

## INDIAN INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY INDORE

# Minutes of seventeenth (17th) meeting of the Board of Governors

Date & Time: March 5, 2015 at 2.00 p.m.

Venue: Board Room, Simrol Campus, IIT Indore, Indore 452 020

## Members of Board of Governors

1	Shri Ajay Piramal	Chairman	Chairman, Board of Governors, IIT Indore, Piramal Tower, Ganpatrao Kadam Marg, Lower Parel, Mumbai-400013
2	Professor Pradeep Mathur	Member	Director, IIT Indore, Simrol Campus, Khandwa Road, Indore-452020
3	Mr. Sanjay Singh	Member	Principal Secretary, Govt of Madhya Pradesh, Dept of Technical Education & Skill Development Room No. 407, Mantralaya, VallabhBhawan, Bhopal-462004
4	Mr.Aman Kumar Singh	Member	Secretary, to HonorableChief Minister, Government of Chhattisgarh, Energy & Information Technology, DKS Bhawan, Mantralaya, Raipur, CG
5	Mr. Ashok Jaipuria	Member	CMD, Cosmo Films Ltd., 302, Corporate One 'Baani' Jasola District Centre New Delhi - 110 025
6	Mr. Som Mittal	Member	Ex-President, NASSCOM, International Youth Centre, D10 Ground floor, Nizamuddin East, New Delhi 110013
7	Mr. Prakash V. Deshmukh	Member	Former MD, HAL, MiG Complex, Nasik Flat No. G-802, Crossover County, Singhad Road, Near Rajyog Society, Vadgaon Khurd, Pune-411041



8	Dr. William Selvamurthy	Member	President - Amity Science, Technology & Innovation Foundation (ASTIF) & Chair Professor for Life Sciences (Former Distinguished Scientist and Chief Controller R&D (LS), DRDO) J-3 Block, 1st Floor, Room # 114
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9	Dr. Siddharth S. Malu	Member	HoD, Astronomy Indian Institute of Technology Indore PACL Campus Indore – 452 017
10	Professor AbhinavKranti	Member	Dean, Research & Development Indian Institute of Technology Indore PACL Campus, Mhow Road, Indore-453 446
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Minutes of the seventeenth (17th) meeting of the Board of Governors (BoG) of Indian Institute of Technology Indore held at 2.00 p.m. on Thursday, March 5, 2015 at Board Room, SIMROL Campus, IIT Indore, Indore 452 020

Following members of Board of Governors were present:

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. 1	Mr. Ajay Piramal Chairman, Board of Governors, IIT Indore,	Chairman
2	Professor Pradeep Mathur Director, (ex-officio), IIT Indore	Member
3	Mr. Sanjay Singh Principal Secretary, Govt. of Madhya Pradesh	Member
4	Mr. Prakash V. Deshmukh Former MD, HAL	Member
5	Dr. William Selvamurthy President, ASTIF, Noida	Member
6	Mr. Ashok Jaipuria CMD, Cosmo Films Ltd., New Delhi	Member
7	Mr. Som Mittal Ex-President, NASSCOM, International Youth Centre, New Delhi	Member
8	Professor Abhinav Kranti Dean, Research & Development, IIT Indore	Member
9	Dr. Siddharth S. Malu HoD, Astronmy, IIT Indore	Member
10	CMA Dr. A. R. Subramanian Registrar (ex-officio), IIT Indore	Secretary



The following attended as Special Invitees during the course of meeting for specific agenda items, enlisted therein: 1. Dr. Shaibal Mukherjee..... for item no. 17.6 Assistant Professor, IIT Indore 2. Dr. Suman Mukhopadhyay..... for Building & Works Matters. Associate Professor, IIT Indore 3. Mr. Atul Pandey..... for Building & Works Matters. Project Engineer, IIT Indore 4. Mr. Saroj Kumar Mallick..... for Building & Works Matters. Executive Engineer, IIT Indore 5. Mr. P. R. Dhar, ..... for item no. 17.12 Senior Management Adviser, Simplex Infrastructure Ltd. 6. Mr. Shambhu Sharan Roy ..... for item no. 17.12 General Manager, Mecon Ltd. 7. Mrs. Champakali Roy..... for item no. 17.12 Deputy General Manager & Project Co-ordinator, Mecon Ltd. 8. Mr. Pawan Kumar Singh.....for item no. 17.12 General Manager, Mecon Ltd. 9. Mr. Ajay Kumar.....for item no. 17.12 Deputy General Manager & Team Leader, Mecon Ltd. 10. Mr. Vaibhav Bobra ...... for item no. 17.12 Associate, Arcop Ltd. The following were granted leave of absence due to their pre-occupation: 1. Mr. Aman Kumar Singh, Member Secretary to Honorable Chief Minister, Government of Chhattisgarh, Raipur

2. Mr. A. K. Singhal, Former Director General (Works), CPWD

Special Invitee



### Item 17.1: Opening remarks by the Chairman, Board of Governors (BoG)

The members undertook a campus site tour and were shown the construction work in progress at some of the sites of Phase 1 (a) of the on going project. Members also inspected some of the locations where boundary wall construction has not been completed due to resistance from outside elements.

The Chairman initiated the discussions with his opening remarks that the Campus development is in full swing and extended a warm welcome to all the members present.

Based on the site visits, the following observations were made:

- i. Though the Government of Madhya Pradesh has allotted the land at Simrol free of cost in terms of the understanding with MHRD, Government of India for establishing an IIT at Indore, it has to be made free from any encumbrance for securing the campus and enabling the construction to proceed without hindrances. Although efforts have been made to press the Government of Madhya Pradesh to resolve this issue, further efforts must continue. Board member, Mr. Sanjay Singh was requested to assist in resolving this issue with the Government of Madhya Pradesh. The Board also took note of the Writ Appeal by the local villagers and the efforts of the Institute through Counter Affidavit to vacate the stay of "Status quo".
- ii. The physical progress of construction on the sites visited was taken note of.
- iii. The Chairman extended a warm welcome to Dr. Siddharth Malu who has been inducted as a member of the Board, nominated by the Senate.
- Item 17.2: To confirm the minutes of Fifteenth (15th) and Sixteenth (16th) meetings of Board of Governors held on September 29, 2014 and November 25, 2014, respectively.

The Minutes of Fifteenth (15th) and Sixteenth (16th) meetings of BoG were confirmed as circulated.

Chairman and Director thanked Mr. P. V. Deshmukh, member of the BoG, for his assistance in drafting the Minutes.



### Item 17.3: Report of the Director, IIT Indore.

The Report of the Director presented before the Board were taken on record along with other information presented forming part of the Agenda and taken as read.

### Item 17.4: General Review- Presentation by the Director.

The Director presented the General Review of the progress of the Institute since inception and the significant milestones achieved, a copy of which is placed at **Appendix 1** forming part of these Minutes.

### Item 17.4.1: Confidential Matter 1.

## Item 17.5: To consider and take note of the Action Taken Report (ATR).

The Board took note of the Action Taken Report against the previous decisions.

#### **Academic & Research Matters:**

## Item 17.6: Academic and Research activities

Dr. Shaibal Mukherjee, Assistant Professor made a presentation before the Board on the recent innovations / developments in Nano-electronics, a copy of which is placed as **Appendix 2** of this Minutes as a matter of record.

## Finance & Administration Matters:

Item 17.7: To consider and approve the Material Management (Procurement & Distribution) Manual prescribing the guidelines for procurement, distribution and accounting of inventory of Goods and Services.

The Board considered the revised Manual of Material Management, duly recommended by the Finance Committee, which prescribed the modified guidelines for procurement and distribution and accounting of inventory of goods and services. The revised manual is broadly in tune with the guidelines of General Financial Rules (GFR) and IIT Bombay manual.

The manual incorporates all the modes of procurement which are in accordance with the delegation of powers already approved by the Board. However, the present manual incorporates additional features such as



e-procurement systems, web-based publicity of requirements which can save time and cost, etc., apart from introduction of a few chapters in the area of Contract Management, Material Management, incorporating the revised formats right from indenting to issue and assets management along with a flow-chart to depict the process involved in different modes of procurement.

**Resolved** that the Purchase Manual (**Placed at Annexure - 4 of the agenda item no. 17.7**) duly recommended by the Finance Committee was approved.

Item 17.8: To consider and approve Budget Estimate (BE) for the financial year 2015-16 along with the Revised Estimate for 2014-15.

The Board deliberated on the proposed Budget Estimates (BE) for the financial year 2015 -16 along with the Revised Estimates for 2014-15.

It was explained that budgetary sanction in the form of Plan grant through the Ministry of HRD is released under three broad Heads of Accounts, i.e.

- i) Campus Development for Buildings and Works related infrastructure,
- ii) Equipment and other Assets, and
- iii) Recurring expenditure for meeting the revenue expenditure to run the Institute.

It was further explained that the Institute is under project mode where the MHRD releases the grant for above heads during the **Plan** period as per the Detailed Project Report (DPR).

The Board was further informed that the grant is released by MHRD keeping in view the spending capacity of the Institute in establishing it. Therefore these estimates are based on the assessment and are just indicative. The release of funds will be regulated with reference to the actual expenditure against the approved outlay of DPR, i.e. Rs 760 crores.

It was also recorded that the figures compiled are in accordance with the guidelines for compiling the Budgetary Estimates for onward transmission to the MHRD to draw the grant.

Resolved that the BE for 2015-16, along with the RE for 2014-15 duly recommended by the Finance Committee, was approved.



# Item 17.9: To take note of the Separate Audit Report (SAR) of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India on the Accounts of the IIT Indore for the year ended March 31, 2014.

The Board took note of the Separate Audit Report of the C&AG of India on the Annual Accounts of the Institute for the year ended 31st March, 2014. The Committee deliberated on the issue raised by the C&AG for creating assets by the faculty members through the Cumulative Professional Development Allowance (CPDA). After hearing the argument that it is an allowance granted towards professional development and the faculty are free to spend either in revenue expenditure or in creating capital assets it was recommended that the assets acquired out of the Cumulative Professional Development Allowance (CPDA), sanctioned to the faculty members, shall be recorded in the Dead Stock Register of the Institute, and would be accounted for accordingly under the concerned faculty name for the purpose of control.

## Item 17.10: To consider revision of local conveyance expenses to Ph.D. students.

The Board considered and approved based on the recommendation of the Finance Committee the revision of reimbursement of local conveyance expenses on tour for the Ph.D. students from Rs 100/- to Rs 500/-, subject to restriction of actual expenses within the limit of per kilometer rates or the travel by pre-paid taxi and other shuttle services. However, rates for reimbursements for accommodation, food bills, etc. remains unchanged.

## Item 17.11: To consider the revision of lease rent for the accommodation hired for Director.

The Board considered and approved, as recommended by Finance Committee, revision of the lease rent for the accommodation of Director to Rs 54,000/- per month for the period from February 26, 2015 to February 25, 2016.

### **Buildings & Works Matters:**

## Item 17.12: Progress on Campus Development of Permanent Campus at Simrol.

The Board took note of the Campus Development activities of the permanent Campus at Simrol. Presentation made by Mr. Saroj Mallick Executive Engineer, was also taken note of. A copy of the same is placed at **Appendix 3** for ready reference.



While taking note of the progress, the Board strongly urged the representatives of Simplex Infrastructures Ltd. (construction contractors) and M/s Mecon Ltd. (PMC) to cover the delays in the works so far, and complete the project as per the schedule.

Mr. Dhar of Simplex Infrastructure Ltd. acknowledged that there is delay in the present status of construction, which he assured will be made up by enhancing material and manpower in next 15-20 days. The Board requested the firm to give a letter of commitment with their Action Plan accordingly to make up the delay occurred, so that the time schedule could be maintained for completion.

Mr. P. K. Singh of M/s Mecon Ltd. was asked to review the progress and expedite the same so that the completion schedule has to be adhered to.

## 17.12.1: Status of the Boundary Wall Construction and gaps owing to Intervention from external elements.

The Board was appraised of the present 14 openings in the boundary wall. Regarding the openings, the Board was appraised that a writ appeal has been filed by some villagers on which the Court has passed status quo orders. It was also informed that necessary efforts are being made to vacate the stay by hiring a senior Advocate.

The Board also suggested that the issue be pursued with Government of Madhya Pradesh on a continuously manner to resolve the matter through the District Administration.

## 17.12.2: A confidential Note was circulated on the matter of Performance of M/s Mecon Ltd., which was taken on record.

The Board observed the fact that in response to the Notice of Termination dated February 20, 2015, issued to M/s Mecon Ltd., the letter of Mr. A. K. Tyagi, CMD, Mecon Ltd. dated February 28, 2015, addressed to the Chairman BoG, was also circulated among the members. It was decided that the White Paper and the outcome of the departmental enquiry at the end of M/s Mecon Ltd. may be requested for.

### 17.12.3: Confidential Matter 2.



#### Item 17.13: Revised Cost Estimate (RCE) submitted to MHRD for IIT Indore project.

As per the DPR of MHRD of 2006-07, the cost estimate for the eight new IITs was Rs 760 crores each. MHRD has been working on the revised DPR and several consultative meetings have been held between MHRD and the new IITs in this regard. IIT Indore has submitted, on request from MHRD, its revised cost estimate of Rs 1,547 crores.

The Board has taken note of the same.

## Item 17.14: To consider the proposal to develop infrastructure for Banking and other Services in the campus on Build, Lease, Operate & Transfer (BLOT) basis.

The Board considered the initiative of the Institute made through Request for Proposal (RFP) from the leading bankers for developing the infrastructure of common facilities through outside financial support.

The Board approved the proposal as recommended by the Finance Committee for further course of action.

### Item 17.15: Other matters for ratification by the BoG:

## 17.15.1: To ratify the approval accorded by the Chairman BoG for opening the following Savings Bank Account.

- a) IIT Indore (Smart Card Pool Account).
- b) IIT Indore (Endowment Fund Account).

The Board ratified the opening of the above bank accounts with the approval of the Chairman, BoG.

## 17.15.2: To consider appointing an adjunct faculty in the School of Engineering.

The Board considered and approved the appointing of Professor M. J. Paul (Professor and Head of the Department of Endocrinology, Christian Medical College, Vellore) as an Adjunct Faculty Member (Associate Professor) in the School of Engineering as per the usual terms of only meeting the incidental expenses of stay and reimbursement of movement related expenses.



### 17.15.3: To ratify appointment of faculty members.

The Board ratified the appointment of the following faculty members in the positions indicated below:

SI. No.	Name of Faculty Member	Discipline	Position offered	Date of joining if joined
1.	Dr. Siddharth Malu	Astronomy	Associate Professor	5-3-2015
2.	Dr. Abhirup Duttu	Astronomy	Assistant Professor	
3.	Dr. Prashant Samantray	Astronomy	Assistant Professor (Contractual)	26-12-2014
4.	Dr. Maitreya Natu	Computer Science & Engineering	Adjunct Assistant Professor	
5.	Dr. Devesh Dwivedi	Computer Science & Engineering and Electrical Engineering	Adjunct Associate Professor	29-11-2014
6.	Dr. Tanima Dutta	Computer Science & Engineering	Visiting Faculty Member	19-1-2015
7.	Dr. Lakshmi Iyengar	Humanities & Social Sciences (English)	Visiting Faculty Member	8-1-2015

## 17.15.4: To ratify the Sanctioning of CPDA advance/reimbursement for National Conferences by respective HOD's up to Rs 2 lakhs by Dean Administration.

The Board ratified the revised delegation of powers for sanctioning of CPDA advance / reimbursement for faculty members for attending the National Conferences by the respective HoD's and the Dean of Administration.

## 17.15.5: To ratify the reimbursement of toll tax paid by employees of IIT Indore for attending the official duties.

The Board ratified the reimbursement of toll tax paid by the employees while commuting between residences and different campuses of the Institute.

## 17.15.6: To ratify Delegation of Administrative powers entrusted to purchase urgent materials required for works to Chief Engineer, IIT Indore.

The Board ratified the revised Delegation of Administrative powers entrusted to the Chief Engineer to purchase urgent material for works and maintenance up to Rs 20,000/- in each case.



### Item 17.16: Items for information to BoG:

17.16.1: Report on awards to faculty, staff and students on Republic Day.

The Board took note of the awards instituted in terms of the approval of the Board in its November, 2014 meeting and its maiden distribution accordingly on January 26, 2015 as indicated in the Agenda.

17.16.2: International visits.

International visits of faculty members and research scholars were ratified.

17.16.3: Information regarding special recruitment drive for filling up of vacancies reserved for SCs/STs/OBCs.

The Board noted the advertisement released as part of the special recruitment drive for filling up of the backlog vacancies in SC/ST and OBC category.

17.16.4: To report latest position of grant-in-aid received and progress of on-going projects by the institute.

The Board noted the latest position of grant-in-aid and the progress of on-going projects and the unspent balance as placed before the Board.

Item 17.17: Any other items with permission of Chair.

None

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to Chairman.

(CMA Dr. Arun Subramanian)

Registrar, IIT Indore

(Professor Pradeep Mathur)

Director, IIT Indore

(Mr. Ajay Piramal)

Chairman, Board of Governors

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