INOFRMATION AND LIBRARY NETWORK CENTRE (An Autonomous Inter-University Centre of UGC) Infocity, Gandhinagar- 382007

31st March 2023

Minutes of the 44th Meeting of the Governing Board held on Friday, 31st March 2023

The following Members and invitees were present in the meeting:

	Prof Yogesh Singh	Hon'ble Chairman Governing Board of INFLIBNET Centre and	
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		Vice-Chancellor, University of Delhi, Delhi	
		Members	
1.	Prof J P Singh Joorel	Director INFLIBNET Centre, Member Secretary	
2.	Prof Deepak Kumar Srivastava	Vice-Chairperson University Grants Commission, New Delhi	
3.	Prof E Suresh Kumar	Vice-Chancellor The English and Foreign Languages University, Hyderabad, Telangana	
4.	Prof Rajesh Singh	Vice-Chancellor Deen Dayal Upadhyay Gorakhpur University, Gorakhpur, Uttar Pradesh	
5.	Prof Shalini Bharat	Director Tata Institute of Social Sciences, Mumbai, Maharashtra	
6.	Prof Kamlesh P Joshipura	Former Vice-Chancellor Saurashtra University, Rajkot, Gujarat	
7.	Prof K P Singh	Professor Department of Library and Information Science, University of Delhi, Delhi	
8.	Prof Pratosh Bansal	Professor Institute of Engineering and Technology, Devi Ahilya Vishwavidyalaya, Indore, Madhya Pradesh	
9.	Dr Neeraj Saxena	Advisor-II Nominee of AICTE	



10. Sh Gaurav Singh	Director Department of Higher Education, MoE
11. Dr Nikhil Kumar	Deputy Secretary
	University Grants Commission (Representative of Bureau Head, IUC, University Grants Commission, New Delhi)
	Special Invitees
12. Sh Pallab Pradhan	Scientist In-charge (P&A)
	INFLIBNET Centre, Special Invitee
13. Mrs Neha Sharma	Administrative Officer (Finance)
	INFLIBNET Centre, Special Invitee

Prof J B Nadda, Director, Consortium for Educational Communication (CEC), New Delhi, Prof R S Dubey, Vice-Chancellor, Central University of Gujarat, Gandhinagar, Gujarat and Dr Jitendra Kumar Tripathi, Joint Secretary, Bureau Head, IUC, University Grants Commission, New Delhi could not join the meeting due to their prior commitments.

The 44th Governing Board Meeting commenced with a warm welcome to all the Members of the Governing Board by Prof Yogesh Singh, Hon'ble Chairman, GB and Prof J P Singh Joorel, Director INFLIBNET Centre. The Chairman GB then requested the Director to take up the agenda items. Thereafter, Prof Joorel started the proceedings and presented the following agenda items:

44.1 Confirmation of the Minutes of the 43rd Meeting of the Governing Board held on 1st August 2022

The Minutes of the 43rd Meeting of the Governing Board held on 1st August 2022 were confirmed as circulated, since no comments were received from the Members.

Confirmed.

44.2 Brief on the Action Taken Report on the Minutes of the 43rd Meeting of the Governing Board

Prof J P Singh Joorel, Director INFLIBNET Centre presented a brief report on the action taken and progress made on the following decisions made during the 43rd Meeting of the Governing Board:

SI. No.	Item	Action
1	Confirmation of the Minutes of the 42 nd Meeting of Governing Board held on 18 th August 2021.	Already Confirmed and Reported.



2	Action taken on the decisions made in	Reported in the 43 rd Meeting of the
	the 42 nd Meeting of the Governing Board.	Governing Board and Complied.
3	Audited Annual Accounts for the Financial Year F.Y. 2021-22 of the Centre were approved and sent to UGC and C&AG for audit.	Complied
4	Approval of the Annual Report of the Centre for the Year 2021-2022.	Complied
5	Creation of new posts	In Process
6	Amendments to Bye Laws	As approved by the Governing Board, the Committee has been constituted and the draft report has been prepared and the same is under review.
7	Reimbursement of Telephone call charges / Mobile phone/ Broadband/ Data card to Eligible Officials	Complied
8	Re-structuring and Additional Positions of Contractual Staff to be hired through Manpower Agency for SOUL Development	Complied
9	Updated status of Audit Paras	Complied
10	Representation of Mr Ashok Kumar Rai, Scientist-E (CS) regarding date of his Promotion	The Committee submitted its report and was put up as a separate agenda item no.7.

44.3 Revision of remuneration payable to contractual staff

The Governing Board members were briefed about the revision of remunerations of contractual staff hired through outsourcing agency deployed in various projects and activities of the centre, as the same was revised in 2018. Accordingly, a committee was constituted to made suitable recommendations. The Committee recommended revision of remunerations and nomenclature along with required qualifications and experiences for Technical and Non-Technical staff. The minutes of the Committee were presented before the Governing Board.

The Board, after a brief discussions and deliberations, approved the revision of remunerations of contractual staff hired through outsourcing agency deployed in



various projects and activities of the centre w.e.f. 1st April 2023. The minutes of the committee are attached as Annexure I.

44.4 Canteen Food Subsidy for Contractual and Permanent Staff

The Governing Board was apprised about the canteen subsidy facility extended by the Centre and the point raised by the C&AG. It was proposed to continue with the existing practice of extending the food subsidy to the staff including the contractual staff of the Centre keeping in view the welfare of the contractual staff.

The members suggested that the item be referred to the committee for its inclusion, constituted for revision of Bye Laws of the Centre which is under review.

44.5 Coverage of all the Contractual staff under EPF facility

It was proposed that the facility of coverage under EPF be extended to all the contractual employees of the Centre subject to the limit of Rs.1950.00 i.e., 13% of Rs.15000.00. The members opined that as INFLIBNET Centre is a part of UGC, thus the EPF should be extended to all its contractual employees, hired through outsourcing agency, with a limit of Rs.1950.00 i.e. 13% of Rs.15000.00.

The Governing Board after discussion approved the proposal.

44.6 Writing off of the Obsolete and Unserviceable Items

The members were briefed about the details of the obsolete and unserviceable items and it was proposed that the same may be written off.

The Governing Board after brief discussion approved the proposal.

44.7 Representation of Sh. Ashok Kumar Rai Scientist E (CS) regarding his date of Promotion

The Governing Board was informed about the recommendation of the Committee constituted to examine the representation of Mr. Ashok Kumar Rai, Scientist E (CS). The Committee members unanimously endorsed the decision of the selection committee and were of the opinion that Sri Ashok Kumar Rai, Scientist-E (CS) is not entitled for promotion from retrospective effect as there is no provision of granting promotion from retrospective effect as per the Bye Laws of the INFLIBNET Centre and he has already availed MACP.



The Governing Board after brief discussion and deliberation concurred with the recommendations.

44.7 Revised Budget Estimates for the F. Y. 2022-2023 and Budget Estimates for the F. Y. 2023-24

The revised Budget Estimates for the F. Y. 2022-2023 and Budget Estimates for the F.Y. 2023-24 as approved by the Finance Committee of the Centre in its meeting held on 16th December, 2022, were place before the Governing Board for information.

The Governing Board accorded its consent for the same.

44.9 Extension of Appointment of Statutory Auditors for the F. Y. 2023-24

As approved by the 37th Finance Committee, the item was placed before the Governing Board for information and the members concurred with the Finance Committee's decision for extension of appointment of Statutory Auditors for one more financial year starting from 1st April, 2023.

The Governing Board accorded its consent for the same.

44.10 Shortfall of Interest in GPF A/c

The Governing Board was informed about the decision of the 37th Finance Committee to meet the deficit amount on account of difference in interest rate in the GPF A/c from budget head 31 (Pension & Maintenance).

The Governing Board after brief discussion agreed with the decision of the Finance Committee.

44.11 Audit Report and Replies for the Financial Year 2021-22

The Governing Board was apprised about the audit paras raised and the reply submitted by the Centre to C & AG. The members congratulated and complimented the INFLIBNET Centre team under the able guidance of Hon'ble Director for maintaining the financial discipline and properly following the financial rules and regulations.



44.12 Updated Replies on the Audit Report of the CAG Audit for the F.Y. 2015-16 to 2021-22

A gist of the outstanding audit paras and replies submitted by the Centre was presented to the Governing Board for Information.

The Members appreciated the reduction in paras.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

(Prof J P Singh Joorel)

Director, INFLIBNET Centre

(Prof Yogesh Singh)

Chairman Governing Board

(Vice Chancellor, University of Deh)