

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

## Minutes of Nineteenth Meeting of Board of Governors (Convocation Specific)

: 9th September, 2021 Date

Time: 12.00 Noon

Venue: Online video Conferencing

The 19th Meeting of the Board of Governors of IIIT-Allahabad was held on 09.09.2021 from 12.00 PM. in Online mode through video conferencing because of COVID protocol. The members in attendance were as follows:

1. Prof. P. Nagabhushan

Director

Indian Institute of Information Technology, Allahabad

**Director & Officiating Chairman** 

2. Prof Archana Shukla

Director, IIM Lucknow

-Member

3. Prof. Arvind Choubey

Director, IIIT Bhagalpur, Bihar

-Member

4. Prof. Manindra Agrawal

Indian Institute of Technology Kanpur

-Member

5. Shri Kumar Vineet

Representing/ Additional Chief Secretary

Dept. of IT & Electronics, Govt. of Uttar Pradesh, Lucknow

-Member

6.Prof. Anand Bulusu

Dept. of Electronics & Computer Engineering

Indian Institute of Technology Roorkee

-Member

7.Prof. Shekhar Verma

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

8. Prof. Tapobrata Lahiri

Dean (Academic & Research)

Indian Institute of Information Technology, Allahabad

- Member

Registrar (Acting)

Indian Institute of Information Technology, Allahabad

Dr.Jaideep Kumar Mishra, Joint Secretary, Meity, Gol, Shri Rahul Singh, Managing Director, GAPL Mumbai, Prof. Abhay Karandikar, Director, IIT Kanpur could not attend the meeting due to their preoccupation and were granted Leave of Absence.

The comments of MoE on the Agenda Items were conveyed by Sh. A.K. Chatopadhyay, Under Secretary IIITs vide his email dated 06.09.2021. These comments were placed by the Secretary BoG before the Board of Governors. The sheet of comments received from MoE is treated as the MoE representative's presence.

The Secretary BoG extended hearty welcome to all the members, who were present in online meeting. Hon'ble Chairman & Director also extended his warm welcome to all members.

Before the formal commencement of discussion based on the listed agenda, Hon'ble Director shared the recent development that took place with respect to Shri V. K Modi, Chairman of BoG who had informed that he had resigned from the position of Chairman as he obtained the foreign nationality. So it would not be possible for him to attend the meeting. Institute conveyed the current situation to the Ministry. The Ministry was already aware of his resignation.

Due to the resignation of Shri V.K Modi, the position of BoG Chairman gets vacant. After a series of telephonic discussions with the Ministry, on the indication from the Ministry, Institute had written a letter to the Ministry vide L No. IIIT-A/ODIR/6-99/2021 dated 06/09/2021 expressing the need to invoke the provision of para 15 of section 16 of statutes (IIITs Act, Statues, Ordinance) as was executed earlier in the year 2019. Under similar situation, Ministry had issued a letter No.45-5/2016-TS.I(pt) dated 15.03.2019 and directed to act as per Para 15 of Section 16, which reads as follows "In the event of occurrence of any vacancy in the office of Chairperson by reason of his or her death, resignation or otherwise or in the event of Chairperson being unable to discharge have to be a Chairperson being unable to discharge his or her functions owing to the absence, illness or any other cause, the Director may discharge the functions assigned to the Chairperson".

In view of the critical situation of executing the 16<sup>th</sup> Convocation scheduled on 11.09.2021 it has become necessary to depend upon Para 15 of Section 16, based on which Director may discharge the functions assigned to the Chairperson.

All the members noted this development. The formal communication sent is enclosed in the annexure A.

In the sequel, the Secretary BoG started with the agenda item;

# 19.01 To receive the Minutes of the Eighteenth Meeting of Board of Governors of the Institute held on 08.07.2021.

The minutes of the meeting were circulated to the members vide E-mail dated 25.07.2021. The comments received from the Ministry of Education were also incorporated in the minutes and same was placed for the signature of Hon'ble Chairman BoG through circulation dated 30.07.2021.

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

19.02 To review the Action Taken Report on the Minutes of Eighteenth Meeting of Board of Governors of the Institute held on 08.07.2021

Comments of Technical Section, MoE: "May be noted"

Resolution: BoG noted the ATR.

#### **AGENDA ITEM NO. 19.03**

To confirm the Minutes of the 22<sup>nd</sup> Meeting of the Senate (Convocation Specific) held on 07.09.2021.

With permission of Chair, Prof. Vijayshri Tewari, Secretary BoG moved the agenda and provided opening remarks. The Minutes of the 22<sup>nd</sup> Meeting of the Senate were already circulated to the members of the Senate and as no further comments were received, the Minutes were confirmed by the Senate and same placed before the BoG for ratification and confirmation. The same was asked to be presented by Prof. Tapobrata Lahiri, in his capacity as Dean (Academic & Research).

Comments of the MoE: May be considered.

Resolution of Board: BoG approved and confirmed the Minutes of 22nd meeting of Senate (Convocation Specific).

#### 19.03 (a)

To receive the Statistics in respect of the Graduating students on the occasion of the XVI Convocation of the Institute to be held on 11th September 2021. [As approved and forwarded by the Senate]. With the permission of Chair, Prof. T. Lahiri, Dean (Academic & Research) presented the Statistics in respect of the Graduating students on the occasion of the XVI Convocation of the Institute to be held on 11th September 2021.

Comments of the MoE: May be considered.

Resolution of BoG: The BoG noted and received the Statistics in respect of the Graduating students on the occasion of the XVI Convocation of the Institute to be held on 11th September 2021.

19.03 (b) To consider and approve the names of Graduands who are due to get their Degrees for various Programs in the XVI Convocation of the Institute to be held on 11<sup>th</sup> September 2021. [As approved and forwarded by the Senate]

Prof. T. Lahiri, Dean (Academic & Research) presented the list of students who are due to get their Degrees for various Programs in the XVI Convocation of the Institute to be held on 11th September 2021.

Comments of the MoE: May be considered.

Resolution of BoG: The BoG approved the same for award of degrees in the XVI Convocation of the Institute to be held on 11th September 2021. All the members also conveyed their compliments to the graduands.

#### 19.03 (c)

To consider and approve the names of Graduands for the award of various medals and Merit Certificates to be awarded by the Institute on the occasion of the XVI Convocation scheduled to be held on 11th September 2021. [As approved and forwarded by the Senate].

Prof. T. Lahiri, Dean (Academic and Research) presented the list of those students who have been selected for the award of various Medals and Merit Certificates as per norms of the Institute.

Comments of the MoE: May be considered.

The BoG approved the same for award of Chairman's Gold Medal, Institute's Medals, Endowment Medals and Merit Certificates to be given in XVI Convocation scheduled to be held on 11th September 2021.

Resolution of BoG: The board considered an approved the recommendations senate for the award of the degrees and medals at the XVI convocations of the Institute to be held on 11<sup>th</sup> September 2021. In addition, Hon'ble board members congratulated all the medal winners.

#### AGENDA ITEM NO.19.04 & 19.05

- 19.04 To receive, approve & adopt the Gazette Notification No. CG-DL-E-31032021-226276 dated 30.03.2021 notifying rules for regulating the methods of implementation of National Pension System.
- 19.05 To consider and approve the policy for compassionate appointment at the Institute.

<u>Comments of MoE:</u> The BoG meeting was specific to Convocation. These agenda items (19.04 & 19.05) need thorough examination. Accordingly, these agenda items may be deferred for the next meeting.

Resolution of BoG: Board has agreed to defer both the agenda for next meeting of the BoG.

#### **AGENDA ITEM NO. 19.06**

To receive the recommendations of the committee constituted to bring out the names of external members of the Senate as per the requirement of Section 16 (1) (f) and (g) of the IIITs Act for a term of two years.

Secretary BoG, apprised the members that on the recommendation of the subcommittee of the Senate constituted vide Office Order No. IIIT-A/RO189/2021, dated: July 12, 2021 and after approval of the Chairman BoG (officiating), the following persons were nominated by the Board of Governors from amongst educationists of repute or persons from another field related to the activities of the Institute who are not in service of the Institute as per requirement of Section 16 (1) (f) of the IIITs Act, 2014:-

- I. Prof. Siddhartha Panda, Professor, Deptt. of Chemical Engineering, IIT Kanpur
- II. Prof. Laxmidhar Behera, Professor, Deptt. of Electrical Engineering, IIT Kanpur
- III. Prof. K. Chindananda Gowda Ex-VC, Kuvempu University

The term of above members will commence from 1st October, 2021 for two years.

Resolution of BoG: The Board received and approved the same. The BoG further appreciated and placed on record the services rendered by the outgoing following members:-

- 1. Prof. K. Sethupathi Professor, Deptt. of Physics, IIT-Madaras
- 2. Prof. Shekhar Mazumdar, Professor, Deptt. of Mechanical Engineering, MNIT-Bangalore

#### Any other items with the permission of Chair

#### **Tabled Agenda**

#### AGENDA ITEM NO. 19.07

Signing of Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between IIIT and Department of Higher Education, Ministry of Education, Government of India, for the Financial Year 2021-2022.

With the permission of Chair, Secretary BoG has placed the agenda on the above subject and presented the proforma of MoU provided by MoE which will required to be signed between IIIT-A and Department of Higher Education, MoE Govt. of India.

**Resolution of BoG:** The Hon'ble BoG noted the same.

#### Agenda Item No 19.08.

To note the status of faculty recruitment at IIIT Allahabad.

With the permission of Chair, Secretary BoG apprised the members regarding the faculty appointments at IIITA. The agenda item took as per the Secretary (HE) letter dated that 24/08/2021directed to include agenda item in every Finance Committee / Board of Governors / Board of Management meeting giving status of filling up of backlog vacancy.

The summary of faculty recruitment as of now is presented below:-

Total Sanctioned	UR	OBC	SC	ST	EWS	PwD	Total Filled
_109	54	16	09	00	00	00	79
Total vacant : 30							

Recruitment drive completed during last 06 months:

UR	OBC	SC	ST	EWS	PwD	Total
04	07	04	00	00	00	15

The rolling advertisement for faculty recruitment is already available in our website. The remaining vacancies will be filled during course of time.

Resolution fo BoG: BoG noted the same.

With this the meeting ended with a Vote of Thanks.

Prof. Vijayshri Tewari Secretary, BOG, IIIT-A

Prof. P. Nagabhushan

Chairman & Director, IIIT-A



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F.No: IIIT-A/ODIR/6-99/2021 Dated: September 06th, 2021

To,
Sri. Rakesh Ranjan
Additional Secretary
Government of India
Ministry of Education, Department of Higher Education
TS-I, 'C' Wing Shastri Bhawan
New Delhi

Kind attention: Shri. Priyank Chaturvedi, Deputy Secretary

Sir,

This has reference to our discussion over phone and subsequent email in connection with the non-availability of the presence of Hon'ble Chairman of BoG Sri. V.K. Modi in the upcoming convocation on September 11<sup>th</sup>, 2021 and in the associated BoG meeting to be held on September 09<sup>th</sup>, 2021. You may please see the email sent by Sri. V.K. Modi in this context (enclosed herewith **Annexure-1**). Further this has reference to the telephonic requests in this regard by the Registrar and the Director with the office of the Deputy Secretary. This also has reference to suggestion on telephone by the Deputy Secretary to our Registrar.

Under a similar situation earlier, the provision of para 15 of Section 16 of the Statues of IIITs Act, Statues and Ordinance was invoked as a saving clause. The specific communication that took place in the earlier period is enclosed herewith for perusal (Annexure-2).

Accordingly, in view of the acute scenario because of the approaching Convocation on September 11<sup>th</sup>, 2021, the related BoG meeting on September 09<sup>th</sup>, 2021 and for the happening of associated activities, such as affixing the signatures on degree certificates; it has become necessary to depend upon Para 15 of Section 16, which is reproduced here under.

"In the event of the occurrence of any vacancy in the office of the Chairperson by reason of his or her death, resignation or otherwise or in the event of the Chairperson being unable to discharge his or her functions owing to the absence, illness or any other cause, the Director may discharge the functions assigned to the Chairperson".

This is for your kind information, along with the request for identifying Chairman for BoG at the earliest.

With regards,

Sincerely yours,

(Prof. Vijayshri Tewari) (Pi Secretary BoG/ Registrar

(Prof. P. Nagabhushan)

Director

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Copy to:

The Secretary, MoE, 127-C, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi

From: Vk Modi < vkmodi@modigroup.net > Date: Thu, Aug 26, 2021 at 10:52 PM

Subject: Re: 19th Meeting of the Board of Governors (specific to convocation) of Indian

Institute of Information Technology Allahabad-regn.

To: DIRECTOR < director@iiita.ac.in >

Dear Mr Nagabhushan,

As you are aware I have already resigned from the chairman's post on obtaining foreign nationality, it will not be possible for me to attend the meeting.

Brest regards, Vk Modi

#### F.No. 45-5/2016-TS.I (pt.) Government of India Ministry of Human Resource Development Department of Higher Education

Technical Section -1

Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi Dated 15 March, 2019

To.

Prof. P. Nagabhushan, Director, IIIT-Allahabad, Deoghat, Jhalwa, Allahabad -211 015. Uttar Pradesh

#### Sub: Taking charge of Chairmanship

Sir.

I am directed to refer to the email dated 19.02.2019 received from Sh. Ravi Kant, who has submitted his resignation from the Chairpersonship of IIIT-Allahabad.

- In this regard, kind attention is invited to the Section 16(15) of the Statutes which states that in the event of the occurrence of any vacancy in the office of Chairperson by reason of his or her death, resignation or otherwise or in the event of the Chairperson being unable to discharge his or her function owing to the absence, illness or any other causes the Director may discharge the functions assigned to the Chairperson.
- You are, therefore, requested to discharge the function assigned to the Chairperson of IIIT Allahabad till the appointment of a new regular Chairperson or till further orders.

Encl: As above

Your's faithfully,

(Praveer Saxena) Under Secretary to the Govt. of India

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