

INDIAN INSTITUTE OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY, ALLAHABAD (An Institution of National Importance established by the Act of the Parliament of India)

Minutes of Fifteenth Meeting of BOG

Date: 17th July, 2020 Time: 11:45 A.M. onwards Venue: Board Room, IIIT-A

Jhalwa Campus, Allahabad

The 15th Meeting of the Board of Governors of IIIT-Allahabad was held on 17.07.2020 from 11:45 a.m. onwards in the Board Room of Admin Block, IIIT-Allahabad. The members in attendance were as follows:

- Chairman 1. Prof. P. Nagabhushan Director Indian Institute of Information Technology, Allahabad -Member 2. *Prof. Arvind Choubey Director IIIT Bhagalpur, Bihar - Member 3. *Dr. Jaideep Kumar Mishra Joint Secretary & Group Coordinator (HRD) Ministry of Electronics & IT (MeitY), New Delhi -Member 4. *Prof. Manindra Agrawal Deputy Director Indian Institute of Technology Kanpur -Member 5. *Shri Jitendra Kumar Represent Additional Chief Secretary Dept. of IT & Electronics, Govt. of Uttar Pradesh, Lucknow -Member 6. *Prof. Archana Shukla Director Indian Institute of Management, Lucknow -Member 7. *Shri Rahul Singh Managing Director, GAPL, Mumbai -Member 8. *Prof. Anand Bulusu Dept. of Electronics & Computer Engineering Indian Institute of Technology Roorkee - Member 9. Prof. Shekhar Verma Dean (Infrastructure, Planning & Resources Management) Indian Institute of Information Technology, Allahabad - Member 10. Prof. U.S. Tiwary

Dean (Human Affairs)
Indian Institute of Information Technology, Allahabad

11. Shri O.P. Srivastava-Deputy Registrar (PME&E), IIIT-Allahabad Special Invitee
[As approved by the Hon'ble Chairman, BOG]

12. **Dr. P.K. Saini**Joint Registrar (E), IIIT-Allahabad

- Special Invitee
[As approved by the Hon'ble Chairman, BOG]

13. **Prof. Shirshu Varma**Registrar (Acting)
Indian Institute of Information Technology, Allahabad

- Secretary

*Attended the meeting online through Skype.

Prof. Abhay Karandikar, Director, IIT Kanpur could not attend the meeting due to his preoccupation and was granted Leave of Absence.

The comments of MHRD represented by Additional Secretary (IITs, IIITs) MHRD & Member BOG IIITA on the Agenda Items has been conveyed by Sh. Praveer Kumar Saxena Under Secretary IIITA vide his email dated Jul 17, 2020. These were placed by the Secretary BoG before the Board of Governors and the members to put on record and were duly considered during deliberations.

At the outset, the Chairman formally welcomed all the members and special invitees present at the meeting. The Secretary also welcomed all the members and special invitees who made it convenient to attend the meeting.

- 1. As the opening remarks the BoG was informed that In spite of COVID-19 pandemic, faculty, officers, staff and students cooperated very well in adhering to and maintaining academic calendar. All academic events were conducted as per schedule. The continuous assessment was possible due to the new CCLCAA Ordinance that enabled the execution of academic interaction activities, exams and assessment activities online withstanding the compelled isolation. The results were notified as scheduled. In case they required some extra time because of unprecedented situation, M.Tech.-IV semester students were provided with the provision to make use of summer vacation to submit the thesis.
- 2. Presently, the summer semester, as per schedule, for the advantage of Dropped Candidates has been going online without any hitches. It is expected to get completed as per the schedule. The activities for coming semester are also expected to undergo online mode.
- 3. Also, our faculty members have taken up the initiative to continue with Summer Internship activities, in online mode, which is witnessing a larger number of enrollments.

- 4. Many online workshops and online seminars are successfully conducted and are also planned on diverse topics. The attendance in events so far was in larger number and the events are highly received.
- 5. Under the prevailing situation, since it is understood, that it will take more time for the normalcy to return in academic institutions, the controls are already in place to conduct the upcoming odd semester in online mode as per scheduled academic calendar. The Institute has taken up to create an enhanced tech savvy environment to accomplish this. However, it is understood the fresh BTech. MTech and MBA batches will get started as per the directions from MHRD.
- 6. The institute has been ranked 103rd out of 200 ranks notified by the NIRF. Although it amounts to being in top 5% of the total number of technical institutions, it is necessary that institute should address the issue to move up in its rank position. In QS India Ranking, Institute has stood at 40th position. Under Computer Science discipline, at the International QS ranking IIITA is placed in the bracket of 500-550 ranks, which is noteworthy. This also means that IIITA stands at 17th rank in Computer Science discipline among the Indian Institutions. The Chairman expressed vividly that there is scope for the institution to improve and project itself in the future years.
- 7. As on that date, CBI is investigating the certain issues against Dr M.D. Tiwari,the then Director, IIIT Allahabad. Irregularities were broadly divided into: Criminal, Vigilance and Administrative. The report against administrative angles has been due for submission by the designated committee constituted by the Board. It will be then circulated to all Members of the BoG for information.
- 8. While reporting on the consideration and approval of the course titled, "Personality and Psychology Development' (LTP: 2-2-2) to be run as 1st course in 1st semester of B.Tech. program, the Chairman opined that such a course should be a part of Orientation program for any newly admitted candidate. He also suggested that the first semester should be composed of two parts an initial Orientation part and then the regular first semester. The Orientation part should be entitled as Orientation Camp, which should include the essence of the new proposed course also. The Orientation Camp will be for 4 credits; however, the program will not be graded. The Orientation Camp should be made compulsory and will be for an initial period of 3-4 weeks in the first semester. This was in accordance with what was approved in 18th Senate Meeting.
- 9. During the Alumni meet in Bangalore, it was strongly advocated and therefore it is seriously been considered to establish one Alumni extension centre in Bangalore.
- 10. This year Institute will organize the e-convocation and as a practice Institute will invite a person of eminence from different walks of life to be the Chief Guest at the Convocation. BoG was apprised that the ISRO Chief, Dr. K. Sivan has agreed to be the Chief Guest for the e-convocation of IIIT Allahabad. This will be the 15th Convocation of the Institute.

The Chairman then requested the Secretary to initiate the proceedings as per the Agenda Items.

15.01 To receive the Minutes of the Fourteenth meeting of Board of Governors of the Institute held on 24.01.2020

The minutes of the meeting were circulated to the members vide E-mail dated 6th March 2020. Since no comment was received, the minutes were accordingly confirmed subsequent to circulation.

Comments of Technical Section, MHRD: May be considered.

Resolution: The Board noted and received the minutes of Fourteenth meeting of BOG which were accordingly confirmed.

15.02 To review the Action Taken Report on the Minutes of Fourteenth meeting of Board of Governors of the Institute held on 24.01.2020.

The review of Action Taken Report on the Minutes of Fourteenth meeting of the Board of Governors of the Institute held on 24.01.2020 was taken up.

The Chairman commented that what actions have been taken up by the various Departments of the Institute on ATR memos should also be reported in the meeting. It was noted for future compliance.

Comments of Technical Section, MHRD: May be considered.

Resolution: The ATR on the above Minutes was noted and received by the Board.

AGENDA ITEM NO.

15.03 To consider and approve conversion of One Deputy Registrar post into Assistant Registrar.

Professor Shekhar Verma briefed the members of the BoG that currently there are 1978 students in number including UG and PG. The entire Institute is being managed by 05 numbers of the Dy./Jt Registrars and 05 number of Assistant Registrars out of 85 numbers of sanctioned posts of the non-teaching staff apart from 15 numbers of contractual staff and some outsourced staff. The Institute has also requested additionally for 89 non-teaching posts including the posts of Assistant Registrars as per student:faculty:staff ratio(12:1:1.1). The request is pending with MHRD.

In this backdrop of dearth of Assistant Registrars the subject of converting the post of Dy. Registrar (caused by the volunteer retirement of erstwhile chief executive officer) to that of Assistant Registrar level was placed before the BoG.

The arguments and Justifications in favour of the proposal made were placed as listed below(which is also as a response to MHRD's observation)

- 1. There is sanction of 23 numbers of Assistant Registrars at IIT(ISM) Dhanbad and students' strength is 7020. So, the ratio of AR and students is 1:300. A similar kind of ratio also exists at IIT Kanpur where students' strength is 7267 and position of Assistant Registrars is 18 numbers and Dy. Registrar is 10 numbers, therefore, ratio of AR to DR is 2:1. The ratio at AR to DR at IITA is 1:1. Also, at IIIT Allahabad, there are nearly 2000 students and just 5 Assistant Registrars are present. So, the ratio of AR to students is 1:400. This substantiates the requirement of additional manpower at the level of Assistant Registrar. Professor Manindra Agarwal, one of the BoG members, stated that IIT Kanpur is 4 times bigger than the IIITA where there is a significant increase of the registry cadre officers. It was also informed by JR(Estt.) an invited member that at IIT(ISM) Dhanbad there are 23 ARs and 10 DRs, roughly coming to 2:1 ratio. The situation at IIITA is nowhere near to this.
- 2. The administration from IIITA briefed the BoG members that the vacancy already existed in the form of Dy Registrar; due to the paucity of officers at Assistant Registrar level; the Institute would like to downgrade the post of Dy Registrar into that of Assistant Registrar and will fill as per recruitment norms in force at IIITA.
- 3. On the issue if such a conversion would affect any aspirant Assistant Registrar in his /her possible promotion to DR,as per RPN ,the following facts are categorically presented:

By downgrading the post of Dy Registrar, it will not impact any of the existing Assistant Registrar in blocking his/her promotion channel even considering the one who is the senior most at this point of time. The senior most Assistant Registrar will be eligible for promotion after 5 years; by that time other Joint Registrars (substantial post of Dy Registrar) will get retired. It is administratively clear that this act of conversion will not affect the career of any of the existing Assistant Registrars and therefore anybody's promotion avenue will not be blocked.

Technical Section comments of MHRD

Justification given by the Institute to operate the post in Assistant level is not convincing. Institute is already having sufficient numbers of AR, JR/DR. It would be appropriate to surrender this post.

Resolution of BoG: After the detailed deliberation, the members accepted to convert the post into Assistant Registrar. The BoG agreed that there should be more number of ARs than DRs as in other institute of national importance. Generally, accepted ratio of DR:AR is 1:2. It was further resolved that the Institute will send the request letter to MHRD with the justifications presented and reasons to convert one vacant post of Dy Registrar into Assistant Registrar as this change will not bring any financial implication (while lessens financial burden) and also will not affect the promotion of any presently serving ARs.

AGENDA ITEM NO.

- 15.04 (A) To consider and approve financial up gradation under MACP scheme as per career progression path provided in recruitment and promotion norms-2016.
 - (B) To consider and approve relaxation of necessity to hold certain designation for promotion of internal regular employees of IIITA to the next grade as per RPN, 2016.

Prof. Shekhar Varma apprised the Board Members that in Technical and Ministerial level while awarding up-gradation under MACP; the next higher grade is awarded after completion of 10/20/30 years of service in an identical grade. This up-gradation sometime doesn't provide the pay scale/grade as per next hierarchy of the post as listed in RPN-2016 while just an intermediate grade/pay level between two hierarchical post. He cited two examples of such grade pay/pay level by two examples.

One of the Board Members also asked the status of MACP being followed at IIT Kanpur. Professor Maninder Agarwal stated that MACP as per Government of India order in totality is followed at IIT Kanpur and next higher grade only without designation is awarded as per pay level listed by the Government of India.

Comments of Technical Section, MHRD:

"The proposal is clearly inclined to circumvent the spirit of MACP policy of Govt. of India which seeks to provide temporary relief to the employees who are not able to get the regular promotions for any reason. At the same time, this policy also throws light on poor HR management in the organization.

As per MACP Scheme of Gol, no re-designation is carried out and the grade pay has been specified for each up-gradation which is not necessarily the next promotional post.

We may reiterate that the MACP Rules of DoPT may be strictly followed".

Resolution: Board of Governors, unanimously, decided to follow the norms of MACP as prescribed by the Government of India in all such cases and discouraged to bring such agenda point in the BoG Meeting.

AGENDA ITEM NO.

15.05 To apprise with the legal opinion sought for compassionate appointment in case of Mrs. Neetu Tiwari (wife of Late Sri NK Tripathi).

The Institute has already communicated to MHRD vide Institute letter No. IIIT-A/RO/2020/115 dated 17.03.2020 as compliance to the decision expressed in Action Taken Report pertaining to the agenda Item No. 14.07 of 14th BoG meeting that the terms of Compassionate Appointment will be as directed by the MHRD.

As per the Office Order No. IIIT-A/RO/091/2020 dated 03.03.2020; a six member committee was constituted including two staff representatives to assess and work out the Compassionate Appointment of Mrs Neetu Tiwari. The findings of Committee were put up before Hon'ble Director, IIIT-A for his perusal and further order. On the recommendation of Hon'ble Director, Institute has sought legal opinion on the report of designated committee. Legal opinion has been placed before the Board for perusal. The Board was briefed about the legal opinion furnished by the counsel of the Institute.

Prof U.S. Tiwary expressed his disagreement on the certain points of the legal opinion. Other members were of the view that the matter may be examined administratively with respect to legal opinion and DoPT rule for compassionate appointment. Hon'ble Chairman, BoG concluded by observing that the Institute has already consulted MHRD and legal opinion in the matter.

In view of the above discussion, the action should be to proceed administratively as per the provision of DoPT rules for compassionate appointment as directed by MHRD.

<u>Technical Comments MHRD:</u> It is reiterated that the policy of GoI (DoPT) for compassionate appointment may be followed. The legal opinion seems appropriate.

Resolution: Board approved that IIIT Administration should proceed strictly as per the DoPT's provision for compassionate appointment and should take administrative decision accordingly.

Agenda item No.

15.06 To consider transfer of Institute overhead amount from consultancy project to Centre of Intelligent Robotics with special care to Health Care Automation.

With the permission of Chair Shri O.P. Srivastava JR (PME&E) apprised the members that "Centre for Intelligent Robotics with special care to Health Care Automation" was established with the aim that the Centre shall be financially self sustaining and no grant form Institute will be provided.

The PI of the project is Prof. G.C Nandi has facilitate to signed a MoU with TCS where a sum of Rs. 1,65,750/- (Rs.1,50,000 +IGST Rs. 27000 -7.5% TDS) has been received from TCS as consultancy fee. Now, the PI has made a request before the Board that this overhead amount may be given to Centre for utilization.

Prof Maninder Agarwal, BoG member pointed that any overhead charges through project work or consultancy work should come into Institute Account as Institute is providing its resources to run the Centre.

In addition, Prof. Shekhar Verma and Prof. U.S Tiwary, BoG members raised the sustainability of established Centres which are under financial crunch. It was suggested that such issues could be sorted out by adopting some bye-laws providing financial provisions to manage these Centers.

It was further noted that on the date the Service Agreement was signed, then the Centre was not in the existence and therefore the said Centre was not shown as knowledge partner, infact IIITA is the knowledge partner. Therefore, it is to be understood that the project proposed has not originated explicitly from the Center.

MHRD Technical comments: "The Institute had decided at the time of approval of the Centre of Intelligent Robotics that no funds shall be given by the Institute for running the Centre. We may stick to this decision. May be discussed in the meeting."

Resolution: BoG unanimously resolved that the overhead amount from consultancy project as envisaged cannot be transferred to the centre and status quo be maintained with regard to overhead charges.

Agenda item No.

15.07: To report status of Enquiry against the Dr. M.D. Tiwari, Former Director, IIIT-Allahabad.

The BoG was briefed about the status of enquiry being carried out by the CBI team. A CBI officer was in campus in connection with the ongoing investigation against Dr. M.D. Tiwari former Director, IIITA. CBI officer apprised the Hon'ble Director that allegations having criminal and vigilance angle are under investigation. Earlier IIITA administration was under the impression that while CBI enquiry was going on then the Departmental enquiry should be put on hold and could be taken up again only after the completion of CBI investigation. However, MHRD vide letter 17/03/2020 clarified and asked IIITA to carry forward the enquiry where the focus happens to be on irregularities having administrative angle. The same was conveyed to the already formed Independent Enquiry Committee under the Chairmanship of Prof. Kripa Shankar. Investigations are under progress but somehow due to COVID-19 situation members could not meet frequently as desired. The Committee is yet to but about to submit its report on the enquiry on erring officials for allegations having the administrative angle. The rest of the cases having criminal and vigilance angle are already taken up by the CBI.

MHRD Technical comments: "The independent enquiry committee formed by the Institute was constituted in June 2019 and is yet to come out with report. Such delays are avoidable. The Committee may be asked to submit its report expeditiously".

Resolution: Hon'ble BoG has observed and noted the same.

Agenda item No.

15.08: (A) To consider appeal of Shri Kishan Singh (IEC2019005) and Shri Harsh Singh (IIT2019116) against the decision of the Senate dated 25.04.2020 as per provision contained in section 37 of IIIT Act, 2014 sub –clause (4) in the light of the judgment delivered by Hon'ble High Court while dismissing the writ petition C-4559- of 2020.

With the permission of Chair Prof. Shekhar Verma one of the Board Member apprised the other members, an act of indiscipline happened on the night of 26th January 2020 in the institute campus. The third year group of students sent some whatsapp message and in reaction of whatsapp message some second year students went to the hostel in evening and some altercation and physical fight occurred which made students of Third year to lodge a complaint against the students of second year for the ugly incident. Taking cognizance, Institute quickly took suitable action. Accordingly, Disciplinary Committee was constituted by the Hon'ble Director which heard the students matter in detail. The 17th meeting of Senate (special meeting) was called on urgent basis where reports of various subcommittees were discussed in detail. The affected students had made appeals before the Senate for relief from penal action. The Senate considered report of the 1st Committee as well as 2nd Committee and then different kinds of punishments were awarded against the charged (accused) students.

Two students namely Mr Kishan Singh and Harsh Singh filed a writ petition before High Court of Allahabad against the decision of the Senate.

The Hon'ble High Court while dismissing the writ petition vide its order dated 16.06.2020 delivered the following judgment:

"---Shri Rohan Gupta learned counsel appearing for the respondents has drawn my attention to Section 37 of Indian Institute of Information Technology Act,2014(in short the Act). Sub-clause 4 off which provides as under:

"(4) Every employee or student of the Institute, notwithstanding anything contained in this act, have a right to appeal within such time as may be prescribed by the Statutes, to the Board of Governors against the decision of any officer or authority of the Institute as the case may be and thereupon the board of Governors may confirm, modify or reverse the decision appealed against".

In view of the statutory provision provided------The petitioners may approach the Board of Governors for the redressal of his grievances.

With the aforesaid observation, the writ petition is dismissed."

The Board was informed that In the light of the above Mr Kishan singh, Harsh Singh filed mercy appeal before BoG. Mr Aditva Rai has also appealed for mercy before BoG.

Director IIM Lucknow, BoG Member also offered her views and observations that though Institute has imposed punishment as an action but It needs to set up closure monitoring, mentoring of students through full time professional counselor and create soothing atmosphere in organization so that students can resolve such issues with the help of Hostel Warden and Counselor without approaching higher administration. Hostel Wardens should also be easily approachable and student committee frequently should make interaction with wardens..

The BoG has gone through all the documents placed before it and after deliberations as agreed upon by all the members Chairman BoG, had constituted a Committee to consider these mercy appeals.

Resolution: Board has constituted an independent Committee drawing the members from BOG under the Chairmanship of Shri Rahul Singh. The other members of the committee are Dr. Anand Bulusu, external expert member of BoG and Prof. Shekhar Verma, internal member. Shri O.P Srivastava (JR PME&E) was identified to function as convener. This committee was requested to consider the mercy appeals submitted by the students to BoG against 17th Senate decision and directed to submit its recommendations to Chairman BoG for approval.

B). To consider minutes of the 17th Special meeting of Senate held on 25.04.2020.

The Board perused the Minutes of 17th meeting of the Senate of the Institute which was held on 25.04.2020 and same is placed before the Board.

Comments of Technical Section, MHRD: May be discussed in the meeting.

Resolution: The Board ratified the Minutes of 17th meeting of Senate held on 25.04.2020.

15.09: To be apprised of the legal issues (court cases) of the Institute.

The Board was apprised about the status of legal issues (Court Cases) currently being dealt by the Institute.

Comments of Technical Section, MHRD: May be considered.

Resolution: The Board noted the same.

Agenda Item No.

15.10. To receive and approve the Minutes of 43rd meeting of Finance Committee held on 09th July 2020.

The 43rd meeting of the Finance Committee of the Institute was scheduled on 17.07.2020 before the current Board meeting. As such, the Board was apprised that the Minutes of the 43rd Finance Committee will be circulated to the Board subsequently.

<u>Comments of Technical Section, MHRD</u>: Institute has made this table agenda item. So, this may be considered.

Resolution: The Board noted the same and conveyed acceptance for circulation afterwards.

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Item No

15.11 To ratify the 18th Meeting of Senate held on 26.06.2020.

The Board perused the Minutes of 17th meeting of the Senate of the Institute which was held on 25.04.2020 which were placed before the Board.

Comments of Technical Section, MHRD:

Will be placed on the table. May be discussed in the meeting.

Resolution: The Board ratified the minutes of 18th meeting of Senate held on 26.06.2020.

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item No.

15.08 (A) S(I). To consider appeal of Shri Aditya Raj (IIB 2019007) against the decision of the Senate dated 25.04.2020 as per provision contained in section 37 of IIIT Act, 2014 sub – clause (4)

The details discussion was carried out in the agenda item No. 15.08 [A] and action suggested thereon are also applicable in the matter.

Resolution: The recommendation of Board are as per above agenda item No.15.08 [A].

Agenda item No.

15.12 [S - (i)] To ratify the Minutes of the Selection Committee Meeting held on 07.07.2020 for the Post of Junior Technical Superintendent (01Position).

With the permission of Chair Prof. Shekhar Verma, Dean (IPR) apprised the BoG member that selection of suitable internal candidate for appointment on the promotional posts (one) in level-6 in accordance with the procedure laid down in the Statutes of IIIT-A. The details of procedure followed in selection has already been elaborated in Agenda 15.12 [S-(i)]. This is noted item before the Hon'ble BoG members.

<u>Technical Comments of MHRD:-</u> The selection of suitable internal candidate on the promotional post against Advt. dated 12.05.2020 was done by the Selection Committee meeting held on 07.07.2020. 2 candidates, viz, Mrs.Pratibha Verma and Mr. Santosh Yadav were shortlisted for the next level. Then, Sh. Santosh Kr Yadav was selected on the post of Jr. Technical Superintendent. So, this may be considered.

Resolution: The Board noted the same.

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item No.

15.12 [S - (ii)] To report the absconding status of Sh. Satish Kumar, Driver for the information of BoG.

With the permission of Chair Prof. Shekhar Verma, Dean (IPR) apprised the BoG members about the incident that happened in Institute where one of the Driver of Institute Mr. Satish Kumar has been missing since 4th July 2020 at about 10.30AM. The family of Mr. Kumar waited till the next morning but he did not return. An FIR was lodged by the family of Mr. Kumar in Dhoomanganj Police Station,

Prayagraj about his absconding from the IIIT A Campus. Hon'ble Director IIIT-A has ordered for an enquiry in the matter and sought report from IIITA administration.

Technical Comments of MHRD:- Sh. Satish Kumar, the driver, has been missing since 4th July, 2020 around 10.30am. An FIR has already been filed by the Institute in the Police Station. As per his wife, she received a phone call from her husband, Satish on 06.07.2020 at night and she wrote a letter to the administration of the Institute informing about the personal problems including his mental illness. Institute's administration has replied that his resignation cannot be accepted owing to his mental illness and the genuineness of the letter is not ascertained which was received by the Institute requesting them to accept his resignation. Institute has written a letter to his wife informing that his resignation cannot be accepted in such a situation and he should attend office first as soon as possible and then necessary action will be taken.

Institute has considered his period of absence as an unauthorized absence from his duties and his salary for July onwards is put on hold till further orders. The action of the Institute on the matter seems appropriate.

So, this may be considered.

Resolution: Board noted the same.

Tabled Agenda (Any other Item) Item No. 15.12.[S-(iii)]

To consider and approve the Honorary Faculty position for the Directors of IIIT Allahabad.

Prof. Shekhar Verma, obtaining the permission from the Chairman BoG, presented the following provision as existed vide F.No. 27-11/2011 TS-I dated 23.04.2014 in the 4-Tier Flexible Cadre Structure for faculty recruitment:

"Institute may honour distinguished academician including its own retired faculty members by conferring on them the status of "Honorary Faculty".

Director of the Institutes appointed by the visitor in accordance with the provisions of IIIT Act and Statutes will automatically be "Honorary Faculty for Life" on completion of their tenure of service, irrespective of their level of engagement in institute activity in future."

Prof. Shekhar Verma requested the BoG members to accept the provision. Accordingly it was resolved that all the past, the present and the future Directors may be awarded "Honorary Faculty for Life" except Dr.M.D. Tiwari in compliance of the direction issued by MHRD vide Letter No. C. 13011/155/2012-Vig dated 29th May 2019.

Resolution: BoG unanimously approved to endorse the provision of "Honorary Faculty for Life" to be awarded to the Directors of IIIT Allahabad and accepted that IIITAllahabad could request all the past, the present and the future Directors to serve as Honorary Faculty of Life; however except Dr. M.D. Tiwari for the reasons cited above.

15.13. Any other item with the permission of the Chair.

There was no other item for the meeting.

The meeting ended with a Vote of Thanks.

Dr. Shirshu Varma Secretary, BOG, IIIT-A Prof. P. Nagabhushan Chairman & Director, IIIT-A