



Minutes of the 39th Meeting of the Board of Governors (BoG) held on 16.10.2020

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The following members were present in the meeting:

1. Dr. Rajendra Prasad Singh - Chairman
Former Chairman & Managing Director
Power Grid Corporation and
Independent Director
Azure Power Global Ltd.
(Through video conference)
2. Prof. R. V. Raja Kumar - Member
Director, IIT Bhubaneswar
Bhubaneswar-752050
3. Dr. Rakesh Ranjan - Member
Additional Secretary (TE)
Deptt. of Higher Education
Ministry of Education
Government of India, New Delhi
(Through video conference)
4. Cdr. V. K. Jaitly, INS (Retd) - Member
Chairman, C-cube Consultants,
C_cube conducts Programs
in Business Excellence
New Delhi – 110077
(Through video conference)
5. Prof. Saroj Kumar Nayak - Member
Professor, School of Basic Sciences
IIT Bhubaneswar
6. Prof. N. C. Sahoo - Member
Professor, School of Electrical Sciences
IIT Bhubaneswar
7. Col (Dr.) Subodh Kumar - Secretary
Registrar, IIT Bhubaneswar



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At the outset, Dr. Rajendra Prasad Singh, Chairman Board of Governors welcomed all the members to the 39th meeting of the Board of Governors.

Prof. V. K. Tewari, Director, IIT Kharagpur and Shri Sanjay Kumar Singh, Commissioner-cum-Secretary, Skill Development & Technical Education, Govt. of Odisha could not attend the 39th meeting due to their prior commitments. They were granted leave of absence.

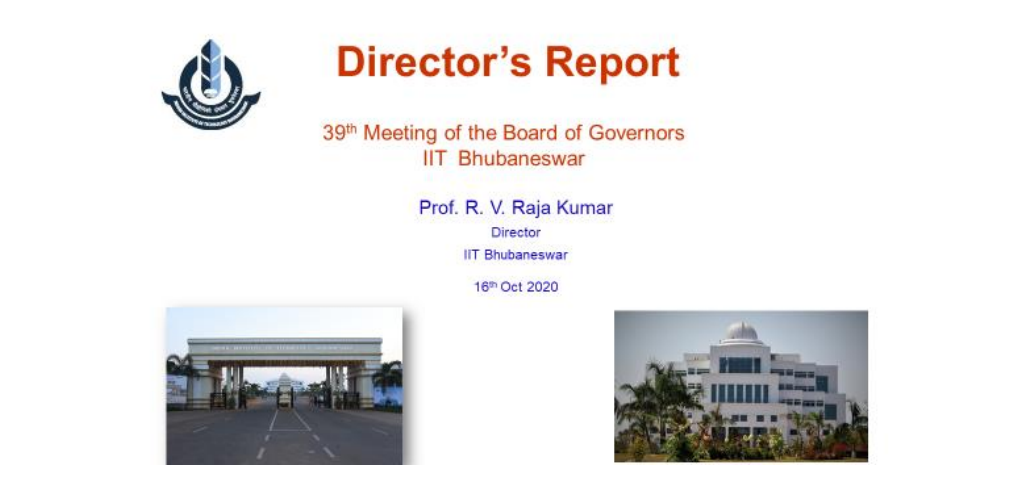
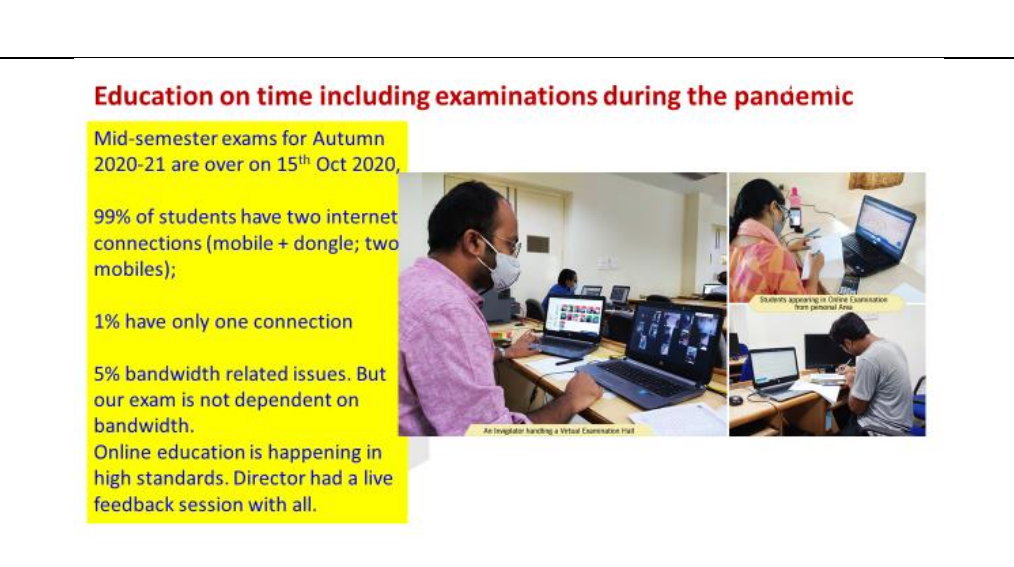
It is pertinent to mention here that agenda comprising of 46 items were circulated to all the members of the Board of Governors for the 38th meeting of the BoG held on 09.09.2020. But due to paucity of time, only the agenda items on priority were discussed on that day. Balance of the agenda items of the Board of Governors along with a few procedural items were taken up as under in the 39th meeting:

SECTION - A
(Procedural Items)

Item No.	Description of Item
BoG:39-1	To confirm the Minutes of the 38th Meeting of the Board of Governors held on 09.09.2020. The Draft Minutes of the 38 th Meeting of the Board of Governors (BoG) as circulated on 14.10.2020 were confirmed incorporating the amendments suggested by the Hon'ble Members of BoG on Item Nos. BoG: 38-15, BoG: 38-19 & BoG: 38-20.
BoG:39-2	To review the Action Taken Report (ATR) arising out of the decisions taken in the 38th Meeting of Board of Governors held on 09.09.2020. Action Taken Report (ATR) points were discussed. The Institute took a decision that only after confirmation of the minutes of the 37 th meeting of Finance Committee and 38 th meeting of Board of Governors, the respective Office Orders will be issued.
BoG:39-3	Presentation of Director's Report. The Board noted the highlights of the Director's report and appreciated the progress made by the Institute on various fronts.



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	<p>Details of the Director's Report are given in the following slides:</p>
	
	<p>Education on time including examinations during the pandemic</p> <p>Mid-semester exams for Autumn 2020-21 are over on 15th Oct 2020,</p> <p>99% of students have two internet connections (mobile + dongle; two mobiles);</p> <p>1% have only one connection</p> <p>5% bandwidth related issues. But our exam is not dependent on bandwidth.</p> <p>Online education is happening in high standards. Director had a live feedback session with all.</p> 



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NEW DELHI: Exam as top IITs shifted the final year exams and an increasing number of exams were cancelled in view of the prevailing Covid-19 outbreak, IIT Bhubaneswar showed the way by not only conducting the end-semester exams online, but ensuring 100% attendance.

This second generation IT customised the online exam system so that the examination could be conducted in a comprehensive form without any compromise, and ensuring that students are not put at risk. The end semester examinations were conducted online between June 24 to 30, for the final year subjects where a total of 520 (nearly 100% of the batch size) students from B.Tech, dual degree, MSc, MPhil and PhD participated.

Even though they were called online exams, the requirement of the internet was limited to question paper access, answer paper uploading and uploading the participants. As per IT officials, the commercially available systems for online examinations are normally designed to hold computer-based tests and not for conventional examinations in a comprehensive form and have certain weaknesses.

The conceptual and architectural design of the system was provided by Institute Director Professor R V Raja Kumar and the system was developed by computer and IT services cell of the institute. The institute put in place a help desk which could interact, attend to and fix problems like those related to gadgets and internet bandwidth of the students during the exams.

Kumar explained, "One of the challenges faced in the system design is to provide fairness of access to students who have a bit of variation in available gadgets and internet connectivity. Since the answering can also be done with pen and paper, the requirement of the internet is reduced to question paper access, answer paper uploading and navigation. The institute provided multiple options to facilitate the students to take the test with fairness, though they have different levels of technology access (single to two gadgets)" and added, "Though the institute scheduled two examinations to facilitate the students acquire facilities in case they do not have, all 100% of them have availed the first opportunity and could take the exams successfully. In this system a conventional examination hall is made virtual, distributed across the personal environment of each student at their own home and the control also partly depends on the cooperation from each student. Our students cooperated well, they are highly technology savvy, participated in the examinations with seriousness and helped the institute in conducting their examinations in good standards."

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Pr Saha, area (academic) said, "The examinations could be held without any compromise on the regulations despite the pandemic situation. The one change made is that the duration of the entire exam was reduced to two hours from the usual three hours and accordingly the weightage to 40% in place of 50%, as recommended by our Senate."

<https://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/home/education/news/iit-bbs-convenes-clases-for-new-atacemic-year-online/articleid/7724215.cms?>

IIT Bhubaneswar Commences its New Academic Year on Time

17th Aug 2020



IIT BBS BEGINS NEW ACADEMIC YEAR ON TIME

PWS BHUBANESWAR

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Online Comprehensive Autumn Mid Semester Exam – 2020-21
7th October-15th October (including Sunday)

Total Students to write exam: 1552		
B. Tech including Dual Degree	Boys	Girls
	987	163
M. Tech first year	186	36
M. Sc*	59	21
PhD	71	29
Total subjects	172	
Total Invigilators	125	
Students: Invigilator	16:1	
No. of students absent		50
Malpractice Cases	3	



* 98 first year MSc students will take exam from 27 October-1 November 2020

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Sl. No.	Date	Academic Event	Remarks
1	24-06-2020 to 29-06-2020	End Semester Examination for 2019-20 Spring Session	Exam was Conducted Online
2	30-06-2020 to 04-07-2020	Compensation of Pending Lab Classes and Evaluation	Live or Recorded Video transmission of the Experiment performed on the Lab Table
3	10-07-2020	Special Senate	Announcement of the 2019-20 Spring Session Result

Academic Calendar – Events (2019-20)

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4	17-8-2020	Commencement of Autumn session classes for On-roll students	Online classes
5	24-08-2020 To 25-08-2020	Registration for M.Tech/M.Sc/Ph.D Scholars	New Joining for Autumn 2020-21 academic session
6	27-08-2020	Commencement of classes for M.Tech. (1st Semester) & M.Sc. (1st Semester) and 9th Semester Dual Degree	Autumn 2020-21 Session classes for freshers
7	07-10-2020 To 15-10-2020	Mid Semester Examination for Autumn 2020- 21 Session	Live or Recorded Video transmission of the Experiment performed on the Lab Table
8	15-11-2020	Registration of 1 st Semester B.Tech and Dual Degree for Autumn 2020-21	Proposed

Status of COVID-19 Positive Cases

Total Tested Positive up to 6.10.2020 are 54 (8)*

	Faculty	Staff	Family	Students	Outsource
In Campus :	1 (0)	8 (0)	6 (0)	0 (0)	---
City Residents :	5 (3)	11 (2)	4 (1)	8 (0)	11 (2)
Total :	6 (3)	19 (2)	10 (1)	8 (0)	11 (2)

*Numbers in parenthesis indicate currently still in Quarantine

- IITBBS Campus was free of COVID-19 till 08 Sept, 2020, rose up to 15 afterwards and NIL CASES, now;
- IITBBS was free of COVID-19 till 22nd July, 2020, rose to 54 later and present active/quarantine cases are 8.

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- Task Force Committee was established
 - ❖ Effective Standard Operating Procedure (SOP)
 - ❖ COVID-19 Isolation Unit is Established Nearby Main Gate
 - ❖ Medical Unit is Fully Equipped with Basic Infrastructure - Masks, PPE Kits, Thermal scanners, Hand Gloves, etc.
 - ❖ Sanitization of Entire Campus Infrastructure Everyday
 - ❖ Contact Tracing, if any Positive Case is Reported
 - ❖ Thermal Scanning and Sanitization facilities at the Main Gate
- IIT Bhubaneswar was free of COVID-19 till 22nd July, 2020
- IIT Bhubaneswar Campus was free of COVID-19 till 08 September, 2020

Standard Operating Procedure for COVID-19

- i. All employees, students and other temporary workers are allowed into campus, subject to self-declaration of good health and undergoing 14 days quarantine either in the quarters, designated hostel or in COVID hubs.
- ii. Medical Unit monitors the Health of the quarantined individuals and families.
- iii. In case, any individual is tested positive, the person will remain in quarantine, within their accommodation, along with the entire family members.
- iv. The individuals with high risk will be shifted to COVID-19 hospitals.
- v. Members report to duty after 17 days of Home isolation with the submission of discharge certificate issued by State Health Agency.

New Joining of Faculty Members

Sl No	Name	Designation	School/Department	Date of Joining
1	Prof. Prawal Sinha, SBS	Visiting Professor	SBS	16.03.2020
2	Dr. Indrajit Jana	Assistant Professor Gr-II	SBS	24.06.2020
3	Dr. Vijaya Sankara Rao Pasupureddi	Associate Professor	SES	24.06.2020
4	Dr. Sourabh Bhattacharya	Assistant Professor Gr-I	SEOCS	24.06.2020
5	Dr. Subhajyoti Mukherjee	Assistant Professor Gr-II	SES	13.07.2020
6	Dr. Nirmalendu Acharya	Assistant Professor Gr-I	SBS	28.09.2020



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IITBBS is Granted Zonal IIT Status for Conducting JEE (Advanced)

1. IIT Bhubaneswar becomes a Zonal IIT for organizing JEE (Advanced) Examination for admission to UG programs of 23 IITs (divided in to 7 zones). Eastern Zone - IIT Kharagpur, IIT (ISM) Dhanbad, IIT Bhilai, IITBBS.
 - Zonal operations constitute a serious responsibility involving confidential operations (Setting Question papers, Freezing Answer keys, Exam Center Vetting, Conducting Examination, Running Reporting and Counselling at IIT etc..)
2. IIT Bhubaneswar has organized JEE Advanced Examination independently (by faculty/staff of institute) in the entire state of Odisha at 29 Test centers on 27 September 2020.
3. IIT Bhubaneswar would be conducting JEE Advanced Architecture Aptitude Test (2020) independently at its permanent campus in October 2020. Odisha students will write their exam in the state of Odisha for the first time.

Release of Payment of Rs.3.30 Cr to NBCC for Phase-II Construction

Particulars	As per NBCC UC-23 (31.07.20)	As per IIT (31.07.20)	As per NBCC in UC-24 (31.08.2020)	As per IIT (31.08.20)	As per NBCC UC-25 is (30.09.2020 and submitted on 10.10.2020)
i Deposit By IIT	294.66	294.85	294.66	294.85	294.85
ii Bank Interest on unutilised fund	13.56	13.56	13.56	13.56	13.56
iii Add reimbursement by IIT in Mar.'2020	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00
iv. Add reimbursement by IIT in 18.03.2020	12.97	12.97	12.97	12.97	12.97
v. Add reimbursement by IIT in 01.04.2020	13.09	13.09	13.09	13.09	13.09
vi. Add for encashment of PBG (Simplex 13.10 cr + Lalitendu 0.17 cr.)	13.27	13.27	13.27	13.27	13.27
Sub Total (A)	357.55	357.74	357.55	357.74	357.74
B Expenditure by NBCC					
i Work done Upto 31.08.2020	360.98	361.19	364.61	364.75	370.99
ii Secured Advance	9.02	9.02	9.47	9.47	10.97
Sub Total (B)	370.71	370.21	374.08	374.22	381.96

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Sub Total (B)	370.71	370.21	374.08	374.22	381.96	
Sub Total (C) = B - A	12.46	12.47	16.53	16.48	24.22	
Less credit on a/c of interest recovered on mobilization advance (D)	-	(-)7.64		(-)7.64		IIT letter No.393 dt. 03.09.2020
Less for defects of BHR (E)		(-)3.14		(-)3.14		IIT letter No.393 dt. 03.09.2020
Less for defects of GHRS (F)		(-)1.90		(-)1.90		IIT letter No.393 dt. 03.09.2020
Less for other defects in various works in Academic and Residential area (G)				(-)0.50		
Sub Total (H = C-D-E-F)	12.46	12.68	16.53	3.30		
Add 33% of sanctioned est. as per MOA (33% of Rs. 878.79 cr.) (I)	290.00	-	290.00		290.00	IIT DO letter No.03 dt. 24.04.2020
Total (H + I)	302.46	(-)0.21	306.53	3.30	314.22	



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Summary of Infrastructure Projects (Phase-II, NBCC)

- Infrastructure under Development (1,99,139 sq.m.) : Schools, Lecture Hall Complex, Hostels, Residential Quarters, Auditorium, Dispensary, Sports Facilities, Sewerage Treatment Network & Plant
 - Signing of Agreement with NBCC : May 2016
 - Approval and Assignment of Work to NBCC : 2017 (in phases)
 - Original Completion Period : January 2019
 - Sanctioned Amount by MHRD (2016) : Rs. 850 Cr.
 - Assigned value of the works by NBCC: : Rs. 805.68 Cr
 - Fund provided by MHRD under Grant (2017-18) : Rs. 300 Cr.
 - Loan sanctioned by HEFA (2018) : Rs. 550 Cr (Rs 275 Cr in 1st Instalment and balance Rs.275 Cr after exhaustion of 1st Instalment)
- NBCC seriously defaulted due to deployment of manpower at 1/3rd of the requirement.
 - IIT took it up with MoE. MoE gave the last extension to NBCC for completion of all by June 2020 (with no scope for further extension).
 - **Again defaulted by NBCC. The progress by end of Sep 2020: 47.08% (claimed on Rs 379.03 cr out of Rs 805 Cr).**
 - Unable to deliver, NBCC is resorting to false excuses, though IITBBS has been working for **ZERO HINDRANCE**
 - IIT decided to give the new work (Boys Hostel-4) to CPWD.

Non Submission of mandatory information by NBCC

- Amount of Expenditure by NBCC (upto Sep.'20) : Rs. 381.96 Cr.
 - Amount Released by IIT (upto Sep.'20) : Rs. 361.04 Cr.
 - Amount Released by IIT through HEFA (upto Sep.'20): Rs. 34.36 Cr. (IIT became a defaulter for HEFA)
 - Balance Claimed by NBCC (expenditure & advance) : Rs. 24.22 Cr. (expenditure) & Rs. 290 Cr. (advance)
- Reason for withholding balance claimed by NBCC (expenditure)
 - NBCC not considered Rs.3.30 Cr. released by IIT on 13.10.2020 in the statement of Sep.'20
 - Interest recovered for the mobilisation advance extended to agencies by NBCC out of IIT fund
 - Penalty to agencies for unacceptable quality & non execution of works
 - Reason for withholding balance claimed by NBCC (advance)
 - As per the directives of Secretary, MoE henceforth no advances can be extended to NBCC in order to lower the interest outgo of the Gol.

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Student Activity Centre (SAC), Play Courts and School of Humanities, Social Sciences and Management to be inaugurated





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Meeting was organized with IIT Bhubaneswar and NBCC on 2nd October 2020 and the following points was discussed

- Master Plan, Designs and drawings
- LHC -2 design verification
- Design of Aluminium doors and window frames to withstand the speed of 250 KMPH
- Non-deployment of adequate manpower
- Rebaring issue of lintel casting
- Non-submission of finance related mandatory documents by NBCC.

Hindi Pakhwada Program Successfully Organized at IIT Bhubaneswar

1st- 14th Sep 2020



Celebration of Engineer's day to mark the birth anniversary of Bharat Ratna Mokshagundam Visvesvaraya, one of the greatest engineers of India

15th Sep 2020

Keynote Lecture

"A Future of Devices - Flexible Electronics"

Prof. Siddhartha Panda at IIT Kharagpur
 Golden Jubilee Chair Professor on Entrepreneurship and Innovation
 FIEXCE
 National Centre of Flexible Electronics IIT Kharagpur

From 11:30 AM

Prof. Siddhartha Panda is a Professor of Chemical Engineering, and a participating faculty in the Materials Science Programme, and is currently the Coordinator (in-charge) of the National Centre for Flexible Electronics (NC(FlexE)), at IIT Kharagpur. His research focuses on chemical sensors for healthcare applications, and the accompanying transducers, flexible, transduction materials processing, and integration, utilizing flexible printable platform. Prior to joining IIT Kharagpur in 2008, he was a Staff Laboratory Engineer at the IBM Semiconductor Research Center, New York, for over six years. He obtained a Ph.D. from the University of Houston in 2005, an M.S. from the University of Cincinnati in 2005 and a B. Tech. from IIT Kharagpur in 2002, all in Chemical Engineering.

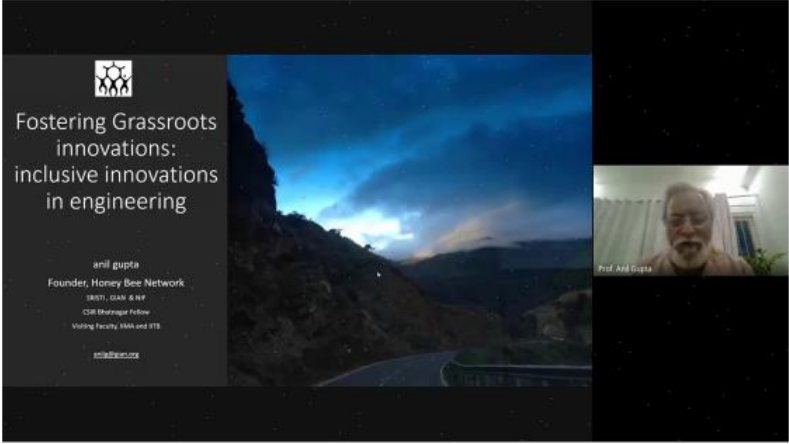


Celebrating Engineer's Day
 September 15th

... some innovations from FIEXCE

Program
 11:30 - 11:35 Address by Prof. R.V. Raju Kumar, Director, IIT BBS
 11:35 - 11:50 Introduction of Keynote speaker
 11:50 - 12:15 Mainnote Lecture by Prof. Siddhartha Panda, IIT Kharagpur
 12:15 - 12:20 Vote of Thanks



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<p>Webinar on "Fostering Grassroots Innovations: Interdisciplinary Inclusive Innovations in Engineering" 18th Sep 2020</p> 
<p>Webinar on "Scaling Blended Solutions: Creating Knowledge Networks for Open Innovation Ecosystem" 25th Sep 2020</p> 
<p>Mini-Marathon and Walkathon Inside the Campus to Mark the Anniversary of Fit India Movement 26th Sep 2020</p> 



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Gandhi Jayanti celebration and observation of Swachh Bharat programme at IIT Bhubaneswar

2nd Oct 2020



Jan Andolan for COVID-19 Appropriate Behaviour initiated by Hon'ble Prime Minister

8th Oct 2020



Ambedkar Jayanti Celebration at IIT Bhubaneswar

14th April 2020





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Plantation Drive Organized at IIT Bhubaneswar on the eve of World Environment Day

5th June 2020



6th International Day of Yoga

21st June 2020



IIT Bhubaneswar Celebrates Independence Day Amidst the Pandemic with Patriotic Fervor

15th August 2020



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Item No.	Description of Item
BoG:39-4	<p>To consider and approve the recommendations of 38th meeting of the Finance Committee held on 16.10.2020.</p> <p>Board approved the recommendations of 38th meeting of the Finance committee held on 16.10.2020.</p>
BoG:39-5 [Deferred Agenda Item No: BoG:38-6]	<p>To consider and approve the amendment with respect to Medical Insurance coverage of ₹ 1.00 lakh including payment of premium in case of Visiting Faculty.</p> <p>Subsequent to the Pay revision under 7th CPC and based on the recommendations of the 33rd FC, the BoG has already approved the ranges of remuneration for engagement of Visiting Faculty at different categories starting from the level of Assistant Professor to HAG Professor in its 34th meeting (Item 34-6) dated 12.04.2019 including the Medical benefit.</p> <p>Minutes of the meeting to the above effect related to Medical benefit says: "Medical Insurance coverage of ₹ 1.00 lakh per annum for self and spouse including payment of premium".</p> <p>The Board discussed the above matter regarding amendment with respect to Medical Insurance coverage of ₹ 1.00 lakh including payment of premium in case of Visiting Faculty & spouse and approved the following as recommended by the Finance Committee:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">(i) Cost of medical insurance + medical reimbursement benefit for self and spouse of up to ₹ 1.00 lakh per annum.(ii) Ceiling on Premium should be preferably fixed to ₹ 25,000/-.(iii) Premium > ₹ 25,000/- per annum needs approval of the Director on case to case basis.

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<p>BoG:39-6</p> <p>[Deferred Agenda Item No: BoG:38-8]</p>	<p>To consider and approve the draft Annual Report of the Institute for the Financial Year 2019-20. Annual Report will be sent to MoE for laying before both the Houses of Parliament.</p> <p>The Board approved the Annual Report of the Institute for the Financial Year 2019-20. Annual Report will be sent to the Ministry of Education for laying before both the Houses of Parliament.</p>
<p>BoG:39-7</p> <p>[Deferred Agenda Item No: BoG:38-9]</p>	<p>To consider and approve the revision of honorarium for Ph.D Thesis examiners.</p> <p>For Ph.D thesis examination, IIT Bhubaneswar pays ₹ 5000/- to Indian Examiners and US\$ 300 to Foreign Examiners from its inception.</p> <p>Institute proposed to enhance the existing rate of honorarium for Ph.D thesis Examiner from ₹ 5,000/- to ₹10,000/- for Indian Examiners and from US\$ 300 to US\$ 500 for Foreign Examiners as it is already recommended by the HoS's Committee meeting held on 21.07.2020.</p> <p>The Board of Governors discussed the above matter and approved the recommendation of the FC for revision of honorarium for Ph.D Thesis Examiners from ₹ 5,000/- to ₹10,000/- for Indian Examiners and from US\$ 300 to US\$ 500 for Foreign Examiners.</p>
<p>BoG:39-8</p> <p>[Deferred Agenda Item No: BoG:38-10]</p>	<p>To consider and approve to pay ₹ 25 lakhs as 2nd instalment to the development of IIT Alumni Centre at Bengaluru (IIT ACB).</p> <p>An IIT Alumni Centre is being constructed at Bengaluru by taking contributions across all IITs. The Board approved the proposal of payment of the 1st instalment of ₹ 25 Lakhs to IIT Alumni Centre at Bengaluru in its 34th meeting held on 12.04.2019 which has already been paid to the IIT Alumni centre Bengaluru.</p> <p>In continuation to the above, Institute received a request from President, IIT Alumni Centre at Bengaluru (IIT ACB) for release of ₹ 25 lakhs as 2nd instalment towards Institute contribution for development of IIT ACB.</p> <p>The Board considered the above matter and approved the recommendation of the Finance Committee for release of ₹ 25 lakhs</p>



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	as 2 nd instalment towards Institute contribution for development of IIT Alumni Centre at Bengaluru (IIT ACB).
BoG:39-9 [Deferred Agenda Item No: BoG:38-17]	To consider and approve the recommendations of the Senate made at its 46th, 47th, 48th, 49th & 51st meetings held on 20.03.2020, 17.04.2020, 02.06.2020, 30.06.2020 & 11.08.2020 respectively. The Board of Governors considered the recommendations of the Senate made at its 46 th , 47 th , 48 th , 49 th & 51 st meetings held on 20.03.2020, 17.04.2020, 02.06.2020, 30.06.2020 & 11.08.2020 respectively and resolved that the same be approved.



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SECTION – C

(Items for Ratification)

Item No.	Description of Item
BoG:39-10	<p>The Chairman, Board of Governors approved the extension of services of Prof. Hrusikesh Mishra as Visiting Professor in the School of Earth, Ocean & Climate Sciences for a period of six months i.e. from 19.09.2020 to 18.03.2021 with the same terms and conditions as per the offer letter issued earlier.</p> <p>The Board ratified the same.</p>
BoG:39-11	<p>The Chairman, Board of Governors approved the extension of services of Shri Bimalendu Mohanty, Superintending Engineer (Civil-II) for a period of six months i.e. from 19.09.2020 to 18.03.2021 with the same terms and conditions as per the offer letter issued earlier.</p> <p>The Board ratified the same.</p>

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SECTION - D

(Reporting Items)

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BoG:39-13 [Deferred Agenda Item No: BoG:38-28]	To report that the acceptance of joining back of parent organization/ resignation submitted by the following Faculty and Non-Faculty Members.																																																																				
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3	Prof. Godabarisha Mishra	Visiting Professor	SHSSM	For one more year from 16.08.2020 to 15.08.2021	O/o No. 196 dt. 17-08-2020
4	Prof. V. R. Yerikalapudy	Visiting Professor	SBS	Up to 24-10-2020	O/o No. 194 dt. 17-08-2020
Non- Faculty					
1	Dr. N. K. Patnaik	Medical Officer on contract	Medical Unit	6 months w.e.f 01.04.2020 to 30.09.2020	O/o No. 92 dt. 06-03-2020
2	Shri S. K. Poddar	OSD (Academics)	Academic Section	4 months w.e.f 01.08.2020 to 30.11.2020	O/o No. 173 dt. 17-07-2020
3	Shri Sivaraj Brahma	Badminton Coach on contract	Student Gymkhana	1 Year w.e.f 04.08.2020 to 03.08.2021	O/o No. 171 dt. 17-07-2020
4	Shri P. K. Das	OSD (I & A and F &A))	F&A Section	1 Year w.e.f 25.08.2020 to 24.08.2021	O/o No. 200 dt. 24-08-2020
<p>The Board of Governors noted the above including further extension of services of Prof. U. C. Mohanty as Visiting Professor in the School of Earth, Ocean & Climate Sciences for one year w.e.f. 28.09.2020 and advised the Institute that Head, School of Earth, Ocean and Climate Sciences should take initiative for creating a Chair Professor post to facilitate well stured candidates like Prof. U C Mohanty and retain his services in the Institute.</p> <p>The Board also noted for further extension of services of Dr. Naba Kishore Patnaik as Medical Officer on contract up to one year w.e.f 01.10.2020 with six monthly reviews.</p>					
BoG:39-15	To report about Grant of Personal Pay to the following Faculty members to protect them from the loss of their substantive pay that they were drawing in their previous organization.				
[Deferred Agenda Item No: BoG:38-30]					

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	1	Dr. Chetan	Assistant Professor –GrII	SMS	O/o No. 115A dt. 20.04.2020	₹ 2,000/- of PP granted with a provision to absorb in next increment																		
	2	Dr. Sivaiah Bathula	Assistant Professor –GrII	SMMME	O/o No. 115B dt. 20.04.2020	₹ 1,500/- of PP granted with a provision to absorb in next increment																		
BoG:39-16 [Deferred Agenda Item No: BoG:38-31]	<p>To report about consideration of Dr. Anoop Thomas's case as Medically Fit for the Faculty Position.</p> <p>Dr. Anoop Thomas, Asst. Professor Gr.II, SES was detected with color blindness. However, as per the rule position and the list published by the Gazette of India dated 04th January 2018, the color blindness is not categorized as a disability. Further, there was no such order of MHRD/MoE debarring the color blinded people from the faculty position.</p> <p>In view of the above, Dr. Anoop Thomas case was considered as Medically Fit for the Faculty position.</p> <p>The Board noted the same.</p>																							
BoG:39-17 [Deferred Agenda Item No: BoG:38-33]	<p>To report about participation of Faculty members in conferences and workshops under PDA, through Online mode.</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Sl. No</th> <th>Name & Designation</th> <th>School</th> <th>Name of Conference</th> <th>Place of conference held</th> <th>Purpose</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>1</td> <td>Dr. Anoop Thomas, Assistant Professor, Gr – II</td> <td>SES</td> <td>IEEE International Symposium on Information Theory</td> <td>Los Angeles, USA</td> <td>Online Oral Presentation</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2</td> <td>Dr. Soumya Prakash Dash, Assistant Professor, Gr – II</td> <td>SES</td> <td>Vehicular Technology Conference 2020- Fall</td> <td>Victoria, BC Canada</td> <td>Online Oral Presentation</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>The Board noted the same.</p>						Sl. No	Name & Designation	School	Name of Conference	Place of conference held	Purpose	1	Dr. Anoop Thomas, Assistant Professor, Gr – II	SES	IEEE International Symposium on Information Theory	Los Angeles, USA	Online Oral Presentation	2	Dr. Soumya Prakash Dash, Assistant Professor, Gr – II	SES	Vehicular Technology Conference 2020- Fall	Victoria, BC Canada	Online Oral Presentation
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<p>BoG:39-18</p> <p>[Deferred Agenda Item No: BoG:38-34]</p>	<p>To report the grant of extension of lien in favour of Dr. Kasuik Das, Asst. Professor Gr. I, SMMME till 17.05.2021 as per his request to enable him to continue as Asst. Professor at IEST Shibpur.</p> <p>The Board noted the same.</p>
<p>BoG:39-19</p>	<p>To report about the issue of supply of Bulk Water to the Institute against a tripartite agreement on PPP mode and making payment for the purpose as per the actual intake of water.</p> <p>The present status for non-drawl of water from bulk water supply are as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. As per the minutes of meeting dtd. 30.09.2008 Chaired by Development Commissioner-cum-Additional Chief Secretary, Govt. of Odisha, "The Development Commissioner advised that necessary government orders may be obtained for making the land available to IIT, at the earliest and to arrange for 3 MGD water supply and required electricity at IIT boundary all free of cost."2. Instead of supplying free water as mentioned at point no. 1 above, the Govt. of Odisha went for a Tripartite agreement on 27 October 2014 where high water tariff and huge quantity of fixed water demand were incorporated. The Tariff on supply of water as fixed by the firm is very high because it includes the Infrastructure cost to be recovered on installment in 25 years from the users. The present water demand of the campus is 0.5 MLD whereas the agreement quantity is about 10 times higher i.e. 5.0 MLD. As per the bill raised by M/S MEIL, the water bill for the month of July 2020 is ₹ 38,67,250.00 and will increase by 5% approx. every year.3. The water tariff fixed by the State Government for IIT Bhubaneswar is as per the industrial use which is about 5 times higher than that of the domestic users. While comparing the consumption charges in PPP mode charged to IIT with the consumption charges for industrial use fixed by the state government, it is found that water tariff as charged to IIT is about 30 times higher. The State Government has kept a provision of 5% increase of water tariff every year. In addition, as per the agreement, a revolving bank guarantee for an amount equal to the cost of treated water of six months was to be deposited by IIT Bhubaneswar. The cost of the BG comes to more than ₹ 2.00 Crores which has not yet been paid by the Institute.

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4. A letter was written to Additional Secretary (TE), Dept. of Higher Education, MHRD to take up the matter with the Odisha Government in resolving the issue so that the Institute can be protected from paying the huge amount without the use of such a large quantity of water at high tariff.
5. Since IIT Bhubaneswar is not in a position to make a huge payment to MEIL Bulk water project Pvt. Ltd, State Government was requested vide letter no. F.1-39/2012-Estate dtd. 29.07.2019 by the Institute to make direct payment to the operator MEIL from State Government resources or, transfer an equal amount to the account of the Institute so that the same can be paid to MEIL.
6. Even though, as per the minutes of meeting dtd. 30.9.2008 chaired by Development Commissioner-cum-Additional Chief Secretary, Govt. of Odisha, free water was to be supplied to IIT by the State Government (mentioned at point no. 1 above), IIT is ready to make payment for bulk water supply as per its actual intake (to be calculated from the installed water meter) from the date of consumption of water as per the decisions taken and reflected in Para 4 of the minutes of Meeting dated 27.6.2019 Chaired by the Chief Secretary Govt. of Odisha and also as intimated by the Special Secretary to Govt. of Odisha, Housing & Urban Development Department vide their letter No.HUD-REFM-SCH-0014-2019/14814 dated 19.08.2019 which says that *“As an interim measure, IIT Bhubaneswar and NISER may be asked to pay the tariff as per their intake pending outcome of the arbitration proceeding.”*

In this regard, Institute has sent a request letter vide No.F.1-5/2017/Estate/405 dated 12.09.2020 to the Engineer-in-Chief, Public Health, Govt. of Odisha stating that IIT is ready to make payment for bulk water supply as per its actual intake from the date of consumption of water.

The Board noted the same and approved the recommendation of FC for payment of water tariff as per actual consumption. Ministry will also write a letter to the State Govt. for early settlement of the issue of supply of bulk water to the Institute.

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<p>BoG:39-20</p> <p>[Deferred Agenda Item No: BoG:38-35]</p>	<p>To report the grant of onetime lump sum incentive of ₹ 25,000/- in favour of Shri. Vivek Kedia, Junior Accounts Officer on acquiring higher qualification i.e. MBA from IIT (ISM) Dhanbad, after his joining the Institute.</p> <p>The Board noted the same.</p>
<p>BoG:39-21</p> <p>[Deferred Agenda Item No: BoG:38-36]</p>	<p>To report about the Standard Operating Procedures (SOP) being adopted by the Institute as a precautionary measure to safeguard its Faculty, Non-Faculty and Inmates.</p> <p>Director made the statement that our institute has been following the State Government protocols with regards to Covid-19 and also following the quarantine policy. Since this was required to be implemented for safeguarding the health of the faculty and staff staying inside the campus and equally the labour forces of the NBCC.</p> <p>The Board noted the same.</p>
<p>BoG:39-22</p> <p>[Deferred Agenda Item No: BoG:38-37]</p>	<p>To report about the Standard Operating Procedures (SOP) to facilitate the joining of Newly select faculty members.</p> <p>Under the directions and inputs provided by the Director, Institute has come out with a mechanism dated 20.06.2020 to facilitate the joining of the Newly select Faculty members defining a SOP.</p> <p>The last five years outstanding faculty selection process have been carried out in the Institute with diversity and excellence. There has been a good cosmopolitan mix of appointments which have been carried out over the last five years where the percentage of faculty appointment has been slightly higher from the state of West Bengal.</p> <p>The Board noted the same.</p>
<p>BoG:39-23</p> <p>[Deferred Agenda Item No: BoG:38-40]</p>	<p>To report about the status of release of payment to NBCC for Phase-II construction work of the Institute.</p> <p>The Institute has released ₹ 357.74 Cr (₹ 330.91 Cr. by cash transfer, ₹ 13.56 Cr as bank interest on unutilized fund, ₹ 13.27 Cr toward encashment of PBG) to NBCC till date.</p>



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		As per NBCC UC 23 (31.07.20)	As per IIT (₹ in Cr.)	As per NBCC in UC-24 (31.08.2020) (₹ In Cr.)	As per IIT (₹ In Cr.)
A	Fund Received from IIT				
i	Deposit By IIT	294.66	294.85	294.66	294.85
ii	Bank Interest on unutilised fund	13.56	13.56	13.56	13.56
iii	Add reimbursement by IIT in Mar.'2020	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00
iv.	Add reimbursement by IIT in 18.03.2020	12.97	12.97	12.97	12.97
v.	Add reimbursement by IIT in 01.04.2020	13.09	13.09	13.09	13.09
vi.	Add for encashment of PBG (Simplex 13.10 Cr + Lalitendu 0.17 Cr.)	13.27	13.27	13.27	13.27
	Sub Total (A)	357.55	357.74	357.55	357.74
B	Expenditure by NBCC				
i	Work done Upto 31.08.2020	360.98	361.19	364.61	364.75
ii	Secured Advance	9.02	9.02	9.47	9.47
	Sub Total (B)	370.71	370.21	374.08	374.22
	Sub Total (C) = B - A	12.46	12.47	16.53	16.48
	Less credit on account of interest recovered on mobilization advance (D)	-	(-)7.64		(-)7.64
	Less for defects of BHR (E)		(-)3.14		(-)3.14
	Less for defects of GHR (F)		(-)1.90		(-)1.90
	Less for other defects in various works in Academic and Residential area (G)				(-)0.50
	Sub Total (H = C-D-E-F)	12.46	12.68	16.53	3.30
	Add 33% of sanctioned est. as	290.00	-	290.00	

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		per MOA (33% of ₹ 878.79 Cr.) (I)				
		Total (H + I)	302.46	(-)0.21	306.53	3.30
	<p>1. Further to above, NBCC is supposed to credit the project account on following heads:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> ₹ 7.64 Cr. towards interest accrued on mobilisation advance extended to the contractor (M/s Simplex) Recover ₹ 5.04 Cr. (3.14+1.90) for the defect rectification of GHR & BHR. Recover ₹ 0.50 Cr. for the defect work noticed in different buildings, the external development works. <p>As such the recovery from NBCC should be ₹ 13.18 Cr. (C)</p> <p>2. Safe Amount proposed to be released to NBCC: ₹ 374.22 – 357.74 – 13.18 = ₹ 3.30 Cr.</p> <p>Note: While compiling the value of GST invoices, the rate of GST has been considered as 18% against 12% which is under finalization.</p> <p>The Board noted the above and directed that the Institute must try to resolve the issue of payment of interest of mobilisation advance by NBCC as per MoA. Amount held up for defect rectification / completion of unfinished work at BHR and MHR to be released only after completion of defect rectification/ completion of works to NBCC.</p>					
BoG:39-24 [Deferred Agenda Item No: BoG:38-41]	To report about grant of Pay revision in favour of Shri Srinibash Panigrahi, Pharmacist, Medical Unit on account of his pay revision at his previous organization.					
	The Board noted the same.					
BoG:39-25 [Deferred Agenda Item No: BoG:38-42]	To report about the clarification on draft Guidelines for Centrally Funded Technical Institutes (CFTI) Endowment Fund received from Ministry vide letter No. F.No.35-7/2019-TS.1 dated 7th January 2020.					
	The Board noted the same.					
BoG:39-26 [Deferred Agenda Item No:	To report about the following:					
	1. IIT Bhubaneswar conducted the End-semester examinations in the normal comprehensive way as per its standards, very					

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BoG:38-44]	<p>successfully, in on-line mode from 24th to 30th June 2020 with 100 % attendance for its final year students despite that it is the pandemic time. The commercially available systems for online examinations are normally designed to hold computer based tests and not conventional examinations in a comprehensive form and thus have certain limitations. IIT Bhubaneswar created an innovative system in-house to hold conventional examinations online with invigilation in virtual examination halls and adopted the same for its final year students.</p> <p>2. It is of the information of the Board that while IIT Bhubaneswar has an extremely good culture, there are one or two unidentified and disgruntled persons who have been creating fake addresses and sending letters with false content and forged signatures of Deans, faculty, students and outsiders to complaint portals of high offices, Ministry etc., with vested and mollified intention. The motto behind these fake emails was to tarnish the clean reputation of the Director and the progressive image of the Institution. The BoG members have been aware of that the institute lodged complaints to police. Recently, they took the opportunity of the decision of the institute to conduct online exams for the outgoing students, and carried out the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">(i) In the guise of the students, they got a news article stating that "65% of IIT Bhubaneswar students are opposed to the online exam going to be conducted by IIT administration" (the article from Hindu is annexed)(ii) Created a lot of fake Twitter accounts posing as students, made false and fake tweets to these articles,(iii) Created several fake Gmail accounts posing as students and their parents and sent fake emails to ministry and other offices. <p>The institute passed the same to the state police and Cyber cell.</p> <p>The institute also circulated notice (attached as the Annexure) to the faculty and staff of the institute to make them aware and sensitize on the above issue.</p>
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	<p>3. Letter to PMO grievance portal registered in the name of M/s Shreeji krupa Project Ltd. with regards to the following false claims:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">(i) Delay in completion of the civil works projects of the Institute by IIT,(ii) Harassment of the contractors on timely release of funds,(iii) Slow pace of approval and decisions on site matters,(iv) Stoppage of all construction activities due to lock down,(v) Restrictions and regulations beyond the guidelines of MHA, <p>The Institute does not directly deal with contractors but only through NBCC, the PMC and the content of the above grievance is false. Accordingly, a reply from the Institute has been forwarded to the PMO and the concerned agency.</p> <p>The Board noted the same.</p>
<p>BoG:39-27</p> <p>[Deferred Agenda Item No: BoG:38-46]</p>	<p>To report that the Director, IIT Bhubaneswar has been nominated for the following positions in AIIMS Bhubaneswar:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">1. Institute Body in AIIMS Bhubaneswar - Member2. Constitution of Standing Selection Committee for AIIMS, Bhubaneswar - Member3. Constitution of Academic Committee for AIIMS, Bhubaneswar - Member4. Constitution of Estate Committee for AIIMS, Bhubaneswar - Chairman <p>The Board noted the same.</p>
<p>BoG:39-28</p>	<p>To report about the extension of lien by the IIT Kharagpur vide their letter No.HT/3-3/1158 dated 30.09.2020 to Prof. Ratnam Varada Raja Kumar, Professor, Department of Electronics & Electrical Communication Engineering to continue to hold the charge of the Director, IIT Bhubaneswar for a further period of six months beyond 30.09.2020 or till a regular Director takes over the charge or till further orders, whichever is earlier.</p> <p>The Board noted the same.</p>



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BoG:39-29	Any other item(s). The following points were also discussed: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Dean SA along with PIC Counselling with a team of professional counsellors and faculty advisors have been regularly monitoring students and their actions in the hostels. The Institute directly chaired by the Director undertakes the monitoring of the performance of the students, examine and take corrective measures of weaker students. Except in case of one of the suspicious cases, IIT Bhubaneswar has reported no suicide case in the last 05 years. The above action has been appreciated by all the members.• To promote bringing of faculty and students of foreign origin to India: So considering the above, for example L&T, a multinational company operating in various countries should be approached to take policy decision to carry out recruitment of their employees only of the candidates who have undertaken studies in India. Such actions may convince and motivate foreign students to study in India.• Placement of the students at the Institute is very good in comparison to same of the Senior IITs.• With regards to holding the online convocation, the Board has agreed for hybrid mode.• Efforts have been made to keep a renowned person including a Nobel Laureate, UK as the Chief Guest of the scheduled Event.• Construction of Infrastructure inside the campus should be built depicting the rich art, tradition and culture of Odisha.• Chairman, BoG, Additional Secretary MoE and Commander V. K. Jaitly, BoG Member were invited to visit the campus during the month of November 2020, if possible, keeping in view of the Pandemic.
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The meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Chair.

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Secretary**

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Chairman**