



भारतीय विज्ञान शिक्षा एवं अनुसंधान संस्थान बरहमपुर
Indian Institute of Science Education and Research Berhampur
Established by the Ministry of Education, Govt. of India

Minutes of the 2022-2/20th Meeting of the Board of Governors of IISER Berhampur

The meeting of the Board of Governors (BOG) of IISER Berhampur (2022-2/20th) was held through Zoom at 11:30 hr on Monday, June 27, 2022. The following members were present:

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| • Dr. M.S.N. Reddy, Chairman and Managing Director, MSN Laboratories Pvt. Ltd. | Chairperson |
| • Professor K. V. R. Chary, Director, IISER Berhampur | Member |
| • Sri Priyank Chaturvedi, Deputy Secretary (IISER), DHE, MoE
(represented Sri K Sanjay Murthy, IAS, Secretary, Dept. of HE, MoE) | Member |
| • Sri Shankar V Nakhe, Director, RRCAT, Indore
(represented Dr. K. N. Vyas, Secretary, DAE & Chairman, AEC, Mumbai) | Member |
| • Professor Govindan Rangarajan, Director, IISc Bangalore | Member |
| • Professor Yogendra Sharma, Deputy Director & Dean of Faculty Affairs,
and Professor of Biological Sciences, IISER Berhampur | Member |
| • Professor Surendra Nath Mishra, Dean of Academic Affairs,
and Professor of Physical Sciences, IISER Berhampur | Member |
| • Dr. Ruchi Badola, Senior Scientist, Wildlife Institute of India, Dehradun | Member |
| • Sri Uday Kiran, Under Secretary, IFD, MoE
(represented Ms. Darshana M Dabral, IAS, JS and Financial Advisor, MoE) | Member |
| • Sri B. J. Acharyulu, Acting Registrar & Secretary, BoG of IISER Berhampur | Non-Member |

The following members could not attend the meeting due to their prior commitment and were granted leave of absence:

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| • Professor Srivari Chandrashekhar, Secretary, DST, New Delhi | Member |
| • Sri Suresh C Mahapatra, IAS, Chief Secretary to Govt. of Odisha | Member |
| • Professor Raghavendra P. Tiwari, Vice-Chancellor, Central University of Punjab | Member |
| • Professor Virendra Kumar Tewari, Director, IIT Bhubaneswar | Member |

1. Opening remarks of the Chairperson

The Chairperson welcomed the members present at the 20th Meeting of the BoG of IISER Berhampur and requested the Director to initiate the proceedings of the meeting.

2. Overview report of the Director, IISER Berhampur on the activities of the Institute

An overview report was presented by the Director, IISER Berhampur. The FC was updated on the academic and non-academic activities of IISER Berhampur in the recent past. The Director highlighted the initiative of the Institute in starting a Wellness Programme for the benefit of students, faculty and staff of the Institute. He presented the status of the construction of the permanent campus, the financial status of the Institute, and the status of the human resource (teaching and non-teaching).

The Director reiterated the long-pending human resource issue and the difficulty in managing the Institute in the absence of the fresh sanctions of teaching and non-teaching personnel from the Ministry. He requested the BoG (particularly the representatives of the Ministry) for an early resolution of the issue.

3. Confirmation of the Minutes of the 2022-1/19th Meeting of the BoG, IISER Berhampur

The BoG resolved to confirm the minutes of the 2022-1/19th meeting held on March 23, 2022, as circulated and proposed for confirmation, in the absence of any comments from any member.

4. To consider the Action Taken Report (ATR) on the decisions taken in the 2022-1/19th Meeting of the BoG, IISER Berhampur

The Action Taken Report on the items requiring follow-up action on the decisions of the 2022-1/19th meeting of the BoG held on March 23, 2022, was taken on record with a note of appreciation.

The Director requested the representatives of the Ministry of Education to take note of and pursue it with the highest priority regarding the pending sanction of faculty and non-teaching positions since the intake of the students is a continuous process and the present faculty will not be able to handle the entire strength of students, and the current strength of non-teaching staff also will not be able to cope up with the increasing loads of work.

For BOG-19-14, the Institute vide letter IISERBPR/RO/MoE/2022/07 dated April 20, 2022 has requested MoE to take up the issue with the concerned Department/ Ministry of Govt. of India. The reply is awaited from MoE.

5. Ratification of the items approved by the Chairperson BoG, IISER Berhampur

The Board noted and ratified the following approvals accorded by the Chairperson, BoG:

(a) Approval of Minutes of the Selection Committee for the faculty positions as mentioned below:

Department	Selection Committee as per First Statues of IISERs	Selected Candidate	Remarks
(Computer Sciences) (Interviews held on Mar 29, 2022)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Professor KVR Chary, FTWAS, FNASc, FNA, Director, IISER Berhampur • Professor Yogendra Sharma, FNA, FNASc, FASc, JC Bose fellow, Dept. of Biological Sciences, IISER Berhampur • Professor Surendra Nath Mishra, Professor & Dean of Academic Affairs, IISER Berhampur • Professor P Radha Krishna, Head of the Department of Computer Science and Engineering, NIT Warangal, Board's Nominee, External Expert Member • Professor Madhavan Mukund, Director, Chennai Mathematical Institute, Board's Nominee, External Expert Member • Dr. A S Sreedhar, Senior Principal Scientist, CSIR-CCMB, Board's Nominee, SC/ST/OBC Member • Dr. Sulakshana P Mukherjee, Assistant Professor, IIT Roorkee, Board's Nominee, Women Member (<i>selected as Associated Professor in IISER Berhampur</i>) 	None found suitable	--

(b) Approval of the private visit abroad to USA in respect of Prof. K V R Chary, Director during June 4 – 19, 2022 and the assignment of Prof. Yogendra Sharma, Deputy Director as Director-in-Charge during the former's leave of absence.

6. Ratification of the items approved by the Director, IISER Berhampur

The Board noted and ratified the approval accorded by the Director for the Technical Resignation in respect of Sri Sunil Kumar P S, Laboratory Technician (Group-B, Pay Level 5) w.e.f. Aug 10, 2022 on his selection as Technical Assistant (Pay Level-6) at NIT Warangal and waiving off the notice period.

7. To consider and approve the recommendations of the 2022-1/18th meeting of the FC of the Institute held on March 23, 2022

The Board resolved to approve the minutes of the 2022-1/18th meeting of the FC held on March 23, 2022.

8. To consider and approve nomination of members to serve on the FC of IISER Berhampur

The Board resolved to consider and nominate the following two members from the BoG to serve the Finance Committee of IISER Berhampur in accordance with the provisions contained as per section 11A of NITSER Act 2007 and First Statutes of IISERs:

- Director, NISER Bhubaneswar (Ex-officio)
- Director, IIT Bhubaneswar (Ex-officio)

9. To take on record the status of manpower (Teaching and Non-Teaching)

The Board noted the status of the manpower as follows:

Teaching Posts:

Sanctioned Post	In Position	Offer Accepted	Vacant Position
40 (flexi cadre)	34*	02 [#]	02+02 [@]

* Asst. Professors (Gr-I): 31; Associate Professor: 01; Professors: 02

[#] Selected candidate will be joining in Aug 2022

[@] Result of resignations of Prof. T S Sridhar and Dr. Ratna Pal, Asst. Professor

The Institute has been carrying out recruitment processes for the vacant faculty positions through rolling advertisement by scrutiny and shortlisting of applications and conducting seminar-cum-interviews by constituting selection committees as per the First Statutes of IISERs. **Owing to the isolated geographical location of the Institute, some of the selected candidates didn't join the Institute.**

Non-Teaching Posts:

Sanctioned Post	In Position	Vacant
42	37	05

The above NT vacant positions have been advertised vide Advt. No. NT-01/2021 dated May 31, 2022 and the details of vacancies are appended below:

S. No.	Name of the posts	Group	Pay level	Mode of recruitment	Vertical Reservation					Horizontal Reservation	Total No. of posts
					UR	SC	ST	OBC	EWS	PWD	
1	Registrar	A	14	Contract/ Deputation	01	00	00	00	00	00	01
2	Librarian	A	14 (AGP)	Direct Recruitment/ Deputation	01	00	00	00	00	00	01
3	Technical Officer	A	10	Direct Recruitment	01	00	00	00	00	00	01
4	Assistant Security Officer cum Transport Manger	B	06	Direct Recruitment	01	00	00	00	00	00	01
5	Laboratory Technician	C	05	Direct Recruitment	01	00	00	00	00	00	01

10. To consider and approve the change of nomenclature of Nursing Personnel at IISER Berhampur

The Board resolved to consider and adopt the change in nomenclature of Nursing personnel of the Institute i.e. "Staff Nurse" to "Nursing Officer" in pursuance to the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (Nursing Section) corrigendum number Z.28015/41/2014-N dated Sep 09, 2016.

11. To report on the list of regular faculty and non-faculty members who joined/confirmed/relieved.

The Board noted the following:

Fresh Recruitment of Faculty:

S. No.	Name & Designation	Department	Joining Date
1	Dr. Shanti Swarup Srivastava, Assistant Professor	Biological Sciences	Apr 7, 2022
2	Dr. Sulakshana Mukherjee, Associate Professor	Chemical Sciences	May 2, 2022

Relieved from Service (Faculty)

S. No.	Name & Designation	Department	Relieving Date
1	Dr. Ratna Pal, Assistant Professor	Mathematical Sciences	May 9, 2022
2	Prof. T S Sridhar, Professor	Biological Sciences	Mar 31, 2022

Relieved from Service (Non-Teaching Staff)

S. No.	Name & Designation	Department	Relieving Date
1	Sri Sunil Kumar P S	Chemical Sciences	Jun 17, 2022

12. To consider and approve the delegation of administrative authority to the Director for opening and operating bank accounts of the Institute

The Board resolved to consider and authorize the Director to sign all the KYC documents in opening and operating bank accounts of the Institute.

13. To consider and approve the revision of tuition fees of various academic programmes

The Director presented the subject proposal with the permission of the Chairperson. The details are as follows:

"The Directors of all IISERs discussed the subject issue in a meeting held on June 21, 2022 and noted that the NITSER Council in its 10th meeting held on May 26, 2017, vide item No. 10.6-A, has approved the fee structure for various programs offered by IISERs in a uniform manner, duly effecting a uniform fee-hike by 10%, rounded to the nearest ₹ 100, for the academic sessions of 2017-18, 2018-19, and 2019-20.

Further, the NITSER Council during their 11th meeting held on July 18, 2018, vide item no. 11.7, has decided that proposal for increase of fee by 10% over that of the previous year, beyond 2020 to maintain viability, can be reviewed later. However, no decision for revision of fee has been taken so far.

The tuition fee was not hiked during 2020-2021 and 2021-2022 in order to avoid inconvenience to the students and parents during the COVID pandemic period. The Directors after reviewing the current tuition fee structure, unanimously agreed that the tuition fees across various academic programmes in IISERs need to be revised by 10% over that of the previous year (2021-2022), with effect from the current academic session 2022-23 onwards, in order to maintain viability."

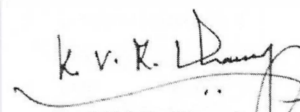
The BoG resolved to consider and approve the above proposal.

In the end, Professor S N Mishra in his capacity as Dean, Academic Affairs, informed the difficulties faced by the Institute in conducting teaching courses with the shortage of faculty and reiterated the need for the sanction of new faculty positions on priority.

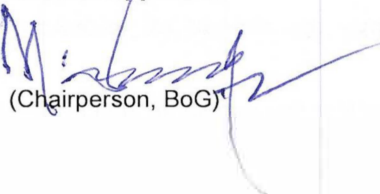
The Chairperson thanked all members for their active participation.

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


(B J Acharyulu)
Acting Registrar


(K.V.R. Chary)
Director

Minutes Approved


(Chairperson, BoG)