

MINUTES OF THE 34th MEETING OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS



01.12.2020

(Virtual)

INDIAN INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY ROPAR
Rupnagar, Punjab-140001

MINUTES OF THE 34th MEETING OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS, IIT ROPAR HELD ON 1st DECEMBER, 2020 AT 04:00 PM (VIRTUAL)

PRESENT

1.	Dr. K.Radhakrishnan	-	Chairperson
2.	Prof. Sarit Kumar Das	-	Member
3.	Sh. Kumar Saurabh Raj, Director Tech. Edu. And Ind. Training (Nominee of Chief Secretary, Govt. of Punjab)	-	Member
4.	Prof. N. Sathyamurthy	-	Member
5.	Prof. Sanjoy Roy	-	Member
6.	Prof. P. K. Raina	-	Member
8.	Dr. Rohit Sharma	-	Special Invitee
9.	Dr. M. Prabhakar	-	Special Invitee
10.	Sh. Gautam Sharma	-	Special Invitee
11.	Sh. Ravinder Kumar	-	Secretary

Leave of absence was granted to Shri Chetan Pahwa and Shri Sanjiv Goel since both these members could not attend the meeting. Shri Prashant Agarwal, Director (IITs) of Ministry of Education and Special Invitee could not participate.

At the outset, Director welcomed the new Chairman, BoG, Dr. K. Radhakrishnan and all the members and special invitees.

The Chairman welcomed all the members and special invitees to the 34th meeting of the Board being held, in virtual mode, ahead of the Ninth Convocation. He congratulated the Director and his team for the rapid progress made by IIT Ropar in the recent years. Prof. Sathyamurthy informed that he is delighted to see the institute progressing from day one. Prof. P.K.Raina and Prof. Sanjoy Roy also conveyed their satisfaction about the progress of the Institute.

Sh. Kumar Saurabh Raj, Director Tech. Edu. & Ind. Training, Rep. Chief Secretary Punjab briefed that the Govt. of Punjab is thankful to Prof. S.K.Das for making efforts to uplift the level of technical education in Punjab. The Govt. of Punjab has signed an MoU with IIT Ropar for the welfare of the state. He assured

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that the state Govt. is also keen to help the institute always,i.e. the issues related to land disputes/encroachments are under active consideration and the local administration has been advised to sort out the disputes. He desired that IIT Ropar may depute a nodal officer to interact with his office to sort out all such issues. Regarding shifting of 220 KV transmission line, **he informed that** the matter will be expedited.

ITEM NO.1 TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE 33rd MEETING OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS HELD ON 02.09.2020

The Registrar informed the Board that the minutes of the 33rd Meeting of BoG held on 02.09.2020 were circulated to the members of the Board on 10.09.2020 with request to send their comments, if any. No comments were received from the members.

RESOLUTION: BG34/R1/34/541 RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the 33rd Meeting of the Board of Governors held on 02.09.2020 are confirmed as circulated.

ITEM NO. 2 TO RECEIVE A REPORT OF THE ACTION TAKEN ON THE DECISIONS OF THE 33rd MEETING OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS HELD ON 02.09.2020.

The Director, IIT Ropar presented the Action Taken Report on the decisions of the 33rd Meeting of the Board of Governors held on 02.09.2020. The Director briefed the Board that

1. Regarding opening of KV in the institute campus, a letter has been sent to MoE for release of ₹80.00 lacs for the purpose of transfer to Escrow account as requested by KVS and the KVS has been requested to depute somebody to take over the building.
2. Reply to outstanding audit paras has been sent to the CAG.
3. Regarding shifting of 220 KV transmission line, the matter has been taken up with the state govt. at the highest level , i.e. CM office to waive off the shifting charges of approx. ₹3.0 crore.

RESOLUTION: RESOLVED THAT the Action Taken Report on the decisions of the 33rd meeting of

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BG34/R2/34/542 Board of Governors held on 02.09.2020 is noted with satisfaction.

ITEM NO. 3 TO RECEIVE A REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR ON THE MAJOR ACHIEVEMENTS / DEVELOPMENTS SINCE THE LAST MEETING OF THE BOG HELD ON 02.09.2020.

The Director, IIT Ropar presented the major achievements / developments. The Director briefed that since the New Chairman has taken over, therefore, he has included in his presentation the achievements/developments for the last couple of years starting from 2015 (Annexure).

RESOLUTION: RESOLVED THAT the Director's presentation on major achievements /developments is noted with appreciation.
BG34/R3/34/543

(Annexure-I)

ITEM NO. 4 TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE 26th MEETING OF FINANCE COMMITTEE HELD ON 02.09.2020.

The Board considered the Minutes of the 26th Meeting of Finance Committee held on 02.09.2020 and the comments received from MoE vide letter no. 9-9/2016-TS.1 dated 01.10.2020.

RESOLUTION: RESOLVED THAT the Minutes of the 26th Meeting of Finance Committee held on 02.09.2020 are approved.
BG34/R4/34/544

RESOLVED FURTHER THAT item no. 9, 10(iv) and 13(i) of the last Finance Committee meeting will be discussed in the next BoG once these items are recommended by the FC.

ITEM NO. 5 TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE 38TH (VIRTUAL) MEETING OF SENATE HELD ON 19.10.2020.

The Board considered the Minutes of the 38th (Virtual) Meeting of Senate held on 19.10.2020. The Chairman, BoG suggested that the minutes of Senate meetings **may be noted by BoG and that items**

therein, requiring approval of BoG, may be brought up as specific agenda in the subsequent meeting.

RESOLUTION: **RESOLVED THAT** the Minutes of the 38th BG34/R5/34/545 (Virtual) Meeting of Senate held on 19.10.2020 are noted.

ITEM NO.6 TO CONSIDER THE ADDITIONAL FINANCIAL SUPPORT OF ₹125.00 CRORE THROUGH HEFA TERM LOAN.

The Director briefed that the said agenda item has also been placed before Finance Committee in its 27th meeting scheduled to be held on 01.12.2020. The said meeting could not be convened due to lack of quorum, therefore this item may be deferred and can be taken up in the next BoG meeting after recommendation of the FC.

RESOLUTION: **RESOLVED THAT** the item is deferred and BG34/R6/34/546 will be taken up in the next BoG meeting on the basis of recommendations of FC.

ITEM NO. 7 TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE THE CONFERMENT OF PH.D DEGREE TO THE STUDENTS.

The Board considered the recommendations of the Senate for the conferment of Doctor of Philosophy degrees to the following scholars of IIT Ropar.

Sr. No.	Name of the student	Entry No.
1.	Mr. Chander Sen	2013MEZ0002
2.	Mr. Rakesh Kumar,	2014MEZ0006
3.	Mr. Harpreet Singh Bedi	2014MEZ0008
4.	Mr. Deepak Tomar	2014PHZ0003
5.	Ms. Arshiya Sood	2014PHZ0009
6.	Ms. Payal Wadhwa	2015PHZ0003
7.	Mr. Subhasis Das Adhikary	2014CYZ0005
8.	Ms. Rekha Dhiman	2014CYZ0009
9.	Mr. Raghunath Dey	2015CYZ0002
10.	Mr. Rohit Y Sathe	2015CYZ0008
11.	Mr. Subhajyoti Samanta	2014CYZ0008
12.	Mr. Anil Kumar Padhan	2014CYZ0010
13.	Mr. Shahariar Sarkar	2015PHZ0005
14.	Mr. Mayank	2015CYZ0001

RESOLUTION:
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RESOLVED THAT the conferment of Doctor of Philosophy degree to the above 14 (Fourteen) students of IIT Ropar is approved.

ITEM NO. 8 TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE THE CONFERMENT OF MS (RESEARCH) DEGREE TO THE STUDENTS.

The Board considered the recommendations of the Senate for the Conferment of MS(Research) degrees to the following students of IIT Ropar.

Sr. No.	Name of the student	Entry No.
1	Ms. Aakriti Gupta	2017EEY0001
2	Mr. Aritra Das	2018EEY0002
3	Mr. Sameer Kumar Singh	2018EEY0007
4	Mr. Somnath Meikap	2018EEY0005

RESOLUTION: **RESOLVED THAT** the conferment of **MS(Research) degree** to the above 4 (Four) students of IIT Ropar is approved.

ITEM NO. 9 TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE THE CONFERMENT OF POST GRADUATE DEGREE AND B.TECH-M.TECH DUAL DEGREE TO THE STUDENTS.

The Board considered the recommendations of the Senate for the conferment of Post Graduate degrees and B.Tech-M.Tech (Dual degree) to the following students of IIT Ropar.

Sr No.	Name of Students & Entry No.	Programme	Department
1.	AAKASH AGGARWAL 2015MED1001	B.Tech.-M.Tech.(dual degree)	ME
2.	ANKIT KUMAR MEENA 2015MED1002	B.Tech.-M.Tech.(dual degree)	ME
3.	ATHUL T R 2015MED1003	B.Tech.-M.Tech.(dual degree)	ME
4.	PARTH PATIL 2015MED1004	B.Tech.-M.Tech.(dual degree)	ME
5.	SAHIL SHARMA 2015MED1006	B.Tech.-M.Tech.(dual degree)	ME

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6.	ADITYA SURYAWANSHI 2015MED1008	B.Tech.-M.Tech.(dual degree)	ME
7.	VISHAL KUMAR 2015MED1010	B.Tech.-M.Tech.(dual degree)	ME
POST GRADUATE DEGREES			
1.	AAKASH SAINI 2018CSM1001	M.Tech	CSE
2.	ANGELIC 2018CSM1005	M.Tech	CSE
3.	ANURAG BANERJEE 2018CSM1007	M.Tech	CSE
4.	GANESH PRASAD 2018CSM1008	M.Tech	CSE
5.	JANGAMREDDY NIKHIL KUMAR 2018CSM1011	M.Tech	CSE
6.	JEEVAN KUMAR JANGA 2018CSM1012	M.Tech	CSE
7.	KAMAL RAJ PRAVEEN 2018CSM1013	M.Tech	CSE
8.	KULDEEP 2018CSM1014	M.Tech	CSE
9.	MEGHA MAHOBE 2018CSM106	M.Tech	CSE
10.	RAKESH KUMAR MEENA 2018CSM1017	M.Tech	CSE
11.	RANJAY KUMAR 2018CSM1018	M.Tech	CSE
12.	SATENDRA KUMAR 2018CSM1019	M.Tech	CSE
13.	ARJUN MENON K 2018EEM1005	M.Tech	EE
14.	ASHUTOSH PRAJAPATI 2018EEM1007	M.Tech	EE
15.	DESHMUKH DEVENDRA NILKANTH 2018EEM1009	M.Tech	EE
16.	PRASEN ALASPURE 2018EEM1017	M.Tech	EE
17.	SANTOSH KUMAR SINGH 2018EEM1018	M.Tech	EE
18.	ABHISHEK RAWAT 2018EEM1022	M.Tech	EE
19.	GURPREET SINGH 2016MEM1006	M.Tech	ME
20.	KVS TEJA 2018MEM1016	M.Tech	ME
21.	KUMARI BHAVNA 2017CHS1011	M.Sc.	Chemistry
22.	KRIKA SINGH 2018CHS1007	M.Sc.	Chemistry
23.	POOJA KUMARI 2018CHS1012	M.Sc.	Chemistry

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24.	KRISHAN KUMAR 2018CHS1023	M.Sc.	Chemistry
25.	ANUJIT SINGH 2017MAS1004	M.Sc.	Mathematics
26.	DIPANWITA GHOSH 2017MAS1008	M.Sc.	Mathematics
27.	ANURAG BOKALIAL 2017PHS1003	M.Sc.	Physics

**RESOLUTION:
BG34/R9/34/549**

RESOLVED THAT the conferment of Post Graduate degree and B.Tech-M.Tech (Dual degree) to the above 34 (Thirty four) students of IIT Ropar is approved.

ITEM NO. 10 TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE THE CONFERMENT OF B.TECH DEGREE TO THE GRADUATING STUDENTS.

The Board considered the recommendations of the Senate for the conferment of B.Tech. degrees to the following students of IIT Ropar.

Sr No	Name of Students & Entry No	Programme	Department
1	HIMANSHU PARIHAR (2014CSB1014)	B.Tech.	CSE
2	RAHUL ROSHAN (2014CSB1026)	B.Tech.	CSE
3	SONU (2015CSB1034)	B.Tech.	CSE
4	ARJIT GUPTA (2016EEB1006)	B.Tech.	EE
5	RAVINDER PAL SINGH (2016EEB1094)	B.Tech.	EE
6	SANJAY MEENA (2015CSB1028)	B.Tech.	CSE
7	MOH SAHIL (2015MEB1097)	B.Tech.	ME
8	RATAN LAL BUNKAR (2016EEB1093)	B.Tech.	EE
9	RONAK KALAL (2016EEB1096)	B.Tech.	EE
10	VAIBHAV KUMAR SUNKARIA (2016EEB1105)	B.Tech.	EE
11	REMAN MEENA (2014EEB1070)	B.Tech.	EE
12	ANKAN BAL (2016CSB1031)	B.Tech.	CSE

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RESOLUTION: **RESOLVED THAT the conferment of BG34/R10/34/550 B.Tech degree to the above 12 (Twelve) students of IIT Ropar is approved.**

ITEM NO. 11 TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE THE CONFERMENT OF BEST PH.D THESIS AWARD 2020.

The Board considered the recommendations of Institute Medal Committee for the conferment of Best Ph.D Thesis Award 2020 to the following students of IIT Ropar.

Engineering:

Mechanical Engg: Mr. Mohit Raj Saxena (Entry No. 2014MEZ0002)

Sciences:

Chemistry: Mr. Subhajyoti Samanta (Entry No. 2014CYZ0008)

Physics: Mr. Shahariar Sarkar (Entry No. 2015PHZ0005)

RESOLUTION: **RESOLVED THAT the conferment of Best BG34/R11/34/551 Ph.D Thesis Award 2020 to the above 3 (Three) students of IIT Ropar is approved.**

ITEM NO.12 TO CONSIDER THE AWARD OF INSTITUTE SILVER MEDALS TO B.TECH.-M.TECH. DUAL DEGREE, M.TECH. AND M.SC. STUDENTS.

The Board considered the recommendations of the Chairman, Senate for the award of Institute Silver Medals to the following B.Tech.-M.Tech. (Dual degree), M.Tech. and M.Sc students of IIT Ropar:

B.TECH.-M.TECH. DUAL DEGREE 2015 BATCH		
SI No	Name	Entry Number
1.	VISHAL KUMAR	2015MED1010
M.TECH. BIOMEDICAL ENGINEERING 2018 BATCH		

1.	EKTA GUPTA	2018BMM1003
M.TECH. COMPUTER SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING 2018 Batch		
1.	JANGAM REDDY NIKHIL KUMAR	2018CSM1011
M.TECH. ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING 2018 Batch		
1.	ASHUTOSH PRAJAPATI	2018EEM1007
M.TECH. MACHANICAL ENGINEERING 2018 Batch		
1.	RAHUL KUMAR	2018MEM1021
M.SC. MATHEMATICS 2018 Batch		
1.	SUSHANT	2018MAS1022
M.SC. CHEMISTRY 2018 Batch		
1.	PANKAJ SINGH PATWAL	2018CHS1011
M.SC. PHYSICS 2018 Batch		
1.	GARIKA VIJAY KUMAR	2018PHS1008

RESOLUTION: BG34/R12/34/552 **RESOLVED THAT** the award of Institute Silver Medals to the above students of B.Tech.-M.Tech. (Dual degree), M.Tech. and M.Sc. of IIT Ropar is approved.

ITEM NO. 13 TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE ESTABLISHMENT OF TAIWAN EDUCATION CENTRE.

The Director briefed that the said agenda item has also been placed before Finance Committee in its 27th meeting scheduled to be held on 01.12.2020. The said meeting could not be convened due to lack of quorum, therefore this item may be deferred and can be taken up in the next BoG meeting after the recommendation of the FC.

RESOLUTION: BG34/R13/34/553 **RESOLVED THAT** the item is deferred and will be taken up in the next BoG meeting on the basis of recommendations of FC.

ITEM NO. 14 TO CONSIDER CONVERSION OF CENTER FOR BIOMEDICAL ENGINEERING INTO DEPARTMENT OF BIOMEDICAL ENGINEERING.

The Board considered the recommendations of senate for the conversion of Center for Biomedical Engineering to Department of Biomedical Engineering. The Chairman, BoG appreciated that IIT Ropar has entered an important area of activity.

RESOLUTION: RESOLVED THAT the conversion of BG34/R14/34/554 Center for Biomedical Engineering to Department of Biomedical Engineering is approved.

ITEM NO. 15 TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE THE APPOINTMENTS OF NEW DEANS

The Director informed that he had initiated the process to appoint new Deans and Associate Deans since the tenure of the current incumbents has been expiring; however, he requested for opinion of the Board on taking up this agenda item.

Since the appointment of the next Director is in the offing, Board advised to defer this item and suggested that (i) process for appointment of new Deans can be taken up by the next Director and (ii) the tenure of current incumbents may be extended suitably till end of forthcoming semester.

RESOLUTION: RESOLVED THAT the tenure of existing BG34/R15/34/555 Deans/ Associate Deans is extended upto June, 2021.

ITEM NO. 16 TO CONFIRM / RATIFY THE DECISIONS TAKEN BY THE CHAIRPERSON, BOG / DIRECTOR ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNOR

The Board considered the decisions taken by the Chairperson, Board of Governors and the Director, IIT Ropar on behalf of the Board of Governors. The Director briefed that due process has been followed for the movement of Assistant Professors from Grade II to

Grade I, their confirmation, movement from Level 12 to Level 13 (including non-teaching staff). The Assessment Committees are as approved by the BoG.

RESOLUTION **RESOLVED THAT the decisions taken by the Chairperson, BoG/ Director on behalf of the Board of Governors are ratified / noted.**
BG34/R16/34/556

ITEM NO. 17 REPORTING ITEMS

The Board considered the reporting items.

- I. Details of faculty members who have resigned / relieved from the Institute since last BoG meeting held on 02.09.2020.
- II. Details of non-faculty member(s) who have been relieved from the Institute since last BoG meeting held on 02.09.2020.
- III. To consider Revised Estimates 2020-21 and Budget Estimates 2021-22.
- IV. To consider a deposit of ₹7.64 crore from IRG till the receipt of HEFA principal re-payment installment for deposit in Escrow 3 principal re-payment account.
- V. Extension of the GoI order on Special Cash Package in lieu of LTC fare for block year 2018-21 to IITs.

RESOLUTION: **RESOLVED THAT the reporting items are noted.**
BG34/R17/34/557

SUPPLEMENTARY ITEM

ITEM NO. 18 TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE THE CONFERMENT OF PH.D DEGREE TO THE STUDENTS.

The Board considered the recommendations of the Chairman, Senate for the conferment of Doctor of Philosophy degrees to the following students of IIT Ropar.

Sr. No.	Name of Student	Entry No.
1.	Mr. Subhajit Saha	2015MAZ0004
2.	Ms. Vandita Sharma	2015MAZ0006

RESOLUTION: **RESOLVED THAT** the conferment of BG34/R18/34/558 **Ph.D degree to the above 2 (two) students of IIT Ropar is approved.**

ITEM NO. 19 TO CONSIDER THE EXTENSION OF FELLOWSHIP AFTER COMPLETION OF 5 YEARS OF PH.D PROGRAMME

The Director briefed that the said agenda item has also been placed before Finance Committee in its 27th meeting scheduled to be held on 01.12.2020. The said meeting could not be convened due to lack of quorum, therefore this item may be deferred and can be taken up in the next BoG meeting after recommendation of the FC.

RESOLUTION: **RESOLVED THAT** the item is deferred BG34/R19/34/559 **and will be taken up in the next BoG meeting on the basis of recommendations of FC.**
