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INDIAN INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY MANDI**Minutes of 35th Meeting of the Board of Governors held on 14th June, 2022 from 03:00 P.M. in the Conference Room, C. V. Raman Guest House, IIT Mandi.**

The following were present:

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| 1) | Prof. Prem Vrat
Chairperson, BoG IIT Mandi | Chairperson | |
| 2) | Prof. Laxmidhar Behera
Director, IIT Mandi | Member | |
| 3) | Dr. Pradeep Kumar Agrawal
Scientist, Directorate of Special Projects,
D.R.D.O. Hyderabad | Member | |
| 4) | Shri Krishan Chandra Sharma
Site Head & Sr. Vice President
LUPIN Pharma Limited, Raisen, M.P. | Member | |
| 5) | Prof. Rahul Vaish
Professor & Dean (Academics)
School of Engineering, IIT Mandi | Member | |
| 6) | Prof. Suman Kalyan Pal
Professor & Chairperson
School of Basic Sciences, IIT Mandi | Member | |
| 7) | Prof. Rajeev Kumar
Dean (I & S), IIT Mandi | Special Invitee | } For item no. 35.1.2 |
| 8) | Prof. Satinder K. Sharma
Dean (Faculty), IIT Mandi | Special Invitee | } For item no. 35.2.2 |
| 9) | Dr. Venkata Krishnan
Associate Professor, SBS &
Dean (SRIC & IR), IIT Mandi | Special Invitee | } For item no. 35.3.1
and 35.3.2 |
| 10) | Dr. Varun Dutt
Associate Professor, SCEE, IIT Mandi | Special Invitee | } For item no. 35.3.4 |
| 11) | Dr. Manoj Thakur
Associate Professor, SBS &
Dean (Students), IIT Mandi | Special Invitee | } For item no. 35.3.5 |
| 12) | Dr. Sandip Kumar Saha
Assistant Professor, SE
IIT Mandi | Special Invitee | } For item no. 35.3.7
and 35.3.8 |
| 13) | Dr. Vishal Singh Chauhan
Dean (F&A), IIT Mandi | Special Invitee | } For item no. 35.3.9 |

- 14) Shri K. K. Bajre Secretary
Registrar, IIT Mandi

Leave of absence has been granted to the following:

- 1) Principal Secretary (TE) Member
Govt. of H.P.
- 2) Shri Hemant Sood Member
Managing Director & Promoter
Findoc Financial Services Group Ludhiana

The Chairperson welcomed all present at the meeting including the special invitees.

Thereafter, the Director welcomed all members including the special invitees.

The Board took cognizance of comments of the Additional Secretary (Technical Education), MoE and Member, Board received vide letter no. 16-8/2020-TS-I dated 13/06/2022, through email on the agenda items of 35th Board meeting and thereafter, the agenda items were taken up as follows:

- Item No.:** To confirm the minutes of the 34th meeting of the Board of Governors
BoG-35.1.1 held on 19/03/2022 and special meeting of the Board of Governors held on 11/05/2022.

It was noted that the minutes of 34th meeting of the Board of Governors (BoG) and special meeting of the Board of Governors held on 19/03/2022 and 11/05/2022 respectively have been circulated and no comments have been received. Therefore, the minutes of 34th and special meeting of the Board of Governors (BoG) meeting held on 19/03/2022 and 11/05/2022 were confirmed, as circulated.

- Item No.** To note Action Taken Report (ATR) on the minutes of previous
BoG-35.1.2 meetings of the Board of Governors (BoG).

Prof. Rajeev Kumar, Dean (I & S) gave a presentation on the ongoing works along with likely date of completion. The Board expressed concern in delayed works and emphasized the need for levying penalty for delay, wherever applicable.

With above observations, the Board noted the ATR.

- Item No.:** To ratify the decisions / actions taken by the Chairperson, Board of
BoG-35.2.1 Governors on the recommendations of the Director/designated Committee, on behalf of the Board of Governors:

The Board thanked the Chairperson, BoG for timely decision and approvals and ratified the decisions / actions taken by him including the following approvals given till 14.06.2022:

Recommendation of the Standing Faculty Selection Committee /Selection Committee Meetings for appointment on Teaching Positions (Faculty):

S. No.	Name of the Post	School	Pay Level / Consolidated Emoluments	Selection Process held on	Standing Faculty Selection Committee (SFSC)/ Selection Committee Recommendations
1.	Assistant Professor	SHSS	Pay as per rules	26.02.2022	• Dr. Ashish Bollimbala
2.	Assistant Professor	SHSS	Pay as per rules	26.02.2022	• Dr. Thirthankar Chakraborty • Dr. Neethi Vadakkan • Dr. Saumya Malviya
3.	Assistant Professor	SCEE	Pay as per rules	06.06.2022	• Dr. Narendra Kumar Dhar • Dr. Radhe Shyam Sharma
4.	Assistant Professor	SE	Pay as per rules	06.06.2022	• Dr. Rekha Raja • Dr. Jagadeesh Kadiyam

Recommendation of the Director regarding other items:

1.	Inclusion of Prof. Mukesh Kumar Barua, Deptt. of Management Studies, IIT Roorkee in the BOG approved panel for faculty selection.
2.	Inclusion of Prof. Indra Narayan Kar, Deptt. of Electrical Engineering, IIT Delhi in the BOG approved panel for faculty selection.

Item No.: To note other developments at the Institute.**BoG-35.2.2**

Presentation by the Director: The Director made a presentation on overall progress of the Institute including notable workshops and symposia, Himachali Pravasi Global Association, visit of Director - IIT Ropar to campus, Japan International Cooperation Agency Proposal, Proposed Infrastructure Creation under Higher Education Financing Agency Loan, Updates from SRIC & IR, International Visitors to IIT Mandi and other initiatives and developments of the Institute. The Board appreciated the new initiatives.

(i) To report status of filling up of backlog vacancies in teaching cadre.

The Dean (Faculty) updated the Board about the status of filling up of backlog vacancies.

The Board expressed concerns with large vacancies and advised to step-up efforts to expedite the recruitment process.

Thereafter, other matters as reported vide agenda item no. 35.2.2 were noted by the BoG.

Item No.: **To consider addendum of designation in the BoG approved norms**
BoG-35.3.1 **for Research Staff in funded projects.**

The Dean (SRIC & IR) special invitee presented the item before the Board and briefed the proposal.

After detailed discussion, the Board resolved to approve that Project Staff designation be in accordance with designations approved by funding agencies.

Item No.: **To consider the policy for Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) and**
BoG-35.3.2 **Entrepreneurship.**

Considering the comments of the Additional Secretary (Technical Education), MoE and Member, BoG received vide letter no. 16-8/2020-TS-I dated 13/06/2022, the Board resolved to defer the agenda item with the advice to route the proposal through the Finance Committee (FC).

Item No.: **To consider the recommendations of the Committee for Academic**
BoG-35.3.3 **Organization / Structure of the Schools.**

Prof. Rahul Vaish, Dean (Academics) and member, Board presented the item.

The Board appreciated the proposal and after detailed deliberation, the Board resolved to approve the new Academic Organization / Structure of the Schools as recommended by the Senate.

Item No.: **To consider a proposal to establish an Indian Knowledge System and**
BoG-35.3.4 **Mental Health Applications Centre (IKSMHA Centre).**

Dr. Varun Dutt, Special Invitee presented the item before the Board and briefed the proposal.

The Board appreciated the proposal. After detailed deliberations, the Board resolved to approve the proposal for establishment of an Indian Knowledge System and Mental Health Applications Centre (IKSMHA Centre) with an advice to include Counselling services for the Faculty / Staff / Students of the Institute.

Item No.: **To consider a proposal to start a new MBA programme from**
BoG-35.3.5 **Academic Year 2022-23.**

Dr. Manoj Thakur, Special Invitee presented the item before the Board and briefed the proposal.

The Board considered the recommendations of the Senate and approved the proposal to start a new MBA - Data Science and Artificial Intelligence programme from the Academic Year 2022-23 with an advice that since the programme aims to have students from diverse backgrounds, the curriculum must include a course on Foundation of management.

Item No.: **To consider the revision in scholarship/Fee waiver for UG women**
BoG-35.3.6 **Students.**

The Dean (Academics), presented the item before the Board and briefed the proposal.

The Board considered the recommendations of the Finance Committee (FC) and noted that the present scheme of scholarship/Fee waiver for UG Women Students is based on the JAB recommendations to enhance girl enrolment to 20% in under graduate programs. The scheme was to be reviewed on achieving the target or after 8 years. It was noted that IIT Mandi has consistently achieved the target in last 2 years.

The complete fee waiver along with Rs.1000/- per month stipend to each UG girl student was initiated by IIT Mandi as part of JAB recommendation for giving incentives. Since, IIT Mandi achieved the target of 20% women students at UG level, the FC recommended to discontinue this practice. However, existing government schemes and MCM scholarship would continue.

The Board also took cognizance of the comments from the MoE wherein MoE appreciated discontinuation of fee waiver. However, to encourage meritorious girl students to excel academically a scholarship of Rs.1.0 Lakh per semester is proposed to be given to the girl students having SGPA greater than or equal to 8.5 from second semester onwards. Accordingly, the Board resolved to send a proposal for this scholarship to the MoE.

Item No.: **To consider a proposal for modification in Fee Structure.**
BoG-35.3.7

Dr. Sandip Kumar Saha, Assistant Professor, SE, special invitee presented the item before the Board and briefed about the need of modifications to be done in Fee Structure of the Institute.

The Board considered the recommendations of the Finance Committee (FC) and noted that in accordance with guidelines of the MoE, the UG fee is not under consideration and the enhanced fee would apply mostly prospectively. The current proposal of enhanced charges to existing students covers non-academic components like transportation, hostel and other campus facilities. The Board also noted that the charges have not been revised in last few years and the current proposal is in line with fee structure of other IITs.

After detailed deliberation, the Board resolved to approve revised fee structure including for the newly launched MBA program being initiated from the current academic year. The Board also approved that the mess advance may be decided by the Institute depending upon the need.

The final proposal for revision of various charges and fees is attached **(Annexure-1)**.

Item No.: To consider the proposal for renaming Master of Science by
BoG-35.3.8 **Research (M.S. (R)) degree programme to Master of Technology by Research [M.Tech. (R)] degree programme.**

Dr. Sandip Kumar Saha, Special Invitee, presented the item before the Board and briefed the proposal.

After detailed discussion, the Board resolved to approve the re-naming of the program to Master of Technology by Research [M.Tech. (R)], for the students to be admitted now onwards.

Item No.: To consider the recommendations for the expenditure for
BoG-35.3.9 **International Conference, National Conference and Field Trips etc.**

The Dean (F&A), Special Invitee presented the item before the Board and briefed the proposal. The Board noted the salient recommendations as follows:

- i. Ph.D. Scholars registered for full time may be offered a travel support of maximum of Rs.1,00,000/- for entire duration of their course. This may be utilized for travel related needs relating to International Conferences, National Conferences, and Field Trips etc. This support may be utilized for one particular travel or in parts for different travel needs.
- ii. M.S. (by Research)/ M.Tech. (by Research) Scholars may be offered a travel support up to maximum of Rs.20,000/-, with rest of the conditions as mentioned in the point (i).

The Board resolved to approve the recommendations of the Finance Committee.

Item No.: Additional agenda placed on the table with the permission of the
BoG-35.3.10 Chairman, if any.

None.

Thereafter, the meeting concluded with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

L. Behera
27/06/22

Prof. Laxmidhar Behera
Director, IIT Mandi

K. K. Bajre
24/06/22

K. K. Bajre
Registrar & Secretary, BoG

R. Kumar
04/12/2022

Chairperson, Board of Governors