

Minutes of the 2026-2/33rd Meeting of the Board of Governors (BoG) of IISER Berhampur

The meeting of the 2026-2/33rd Board of Governors (BoG) of the Institute was held in hybrid mode in the Boardroom, First Floor, Block-1, IISER Berhampur at 12:00 PM on Monday, June 01, 2026. The following Members and the Chairperson were present:

I.	Shri Satyabrata Dey Chairperson, Board of Governors	Chairperson
II.	Shri Priyank Chaturvedi Director (Science), DHE, MoE {represented Dr. Vineet Joshi, IAS, Secretary, DHE, MoE}	Member
III.	Professor Ashok Kumar Ganguli Director, IISER Berhampur	Member
IV.	Professor Govindan Rangarajan Director, Indian Institute of Science Bangalore	Member
V.	Shri Sukant Kumar Pradhan Additional Secretary, SD & TE, Government of Odisha {represented Smt. Anu Garg, IAS, Chief Secretary to the Govt. of Odisha}	Member
VI.	Professor Prosenjit Mondal Professor and HoD, Biological Sciences Dean, Faculty Affairs and Academic Affairs, IISER Berhampur	Member
VII.	Professor Joydip Mukhopadhyay Professor and HoD, Earth & Environmental Sciences, IISER Berhampur	Member
VIII.	Shri Udaya Kiran K. V., Under Secretary (Finance), IFD, DHE, MoE (Represented Shri Sanjog Kapoor, IRS, Joint Secretary & Financial Advisor, MoE)	Member
	Shri Pradeep Kumar Ray, Registrar	Secretary

Professor Ashok Kumar Ganguli, Professor Prosenjit Mondal, Professor Joydip Mukhopadhyay and Shri Pradeep Kumar Ray attended the meeting in person (physically) whereas all other above members joined the meeting through Video Conferencing.

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Item No.

- Welcome to the Chairperson and other members of the Board of Governors (BoG) by the Director, IISER Berhampur.**

Professor Ashok Kumar Ganguli, Director welcomed the Chairperson and other members of the Committee.



2. Opening remarks of the Chairperson, Board of Governors (BoG), IISER Berhampur.

The Chairman welcomed all the members and made the following opening remarks:

"Education is the cornerstone of a nation's economic growth and technological advancement. This is an honourable responsibility. We are resourceful for transferring the largest youth demography on the planet into a globally competitive skilled workforce. IISER stands for excellence and ensures that the spendings align with strategic goals. With that, I would request you to contribute your unique experience to this cause".

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

An overview report was presented by the Director on the progress of the Institute in the recent past updating on the academic activities, status of the construction of the Permanent Campus, the financial status, human resource status and activities of the Institute. A copy of the same was also circulated to the Chairperson and all other members of the BoG before the meeting.

4. Confirmation of the Minutes of the 2026-1/32nd Meeting of the BoG of the Institute held on February 24, 2026.

The Board resolved to confirm the Minutes of the 2026-1/32nd Meeting held on Feb 24, 2026.

5. To consider the Action Taken Report (ATR) on the decisions taken in the 2026-1/32nd meeting of BoG of the Institute held on February 24, 2026.

The Board noted the ATR on the items requiring follow-up action on the decisions of the 2026-1/32nd meeting of the BoG of the Institute held on February 24, 2026 with a note of appreciation.

6. Ratification of the items approved by the Chairperson, BoG of the Institute.

The Board ratified the following items approved by the Chairperson, BoG:

- i. Technical resignation and relieving of Dr. Nihar Kanta Patra, Librarian, PL-14 (AGP) w.e.f. May 22, 2026 and grant of three months lien. (IISERBPR/RO/2026/48 dated April 22, 2026 and IISERBPR/RO/2026/51 dated May 15, 2026)
- ii. Appointment of Deans and Associate Deans (Ref. DO OO No. IISERBPR/DO/OO/2026/24 dated May 13, 2026).
- iii. Relaxation of required Experience Criteria for Promotion for the position of Assistant Registrar in the PL-10. (Ref.: Letter No. IISERBPR/DO/2026/66 dated Apr 13, 2026).

- iv. Abroad visit of Prof. Ashok Kumar Ganguli, Director to the USA to attend International Conferences during Jul 07, 2026 to Jul 22, 2026 and to Poland during Sep 04, 2026 to Sep 11, 2026.
- v. Selection Committees Minutes against the Advt. No-IISERBPR/DoFA/2025/02 dated Sep 18, 2025.

S. N.	Position	Department	Selection Committee Members as per first statues of IISERs
1.	Assistant Professor (Gr-I) (UR-02 & SC-01) Associate Professor (UR-02)	Chemical Sciences	1. Prof. Ashok Kumar Ganguli, Director, IISER Berhampur, Chairperson 2. Prof. Swapan Kumar Ghosh, Distinguished Professor & Dean, Academic Affairs, UM-DAE Centre for Excellence for Basic Sciences, University of Mumbai, Expert member nominees of the Board. 3. Prof. C Retna Raj, Professor, Department of Chemistry, IIT Kharagpur, Expert member nominees of the Board. 4. Prof. Rahul Banerjee, Professor, Department of Chemical Sciences, IISER Kolkata, Expert member nominees of the Board. 5. Dr. Malay Kumar Rana, Associate Professor, Department of Chemical Sciences, IISER Berhampur, HOD & SC/ST Member
2.	Assistant Professor (Gr-I) (UR-02, OBC-NCL-01, SC-01, ST-02 & EWS-01) Associate Professor (OBC-NCL-01)	Earth & Environmental Sciences	1. Prof. Ashok Kumar Ganguli, Director, IISER Berhampur, Chairperson 2. Prof. Govind J Chakrapani, Professor, Department of Earth Sciences, IIT Roorkee, and Former Vice Chancellor, Berhampur University, Odisha, Expert member nominees of the Board. 3. Dr. Rajeevan Madhavan Nair, Vice Chancellor, Atria University Bengaluru, Former Secretary, Ministry of Earth Science, Govt. of India, Expert member nominees of the Board. 4. Prof. Joydip Mukhopadhyay, HoD, Department of EES, IISER Berhampur 5. Dr. Malay Kumar Rana, Associate Professor, Department of Chemical Sciences, IISER Berhampur, SC/ST Member 6. Dr. Thirupathi Barla, Associate Professor, Department of Chemical Sciences, IISER Berhampur, OBC Member

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3	Assistant Professor (Gr-I) (UR-02 & OBC-NCL-02) Associate Professor (UR-01 & EWS-01)	Computer Science	1. Prof. Ashok Kumar Ganguli, Director, IISER Berhampur, Chairperson 2. Prof. Jaikumar Radhakrishnan, Professor, Department of Computer Sciences, ICTS-TIFR, Bengaluru, Expert member nominees of the Board. 3. Prof. Naveen Garg, HoD, Computer Science and Engineering, IIT Delhi, Expert member nominees of the Board. 4. Dr. Ritabrata Sengupta, HoD, Computer Science, IISER Berhampur 5. Dr. Thirupathi Barla, Associate Professor, Department of Chemical Sciences, IISER Berhampur, OBC Member
4	Assistant Professor (Gr-I) (UR-02, OBC-NCL-01, SC-01 & EWS-01) Associate Professor (UR-01)	Mathematical Sciences	1. Prof. Ashok Kumar Ganguli, Director, IISER Berhampur, Chairperson 2. Prof. Probal Chaudhuri, Professor of theoretical statistics and mathematics, ISI Kolkata, Expert member nominees of the Board. 3. Prof. K. Sreenadh, Professor, Department of Mathematics, IIT Delhi, Expert member nominees of the Board. 4. Prof. Gautam Bharali, Professor, Department of Mathematics, IISc, Bangalore, Expert member nominees of the Board. 5. Dr. Prem Prakash Pandey, HoD, Mathematical Sciences, IISER Berhampur 6. Dr. Malay Kumar Rana, Associate Professor, Department of Chemical Sciences, IISER Berhampur, SC/ST Member 7. Dr. Thirupathi Barla, Associate Professor, Department of Chemical Sciences, IISER Berhampur, OBC Member
5	Assistant Professor (Gr-I) (UR-01)	English/Literature/Linguistics in the Department of Academic Affairs	1. Prof. Ashok Kumar Ganguli, Director, IISER Berhampur, Chairperson 2. Prof. Pramod K Nayar, Professor, Department of English, School of Humanities, University of Hyderabad, Expert member nominees of the Board. 3. Prof. Tanmoy Bhattacharya, Professor of Linguistics, and HoD, Linguistics, University of Delhi, Expert member nominees of the Board. 4. Dr. Prosenjit Mondal, Dean, Academic Affairs, and Dean, Faculty Affairs, IISER Berhampur

- vi. Upgradation to higher Grade Pay i.e. from Level-12 to 13A1 on completion of three years of Service.

S. N.	Name of the faculty	PF No.	Department	Effective Date of Upgradation
1	Dr. Azhar M Shaikh Assistant Professor (G-I)	B0094	Earth & Environmental Sciences	25-Oct-2025
2	Dr. Dr. Prashanta Garain Assistant Professor (G-I)	B0099	Mathematical Sciences	27-Feb-2026

- vii. Confirmation of Service: Minutes of the Performance Review Committee for confirmation of service in respect of following faculty members.

Confirmed					
Sl. No.	Name of the Probationer/ Designation/ PF No.	Pay Level (as per 7th CPC)	Department	Date of joining	Date of Confirmation
Faculty Cadre					
1	Dr. Chinmaya Kumar Dehury, Assistant Professor (Grade-I), B0122,A	12	Computer Science	23-Dec-2024	23-Dec-2025
2	Dr. Pragnaditya Malakar Assistant Professor (Grade-I), B0124,A	12	Earth & Environmental Sciences	03-Mar-2025	03-Mar-2026

7. Ratification of the items approved by the Director of the Institute.

The Board ratified the following items approved by the Director of the Institute.

- Confirmation of Probationer on completion of probation period in respect of Shri Konari Rama Rao, Superintendent. (Ref.: RO OO No.: IISERBPR/RO/OO/2026/12 dated March 06, 2026)
- Engagement of Operator on Institute Contract for HRTEM equipment under CAIF for a period of one year at a consolidated remuneration upto Rs.45,000/-
 - and
 - Engagement of Senior Technical Assistant on Institute Contract under OMICS Research Core facility for a period of one year at a consolidated remuneration of Rs.58,300/-
- Appointment of HoDs and Coordinators of the Institute. (Ref.: DO OO No. IISERBPR/ DO/OO/2026/25 and IISERBPR/ DO/OO/2026/26 dated May 13, 2026)

8. To take on record of the employees who Joined/Relieved/Confirmed.

The Board took on record on the below mentioned joining, relieving and confirmation of the employees.

New Joining			
Faculty Cadre			
S. No.	Name & Designation	Department	Joining Date
1	Dr. Gagan Mandal, Assistant Professor (Grade-I)	Earth & Environmental Sciences	02-April-2026
2	Dr. Debarati Chattopdhyay, Assistant Professor (Grade-I)	Earth & Environmental Sciences	07-Apr-2026
3	Dr. Kiran Kumar Reddy S, Assistant Professor (Grade-I)	Earth & Environmental Sciences	09-Apr-2026
4	Dr. Narayan Bose, Assistant Professor (Grade-I)	Earth & Environmental Sciences	20-Apr-2026
5	Dr. Sangita Das, Assistant Professor (Grade-I)	Mathematical Sciences	23-Apr-2026
6	Dr. Debanjan Chandra, Assistant Professor (Grade-I)	Earth & Environmental Sciences	28-Apr-2026
7	Dr. Rajesh S, Associate Professor	Earth & Environmental Sciences	07-May-2026
8	Dr. Charan Teja Tejavath, Assistant Professor (Grade-I)	Earth & Environmental Sciences	11-May-2026
9	Dr. Chandan Kumar, Assistant Professor (Grade-I)	Academic Affairs (English Literature/ Linguistics)	15-May-2026
10	Dr. Satyabrata Jana, Assistant Professor (Grade-I)	Computer Science	25-May-2026
Non-Faculty Cadre			
1	Ramachandra Sahu Superintendent	Internal Audit	26-Dec- 2025

Relieved from Service			
S. No.	Name & Designation	Department	w.e.f.
Faculty Cadre			
-	-	-	-
Non-Teaching Staff			
1	Dr. Nihar Kanta Patra, Librarian, B0096	Central Library	22-May-2026

Confirmed					
Sl. No.	Name of the Probationer/ Designation/ PF No.	Pay Level (as per 7th CPC)	Department	Date of Joining	Date of Confirmation
Faculty Cadre					
1	Dr. Chinmaya Kumar Dehury, Assistant Professor (Grade-I), B0122,A	12	Computer Science	23-Dec-2024	23-Dec-2025
2	Dr. Pragnaditya Malakar Assistant Professor (Grade- I), B0124,A	12	Earth & Environmental Sciences	03-Mar-2025	03-Mar-2026
Non-Teaching Staff					
Nil					

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

The Board took on record the status of manpower as under. The Board further noted that out of the 38 faculty positions (sanctioned received on July 02, 2025), recruitment process of twenty faculty positions has been completed and selected candidates are expected to join soon, and the remaining positions will be filled by July 2026.

Sanctioned Post	In Position		Vacant Post
92	Professor	02	33
	Associate Professor	20	
	Assistant Professor (G-I)	37	
	Assistant Professor (G-II)	00	
	Total	59	

Non-Teaching Posts		
Sanctioned Post	In Position	Vacant Post
59	41	18 [@]

[@] Currently, screening of applications is going on.

10. To take on record procurement of items exceeding Rupees One Crore since the last BoG meeting i.e. 2026-1/32nd held on February 24, 2026.

The Board took on record that there was no procurement of items exceeding Rupees One Crore since last BoG held on Feb 24, 2026.

11. To take on record the fund position as on May 19, 2026 [Apr 01-May 19, 2026].

The Board took on record the fund position of the Institute as under:

(Amount in Cr. In ₹)				
Particulars	OH-31	OH-36	OH-35	Total
Opening Balance	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Receipts	8.50	5.50	10.00	24.00
Expenditure	4.08	2.08	0.05	6.21
Unspent Balance	4.42	3.42	9.95	17.79

12. To take on record Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) signed by the Institute.

The Board took on record that no MoU has been signed since last BoG meeting held on February 24, 2026. The BoG further noted that these MoUs are for research collaborations/services etc. and those are other than the MoU signed with MoE as per GFR.

13. To take on record and ratify the Minutes of the Meetings of the 2026-1/22nd B&WC held on Feb 04, 2026 and 2026-2/23rd B&WC meeting held on Mar 09, 2026 of the Institute.

The Board resolved to ratify the Minutes of the 2026-1/22nd B&WC held on Feb 04, 2026 and 2026-2/23rd B&WC meeting held on Mar 09, 2026. The BoG has further resolved that as advised by the IFD, MoE sources of funding of each work may be decided and availability of funds needs to be ensured before giving AA&ES for taking of the works.

14. **To take on record visit of IAS Officers Trainees 2025 from Lal Bahadur Shastri National Academy of Administration, Mussoorie, Uttarakhand for winter study tour.**

The Board took on record with a note of appreciation.

15. **To consider and nominate members in Finance Committee of IISER Berhampur in terms of Statute 8(1)(3) of the First Statute of IISERs.**

The Board resolved to approve re-nomination of the following Officers to serve as members in the Finance Committee of IISER Berhampur for a period of two (02) years w.e.f. June 26, 2026 to June 25, 2028.

- I. Dr. Atul Vyas, Registrar, IIT Delhi.
- II. Shri Pratap Keshari Dash, Registrar, Sikkim University.

16. **To consider and approve to adopt DoPT OM No. 1/5/2017-Estt(Pay-I) dated March 15, 2019 regarding grant of incentives on acquiring of higher education.**

The Board resolved that the DoPT OM No. 1/5/2017-Estt(Pay-I) dated March 15, 2019 is not *suo motu* applicable to Autonomous Bodies and hence a proposal needs to be sent to the MoE for consideration.

17. **To consider and approve signing of Material Transfer Agreement (MTA) with KU Leuven (SELECT Platform).**

The Board resolved to approve the same as no financial implication is there. However, all other cases of MTA, the Board resolved to delegate the power to the Director of the Institute in future for approval.

18. **To consider and approve amendments in RCPP 2024 for Non-Teaching employees of the Institute for obtaining the MoE's approval.**

The Board resolved that the proposed amendments in RCPP 2024 need to be referred to the MoE (IISER Bureau) for approval.

19. **To consider and approve funds of Rs.3.86 Crore committed from IRG of the Institute since last BoG held on February 24, 2026.**

The Board is resolved to approve funds of Rs.3.86 Crore committed from the IRG of the Institute as per the details of items mentioned in the agenda notes and the same should not be reimbursed from OH-35 of Govt. Grant.

20. To consider and approve Institute Overhead Policy of Externally Funded Projects.

The Board resolved to approve the Institute Overhead Policy for External Funded Projects as recommended by the Finance Committee for implementation.

21. To consider and approve fees structure of BS-MS, iPh.D and Ph.D programmes for AY 2026-27.

Based on the recommendation of the FC, the Board resolved to approve the revised fees structures by hiking the tuition fee by 10% of the previous year for BS-MS, iPh.D and Ph.D programmes for AY 2026-27 as the same is in line with the NITSER Council's decision in its 10th meeting held on May 26, 2017, under Agenda Item No. 10.6-A as per the list attached to the agenda notes.

22. Any other item with the permission of the Chairperson, BoG.

The following table agenda item has been taken up with the permission of the Chairperson:

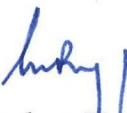
22.1. To consider and approve the names of the Building of the Institute as recommended by the Board of Education and Research Planning (BERP):

The Board resolved to approve the recommendation of BERP for naming of the Institute buildings based on themes such as knowledge, scientific innovation, research, nation building, nature, discovery, astronomy, heritage and culture etc. as per the following.

Sl. No.	Structure	Recommendation
1.	Academic Block, Block 1	P. C. Ray Block
2.	Academic Block, Block 2	Radhanath Sikdar Block
3.	Academic Block, Block 3	Sardar Patel Block
4.	Academic Block, Block 4	J. B. S. Haldane Block
5.	Academic Block, Block 5	Pathani Samanta Block
6.	Academic Block, Block 6	Lilavati Block
7.	Academic Block, Block 7	Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan Block
8.	Auditorium Block	Kabi Samrat Upendra Bhanja Auditorium
9.	Indoor Stadium	Rani Lakshmibai Indoor Stadium
10.	Athletics cum Football Ground	Major Dhyan Chand Sports Complex
11.	Cricket Field	C. K. Nayudu Cricket Ground
12.	Open Air Theatre	Guru Kelucharan Mohapatra Muktangan
13.	Guest House	Rushikulya
14.	Health Centre	Sushruta Health Centre
15.	Girls Hostel Block	Dhauri
16.	Boys Hostel Block - I	Mahendragiri

17.	Boys Hostel Block - II	Udaygiri
18.	Type II_III Apartment Block 1	Vansadhara Apartments
19.	Type II_III Apartment Block 2	
20.	Type IV+IV(S) Apartment	Brahmani Apartments
21.	Type V Apartment Block 1	Indravati Apartments
22.	Type V Apartment Block 2	
23.	Type V Apartment Block 3	
24.	Type V Apartment Block 4	
25.	Type VI Apartment	Mahanadi Apartments

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to all the members and the Chairperson.


(Pradeep Kumar Ray)
Registrar and Secretary, BoG


(Ashok Kumar Ganguli)
Director

Minutes Approved

(Satyabrata Dey)
Chairperson, BoG

