INOFRMATION AND LIBRARY NETWORK CENTRE

(An Autonomous Inter-University Centre of UGC) Infocity, Gandhinagar- 382007

14th December, 2023

MINUTES OF THE 46th MEETING OF THE GOVERNING BOARD ON THURSDAY, 14th December, 2023

The following Members and invitees were present in the meeting:

	Hon'ble Chairman Governing Board	
1.	Prof Yogesh Singh	Vice Chancellor
	3	University of Delhi, New Delhi
	Members	
2.	Prof Deepak K Srivastava	Vice Chairman of UGC, New Delhi (online)
3.	Prof J P Singh Joorel	Director INFLIBNET Centre, Member Secretary
4.	Prof Lokendra Singh	Vice Chancellor
		Manipur University, Imphal
5.	Prof Rama Shankar Dube	Vice Chancellor
		Central University of Gujarat, Gandhinagar
6.	Prof J B Nadda	Director CEC, New Delhi
7.	Prof Ravindra D Kulkarni	Vice Chancellor, Mumbai University, Mumbai
8.	Shri Gaurav Singh	Director (TEL), MoE, GoI
9.	Dr Rahul Kulkarni	Chief Technologist, Samagra, New Delhi
10.	Dr Dinesh Singh	Director (P&AP)
		AICTE, New Delhi (Nominee AICTE)
11.	Prof K P Singh	Professor Department of LIS, University of Delhi, Delhi
12.	Prof Pratosh Bansal	Institute of Engineering and Technology Devi Ahilya Vishwavidyalaya, Indore (online)
13.	Shri Harish Chandra	Administrative Officer (PA&F) INFLIBNET Centre (Special Invitee)

Prof G U Kulkarni, President of JNCASR Bengaluru and Prof Manish R Joshi, Secretary UGC could not join the meeting due to their prior commitments.

Prof Yogesh Singh, Hon'ble Chairman, Governing Board, welcomed all the members of the Board. Prof J P Singh Joorel, Director, INFLIBNET, also extended a warm welcome to all the members.

Prof J P Singh Joorel, Director INFLIBNET then welcomed and introduced to the new members' viz. Prof Ravindra Kulkarni, Vice Chancellor of Mumbai University, Shri Rahul Kulkarni, Chief Technologist, Samagra, New Delhi. Director INFLIBNET

further appreciated the outgoing members of the Governing Board for their continuous guidance and support in the overall functioning and development of the Centre.

Thereafter, Prof J P Singh Joorel, Director INFLIBNET Centre made a detailed presentation before the Governing Board.

After the presentation Prof J P Singh Joorel, Director INFLIBNET Centre presented the agenda items as follows:

46.1 Confirmation of the minutes of the 45th Meeting of the Governing Board held on 14th July, 2023

The minutes of the 45th Meeting of the Governing Board held on 14th July, 2023 were confirmed as circulated, since no comments were received from the Members.

- 46.2 Report on Action Taken and Progress made since 45th Meeting of the Governing Board held on 45th July, 2023
- **46.2.1** Confirmation of the minutes of the 44th Meeting of the Governing Board.

Confirmed in 45th meeting.

46.2.2 Report on action taken after the 44th Meeting of the Governing Board.

Reported in 45th meeting.

46.2.3 Audited Annual Accounts for the F Y 2022-23.

Approved and C &AG has been done.

46.2.4 Annual Report for the Year 2022-23.

Approved, will be placed before Council.

46.2.5 Health Scheme of the Centre: Adoption of the CS (MA)/CGHS Rules.

The Centre has adopted the CS (MA) Rules, 1944 in lieu of the existing health scheme for reimbursement of the medical bills of the Centre's beneficiary's w.e.f 01.08.2023. The Centre has hired a Part-Time Medical Consultant at the Centre w.e.f 09.11.2023. Further, the Centre has invited the proposal for empanelment with all the CGHS approved hospitals in Gandhinagar/Ahmedabad area for entering into MoU with those hospitals to facilitate employees/beneficiaries to undergo treatment and avail reimbursement benefits as per Signed MoU/CGHS/CS (MA) Rules. However, till the empanelment of hospitals as per CS(MA)/CGHS, it has been decided to continue the existing procedure i.e. beneficiaries may take treatment in any hospital but the reimbursement will be restricted to CS (MA)/CGHS rates, looking to the welfare measures of the employees.

The matter was reported to the Governing Board.

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46.2.6 CCTV Surveillance System.

In process.

46.2.7 Day care facility for the children of the employees.

In process.

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

Complied.

46.3 Engagement of the Graduate and Technician Apprentices under National Apprenticeship Training Scheme

The Members were briefed that the item of the Engagement of the Graduate and Technician Apprentices under National Apprenticeship Training Scheme was placed before the Finance Committee in its 38th Meeting, wherein FC advised to prepare the necessary guidelines and put up in the next meeting of the FC. The guidelines have been prepared and the Finance Committee in its 39th Meeting held on 14th December, 2023 have resolved to place it before the Governing Board for approval.

The Governing Board after a brief discussion and deliberations **Approved** and advised the Centre to increase the number from 8 to 12 candidates for the Engagement of the Graduate and Technician Apprentices under National Apprenticeship Training Scheme.

46.4 The Instructions for the Purchase of Laptops/notebooks and Similar Devices for Eligible officers

The Members were briefed that the Centre is following DoPT, Department of Expenditure (DoE), Ministry of Finance and other GoI orders issued from time to time. Earlier Centre followed the DoE "The Instructions for the purchase of laptops/notebooks and similar devices for eligible officers" issued vide Office Memorandum F. No. 08(34)/2017-E.II (A) dated 20.02.2018 for Purchase of Laptops/notebooks and Similar Devices for Eligible officers. Now DoE has issued revised guidelines" vide Office Memorandum F. No. 03(20)2022-E.II (A) dated 21.07.2023.

The Governing Board after a brief discussion and deliberations **Approved** the implementation of Office Memorandum F. No. 03(20)2022-E.II (A) dated 21.07.2023.

46.5 Approval of the Revised Budget for the F Y 2023-24 and Budget for the F Y 2024-25

The Members were briefed about the Revised Budget for the F Y 2023-24 and Budget Estimates for the F Y 2024-25. The Members were also briefed that the Finance Committee in its 39th Meeting held on 14th December, 2023 have resolved to place it before the Governing Board for approval.

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The Governing Board after a brief discussions and deliberations **Approved** the Revised Budget for the F Y 2023-24 and Budget Estimates for the F Y 2024-25 as follows:

Revised Budget for the F Y 2023-24:

Budget head 31: 455.00

Budget head 36: 1,317.00

Budget Estimates for the F Y 2024-25

Budget head 31: 610.00

Budget head 36: 1,693.00

46.6 Updated Replies on the Audit Report of the CAG Audit for the F.Y. 2015-16 to 2022-23

The Members noted that the Centre has submitted suitable updated replies to the audit paras for the year 2015 - 2016 to 2022 - 2023 to the CAG office Ahmedabad and appreciated the efforts made by the Centre in resolving the CAG paras.

Discussions/Suggestions

Members discussed and suggested that INFLIBNET may enter into an MoU with the AICTE for providing SOUL software services and training to the library professionals for the same to their member institutes/colleges.

Finally, Prof Yogesh Singh, Hon'ble Chairman, Governing Board of Inflibnet Centre and Vice Chanceller of Delhi University, formally extended warm farewell to Prof J P Singh Joorel, Director, Inflibnet Centre and lauded his contributions to the development of the Inflibnet. Prof Yogesh Singh categorically stated that Prof J P Singh Joorel immensely contributed towards the overall growth of the centre for his initiatives towards core areas i.e. launch of new version of SOUL 3.0, starting initiative of One Nation One Subscription, development of INFLIBNET Learning Management Service, Automation of all Bihar State Public universities, development of Shodhchakra platform for Research Scholar, strengthening of the ongoing activities and increased the outreach of all activities and services including SOUL (3645 to 4226 installation), union catalogue (book 83 lakhs to 1.5 crore), repository of full text theses (2.1 lakhs to 5 lakhs MoU from 451 to 857) on Shodhganga, expert profile (29907 to 220482) on Vidwan database, IRINS membership to about 1100 HEIs, execution of several new projects of MoE, UGC (IT Cell and complete e-Governance implementation) & other academic and govt agencies, taking several new initiatives during COVID as academic Covid Warrior and emphasized on Learning management service, IHRMS, INFED, Cloud Infra, Hosting Services, YUKTI, Resources to academic Community, etc.

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The members of the Governing Board namely Prof J B Nadda, Prof R S Dubey, Prof K P Singh, Dr Dinesh Singh, Mr Rahul Kulkarni, Mr Gaurav Singh, in one voice, appreciated the contributions of Prof J P Singh Joorel at Inflibnet Centre for implementation of promotion policy, restoration of lapsed/ceased positions, creation and sanctioning of new posts, starting new innovative projects, development of new technology based projects which are highly used by Higher Educational Institutions, day care facility, maternity leave and pay revision for project staff, strengthening infrastructure like establishment of Media processing lab, creation of independent financial wing, functioning of 6th floor, and building INFLIBNET truly a national importance institution.

Prof J P Singh Joorel, Director INFLIBNET Centre also extended warm greetings and appreciations to all the members for their illuminating and highlighting his contributions for Inflibnet centre.

The Meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Chair.

(Prof J P Singh Joorel) .

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Director, INFLIBNET Centre and Member Secretary Governing Board

(Prof Yogesh Singh)

Vice Chancellor, University of Delhi and Chairman Governing Board