TERI SCHOOL OF ADVANCED STUDIES Darbari Seth Block, India Habitat Centre, New Delhi

MINUTES OF THE FOURTH MEETING OF THE PLANNING & MONITORING BOARD HELD ON MONDAY, 15 DECEMBER, 2003, AT 11.00 HRS IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM

Minutes of the Fourth Meeting of the Planning & Monitoring Board held on Monday, 15 December, 2003 at 11.00 hrs in the Conference Room

PRESENT:

The following members of the Planning & Monitoring Board were present at the meeting:

1. Dr T P Singh

Chairman

2. Prof Amrik Singh

3. Dr Vibha Dhawan

Dean, Faculty of Applied Sciences

4. Prof Subhash Chander

5. Mr Rajiv Seth

Secretary

The Chairman welcomed members to the fourth meeting of the Planning & Monitoring Board and briefed Prof Amrik Singh on the progress of the TERI School.

Item no. 1

To confirm the minutes of the 3rd meeting of the Planning and Monitoring Board held on 11 April, 2003

The minutes of the third meeting of the Planning & Monitoring Board held on 11 April, 2003 were confirmed, as circulated.

Item no. 2

To report the matters arising from the minutes of the 3rd meeting of the Planning and Monitoring Board held on 11 April, 2003

Item No. 5
Plan for faculty recruitment

The Chairman briefed the Board about the applications received and the setting up of a selection committee for three new faculty members to be appointed.

Item No. 4
Infrastructure
development of the
School

The Chairman briefed the Board about the plans for development of the new campus of the School at Vasant Kunj. The drawings put up by the architect were discussed. During the discussions, the following suggestions emerged:

- 1) The library and the conference room could be on the ground floor
- 2) The hostel rooms could have a few deluxe rooms. These could be used as guest rooms during conferences/seminars.
- 3) Construction of 4th floor, if permissible within rules, could also be taken up so that more space could be available for the School.

Item no. 3

To receive various decisions taken by the Board of Management

(i) Approval of terms and conditions of service for faculty in the School

The Board was briefed on the terms and conditions of service for faculty, which have already been approved by the Board of Management of the School.

The following suggestions were made:

- a) The limit laid down for retention of honorarium by faculty should not include royalty received for publications. There should be no limit for royalty so received.
- b) Paternity leave, as per permissible rules, should also be catered for in the terms and conditions of service.
- (ii) Ratification of MoUs

The Director informed the Board that MoUs with La Trobe University, Monash University of Australia and Donald Danforth Plant Science Centre, USA had been signed and subsequently ratified by the Board of Management of the School.

(iii) Guidelines for associating TERI Staff as adjunct faculty

The guidelines for associating TERI staff as adjunct faculty were put up to the Board for information.

(iv) Guidelines for conduct of sponsored research and development programmes

Guidelines for conduct of research and development programmes at the TERI School of Advanced Studies as approved by the Board of Management, were placed before the Planning and Monitoring Board for information.

Item no. 4 Status of Academic Programmes in the School

The Director, TERI School informed the Board that:

A total of 37 students were presently enrolled for Ph.D. programmes. He also informed the Board that one student had submitted his thesis and his oral defence was planned for 22nd December 2003.

The two M.Sc programmes, viz. M.Sc. Environmental Studies and M.Sc Natural Resources, commenced in August 2003.

TERI School proposes to start M.A. Regulatory Studies programme and M.Tech Energy and Environment Engineering (Part-time) programme from the academic session commencing August 2004.

It was suggested_by the Board that doctoral students be encouraged to take up research in Science Policy areas, specifically in the area of energy planning.

Item no. 5 Infrastructure development of the School

The Director, TERI School informed the Board about an additional classroom acquired from the India Habitat Centre for the conduct of pre-Ph.D course classes.

Laboratory facilities for M.Sc course have been arranged in the existing TERI laboratories.

Item no. 6 Any other matters with the permission of chair

There being no other matter for discussion the meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.