TERI SCHOOL OF ADVANCED STUDIES DARBARI SETH BLOCK, INDIA HABITAT CENTRE, NEW DELHI

MINUTES OF THE FIFTH MEETING OF THE BOARD OF MANAGEMENT HELD ON 13TH AUGUST, 2002 AT 16:00 HRS IN THE BOARD ROOM

The fifth meeting of the Board of Management was held on Tuesday, 13th August, 2002 at 16:00 hrs in the Board Room.

PRESENT:

The following were present:

Dr. R.K. Pachauri

President

(Chairman)

Justice Giridhar Malaviya

Nominee of UGC

Prof Devi Singh

Mr C. Dasgupta

Dr T.P. Singh

Director

Dr Vibha Dhawan

Dean, Faculty of Applied Sciences

Dr Leena Srivastava

Dean, Faculty of Policy & Planning

Prof. Subhash Chander

Special Invitee

Gp Capt Rajiv Seth (Retd.)

Secretary

Shri R.D. Sahay, nominee of the Government of India was unable to attend the meeting.

Before taking up the Agenda, the Chairman welcomed all the members to the meeting. The Director, Dr T.P. Singh, presented his report to the Board. The text of the presentation is attached as appendix to these minutes.

Item No. 1 To confirm the minutes of the fourth meeting of the Board of Management held on 15th September, 2001

The minutes of the fourth meeting of the Board of Management held on 15th September, 2001 were confirmed, as circulated.

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Item No. 2 To report the matters arising from the minutes of the fourth meeting of the Board of Management held on 15th September, 2001

The matters arising out of the previous meeting that were reported were noted.

Item No. 3 To report the decisions taken by the President on behalf of the Board of Management

The Board approved the decision taken by the President on behalf of the Board and resolved as under:

RESOLUTION No. BM/01/2002: RESOLVED THAT Dr Leena

Srivastava, Dean-Faculty of Policy and Planning, will be the nominee of the Board of Management on the Finance Committee of the School.

Item No. 4 To consider and approve the audited accounts for The financial year 2000-01

The Board of Management discussed the audited accounts for the financial year 2000-01 and accorded its approval to the audited accounts, as presented.

Item No. 5 To consider and approve the annual accounts for the financial year 2001-02

The Board of Management approved the annual Statement of Accounts for the financial year 2001-02, as presented.

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Item No. 6 To consider and approve the financial estimates for the financial year 2002-03

The Board accorded its approval to the proposals of likely expenditure of the School for the financial year 2002-03, as presented.

<u>Item No. 7</u> Creation of faculty positions

Action Director Registrar

The Board approved the creation of six faculty positions and authorised the Director to decide the areas of specialisation for these posts on the recommendations of the Executive Committee of the Academic Council and resolved as under:

RESOLUTION No. BM/02/2002: RESOLVED THAT six faculty

positions be created in TERI
School of Advanced Studies
for initiating Masters programmes. It is further resolved that the
Director is authorised to decide
the areas of specialisation for
these posts on the recommendations of the Executive Committee
of the Academic Council.

The Board further resolved to create the Department of Natural Resources to initiate two Masters programmes - M.Sc. (Natural Resources) and M.Sc. (Environmental Studies)-from the Academic Session 2003-2004.

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<u>Item No. 8</u> Procedure for dealing with disciplinary cases

Action Director

The draft procedure for dealing with disciplinary cases was discussed and approved subject to the following changes:

- (i) There should be no representative of the student body on the disciplinary committee;
- (ii) The procedure of appeal against the findings of the disciplinary committee be suitably modified.

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

Gp Capt Rajiv Seth (Retd.)

Registrar

Secretary - Board of Management

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No. 2000/Ac1/004

Dated: 28.8.2002

Copy forwarded to all members of the Board of Management.

It is requested that comments, if any, may be forwarded to the undersigned.

Gp Capt Rajiv Seth (Retd.)

Registrar

Secretary - Board of Management

Director's Report

Academic session 2001-2002

Ph.D. Programme

15 students joined the School during the academic session, 13 in the Centre of Bioresources and Biotechnology and 2 in the Centre of Regulatory and Policy Research. One of the students could not satisfy the academic requirements and was, therefore, requested to leave the School. 14 have continued and have completed the course work which was stipulated for them by their Student Research Committees.

Both the Centres of Bioresources and Biotechnology and Regulatory and Policy Research have monitored the progress of the students during the session. Feedback on teaching was obtained and was processed by the Centre Research Committees for improving the course contents as well as time allotted to various courses. The updated courses have been approved by the Academic Council in their last meeting held in July 2002.

All doctoral students have been provided working space in the library block. In addition, dedicated computer facilities with internet access has been made available to them.

Master's Programme

The Development Plan envisages setting up of 4 Masters programmes starting form July 2003. Work on development of course structure is in progress and it is proposed to recruit six full-time faculty members to support the teaching of these courses. The matter was discussed in the Finance Committee, as required in the Rules and Regulations of the School, and is placed as Item no. 7 before the Board of Management for approval before the recruitment process is initiated.

Endowment/Chairs

Efforts are being made by the President to obtain Chairs/endowment from various corporate bodies and Foundations for supporting the M.Sc. programmes. This year we have received a grant of \$400,000 from the Ford Foundation. This endowment will be used to set up the Department of Natural Resources and fund some faculty positions within the Department. Another grant of \$20,000 was received from the Ford Foundation for research and development in the area of community forestry.

Land for School

Efforts are being made to purchase land from DDA in an institutional area in Delhi, in order to cater to the growing requirement of space for academic and student facilities.

New admissions (2002-2003)

As in the previous year the response to our advertisement for doctoral admission was very good. 15 students, 12 full time and 3 part time, have been admitted to the School in the session 2002-2003. Of these, 8 are in Centre of Bioresources and Biotechnology, 5 in the Centre of Regulatory and Policy Research and 2 in the Centre of Energy and Environment.

The Committees

The statutory committees have been meeting regularly. So far 4 meetings of the Academic Council and 2 meetings of the Finance Committee have been held. An Advisory Committee under the Chairmanship of a person nominated by the UGC from among the members of the commission, also met during the year. The Committee lauded the efforts of the School and noted that it was moving in the right direction. It was suggested that full-fledged Master's programme in Human Resource Development may be considered for inclusion in the Development Plan.

General

Policy on sexual harassment has been formulated. Procedure for dealing with disciplinary cases is placed as Item no. 8 before the Board of Management for approval.