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**MINUTES OF THE ELEVENTH MEETING OF THE BOARD OF MANAGEMENT HELD
ON 12th MAY 2010 AT 11.30 HRS AT THE CONFERENCE ROOM, TERI UNIVERSITY.**

The eleventh meeting of the Board of Management was held on 12th May 2010 at 11.30 hrs at the Conference Room, TERI University.

PRESENT:

The following were present:

Dr R K Pachauri	Chancellor (Chairman)
Dr. P P Bhojvaid	
Mr. Shri Prakash	
Mr. Kiran Karnik	
Mr. Ajay Sawhney	
Mr. Prabir Sengupta	
Dr. Prateek Sharma	
Prof. Vinod Tewari	
Prof. S Sundar	
Dr. Rajiv Seth	

Prof. V. K. Bhalla, Mr. Sunil Kumar, Dr. Arabinda Mishra, Mr. Rajeev Talwar, Mr. Anurag Behar, Mr. Arun Seth, Mr. Deepak Puri, Mr. Ajay Shankar, Dr. Leena Srivastava, Dr. Prodipto Ghosh were unable to attend the meeting.

The meeting began with the Chairman, Dr. R. K. Pachauri welcoming all the members of the Board. He especially welcomed the newly appointed Board Members.

The Registrar gave a detailed briefing to the Board on the structure of the University, the existing programmes, the multi - disciplinarity across programmes, the collaborations with other institutions and on the future plans of the University.

Item No. 1 To confirm the minutes of the tenth meeting of the Board of Management held on 24 July 2008.

The minutes of the tenth meeting of the Board of Management held on 24th July 2008 were confirmed, as circulated.

Item No. 2 Matters for information

- (i) The Board was informed that the TERI University campus at Vasant Kunj was inaugurated by Her Excellency, Smt. Pratibha Patil, the President of India on 18th September 2008.
- (ii) The Board was informed about the status of the M. Sc., MBA (Infrastructure), MA (Public Policy and Sustainable Development) and the doctoral programmes at the TERI University.
- (iii) The Board was informed that a fresh MoU has been signed with the Department of Personnel and Training for continuation of the MA (Public Policy and Sustainable Development) programme. It was suggested that due to paucity of time and since the programme has not been publicised well enough, the commencement of the programme should be shifted to Jan 2011 instead of July 2010. The Board accepted this proposal.

Item No. 3 New Programmes

The Board was apprised about the four new Masters programmes which have been launched in July 2009. These are M. Sc. (Climate Science and Policy), M. Tech. (Renewable Energy Engineering and Management), MBA (Business Sustainability) and M. Sc. (Economics).

Item No. 4 Chairs/Scholarships

The Board was informed that the Government of NCT of Delhi has granted an academic Chair for NCT Studies at the TERI University. Dr. Vinod Tewari has been appointed as the Chair Professor and he has commenced work on research projects as suggested by the Government of NCT of Delhi.

The Board was also informed about various scholarships which have been set up with the help of the corporate sector and other institutions, for students in various programmes at the TERI University.

It was brought out that the University must make determined efforts towards setting-up of more academic Chairs and scholarships at the University. The Chairman requested help from the Board members, especially in suggesting corporates and institutions which could be approached for support towards the University's programmes.

Item No. 5 To report the decisions taken by the Chancellor on behalf of the Board of Management.

The Board was informed about the various decisions taken by the Chancellor on behalf of the Board of Management.

These include appointment of faculty members, appointment of NCT Chair, re-designations, and inclusion of names in the panel of experts to sit on the selection committee for faculty members.

The Board of Management approved all the decisions taken by the Chancellor.

Item No. 6 To approve the audited accounts of the financial year 2007-08.

The audited accounts of the financial year 2007-08, as recommended by the Finance Committee, were discussed and approved by the Board of Management.

Item No. 7 To approve the audited accounts of the financial year 2008-09.

The audited accounts for the financial year 2008-09, as recommended by the Finance Committee, were discussed and approved by the Board of Management.

Item No. 8 To consider and approved the financial estimates for the financial year 2010-11

The income estimates and recurring, non-recurring expenditure estimates for the financial year 2010-11, as recommended by the Finance Committee, were discussed and approved by the Board of Management.

It was suggested that the surplus generated, if any, should be set aside as a corpus and could be used for catering for capital related expenditure. A notional sum equivalent to the value of services provided by TERI either directly or from assets created should be reflected in the accounts.

The Board noted the inordinate delay in putting-up of the audited statements of accounts. It was suggested that the audit of the statement of accounts for the financial year 2009-10 be completed at the earliest, and be put up to the Board of Management in a meeting to be scheduled in November or December 2010.

Item No. 9 To authorise the Chancellor to open/close/operate bank accounts of the TERI University.

Resolution No. 01/2010, as placed at Annexure 9.1, was approved by the Board of Management. The Board authorised the Chancellor to open or close/operate bank accounts of the University on behalf of the Board.

Item No. 10 To discuss on issues related to the University's future growth.

The Board discussed issues related to the University's future growth:

- a) Noting the growth of the University, the Board was of the opinion that the University needed more space to expand. It was suggested that the possibility of acquiring more land in Delhi be explored.
- b) In view of the strong thrust of the government towards the Foreign Universities Bill, it was suggested that a detailed study of the bill be made so as to determine the possibility of a joint campus along with a good foreign university.
- c) It was suggested that at this stage of its growth, the University should undertake a detailed study of its existing courses and programmes with the aim of possible consolidation. The consolidation exercise should be with a bottom-up approach, with faculty members doing the initial study and then taking the recommendations to the Boards of Study and the Academic Council. It was suggested that a pre-determined criteria be thought of, before undertaking the exercise.
- d) It was suggested that since transportation and logistics was a growing sector, the possibility of introducing relevant courses in this field could be explored.
- e) It was also suggested that more emphasis on the sociological aspects of development issues could be laid in the various programmes at the University.
- f) The possibility of introducing an integrated B Sc/M Sc programme could be explored. This would help in attracting good students immediately after school. The UGC could be approached for necessary permissions in this regard.

- g) The Board suggested that a Vision Retreat be held at the University to discuss and come up with a five year development plan for the University. This could be preceded by a few designated faculty members coming up with a base paper for the Retreat. Some students should be invited selectively to be part of the retreat.

Item No. 11 Any other item with the permission of the Chair

There being no other points, the meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.