



INDIAN INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY BOMBAY

MINUTES OF

THE 255TH MEETING

OF THE

BOARD OF GOVERNORS

HELD ON

NOVEMBER 27TH, 2020 (FRIDAY)

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AT 3.30 PM
AT
BOARD ROOM, FIRST FLOOR, MAIN BUILDING
INDIAN INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY BOMBAY

The Meeting Number 255 of Board of Governors of Indian Institute of Technology Bombay was held on November 27, 2020 (Friday) at 3.30 PM at Board Room, First Floor, Main Building, IIT Bombay through VC.

MEMBERS PRESENT AT THE MEETING

1. Dr. Pawan Goenka : Chairman (through Webex)
2. Prof. Subhasis Chaudhuri : Member
3. Shri Sharad Kumar Saraf : Member (through Webex)
4. Prof. A.B. Pandit : Member (through Webex)
5. Prof. Paresh K. Joshi : Member (through Webex)
6. Shri Om Prakash Gupta : Member (through Webex)
7. Prof. P.V. Balaji : Member (through Webex)
8. Prof. S.C. Patwardhan : Member
9. Dr. R. Premkumar : Secretary

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

1. Administrator, : Member
U.T. of Dadra and Nagar Haveli
2. Shri Rakesh Ranjan : Member

INVITEE

1. Prof. Prasanna Mujumdar : Deputy Director (Finance & External Affairs)
2. Prof. S. Sudarshan : Deputy Director (Academic & Infrastructural Affairs)

At the outset, the Director extended a warm welcome to Dr. Pawan Goenka, MD and CEO, Mahindra & Mahindra Ltd., who has been appointed as Chairman of the Board of Governors w.e.f. 27.10.2020 and also Mr. O.P. Gupta, Principal Secretary, Government of Maharashtra along with all members and invitees present in the meeting.

Dr. Goenka expressed his happiness over the opportunity to be a part of IIT Bombay and to Chair the Board of Governors of IIT Bombay. He appreciated the functioning of the Institute and

expressed his satisfaction with the academic activities and world class Research and Development being carried out at IIT Bombay. He also mentioned that the ecosystem created for encouraging the innovation, entrepreneurship, research, etc., for students and faculty members of the Institute should be further strengthened.

The comments received from the Ministry of Education (MoE) vide emails dated 26.11.2020 for BoG agenda and FC agenda and from IFD (Integrated Finance Division) vide letter no. F.No.1-20/2017-IFD dated 26.11.2020 for FC agenda were placed before the Board for consideration. The Board **NOTED** the comments received from MoE and IFD.

Item No. 1: CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE TWO HUNDRED AND FIFTY-FOURTH (254TH) MEETING OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS HELD ON 16TH OCTOBER, 2020

- i) The Board **NOTED** that the Minutes of the Two hundred and fifty-fourth (254th) meeting were circulated.
- ii) The Board **RESOLVED to CONFIRM** the minutes of the Two hundred and fifty-fourth (254th) meeting of the Board of Governors held on 16th October, 2020.

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Item No. 2: REPORT OF ACTIONS TAKEN ON CERTAIN ITEMS OF MINUTES OF THE TWO HUNDRED AND FIFTY-FOURTH & PREVIOUS MEETINGS OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS

- i) The Board **NOTED** the actions taken on the Minutes of the Two hundred and fifty-fourth (254th) and previous meetings of the Board of Governors.
 - a) Registration of Technology Innovation Hub (TIH) as a Section 8 Company of IIT Bombay under National Mission on Interdisciplinary Cyber Physical Systems (NM-ICPS)
 - b) Letter to M/s. Atos issued about descoping of Wave-II of ERP project from the original contract with all other terms & conditions as decided by the Board.
- ii) The Chairman offered to send few SAP experts from Mahindra & Mahindra Ltd., for assisting the internal technical team in building the in-house capability in SAP based system.

Item No. 3:

TO NOTE THE PROGRESS REPORT FOR THE PERIOD FROM 1ST MAY, 2020 TO 30TH SEPTEMBER, 2020

- i) The Board **PERUSED** the Progress Report of the Institute for the period from 1st May, 2020 to 30th September, 2020.
- ii) The Board noted the status of Vigilance Cases as reported.
- iii) The Board directed that Institute may report to the Board the status of settlement of outstanding Audit paras in subsequent meetings. The Board also noted that some Audit paras have been outstanding for a very long time and directed that they be settled expeditiously.

Item No. 4:

TO CONSIDER THE MINUTES OF NINETY-EIGHTH (98TH) MEETING OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE SCHEDULED ON 27TH NOVEMBER, 2020

- i) The Board **NOTED** that as per the provision of the Section 5(7) of the Statute, a copy of the minutes of the (98th) Finance Committee meeting held on 27th November, 2020, was placed before the Board. The Deputy Director (FEA) presented a summary of the Revised Estimates (FY 20-21) and Budget figures (FY 21-22) and a comparison with actual income and expenditure of FY 19-20, and explained the recommendations in the minutes.
- ii) The Board **RESOLVED to APPROVE** the Revised Estimates 2020-21 and Budget Estimates 2020-21 of the Institute as per the recommendations of the (98th) Finance Committee meeting held on 27th November, 2020.

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Item No. 5:

TO CONSIDER THE MINUTES OF HUNDRED AND FORTY-FOURTH (144TH) MEETING OF THE BUILDING & WORKS COMMITTEE HELD ON 18TH NOVEMBER, 2020

- i) The Board **NOTED** that as per the provision of the Section 6(8) of the Statutes a copy of the minutes of the Hundred and forty-fourth (144th) Building & Works Committee meeting held on 18th November, 2020, was placed before the Board of Governors.
- ii) The Director briefed Board about the following items and recommendations of Building & Works Committee:

1. PROPOSAL FOR DEVELOPMENT OF LABORATORY FOR ADVANCE NANOFABRICATION AND CHARACTERIZATION FOR INDIAN INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY BOMBAY CAMPUS POWAI

After deliberation the Board approved the following recommendations of BWC:

- i) In view of the possible congestion of vehicles and activities of existing academic facilities at the proposed site, IITB has to review and suggest new plot within the campus,
- ii) The estimated cost of the construction need to be reviewed taking into consideration the sophisticated technology involved in the facility, need for special features such as specialized HVAC, clean room conditions, lab facilities, etc.
- iii) If necessary, the stakeholders need to be consulted to optimize the requirement before finalizing the proposal.

2. CONSTRUCTION OF HOSTEL NO 19 FOR 1115 STUDENTS FOR IIT BOMBAY CAMPUS POWAI

After deliberations, the Board approved a proposed renegotiated architecture's fee of 2.25% as recommended by BWC.

3. CREATION OF ADDITIONAL HOSTEL CAPACITY BY CONSTRUCTION OF HOSTELS FOR 1000 MALE STUDENTS AND 500 FEMALE FOR IIT BOMBAY CAMPUS POWAI

The Board considered the recommendations of BWC and approved the proposal in principle as well as proposed Pre Project Activity of preliminary exploration, selection of the architectural design consultant by adopting standard procedure with an estimated Pre Project Activity cost for Rs. 5.00 Cr. with the suggestion that the facility can be constructed in a phase wise manner.

4. REVIVAL OF THE PROPOSAL FOR CONSTRUCTION OF NATIONAL CENTRE FOR MATHS (NCM), WHICH WAS TILL NOW WITHHELD FOR WANT OF FUNDS

The Board approved the BWC recommended revised estimate of Rs. 37 Cr to enable NCM to seek funds from prospective donors.

5. CONSTRUCTION OF IITB RESEARCH PARK- PROPOSAL FOR ADOPTION OF FINAL BUILDING CONFIGURATION REGARDING NUMBER OF FLOORS AND SERVICES BUILDING FOR IITB RESEARCH PARK

After deliberating the BWC recommendations, the following were decided by the Board:

- i) Considering the estimated cost overrun of Rs. 20.00 Cr IITB decided to discuss the matter again with the Research Park authorities for possibility of getting the finances through their resources to the tune of Rs. 20.00 Cr, so that the work can be executed as per the already decided configuration of G+14 floors.
- ii) The final configuration of the building that can be executed shall be decided depending upon the outcome of interaction with the RP group. If additional funds to the tune of Rs. 20.00 Cr can be made available by RP group, the building shall be constructed fully up to G+14 stories.
- iii) In case of no additional funds are committed by the Research Park Company, Dean IPS office and Research Park Group would mutually work out an alternate proposal for deciding number of floors by adoption of following cost cutting measures to limit the total cost within Rs. 230 Cr.
 - a) The provision of Rs. 20.00 Cr made towards specialized interiors shall be scaled down to Rs. 10.00 Cr only by partly deferring some items
 - b) The provisions of Rs 12.00 Cr towards External development like roads and SWD, etc., shall be scaled down to Rs. 6.00 Cr only, as the construction of COPT building is on the anvil.
 - c) The standby chiller and standby transformers can be deferred, if necessary. However, a provision will be made in the substation and chiller plant buildings.
- iv) Complete the engineering design of chilled water HVAC system, substation and the buildings for the same.
- v) And finalize the other packages and complete the Research Park building in all aspects at an early date.

6. COMPREHENSIVE ARCHITECTURAL CONSULTANCY FOR PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION OF NEW STUDENTS ACTIVITY CENTRE AND OPEN AIR THEATRE FOR IIT BOMBAY

The Board considered the recommendations of BWC and approved the proposal in principle as well as the proposed Pre Project Activity of preliminary exploration, selection of the architectural design consultant by adopting standard procedure with an estimated Pre Project Activity cost for Rs. 2.00 Cr.

7. STATUS OF PROPOSED CENTRE OF PROPULSION TECHNOLOGY (COPT)

The Board considered the recommendations of BWC as under and approved the same:

- a) Since funds up to the tune of Rs. 50 Cr (including Rs. 25 Cr committed by COPT) were required for construction, it was decided that the building construction can be taken up only after the availability of funds.
- b) Meanwhile the consultant shall continue with the architectural and engineering designs and statutory approvals and keep up to tendering stage.

8. CONSTRUCTION OF ENTREPRENEURSHIP BUILDING (DSSE)

The Board concurred with the suggestion of BWC to manage construction of DSSE building within the sanctioned cost of Rs. 58.75 Cr.

9. PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW BUILDING BEHIND EXISTING HSS BUILDING

The Board concurred with the recommendations of BWC after considering the status:

- i) Full cutting of the tree shall be avoided but a notch of about 6m x 6m around the tree shall be left free in the plan.
- ii) Underground tank and pump house shall be located away from the building and
- iii) Balance funds to the tune of Rs. 10 Cr shall be sought from other sources.

10. PROPOSAL FOR ACADEMIC LABORATORY BUILDING IN PLACE OF THE EXISTING WORKSHOP S1 BAY PROPOSED FOR DEMOLITION AND CONSTRUCTING A NEW ACADEMIC LABORATORY

The Board agreed with the recommendations of BWC to explore the possibility as proposed.

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- iii) The Board **APPROVED** recommendations of the Building & Works Committee meeting held on 18th November, 2020, as mentioned above.

Item No. 6:

TO CONSIDER THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE SENATE FOR CONFERRING THE TITLE OF PROFESSOR EMERITUS OF THE INSTITUTE

- i) The Board **CONSIDERED** the recommendations of the Senate for conferring the title of Professor Emeritus of the Institute.
- ii) The Board **NOTED** with appreciation and gratitude the multi-faceted contributions of Prof. P.G. Awate, Industrial Engineering and Operations Research.
- iii) The Board **DESIRED** that such recognition of faculty members be appropriately brought out by the Institute to the knowledge of all.

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- iv) The Board **ACCORDED its APPROVAL** for conferring the title of Professor Emeritus of the Institute on Prof. P.G. Awate, Industrial Engineering and Operations Research who retired from the service of IIT Bombay on superannuation.

Item No. 7:

TO CONSIDER RESIDENTIAL ACCOMMODATION ALLOTMENT RULES 2020

- i) The Board **CONSIDERED** the consolidated document regarding Residential Accommodation Allotment Rules 2020 prepared by the Accommodation Allotment Committee (ACC).

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- ii) The Board **APPROVED** the consolidated document of Residential Accommodation Allotment Rules 2020 prepared by the Accommodation Allotment Committee (ACC).

Item No. 8: TO NOTE THE REPORT OF SIGNING OF MEMORANDA OF UNDERSTANDING (MoUs)

- i) The Board **NOTED** the signing of following Memoranda of Understanding (MoU):
 - a) National Tsing Hua University, Taiwan
 - b) Concordia University, Canada
 - c) Institut National Polytechnique de Toulouse, France
 - d) The University of Newcastle, Australia
 - e) The University of Toronto, Canada
 - f) The University of New Brunswick, Canada
 - g) Washington University in St. Louis, USA
 - h) National Tsing Hua University, Taiwan
 - i) Università Degli Studi di Urbino Carlo Bo, Italy
 - j) Kookmin University, Korea

Item No.9: TO NOTE THE REPORT OF VARIOUS AWARDS / DISTINCTIONS AND FELLOWSHIPS RECEIVED BY INSTITUTE / FACULTY MEMBERS

- i) The Board **NOTED** the information relating to various awards / distinctions and fellowships received by faculty members.
- ii) The Chairman suggested that research awards and achievements be clubbed according to their significance.
- iii) The Board recorded its **APPRECIATION** for the work carried out by the faculty members and congratulated them on their achievements. The Board further desired that a “**Letter of Appreciation**” in this regard by Director / Dean (Faculty Affairs) may be sent to these faculty members.

Item No. 10: ITEMS APPROVED BY THE CHAIRMAN

- i) The Board **NOTED** and **RATIFIED** the following actions approved by the Chairman as given in the Agenda, Item No.10:
 - a) Selection of Employees
 - b) Re-employment of Faculty Members
 - c) Appointment of Professor-in-Charge (PIC) for Institute of Eminence Cell (IoE Cell)

ITEMS APPROVED BY THE DIRECTOR

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- i) The Board **NOTED** and **RATIFIED** the actions taken by the Director in approving certain matters as authorized by the Board.

- ii) The Board **RESOLVED** that the actions taken by the Director relating to the following items as given in the Agenda Item No.11, be approved:
 - a) Appointment of
 - i) *Adjunct Assistant Professor*
 - ii) *Adjunct Associate Professor*
 - iii) *Adjunct Professor*
 - iv) *NASI Senior Scientist*
 - v) *Distinguished Visiting Professor*
 - vi) *Emeritus Fellow*
 - vii) *INSA Senior Scientist Fellow*
 - viii) *Professor (Contract)*
 - ix) *Visiting Associate Professor*
 - x) *Visiting Professor*
 - xi) *Institute Post Doctoral Fellow*
 - xii) *Research Associate*

 - b) Extension of Appointment of
 - i) *Adjunct Associate Professor*
 - ii) *Adjunct Professor*
 - iii) *Distinguished Visiting Professor*
 - iv) *Emeritus Fellow*
 - v) *Visiting Associate Professor*
 - vi) *Visiting Professor*
 - vii) *Institute Post Doctoral Fellow*
 - viii) *Executive Officer*
 - ix) *Instrumentation Engineer*
 - x) *Assistant Sports Officer*
 - xi) *Executive Officer (Legal)*
 - xii) *Senior Resident Architect*
 - xiii) *Officer on Special Duty*
 - xiv) *Senior Language Instructor*
 - xv) *Programme Analyst*
 - xvi) *Air-Conditioner Engineer*
 - xvii) *Resident Architect*
 - xviii) *System Administrator*

- xix) Software Engineer*
- xx) Office Assistant*
- xxi) Project Assistant*
- xxii) Life Guard*
- xxiii) Library Attendant*
- xxiv) Helper*
- xxv) Executive Assistant*
- xxvi) Assistant (Editorial)*
- xxvii) Primary Teacher*
- xxviii) Trained Graduate Teacher (TGT)*
- xxix) Biometric Project Assistant*
- xxx) Clerical Assistant*
- xxxii) Offset Printer*
- xxxii) Video Technician*
- xxxiii) Senior Web Designer*
- xxxiv) Technical Assistant*
- xxxv) Executive Assistant (Technical)*
- xxxvi) Networking Engineer*
- xxxvii) Instrument Operator*

- c) Re-employment of Group A, B & C
- d) Regularisation of Assistant Professor Grade I
- e) Promotion under Career Advancement Scheme
- f) Promotion under RR&PP
- g) Adoption of various orders of Government of India pertaining to enhancement of monthly contribution under NPS, Relaxation to travel by air to NER, UTs, Special Festival Package, Special cash package equivalent in lieu of LTC, Date of next increment under Rule 10 of CCS and Counting of service on joining new service under NPS
- h) Grant of Sabbatical Leave
- i) Grant of Special Leave
- j) Grant of leave and financial assistance for attending International Conferences / Symposiums / Congress abroad and visits related to Project work
- k) Survey Committee Reports

SUPPLEMENTARY ITEMS

Item No. 12

IN THE MATTER OF GRIEVANCE OF SHRI PRATHMESH GANESH PEDAMKAR REGARDING HIS ADMISSION IN THE COURSE OF MASTER OF DESIGN (M. Des.) AT IIT BOMBAY FOR THE ACADEMIC YEAR 2020-21

- i) The Board **CONSIDERED** the matter of grievance of Shri Prathmesh Ganesh Pedamkar regarding his admission in the course of Master of Design (M.Des.) at IIT Bombay for the Academic Year 2020-21 under reserved category (SC).
- ii) The Board **NOTED** the directions given by the Hon'ble High Court Mumbai in the Writ Petition No. (L) NO.3436 of 2020 filed by Shri Prathmesh Ganesh Pedamkar.
- iii) The Board reviewed the entire issue in the light of Court direction vide order dated 23.10.2020 and subsequent representation dated 31.10.2020 filed by Prathmesh Ganesh Pedamkar.
- iv) The Board after **DELIBERATION** decided to extend the validity of CEED score obtained by Shri Pedamkar to the next year admission i.e. 2021-22 and directed that Shri Pedamkar may be considered for M.Des. admission in Academic Year 21-22 along with other CEED 2021 qualified candidates as per Institute norms, on the basis of the extended validity of his CEED score. The Board also decided that the same consideration may be extended to other similarly placed candidates during the M.Des 2020-21 admission process, should they decide to make use of this opportunity.
- v) The Board authorized Director to convey the above decision to Shri Pedamkar by issuing a reasoned order.

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The Chairman in his concluding remarks mentioned some issues to be thought over by the Board, to support the Institute in achieving its objectives and continued growth towards maintaining world class status as per its strategic plan:

- i) How Board can help the Institute in better governance?
- ii) What does it mean for the Institute to be an Institution of Eminence and how, after becoming Institution of Eminence (IoE), IIT Bombay will be different than before?
- iii) To make a time bound, focused target & strategy for say 5-10 years period.

iv) To find out stakeholders' views about IIT Bombay.

The Chairman also desired to include IoE as an agenda in the next BoG meeting.

The Director informed the Board that impact assessment report (commissioned during the Diamond Jubilee year) is awaited and shall be placed before the Board very soon.

The Meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.



(SUBHASIS CHAUDHURI)

DIRECTOR



(PAWAN GOENKA)

CHAIRMAN