



**MINUTES OF THE EIGHTEENTH MEETING OF THE BOARD OF MANAGEMENT
HELD ON 13 JULY 2015 AT 11:00 HRS AT THE CONFERENCE ROOM**

The eighteenth meeting of the Board of Management was held on 13 July 2015 at 11:00 hrs at the Conference Room.

PRESENT:

The following were present:

Dr Leena Srivastava	Chairperson
Dr Rajiv Seth	Secretary
Mr T N Thakur	
Dr Yasmine Hilton	
Air Mshl K K Nohwar (Retd.)	
Mr Shri Prakash	
Mr Viren Shetty (through skype)	
Dr Prateek Sharma	
Mr Amit Kumar	
Dr Manipadma Datta	

Mr S Sundar, Mr Tulsi Tanti, Mr Prashant Bangur, Mr Venkatesh Kini and Mr Ashok Lavasa were unable to attend the meeting.

Ms Neelima Khetan attended the meeting as a representative of Mr Venkatesh Kini.

Item No. 1 To confirm the minutes of the seventeenth meeting of the Board of Management held on 18 December 2014.

The minutes of the seventeenth meeting of the Board of Management held on 18 December 2014 were confirmed, as circulated.

Item No. 2 Matters for information

- (i) The Board was informed about the status of the MSc, MBA, MA (PP&SD), MA (SDP), MTech and the doctoral programmes at the TERI University.
- (ii) The Board was informed about the MoU signed with Alliance of 4 Universities, Spain.
- (iii) The Board was informed that AICTE has approved the MTech and MBA programmes for 2015-16.

Item No. 3 Action taken on previous points

- (i) The Board was informed about the status of the Indian Railway Chair for Sustainable Mobility.
Mr Shri Prakash, Former Chairman, Standing High Power Committee, Ministry of Railways has been appointed to the Chair at the recommendation of a selection committee which included representative from the Indian Railways.
- (ii) The Board was informed about plans to setup an incubation centre at the TERI University. A proposal is being made out jointly with the Indian STEP and Business Incubator Association, to be sent to Department of Science and Technology.
- (iii) The Board was informed about the follow-up being taken with Deutsche Bank on the Chair on Sustainability and Finance.

Item No. 4 To report the decisions taken by the Chairman on behalf of the Board of Management.

- (i) The Board was briefed on the restructuring of the Deans at the TERI University. The Board discussed the decision of the Chairman and approved the new structure of the Deans at the University.

(ii) The Board approved the re-designations of Dr Nithyanandam Yogeshwaran and Dr Arun Kumar Kaushik, from Lecturer to Assistant Professor.

(iii) The Board approved the inclusion of Dr R K Kathuria, Dr Subir Verma, Dr Vivek Suneja and Dr J K Dutt in the panel of outside experts for selection committees for faculty members.

(iv) The Board approved the appointments of the following faculty members:

Dr Sonika Gupta – Assistant Professor
Dr Udit soni – Assistant Professor
Dr Vinay Kumar Tyagi – Assistant Professor
Dr M P Ram Mohan – Associate Professor
Dr V S P Sinha – Associate Professor
Mr Naqui Anwer – Lecturer

(v) The proposed rules for Sabbatical Leave were approved with minor amendments, which included the following:

- a) The period of contractual agreement necessary after the sabbatical period should be specified as a maximum and minimum period, which the committee could recommend.
- b) The point that the period of sabbatical will not count for faculty promotion, may be reviewed.

Item No. 5 Any other items with the permission of the Chair.

(i) It was brought out that the University should consider a course in Disaster Management, especially at the proposed Guwahati centre, since the local area is highly susceptible to earth quakes.

(ii) It was brought out that a greater emphasis should be laid on students placement. This would also help in getting better students enrolled in the various programmes.

(iii) The Board discussed the proposed area of focus at the upcoming campuses. It was proposed that the renewable energy facilities at the Hyderabad centre, should be publicised when they come up. This would help in spreading the message of advantages of use of renewable energy.

(iv) It was suggested that the University makes a policy for Diversity and Inclusion.

(v) The Board discussed placements in various programmes and suggested that the University keeps a track of career progression of its alumni.