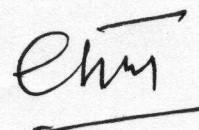# Information and Library Network Centre, Gandhinagar - 382007

Minutes of the 19th Meeting of the Council

The 19th meeting of the Council of INFLIBNET was held on 15th March, 2019 at INFLIBNET, Gandhinagar

The following members participated in the meeting:

1.	Prof. Dhirendra Pal Singh Hon'ble Chairman, UGC	President, Council
2.	Prof Yogesh Singh Vice-Chancellor, Delhi Technological University & Chairman, Governing Board INFLIBNET Centre	Member
3.	Dr. Braj Bihari Kumar Chairman, ICSSR	Member
4.	Prof. Dileep N Malkhede Advisor-I (RIFD) Representative of Chairman AICTE	Member
5.	Prof. S A Bari Vice-Chancellor, Central University of Gujarat	Member
6.	Prof. S K Singh Vice-Chancellor, Lalit Narayan Mithila University	Member
7.	Prof. Anand Byrappa Rep. Director, IISc, Bengaluru	Member
8.	Prof. Kamlesh P Joshipura Former VC, Saurashtra University	Member
9.	Shri P K Thakur Financial Advisor, Representative of Secretary, UGC	Member
10.	Prof. Pratosh Bansal Inst. of Engg & Tech, Devi Ahilya Vishwavidyalaya	Member
11.	Shri G S Malik Advisor, NMEICT, Representative of MHRD	Member
12.	Prof. J.P.S. Joorel Director, INFLIBNET Centre	Member Secretary

The following members of the Council could not attend the meeting due to their prior engagements:

1. Dr. Shekhar C Mande, Director General, CSIR
2. Prof. Bhushan Patwardhan, Vice-Chairman, UGC
3. Prof R C Kuhad, Vice-Chancellor, Central University of Haryana
4. Prof M P Poonia, Vice-Chairman, AICTE
5. Prof Vinay Kumar Pathak, Vice-Chancellor, Dr A P J Abdul Kalam Tech University
6. Prof B K Tripathi, Director, IUC for Teacher Education, BHU, Varanasi
7. Dr Shravan Kumar, Joint Secretary, Ministry of Culture, GOI
8. Dr R K Chadha, Former Addl Secretary (Lok Sabha)
9. Dr Ramesh Gaur, Librarian & Head, Kalanidhi, IGNCA

Prof. J. P. S. Joorel, Director INFLIBNET Centre extended a warm welcome to Prof. D P Singh, President, Council and Hon'ble Chairman, UGC and to all other Members of Council.

The Director, INFLIBNET Centre made a detailed presentation on the current status of on-going programmes and projects of the INFLIBNET Centre.

The INFLIBNET Centre has taken-up a number of new projects. The important projects are as follows:

a) **Publications and Citations data for institutions applying for Accreditation to NAAC**

The Bibliometric Group has been set up to study the impact of access to e-resources on research productivity for Indian Institutions. The Group is developing research profiles that include research output of an Institution, annual and cumulative growth of research publications over a period of few decades, impact of research in terms of citations received, H-index, focused areas of research of a university including its strength and weaknesses, international and national collaborations in different disciplines, correlation between number of articles downloaded from e-resources and number of research articles produced by researchers in a given university. WoS and SCOPUS are being used as a source for primary data.

b) **Development of Accreditation Workflow Management System (AWMS) for National Board of Accreditation (e-NBA)**

NBA has assigned task to develop full-fledge online platform for accreditation workflow management system for technical institutes.

c) National Council for Teacher Education: Technical partner

The INFLIBNET Centre is developing online platform to automate the accreditation process of teacher education institutions governed by NCTE. A MoU is to be signed.

d) Ek Bharat Shreshta Bharat / Unnat Bharart Abhiyan by MHRD

A platform which provides library of different cultural and academic events of Indian states, called Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat, is developed by the INFLIBNET Centre. Unnat Bharat Abhiyan is also being done by the Centre.

e) The Web portal for Study in India, EdCil& MHRD

A dedicated web portal for foreign students seeking to study in India. It provides allthe information one needs on Indian education institutions in India including"planning their studies, stay in India, programme details. The core part of portal is institute login (where institute can define their seat to foreign student) and student login (where registered student can participate in choice filling, mock counselling and final counselling). The Centre is technical partner of Study in India.

f) Indian Research Information Network System (IRINS) funded by MHRD

New initiative taken-up on behalf of MHRD, IRINS is web-based Research Information Management (RIM) service that facilitates the academic, R&D organizations and faculty Members, scientists to collect, curate and showcase the scholarly communication activities and provide an opportunity to create the scholarly network. MHRD approved IRINS, under NMEICT, MHRD.

g) Atal Ranking of Institutions on innovation Achievement (ARIIA), funded by the AICTE & MHRD
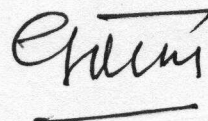
Atal Ranking of Institutions on Innovation Achievements (ARIIA) is an initiative of MHRD, Govt. of India to systematically rank all major educational institutions and universities on indicators related to promotion of "Innovation and Entrepreneurship Development" amongst their students and faculties. The INFLIBNET Centre is a technical partner of this initiative.

h) Web-Portal for National Testing Agency by NTA & MHRD

The INFLIBNET Centre is technical partner for National Testing Agency where Centre has developed dedicated portal. The portal facilitates platform which automates complete administrative process of "Exam Observer", "Training Practice Centre", Mobile-app, etc.

i) Scheme For Higher Education Youth for Apprenticeship And Skills (SHREYAS) – Web Portal by MHRD

Scheme for Higher Education Youth for Apprenticeship and Skills (SHREYAS): A dedicated portal have been developed by the Centre to

capture the demand of apprenticeship from Indian colleges. On other hand industries would provide the apprenticeship against the demand. All such activities are being done through INFLIBNET SHREYAS portal. It was launched on 27th Feb 2019.

j)   Pandit Madan Mohan Malaviya National Mission on Teachers & Teaching (PMMMNMTT) by MHRD

A dedicated portal has been developed by the Centre for all stakeholders of PMMMNMTT such as dashboard for MHRD, teacher and teaching Centre. All kind of stats are being incorporated on the same.

k)   e-Adhyayan (600+ e-books) by-products of e-PG-Pathshala

The Centre is deriving e-books from e-text on various papers / subjects from e-PG Pathshala. These e-books are compatible with e-Pub, kindle, pdf, etc. Currently, more than 100 e-books are uploaded on the platform. The Chairman, GB, INFLIBNET Centre has already launched e-Adhyayan platform.

l)   e-Governance at UGC

The INFLIBNET Centre has taken up the e-Governance project of UGC for Design, Development of web-based systems, testing and implementation of e-Governance at UGC in time bound manner. The INFLIBNET Centre is working on it. Following tasks would be executed by the Centre for e-Governance:
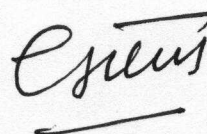
i.   Setting up IT Cell at UGC, New Delhi
ii   Automation of Schemes for
    ·   University & College
    ·   UGC schemes for individual and,
    ·   Department of Institutes
iii.   Automation of internal work process (e-Office)
iv.   Monitoring System UGC Quality Mandate as well as MIS Reports

The cost of the project is Rs 647.16 lakhs for five years and same has been sanctioned by UGC.

The Members noted the progress made in various projects and appreciated the efforts of the Director and his team at INFLIBNET Centre.

Item No. 1   Confirmation of the Minutes of 18th Meeting of the Council, INFLIBNET Centre held on 16th August, 2017 at India International Centre, New Delhi

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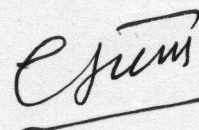
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Delhi were confirmed as circulated, since no comments were received from the Members.

Item No. 2   Action Taken Report

The Director INFLIBNET Centre presented a detailed report to the Council on action taken as per decisions made in 18th Council Meeting.

2.1   Confirmation of the Minutes of the 18th Meeting of the Council: The approved minutes were treated as confirmed.

2.2   Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat: The project has been executed successfully and ongoing activities are incorporating in it.

2.3   Hiring of Manpower through Man power agency: The Centre is now hiring all contractual manpower required in the Centre including project staff through man power agency.

2.4   Writing-off of Obsolete and Unserviceable Items: The approved obsolete and unserviceableitems have been written-off from the stock.

2.5   Signing of MoU with central University of Himachal (CUHP): The MoU with CUHP has been signed and action is being taken accordingly.

2.6   Hiring of Consultants: As approved one IT consultant has been hired and deputed at UGC for MOOCs/SWAYAM programme.

2.7   Hiring of Project Associates: As per approval one Project Associate has been hired and deployed in Accounts section.

2.8   Presentation of Audited Annual Accounts: The Audited Annual Accounts approved by FC and GB in their Meetings held on 24th July 2018 were sent to UGC and C & AG Ahmedabad for audit. The audit by C&AG has been done for the Financial Year 2017-18, however its auditing is still to be done by the UGC and the UGC has been requested to carry out the audit of the Centre.

2.9   Presentation of Annual Report of 2016-17: The approved Annual Report for the year 2016 -17 was published and circulated.

Item No. 3   **Presentation on Important Decisions / Recommendations made during 35th and 36th Meetings of the Governing Board held on 24th July, 2018 and 7th December, 2018 respectively**

The Council was briefed about the action taken and progress made on the decisions taken in the 34th and 35th Meeting of the Governing Board held on 24th July, 2018 and 7th December, 2018 respectively.
The Director, briefly highlighted the decisions taken in these Governing Board meetings like approval of the audited accounts and annual report, revision of salary paid to contractual staff, increase in honorarium paid to members of the committee as per UGC norms, recognition of Aashka Multispeciality Hospital under the Approved Health Scheme for Medical Treatment on the staff and Dependents etc.

It was informed that the Building Committee opined that the Award of Arbitration should be contested since CPWD guidelines were not followed while calculating amount of award.

The minutes of the 35th and 36th Meetings of the Governing Board held on 24th July, 2018 and 7th December, 2018 are placed as **Annexure-I & II** respectively.

Item No. 4   **Presentation of Audited Annual Accounts of the Centre for the Finance Year 2017-2018**
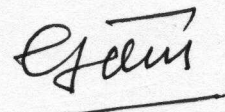
The Members of the Council noted that the Audited Annual Accounts of the Centre for the Financial Year 2017-2018 were approved during the 27th Meeting of Finance Committee and 25th Meeting of the Governing Board. The Council approved the Audited Annual Accounts of the Centre for the Financial Year 2017-2018.

Item No. 5   **Presentation of Annual Report of the INFLIBNET Centre from April, 2017 to March, 2018**

The Annual Report of the Centre from April 2017 to March 2018 was presented to the Council.

The President requested the Members that they may give their suggestions/comments within a week, if any. The Director of the Centre was authorised for incorporating the same

The Council after detailed discussions and deliberations approved the Annual Report of the Centre from April 2017 to March 2018 for publication.

Item No. 6   Any other item

Reporting the important decisions taken during 28th Meeting of the Finance Committee and 37th Meeting of the Governing Board held on 15th March, 2019

The Director, INFLIBNET Centre briefed the Members of the Council about the proceedings of meeting of FC and GB held on 15th March 2019 at INFLIBNET Centre, Gandhinagar. Keeping in view the execution of various schemes and projects of national importance in a time bound manner with the support of very limited staff, the Members of the Council appreciated the efforts of the Centre and requested the President of the Council for strengthening the INFLIBNET Centre by providing more Scientific and Administrative staff. The President, Council also lauded the role of the INFLIBNET Centre in digitization, e-Governance, e-Learning, e-Resources, etc and assured support of the UGC for strengthening the INFLIBNET Centre.

It was also reported that the Governing Board in its 37th meeting has constituted a Committee for out of Court settlement of the award of arbitration thereof.

The Council unanimously endorsed the decision of the FC and GB, held on 15-03-2019, for revival of the already sanctioned positions and creation of other Scientific and Administrative positions in the Centre alongwith the implementation of promotion policy as laid down in the Bye-laws of the Centre.

The minutes of 37th Meeting of the Governing Board held on 15th March, 2019 are placed as Annexure-III.

Remarks by the President and Members of the Council

Prof. D.P. Singh, President Council appreciated the work and efforts made by all previous Presidents, Chairman & Members of GC,GB and FC, former Directors and staff of the Centre for their dedicated efforts in the growth and development and out-reach of the INFLIBNET.

The President requested the Members of the Council to opine on activities carried out, work and performance of Centre.

The Members discussed various activities carried out by the Centre and appreciated the untiring efforts of the Centre in accomplishing the activities and projects taken up by the Centre in a time bound manner with a very limited regular staff .

Hon'ble President and all Members unanimously opined that to attract, retain and keep the talented employees, it is essential to have a promotion policy for the employees.
The Members also felt that Shodhganga index and its awareness programme should be increased. E-Resources may be extended to all the academic institutions under e-SS.
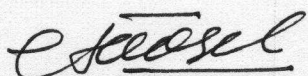
The Centre should create roadmap towards academic activities for next 5-10 years. The Council meeting should be held at-least once or twice in a calendar year.

Prof Yogesh Singh, Chairman, Governing Board agreed with the remarks of the members. He added that the INFLIBNET Centre may evaluate / develop mechanism for the teacher assessment considering the fact that Centre has qualitative data of the teachers such as publication data, project details, thesis repository, and research activities under IRINS.
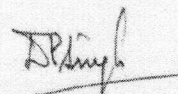
The President, Council advised the Centre to re-visit the vision, mission & objectives of the Centre, as mentioned in MoA and broaden the horizon of the Centre in the futuristic context of knowledge networking. The Centre should explore its outreach in national and global context. He also advised to develop a strategic plan and the roadmap of the Centre for the coming 5-10 years towards accomplishing the mandate of the Centre.

"e-Pathya" a vertical of e-PG Pathshala through which PG learners can avail the content in offline mode was also unveiled during the meeting.

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

(J. P. S. Joorel)
Director, INFLIBNET Centre
Member Secretary, Council

(D. P. Singh)
President, Council
Chair of the Council Meeting

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