

INDIAN INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY (INDIAN SCHOOL OF MINES), DHANBAD

MINUTES OF THE 20TH MEETING OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS HELD ON
23 DECEMBER 2021 AT 3.00 PM THROUGH ONLINE MODE

Members Present:

Prof Prem Vrat, Chairperson, BOG, IIT (ISM)	: Chairperson
Prof Rajiv Shekhar, Director, IIT (ISM)	: Member
Prof Shailendra Singh, Director, IIM-Ranchi	: Member
Prof Subodh Kumar Maiti, IIT (ISM)	: Member
Prof Atul Kumar Varma, IIT (ISM)	: Member
Dr. Arun Kumar, Director, TE, Govt. of Jharkhand	: Member
Prof Shalivahan, Deputy Director, IIT (ISM)	: Special Invitee
Shri P R K Sinha, Registrar (Actg.)	: Secretary

Leave of absence:

Shri Rakesh Ranjan, Additional Secretary (TE), MOE, GOI	: Member
Shri Gautam N Mehra, CMD, Savita Oil Technologies Ltd.	: Member
Prof Pallab Banerji, IIT Kharagpur	: Member

At the outset, the Chairperson welcomed all the distinguished members of the BOG. The Board of Governors expressed its gratitude to Prof A K Varma and Prof S K Maiti for their valuable contributions as members of the Board. Board also recorded its appreciation for Shri Prabodh Pandey, Ex-Registrar (Actg.) and Secretary of the BOG and welcomed Shri P R K Sinha, Registrar (Actg.) and Secretary, BOG. The Chairperson in his opening remarks congratulated for achieving its goal and also getting 11th rank in NIRF. The Board was also apprised about the approval accorded by Chairperson on the Annual Report, Annual Accounts and Separate Audit Report for 2020-21.

Comments received vide letter no. F. No. 23-8/2021-TS-I dated 23.12.2021 from AS (TE), Technical Section-I, MOE on the BOG agenda were placed before the Board of Governors.

The following agenda items were deliberated:

20/1 Confirmation of the Minutes of the 19th Meeting of the BOG of IIT(ISM) held on 30.09.2021

The minutes of the 19th meeting of the BOG held on 30.09.2021 were confirmed as no comments were received earlier and no comments were offered on the floor by any member.

20/2 Actions taken on the decisions of the 19th Meeting of the BOG held on 30.09.2021

Actions taken on the decisions made in the 19th meeting of the BOG held on 30.09.2021 were noted by the Board of Governors.

20/3 A report on pending actions on the decisions taken by the Board of Governors in its previous meetings

The agenda item on pending actions was presented before the Board. As commented by MoE, a consolidated proposal on the proposed amended Statutes of the Institute may be sent to MoE after approval by the Board of Governors.



The matter regarding pension case of Dr S N Rai, Ex-Assistant Professor has been considered by the Board in line with MoE's letter dated 30.9.2021 and it was decided that the decision of the Board is to be sent to the MoE for comments, if any.

As regards additional loan Rs. 29.42 crore from HEFA the information regarding details status of earlier loans taken from HEFA and financial and physical status may be sent to MoE with consolidated loan requests.

MoE would be requested to get the matter of Death-cum-Retirement Gratuity (DCRG) and family pension in respect of late Dr Sarita Kar expedited.

20/4 To review the Status Report of various ongoing construction works undertaken by CPWD at IIT(ISM)

Prof Alok Sinha, Dean (Infra) presented the status of construction activities of major and other ongoing projects. The Board noted the same.

20/5 Director's Report on progress of various activities

The Director presented the performance of the Institute during last three months in respect of various key indicators viz. teaching/ non-teaching appointments, sponsored research projects, placement statistics etc. The Chairperson desired that to keep track of off-campus placements the office of Dean (IRAA) may be in touch with graduted students. The Director apprised the Board that the Institute is going to put a placement notice-board on its website to get an updated information in respect off-campus placements.

The Board congratulated the Institute for improvements in opening JEE (Advanced) rank in admissions for the Academic Year, 2021-22 and NIRF ranking from 12 to 11.

20/6 Performance evaluation against MoU parameters signed by the Institute with MoE

The performance of the Institute against each parameter of the MOU signed by the Institute with MoE was presented and BOG expressed its satisfaction on progress made under different parameters.

20/7 Presentation on Nirsa Campus by Prof Sarat Kumar Das

Prof Alok Sinha, Dean (Infrastructure) made a presentation regarding construction of boundary wall in the land allotted to the Institute at Nirsa. The Board was also apprised about the problems faced by the Institute in completing the work. The Board of Governors asked the Institute to send a report on these issues to the Deptt. of Higher Technical Education and Skill Development, Govt. of Jharkhand and request them to render their support in getting the work of completed.

Prof Sarat Kumar Das, Head, Department of Civil Engineering made a presentation on the proposed activities to be carried out at the second campus of the Institute at Nirsa. The Board advised the Institute that the activities which can be conducted at the second campus with minimal movement of faculty members from existing campus to the second campus on day to day basis may be identified. It was also suggested that the people from industry invited for a workshops / brainstorming session which may be helpful in finalizing the detailed plan of activities to be conducted at the second campus of the Institute.



20/8 Ratification & Reporting Items

The BOG ratified the approvals accorded by the Chairperson, BOG as mentioned from Sl. No. 1 to 11 under heading 'A', 1 to 14 under heading 'B' and noted the Reporting Items from Sl. No. 1 to 3 in the agenda paper. The BOG also ratified the following additional items approved by the Chairperson, BOG:

Ratification

1. Approved Minutes of the Institute Standing Committee (ISC) for the appointment of Prof U K Singh as Emeritus Fellow in the Deptt. of Mining Engineering.
2. Approved Minutes of the Institute Standing Committee (ISC) for consideration on the application of Ms. Sabnam Basu for Visiting Faculty Position on contract (at the level of Assistant Professor) in the Department of Management Studies.

Reporting

3. Communication received from Ministry of Education, GoI vide letter F.No. 39-2/2016 TS I dated 9th December, 2021 regarding Grant of Dearness Relief (DR) to IITs has been implemented.
4. As a CPF Optee, an amount of Rs.32,29,074/- has been paid to Prof T K Chatterjee, Deptt. of Mining Machinery Engineering, IIT (ISM), Dhanbad as Employer's share on 18.12.2021 on his written request.

20/9 To receive and consider the recommendations made by the 20th Finance Committee, meeting held on 23.12.2021 at 11.00 A.M.

Recommendations made by the Finance Committee in its 20th meeting held on 23.12.2021 were received and approved by the Board of Governors.

20/10 Record Retention Schedule for various sections of the Institute

The Board deliberated on the proposed Record Retention Schedule and approved the same.

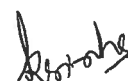
20/11 Implementation of Central Educational Institution (Reservation in Teachers' Cadre) Act, 2019 with respect to 4-Tier Flexible Cadre Structure

The proposal was considered by the Board of Governors and it was decided that the proposal should be discussed in the IIT Council for the sake of uniform implementation across all IITs.

20/12 Swapping of land with P K Roy Memorial College

The Board discussed the agenda in light of recent developments and facts vis-a-vis the comments of MoE. The Board was apprised the following:

1. As per the Institute of Technology Act, 1961, section 6(2) - "*Notwithstanding anything contained in sub section 1, an Institute shall not dispose of in any manner any immovable property without the prior approval of the Visitor*".



2. The earlier decision of the then Executive Board was based on the document issued by the Government of Jharkhand regarding transfer of land measuring 0.71 acres to P K Roy Memorial College, Dhanbad for construction of multipurpose examination building.
3. The said land is a part of plot no. 1318 which has a total area of 7.64 acre and as per the survey settlement khatiyani the land is in the name of Government of India. Out of 7.64 acres, 0.71 acres has been transferred by the state government to P K Roy Memorial College, Dhanbad and 0.76 acres is with the district administration for construction of Taramandal.
4. As regards the ownership of 0.71 acres of land which has been transferred to P K Roy Memorial College, the Institute has documents which show that one residential accommodation situated in that piece of land was allotted by Indian School of Mines, Dhanbad to the Principal of Government Polytechnic College, Bhaga, Dhanbad for his residence. The Principal of Government Polytechnic College, Bhaga was also paying electricity bill to Indian School of Mines, Dhanbad.

In view of the above facts, the Board of Governors decided to withdraw the earlier decision of the Executive Board, Indian School of Mines, taken in its 173rd meeting held on 28/08/2016, and accordingly, the agreement entered into by the then Registrar, IIT (ISM), Dhanbad on that basis is not implementable as the Institute has since been converted into an IIT w.e.f 06/09/2016. The Board also asked the Institute to convey the above decision to the Ministry of Education and Government of Jharkhand for taking necessary steps to restore the ownership of Central Government on the above mentioned two pieces of land (0.71 acres and 0.76 acres in Point No.3).

20/13 Adoption of DoPT notification regarding reservation for Ex-Servicemen in Group-C posts

The Board decided to refer the matter to the Ministry of Education for consideration.

20/14 Provision for erstwhile Group-D employees for promotion in the entry grade of Group-C post

In line with the comments of the Technical Section, MoE, the BOG asked the Institute to bring the proposal in its next meeting through the Finance Committee.

20/15 Amendment in mode of appointment of Chief Security Officer (Level-12) to be filled by promotion

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20/16 Creation of post of Senior Horticulture Officer

In line with the comments of the Technical Section, MoE, the BOG asked the Institute to bring the proposal in its next meeting through the Finance Committee.



20/17 Implementation of decision of the Board of Governors regarding recruitment rules for the posts of Junior Coaching Assistant (Pay Level-03), Senior Coaching Assistant (Pay Level-05) and Sports Coach (Pay Level-06)

In line with the comments of the Technical Section, MoE, the BOG asked the Institute to bring the proposal in its next meeting through the Finance Committee.

20/18 Proposals recommended by the 21st Senate of IIT (ISM), Dhanbad for the consideration of the Board of Governors for approval

Item No. 20/21.01: Proposal to change the name of Department of Chemistry

The Board of Governors approved the recommendation of Senate to change the name of 'Department of Chemistry' to 'Department of Chemistry and Chemical Biology'.

Item No.20/21.02: Proposal to discontinue M.Tech. program offered in Geo-exploration and in Engineering Geology from AY 2022-23, and to start an interdisciplinary M.Tech program on Geological Exploration and Engineering from 2023.

The Board approved the recommendation of the Senate.

Item No. 20/21.03: Proposal to discontinue M.Tech. Programme in TUST and in Geomatics from 2022

The Board approved the recommendations of the Senate to discontinue the above mentioned programmes from the Academic Year 2022-23.

Item No. 20/21.04: Proposal to consider the implementation of the new academic program of Integrated PG and Ph.D program from 2022-23 Monsoon Semester

The Board approved the recommendations of the Senate.

Item No. 20/21.05: Proposal for Introduction of Multiple Exit in UG Program

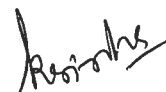
The Board deliberated the recommendation and decided to defer this item and advised the Institute to raise the matter in IIT Council to frame uniform policy applicable across all IITs.

Item No. 20/21.06: Proposal to award PG Diploma to those PG program students who leave without completing the academic program

The Board deliberated and approved the proposal.

Item No. 20/21.07: Proposal to merge Environmental Science (ENS) and Environmental Science & Engineering (ESE) streams of Ph.D program offered by ESE Department

The Board deliberated and approved the proposal.



Item No.20/21.08:Proposal for giving an opportunity to the Research Scholars to Pursue Collaborative Doctoral Program (Ph. D) which will be awarded by both the Institutes/ Universities under Collaborative Doctoral Program between IIT (ISM) and other Foreign Universities/Institutions

The Board deliberated the item and decided to defer the proposal and asked the Institute to make a study of such provision existing in IIT Bombay, IIT Delhi etc. and submit a detailed proposal in the upcoming Senate and BOG.

Item No. 20/21.09 : List of Graduating Students

a. B.Tech

b. Ph.D

The Board approved the names for award of degrees.

Item No. 20.21.10(v): Degree Certificate for the award of Joint Ph.D between Curtin University, Australia and IIT (ISM) Dhanbad- separately by both the Universities.

The Board deliberated the item and decided to defer the proposal and asked the Institute to make a study of similar schemes existing in IIT Bombay, IIT Delhi etc. and submit a detailed proposal in the upcoming Senate and BOG.

Item No. 20.21.10(xi): Updated List of External Experts for Physics and HSS

The Board approved the panel of external experts for the selection committees for faculty in department of Physics and HSS.

20/19 Status report on the implementation of reservation for SC, ST, OBC and EWS in faculty positions

A report on the status of implementation of reservation for SC, ST, OBC and EWS in faculty positions at IIT (ISM) Dhanbad was presented before the Board of Governors and the same was noted by the Board.

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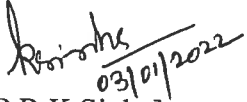
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20/21: AOB - Ratification of approval of Annual Report, Annual Accounts and Separate Audit Report for the F.Y. 2020-21

The Board of Governors has been apprised that the Annual Report, Annual Accounts and Separate Audit Report for the F.Y. 2020-21 was approved by the Chairperson subject to its ratification by the Finance Committee and the Board of Governors.

The Finance Committee in its 20th meeting held on 23.12.2021 ratified the approval of the Chairperson and the same was also ratified by the Board of Governors.

The meeting ended with thanks to the Chair.


03/01/2022
[P R K Sinha]
Registrar (Actg) &
Secretary, BOG