INFLIBNET CENTRE, Infocity, Gandhinagar (An Inter-University Centre of the UGC)

09 March, 2016

Minutes of the 23rd Meeting of the Finance Committee of INFLIBNET Centre held on Monday, the 07 March, 2016 at India International Centre Annexe, New Delhi

Members present

Prof. H. Devaraj Vice Chairman, UGC & Chairman FC & GB

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Dr. Jagdish Arora Director, INFLIBNET Centre

Dr. RK Chadha Former Addl. Secretary Lok Sabha,

Nominee, GB

Dr. Jitendra Kumar Tripathi, Joint Secretary (Finance), UGC, New Delhi

Mr. Harish Chandra Administrative Officer (PA&F) &

Non-Member Secretary

Invitee

Dr. (Mrs) Manju Singh Jt. Secretary UGC (IUC/MC) & Bureau Head

Dr. Jaspal Singh Sandhu, Secretary UGC and Mr. Yatrik R Patel Scientist-D (CS), INFLIBNET Centre could not attend the meeting due to their prior commitments.

Prof. Devaraj, Vice Chairman, UGC extended a warm welcome to the members. He then requested Dr. Jagdish Arora to initiate the proceedings of the meeting. Dr. Arora, in turn, requested Mr. Harish Chandra, Administrative Officer and Non-Member Secretary, Finance Committee, to take up the agenda items.

 Confirmation of the Minutes of 22nd Meeting of the Finance Committee held on 23rd October 2015 at INFLIBNET Centre, Infocity, Gandhinagar

The Minutes of the 22nd Meeting of the Finance Committee held on 23rd October 2015 at INFLIBNET Centre, Infocity, Gandhinagar were confirmed as circulated since no comments were received from the members.

2. Action Taken on the Decisions Made during the 22nd Meeting of the Finance Committee held on 23rd October 2015 at INFLIBNET Centre, Infocity, Gandhinagar

Shri Harish Chandra, Administrative Officer briefed the members on the actions taken on decisions made during the 22nd Meeting of the Finance Committee as given below:

- 2.1. Centre has kept the nonplan expenses within the allocated limits by adopting austerity measures.
- 2.2. Centre responded to the queries of C & AG auditors for the audit carried out by them for the year 2013-14.
- 2.3. The final bills i.r.o M/s Voltas Ltd and M/s Godrej & Boyece Mfg. Co.Ltd. have been made after following due procedures. The bill i.r.o. M/s Katira constructions Ltd would be paid after the contractor meet the obligation of identifying certain items as per tender.
- 2.4. The obsolete / unserviceable items with residual value of Rs. 87,515.00 written off during the 29th Meeting of Governing Board have been disposed off. The highest quoted price was Rs. 76,660.00. Items have been disposed off as per the laid down procedures. Necessary entries are being effected in the records.
- 2.5. Centre appointed M/s T. N. Shah & Co. as statutory auditors after following the due procedures. However, members suggested that next time Centre may request local C & AG office for a penal of CAs and choose one out of the panel given by C & AG.
- 3. Presentation of Revised Budget Estimates for the F. Y. 2015-2016 and Budget Estimates for the F.Y. 2016-2017

Mr. Harish Chandra, Administrative Officer, presented the revised budget estimates for the F. Y. 2015-16 and budget estimates of the Centre for the F.Y. 2016-17.

After detailed discussions and deliberations, members noted that the budget provisions for the Centre for expenditure is on its activities including establishment expenditures, organization of workshops and trainings, awareness programme, conferences / conventions, union database creation, Shodhganga, construction of permanent institutional building and its maintenance, infrastructural facilities in the new building, operational requirement, procurement of furniture and fixtures and scientific equipment, etc. Members opined that the projections for further period shall be kept within the reasonable increase only and recommended the following budget estimates.

Revised Budget Estimates for the F Y 2015-16	Project ed (Rs.in Lakhs)	Allocat ed (Rs. in Lakhs)	Release d (Rs. in Lakhs)	Budget Estimates for the F. Y. 2016- 17	Projecte d (Rs. in Lakhs)
Non-Plan	620.00	521.00	390.75	Non-Plan	770.00
Plan	518.00	518.00	Nil	Plan	518.00

Budget Break-up for Non-plan Funds

Accounts Head	Actual Expenditure (F.Y. 2014- 15)		Actual Expenditure Apr. 15-Dec 15	Revised Estimates F.Y. 2015- 16	Budget Estimates F.Y.2016- 17
			Rs. In Lakhs	11877	
A REVENUE ACCOUNTS					Fat wa
Establishment					
Expenses					y
Salary					
i) Existing Staff	260.59	350.00	239.96	320.00	400.00
ii) Provision for	-	20.00	0.00	7.00	20.00
Vacant Posts to be					
Filled up					
Staff Loans					
i) Scooter/Motor cycle	-	1.00	0.00	1.00	1.00
ii) Car Loan	-	6.00	0.00	4.00	6.00
iii) H.B.A.	-	15.00	0.00	15.00	15.00
Travel					
i) Domestic	6.70	10.00	3.21	5.00	10.00
ii) Foreign	-	5.00	0.04	5.00	5.00
Maintenance of Office Buildings/hostels	6.36	25.00	5.19	15.00	18.00
Office Expenses	196.67	200.00	163.19	200.00	220.00
Recruitment	5.42	6.00	2.18	6.00	7.00
Expenses					
Consumable Store & Spares	1.75	6.00	1.94	1.00	7.00
Maintenance of Office Equipment	1.58	4.00	2.45	2.00	5.00
Staff welfare	0.67	1.00	0.50	1.00	1.00

Hiring of Expert /	6.00	6.00	4.00	6.00	6.00
Consultants					
Sub Total: A	485.74	655.00	422.66	588.00	721.00
B: Workshops,			1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 -		
Developmental					
activities etc.					
Training/Conference/	10.20	25.00	1.14	20.00	30.00
Seminars					
Network Services and	3.96	6.00	2.64	5.00	6.00
Facilities at Centre					
(BSNL etc.)					7.
Library Services at	1.42	4.00	0.44	2.00	3.00
Centre			to a second		
Organization	-	10.00	0.00	5.00	10.00
Development					
Sub Total: B	15.58	45.00	4.22	32.00	49.00
Total of Non-Plan	501.32	700.00	426.88	620.00	770.00

Budget Break-up for Plan Funds

Accounts Head	Actual	Budget	Actual	Revised	Budget
	Expenditure				Estimates
	(F.Y. 2014-	F.Y. 2015-	Apr. 15-Sept	F.Y. 2015-	F.Y.2016-
	15)	16	15	16	17
	Rupees in Lakhs				3600
CAPITAL ACCOUNTS	372.17	518.00	33.29	518.00	518.00
Total of Capital Accounts	372.17	518.00	33.29	518.00	518.00
E-Shodhsindhu*	18723.35	18171.00	12512.34	35012.00	25834.00
E-Subscription Scheme	1366.09	3933.00	896.60		
(Colleges), the N-LIST		2			
E-Subscription Total	20089.44	22104.00	13408.94	35012.00	25834.00
Electronics Thesis and	31.50	300.00	11.14	65.00	120.00
dissertations (ETD) in					
universities (Shodhganga)			»:		
Institutional Building	-	-	0.00	192.40	-
Construction					
Sub Total	31.50	300.00	11.14	257.40	120.00
Total of Plan	20493.11	22922.00	13453.37	35787.40	26472.00
Total Non Plan	501.32	700.00	426.88	620.00	770.00
Grand Total	20994.43	23622.00	13880.25	36407.40	27242.00
(Non-Plan + Plan)					

*UGC Infonet Digital Library Consortium, INDEST – AICTE and N-LIST have been submerged in to E- Shodh Sindhu vide MHRD notification F. No. 16-23/2014-TEL dated 01.12.2015.

4. Briefing on the Audit of the Centre by the Auditors of the Comptroller & Auditor General (CAG) of India for the F. Y. 2014-2015

Mr. Harish Chandra, Administrative Officer, briefed the members about the comprehensive test audit carried out by the Auditors of Comptroller & Auditor General of India during their visit to the Centre from 02.11.2015 to 27.11.2015. Members noted that Centre furnished appropriate replies to the audit report. Members opined that Centre shall comply with the observations made in the test report and envisage the changes in accounting methods as suggested by the auditors.

5. Approval of the Minutes of the 20th Meeting of the Building Committee held on 22nd November 2014 at INFLIBNET Centre and Standing Purchase Committee with Chairman Building Committee and Members held on 07.12.2015 at INFLIBNET

Members, after detailed deliberations and discussions, opined that spare capacity of VRF AC system that is being used in the residences may be stopped. Minutes of the 20th Meeting of the Building Committee held on 22nd November 2014 at INFLIBNET Centre and Standing Purchase Committee with Chairman Building Committee and Members held on 07.12.2015 at INFLIBNET were approved.

6. Approval for the Final Audited Bills Paid to the Contractors for Institutional Building

Members noted that the final bills of the contractors including expenditure on extra items were audited by the UGC (IAW) auditors. Members, after brief discussions approved the final bill payments as follows:

Name of the Contractor	Amount of Final bill approved & paid
M/s Voltas Ltd.	Rs.3,45,05,969.00
M/s. Godrej & Boyce Mfg Co. Ltd.	Rs. 3,71,28,229.00

7. Payment of Bonus for the Year 2014 - 15

Members, after brief discussions, approved the payment bonus to the employees.

8. Property Tax Payable on Institutional Building

It was noted that officers from Municipal Corporation Gandhinagar visited the Centre and have asked that Centre to pay property tax on the Institutional Building from 2013 to till date, which may range from Rs. 33 to Rs. 44 lakhs. Members after brief discussions, approved the applicable payment of property tax on the Institutional Building. However, members opined that the Centre may inform the Municipal Corporation that completion certificate of the construction of the Institutional Building has not been issued.

Meeting ended with the vote of thanks to the chair.

(Harish Chandra)

Administrative Officer (PA&F) Non-Member, Secretary, FC

(Dr. Jagdish Arora)

Director, INFLIBNET Centre

(Prof. H. Devaraj)

Vice Chairman, UGC