and further issue of NOC and Address proof for this formation.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Board APPROVED the proposal with a CONDITION that an Institute level committee may be constituted to explore the structure and byelaws of such Association in other IITs. This should be vetted by a legal team of the Institute. The proposed committee will be responsible to evaluate, comment and delete any clause specified in the Association's byelaws, so as to ensure that it does not affect/interfere with the normal functioning of the Institute. Further to the recommendation of this committee, NOC (No Objection Certificate) may be issued as requested. - Further the Board also encouraged the Staff members to form a similar Association to that of the Faculty Association proposed in this meeting.
Item No. 16.9: R2.16.2024	<p>To consider updating the Clause 12(2)(XV) in the statutes of IIT dhArwAD.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Board CONSIDERED and RESOLVED to APPROVE the proposal for sending the suggestion to amend the mentioned Clause to the Ministry of Education (MoE) for further consideration and implementation as per Government of India (GoI) rules and norms.

Item No. 16.10:	<p>To consider a minor modification in the existing logo of IIT dhArwAD</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Board CONSIDERED and DID NOT APPROVE the proposal to update the existing logo. The existing approved logo will continue to be used as shown below: <div data-bbox="726 403 1173 784" data-label="Image"> </div> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - However, the Board SUGGESTED that the Institute's Name in all 3 languages maybe included in all letterheads along with the logo.
Item No. 16.11:	<p>Indianization of Roman script and Promoting Indian Knowledge Systems (IKS) through the Global Centre of Excellence (GCoE) in IKS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Board CONSIDERED and DID NOT APPROVE this proposal as of now.

SECTION -C: ITEMS FOR RATIFICATION

Item No. 16.12:	<p><u>BY THE CHAIRMAN:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Approval of the selection committee reports of Faculty recruitment in various departments. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -The Board NOTED and RATIFIED the above ratification item. <p>Approval for the selection committee reports of Staff recruitment for the positions of Deputy Registrar, Assistant Registrar, Assistant Executive Engineer, Sports Officer</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -The Board NOTED and RATIFIED the above ratification item.
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	<p>3. Appointment of New Faculty Members -The Board NOTED and RATIFIED the above ratification item.</p> <p>4. Appointment of New-Staff Members -The Board NOTED and RATIFIED the above ratification item.</p> <p>5. To consider the proposal for revision of honorarium for thesis evaluation and various fees charged for academic documents. -The Board NOTED and RATIFIED only Point Number 2 and 3 of the proposal. -The Board SUGGESTED that Point Number 1 – regarding the proposal for revision of Honorarium fees for evaluation and Viva-voce should be Status Quo needs to be maintained.</p> <p>6. To consider the Institute Policy for the Institute Staff interested in pursuing Ph. D. at IIT dhArwAD -The Board NOTED and RATIFIED the above ratification item with a SUGGESTION to extend/frame a similar policy for temporary staff who are directly involved with technical duties and responsibilities in the Institute.</p>
Item No. 16.13:	<p><u>BY THE DIRECTOR:</u></p> <p>1. Appointment of Visiting Faculty (VF), Professor of Practice (PoP) and Adjunct Faculty -The Board NOTED and RATIFIED the above ratification item.</p> <p>2. Conversion of Eligible Assistant Professors from Grade II to Grade I -The Board NOTED and RATIFIED the above ratification item.</p> <p>3. Service Confirmation of Faculty Members -The Board NOTED and RATIFIED the above ratification item.</p>

4. Service Confirmation of Staff Members

-The Board **NOTED** and **RATIFIED** the above ratification item.

5. Relieving of Visiting Professor/Professor of Practice/Adjunct Professor

-The Board **NOTED** and **RATIFIED** the above ratification item.

6. Relieving of Faculty Members

-The Board **NOTED** and **RATIFIED** the above ratification item.

7. Relieving of Staff Members

-The Board **NOTED** and **RATIFIED** the above ratification item.

8. Appointment of Officiating Registrar, Officiating Dean IPS, Officiating Dean Outreach, Officiating Joint Dean SW at IIT dhArwAD

--The Board **NOTED** and **RATIFIED** the above ratification item with a suggestion to include their current designation. The suggested changes are incorporated in the table and placed below for confirmation.

S. No.	Name	Current Designation	Official Title	Effective from
1	Mr. Sandeep Pareek	Deputy Registrar	Officiating Registrar	04.01.2024
2	Prof. Amarnath Hegde	Associate Professor	Officiating Dean IPS	09.01.2024
3	Prof. S M Shivaprasad	Visiting Professor	Officiating Dean Outreach	18.01.2024
4	Prof. Ramjee Repaka	Professor	Officiating Joint Dean Student Welfare	18.01.2024

9. Relocation allowance for Staff members

-The Board **NOTED** and **RATIFIED** the above ratification item.

10. Fines for violation of Hostel Rules and Regulations

	-The Board NOTED and RATIFIED the above ratification item.
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SECTION -D: ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

Item No. 16.14:	<p>1. Minutes of the 21st Senate Meeting held on 27.08.2023. A copy of the same is enclosed as per Annexure 16.14.1. -The Board NOTED the above information item.</p> <p>2. Completion of the Term of former BoG chairman Shri Vinayak Chatterjee on 26.10.2023. -The Board NOTED the above information item.</p> <p>3. Appointment of Prof. Venkappayya R. dEsai as Officiating Chairperson BoG at IIT dhArwAD by virtue of Clause No. 12(2)(XV) mentioned in Statutes. -The Board NOTED the above information item.</p>
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SUPPLEMENTARY ITEMS

SECTION -B: ITEMS FOR APPROVAL

Item No. 16.15:	<p>Name the Building/facilities after the Indian Great personalities as well as potential sponsors. -The Board NOTED and SUGGESTED that the list of building names may be circulated among Board members for further suggestions and approval.</p>
Item No. 16.16:	<p>To consider the proposed Vision of the Institute for displaying it on the Visiting Card by Institute Stakeholders -The Board NOTED and APPROVED the proposed vision of the institute with a SUGGESTION. The English version after incorporating the suggestion is placed below for confirmation: <i>"We are committed to fructify the Parashurama-BasavEshwara akshaya KshEthra [a Net-Zero Water-Energy-Waste Facility] by 2030."</i></p>

SECTION -C: ITEMS FOR RATIFICATION

Item No. 16.13:	11. Publishing of the Rolling Faculty Recruitment Advertisement dated 07.03.2024. A copy of the same is enclosed as per Annexure 16.13.11. -The Board NOTED and RATIFIED the above ratification item.
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SECTION -D: ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

ANY OTHER ITEM(S) WITH PERMISSION OF THE CHAIR

- NIL -

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks from the Officiating Chairperson.

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**OFFICIATING
REGISTRAR**

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DIRECTOR

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**OFFICIATING
CHAIRPERSON**