प्रशासक मंडल की 22वीं बैठक की कार्यवृत्त
MINUTES OF 22nd MEETING OF BOARD OF GOVERNORS
भारतीय प्रौद्योगिकी संस्थान भिलाई/ INDIAN INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY BHILAI
on 21st October 2024 at 11:30 Hours

The twenty-second meeting of the Board of Governors was held on 21st October 2024 at 11:30 Hours. The following members attended the meeting.

Shri Krishnamurthi Venkataramanan, Former Managing Director & CEO Larsen & Toubro (L&T)	Chairman	Over VC
Prof Rajiv Prakash, Director, Indian Institute of Technology, Bhilai	Member	At meeting room level-3 LDC building, IIT Bhilai
Shri Tulsi Tawari, CEO and Chief Strategist Alternate Approaches Pvt Ltd	Member	Over VC
Prof. Virendra K. Vijay Professor Indian Institute of Technology, Delhi	Member	Over VC
Dr. R.H. Talwekar, Professor Government Engineering College, Raipur	Member	At meeting room level-3 LDC building, IIT Bhilai
Prof. Dhananjai Pandey, Former Director, Indian Institute of Technology, BHU	Member	Over VC
Prof Santosh Biswas, Professor Indian Institute of Technology, Bhilai	Member	At meeting room level-3 LDC building, IIT Bhilai
Wing Commander Dr. Jayesh Chandra S Pai (Retd.), Registrar Indian Institute of Technology Bhilai	Secretary	At meeting room level-3 LDC building, IIT Bhilai
Shri Subhash Pandey, Administrative Adviser Indian Institute of Technology, Bhilai	Invitee	At meeting room level-3 LDC building, IIT Bhilai

Shri Gautam Ramani, Deputy Registrar (F&A) Indian Institute of Technology, Bhilai	Invitee	At meeting room level-3 LDC building, IIT Bhilai
Shri Sachin Mishra, Deputy Registrar (Administration) Indian Institute of Technology, Bhilai	Invitee	At meeting room level 3 LDC building, IIT Bhilai

The Chairman welcomed all board members and invitees and called the meeting in order. The secretary informed the board that Prof. Bharat Bhasker, director of the Indian Institute of Management, Ahmedabad, has requested a leave of absence. Joint Secretary (TE), MoE, had emailed her comments on the agenda items. The comments were placed, read out before the board & incorporated.

1. Announcement to be made by the Chairman.

At the outset, the Chairman welcomed all members in the meeting and announced that the Hon'ble President of India, Smt. Droupadi Murmu will be the Chief Guest at the 3rd and 4th Joint Convocation of IIT Bhilai on 26th Oct 2024. He congratulated the IIT Bhilai team for ensuring that the first convocation of the permanent campus is at the hands of the Hon'ble President of India.

He also congratulated IIT Bhilai for securing the 73rd rank in NIRF 2024 in the Engineering category, an improvement from the 2023 rank of 81st in 2023. He also mentioned that Niti Aayog, in its Phase B report of 3G IITs, has highly appreciated IIT Bhilai for improving its ranking by eight places. Then, the Chairman called for the meeting to start.

2. Confirmation of the minutes of the 21st BoG meeting of IIT Bhilai held on 3rd July 2024.

The Secretary BoG intimated that the minutes of the 21st meeting of BoG were circulated to the board members on 11th July 2024. No comments have been received on the minutes to date. The Chairman further invited comments on the floor, and in the absence of any further comments, the board passed the following resolution:

"The minutes of the 21st board meeting of IIT Bhilai held on 3rd July 2024 are confirmed."

3. **Review of the action taken on the resolutions of the 21st meeting of BoG of IIT Bhilai.**

The board was apprised of the actions taken on the resolutions arising from the previous board meetings. The board passed the following resolution:

"The Board noted the actions taken on the resolutions of the 21st board meeting of IIT Bhilai held on 3rd July 2024."

4. **Consideration and approval of the Annual Report 2023-24 and audited Annual Accounts 2023-24.**

The final draft of the Annual Report 2023-24 and audited Annual Accounts 2023-24 was presented before the Board and was discussed at length.

In view of the above, the board passed the following resolution:

"The Board approved the Annual Report and audited Annual Accounts for the FY 2023-24."

5. **Consideration and approval of the change of Hindi name of the Department of Liberal Arts.**

The Board members were briefed on the faculty members of the Department of Liberal Arts recommended in a meeting held on 25 September 2024 that "शिष्टकला विभाग" the name of the department in Hindi in institute records does not convey the meaning and intellectual ethos of the term "Liberal Arts." Upon extensive deliberation, the department had request that an appropriate and approximate rendering of "Department of Liberal Arts" in Hindi will either be translated as "मानविकी और सामाजिक विज्ञान विभाग" or transliterated as

"लिबरल आर्ट्स विभाग". The Board discussed the issue and asked whether other IITs and Liberal Arts Institutes were consulted regarding the Hindi name.

In view of the above, the board passed the following resolution:

"The Board requested the Department of Liberal Arts to take feedback from other IITs and Liberal Arts Institutes across the country for uniformity."

6. **Consideration and approval of the Centre for Culture, Language, and Traditions logo.**

The BoG was apprised that the Centre for Culture, Language, and Traditions (CCLT) was established as approved by the Board of Governors, IIT Bhilai, in its 21st meeting on 3rd July 2024. A committee of the Centre was constituted, and the committee proposed adopting a logo to ensure seamless visibility within and outside the institute in its meeting on 30th September 2024. The logo was inspired by Bastar art and aimed to convey the ethos of Chhattisgarh's heritage and IIT Bhilai's role in supporting and promoting it.

In view of the above, the board passed the following resolution:

"The Board approved the logo of the Centre for Culture, Language, and Traditions."

7. **Consideration and approval of the online UG and PG degree Executive MTech as a new program in addition to eMasters for working and experienced candidates.**

The Board was informed that when the eMasters program was launched, many potential applicants requested to change the program name to "Executive MTech" instead of e-Masters. Among the admitted students, 90% are working professionals from industry. For potential applicants and from an Industry perspective, the term "Executive MTech" seems to carry an overall attractiveness and perceived value more than "eMasters." In addition, several

students withdrew their interest because the program's name is e-Masters. Other IITs are also running "Executive MTech" program.

In view of these concerns, the e-Education Cell is constituted to ensure the smooth functioning of online UG and PG programs. It is recommended that one more online PG degree programs may be started as "Executive MTech" along with "eMasters."

Further, it was informed to the Board that IIT Bhilai would generate revenue from the current first batch of eMasters of 97 students for two years duration. Executive MTech will enhance the program's marketability and industrial relevancy and attract a larger pool of high-quality applicants.

In view of the above, the board passed the following resolution:

"The Board approved the online PG degree program Executive MTech along with eMasters program and appreciated the efforts and contribution of the e-Education Cell. Further the board authorized the Director for courses of both PGs/UGs programs and MoUs."

8. Consideration and approval of the student's program completion.

A list of 07 students (03 students in BTech, 01 students in MTech, and 03 students in PhD) who completed their respective credit requirement for the award of degree as recommended in the 24th Meeting of the Senate held on June 28, 2024, were presented to the BoG members. The board passed the following resolution:

"The Board approved the above students' program completion."

9. Consideration and approval of the additional faculty positions in the institute.

In line with the DPR of IIT Bhilai's projection, the board had approved 106 faculty positions to be created for Phase A of the construction. A total of 77

faculty members have joined, and the process for recruitment of another bunch of approx. 20 faculty members are in line. Approx 1300 students have been admitted in various courses/ programs, and accordingly, the additional requirements of faculty members were envisaged. Thus, it was proposed that a further 31 faculty positions be approved, which aligns with the DPR. The Ministry of Education commented that the Institute should wait for Phase B approval of the DPR for 3G IITs and that sanction for both faculty and non-teaching staff would come together.

In view of the above, the board passed the following resolution:

"As per the comments from the Ministry, the Board requested IIT Bhilai to take up early approval of Phase B of 3G IITs with the Ministry of Education."

10. **Consideration and approval of the adoption of the common panel of visitor nominees on the selection committee for selection of professors in IITs sent by the MoE.**

The Board was apprised that as per the MoE letter no. F.No. 24-4/2018-TS.1, Dated 20th September 2024, has sent a letter to the Directors of all IITs regarding the appointment of a common panel of 254 experts as visitor nominees on the selection committee for the selection of professors.

Accordingly, it was proposed that the above-referred letter be adopted to append the list of experts in various groups for selecting professors. Apart from the already approved board nominee list, the same list was also proposed for selecting Assistant/ Associate professors.

In view of the above, the board passed the following resolution:

"The Board approved the common panel of visitor's nominees for the selection committees for Professors and may also for Associate and Assistant Professors as expert members as given in the MoE letter dated 20 Sep 2024."

11. **Consideration and approval of the Selection Committee's recommendations for faculty selections in various departments of IIT Bhilai.**

The selection committee meetings for the post of Assistant Professor (Grade-I/ II) in the department of Computer Science and Engineering, IIT Bhilai was held in the month of September 2024, as per the recommendation of the selection committee, no candidate found suitable in the Department of Computer Science and Engineering.

In view of the above, the board passed the following resolution:

"The Board approved the Selection Committee's recommendations as mentioned above".

12. **Ratification of the selections made in the various Departments at IIT Bhilai.**

The Board was apprised that as per the recommendation of the selection committee, the Chairman, BoG, approved the selection of faculty members have been selected and the offers have been issued.

S/N	Department Name	No. of candidates
1.	Department of Electronics and Communication Engineering	04
2.	Department of Mechatronics	03
3.	Department of Bioscience and Biomedical Engineering	-
4.	Department of Electrical Engineering	02

5.	Department of Mechanical Engineering	01
6.	Department of Physics	02

* Dr Nikhil Chander has joined the Department of Electronics and Communication Engineering as an Associate Professor after rendering his technical resignation from his respective position at IIT Bhilai. The Director, IIT Bhilai, has considered his request.

In view of the above, the board passed the following resolution:

"Board ratified the selections made in the various Departments as mentioned above."

13. Ratification of the progression of faculty members from Pay Level 12 to Pay Level 13A1 of the Pay Matrix under 7th CPC.

It was apprised to the board that in line with the progression policy for the faculty members, the progression of 01 faculty member from Pay Level 12 to Pay Level-13A1 of the Pay Matrix under 7th CPC was approved by the director of IIT Bhilai as per the existing approval process.

In view of the above, the board passed the following resolution:

"Board ratified the progression of faculty members from Pay Level 12 to Pay Level 13A1 of the Pay Matrix under 7th CPC."

14. Ratification of the approval granted by the Chairman BoG for flexi-cadre and direct recruitment of faculty positions w.r.t. CEI 2019 Act.

As per MOE, DHE letter no. F. No. 32-20/2019-TS-I(Part)-Part (1) dated 19.06.2023 and 10.07.2023 regarding the preparation of reservation roster of

faculty cadre in IITs, the reservation roster of faculty cadre in IIT Bhilai was prepared. The reservation roster was applied to the posts filled through Mission Mode Recruitment after the implementation of the CEI (Reservation in Teacher Cadre) Act, 2019, and the posts filled before the implementation of Mission Mode Recruitment were categorized as Legacy Register. Out of a total of 106 sanctioned posts, 55 posts were considered legacy positions and 51 as cadre positions. The details are as follows:

Positions	Name of posts	Sanctioned no of posts	Total
Legacy Positions	Professor	1	55* (flexible)
	Associate Professor	6	
	Assistant Professor	48	
Cadre Positions	Professor	3	51
	Associate Professor	12	
	Assistant Professor	36	
		106	106

*Two Assistant Professors categorized under legacy positions joined against cadre positions and will be adjusted accordingly in the roster.

In its comments, the Ministry advised that if any vacancy arises in Legacy positions, it should be transferred to the Roster.

In view of the above, the board passed the following resolution:

"The Board approved the above table as 55 (flexible) under legacy and 51(as cadre positions). Further, as per the comments from the Ministry, the Board requested IIT Bhilai to follow the operation of flexi-cadre as laid down by the Ministry and transfer Legacy positions to Cadre Positions as and when a vacancy arises."

15. Apprisal of the joining of the new faculty members at IIT Bhilai.

The board was apprised of the joining of faculty members at IIT Bhilai in July 2024. The board passed the following resolution:

"The board noted the report of new faculty members joining to date."

16. Apprisal of the joining of the new staff members at IIT Bhilai.

The board was apprised of the joining of Staff members at IIT Bhilai since July 2024. The board passed the following resolution:

"Board took note of the joining of new staff members till date."

17. Any other item.

(A) Consideration and approval of the proposed amendment in the statute clause.

As per the proposal received for the Ministry of Education for amendment in statute clause 12 (xv) in Page 889: -

S. No.	Existing clause	Proposed Clause by Ministry
1	In the event of the occurrence of any vacancy in the office of the Chairman of Board of Governors by reason of death, resignation or otherwise or in the event of the Chairman being unable to discharge his functions owing to absence, illness or any other cause, the Director may discharge any or all the functions assigned to	In the event of the occurrence of any vacancy in the office of the Chairman of Board of Governors by reason of expiry of tenure, death, resignation or otherwise or in the event of the Chairman being unable to discharge his functions owing to absence, illness or any other cause, one of the Chairmen of the Institutes of National Importance (INIs), as nominated by the Visitor, may discharge any or all

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	the Chairman under Statute 10.	the functions assigned to the Chairman under Statute 12 (xv) in Page 889 for a period of six months or appointment of regular Chairman, whichever is earlier. In case of expiry of tenure, the Visitor may extend the term of the incumbent Chairman for a period of six months or till appointment of regular chairman, whichever is earlier.

In view of the above, the board passed the following resolution:

"Board approved the proposed clause as sent by Ministry."

There being no other item to discuss, the meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

Secretary

Board of Governors, IIT Bhilai

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