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The Minutes of the 1st meeting of the Governing Body of IIIT Society, Kalyani, West Bengal held on 5th November, 2014 which was chaired by Shri Satyanarayan Mohanty, Secretary, Ministry of Human Resource Development, are forwarded herewith for information and necessary action.

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Minutes of the 1st meeting of the Governing Body of the Society of IIIT Kalyani, West Bengal held on 5th November, 2014 under the chairmanship of Shri Satya Narayan Mohanty, Secretary, Ministry of Human Resource Development, Government of India at Shastri Bhavan, New Delhi

Chairman welcomed the members present in the meeting and initiated agenda point wise discussion. Following decision was taken:

1. Discussion on selection of first Chairperson of Board of Governors of IIIT, Kalyani

The first Chairperson of the Board of Governors (BoG) of IIIT, Kalyani will be selected by MHRD in consultation with Govt. of West Bengal and Industry Partners. For that purpose, MHRD will issue a letter to the State Government requesting to forward names/nominations in consultation with the Industry Partners

2. Discussion on financial assistance towards recurring expenditure from MHRD

The sanctioned amount of INR 1.00 crore to meet the operational expenses of the Institute will be released by MHRD shortly.

3. Appointment of full-time Director of IIIT Kalyani

The Director of IIIT Kalyani will be appointed from a panel of names recommended by the Search-cum-Selection committee. Since the Chairperson of the BoG shall be one of the members in the said Committee, the Director can be selected and appointed only after the appointment of the Chairperson. Meanwhile, other members of the Search-cum-Selection Committee as enumerated in the Memorandum of Association (MoA) of the Society for the appointment of Director may be identified, Mentor Director may write to concerned stakeholders in this regard.

4. Creation of posts and appointment of faculty and non-faculty members

It was suggested in the meeting that, initially the appointment of faculty and non-faculty members may be done on contractual basis to the extent possible without compromising the quality of teaching and engagement of Adjunct Faculty may also be explored. This will ensure optimum utilization of IIIT resources. It was also suggested that a Massive Open Online Course (MOOC) may be developed engaging the professionals from the Industry Partners to optimize the requirement of faculty.

5. Extending various GOI Scholarship to the Institute.

The necessary steps will be taken by MHRD to include IIIT, Kalyani in some of the eligible Scholarship Schemes of Govt. of India.

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6. Regulatory framework of the Institute

It was mentioned by the Chairman that presently IIIT, Kalyani does not come under the Category of 'Institute of National Importance' and the draft IIIT Bill do not include the IIITs set up in PPP mode. In this scenario, the Institute can either wait for next 2-3 years till the set up in PPP mode. In this scenario, the Institute can either wait for next 2-3 years till the Scheme becomes more mature or get affiliated to a full-fledged IIIT/ State University so that it has the degree giving power. ACS, IT & E Department, West Bengal requested that possibility of including the IIIT, Kalyani also in the list of institutions to be covered in the current Bill may be explored by the Government of India.

For assisting the students to avail an educational loan, MHRD will issue a letter indicating the legal status of IIIT, Kalyani.

7. Commencement of civil works at the main campus

The Mentor Director of III Kalyani mentioned that a technical team comprising professors from IEST, Shibpur has surveyed the project site. The committee reported that the High Tension Electric line(132 K.V) passing through the project site can be retained provided a green corridor is maintained on both sides under the H.T. line consuming 6% of the alignment of area of the campus. After detailed discussion, it was decided that shifting the alignment of the HT lines from the main campus of IIIT, Kalyani is a better option as it will help in avoiding future complications and also will not hamper the expansion of the Institute. Accordingly, the Institute will proceed to approach concerned authorities for realignment.

8. Contribution to the Capital Cost

It was decided that all the parties i.e. the Capital Government State Government and industry Partners will contribute their share of Capital Cost at appropriate level of construction, Chairman suggested that to begin with, the State Government may release a part of their contribution followed by Industry Partners and Central Government.

9. Any other matter with the permission of the Chairman

The Annual Budget of INR 2.25 crores to meet operational expenses till March, 2015 of IIIT, Kalyani has been approved in the meeting. *Placed at annexure*
