

**Minutes of the Governing Council (GC) meeting held on 13-October-2010 at 10.45 am  
in the DCR of SPJIMR**

Following members were present:-

1. Dr. M.L. Shrikant (Chairman)
2. Dr. B.S.Bhat
3. Shri. R.S. Kenkre
4. Shri. Asif Mulla
5. Shri. P.R. Bapat
6. Dr. R. Sessa Iyer
7. Dr. S.Y. Mhaiskar (Member Secretary)
8. Dr. B.N. Pandya (Invitee)
9. Dr. Shubha Pandit (Invitee)
10. Prof. S. Kshirsagar (Invitee)

Dr. S. Krishnamoorthy was granted leave of absence.

**Agenda Item no. 1**

**To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 13<sup>th</sup> July 2010**

The draft minutes were circulated. The minutes were confirmed.

**Agenda Item No. 2**

**To discuss and consider action taken on the decisions arrived in the meeting held on 13<sup>th</sup> July 2010. (refer agenda of meeting held on 13<sup>th</sup> October 2010)**

- Action taken on Shri. S.I. Naik was noted. It was also resolved that he should be warned that any further indiscipline would be viewed seriously.
- Results of the academic year 2008-09 and 2009-10 were reviewed. Shri. R.S. Kenkre indicated that the results of SE Civil were below 50 % and required immediate attention. Members urged that vigorous attempts should be made to improve the results.

- The Council noted with concern that salary grants for PG course were discontinued by AICTE / MHRD from 2008-09. The Chairman indicated that no course should run in deficit. Accordingly it was resolved that a review of viability of all courses be undertaken.
- The Council noted with concern that Rs. 32 lakhs. Grants were due from the Social Welfare Department. Council urged that vigorous attempts be made to get these grants.

### **Agenda Item no. 3**

#### **To appraise the council of the progress of autonomy.**

The Member Secretary indicated that the Subject Board, Academic Board, the Board of Management and the Examination committees were constituted as per Statutes. Nominations from the University and the State government were expected shortly.

He further indicated that these boards and committees have started functioning. The academic time table has been drawn for the odd semester of 2010-2011 and good progress has been made in the form of continuous evaluation (Test 1 and Test 2 have been conducted and supplementary test for students who have missed the test/s has been planned) and maintaining the academic calendar which has been set at the beginning of the term.

The Member Secretary indicated that with implementation of academic autonomy, following benefits will accrue:-

1. Representation of industry and academia resulting in relevant and updated curriculum
2. Continuous evaluation
3. Well defined academic calendar, resulting in ample time for faculty to pursue their academic pursuits like research, projects etc., students to have internships and industry exposure.
4. Timely results and opportunity for re-exam. resulting in negligible / no backlog
5. Introduction of new courses based on needs and demands and consistent with the institute's and trust's vision and mission.

The Chairman indicated that all existing and planned courses should concurrently result in better employability of graduates, modernization of laboratories, enhancement in faculty compensation and institute reserves.

There was discussion about the additional responsibilities Governing body has to take under academic autonomy. The Board of Management and the different committees constituted under the provisions of the statutes pertaining to academic autonomy will play an effective role in guiding and helping the governing body in managing the affairs of the institute. Besides the role of Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan, the trust, which manages the college be made very clear to all concerned, since it is responsible for all assets and liabilities.

#### **Agenda Item no. 4**

##### **To ratify the decision of the Chairman**

- a. The Council ratified the Chairman's decision to accept the request of Voluntary retirement submitted by Dr. S.Y. Mhaskar, Principal.
- b. The Council ratified the Chairman's decision to accept the resignation of Dr. Kripamoy Sarkar, Lecturer in Geology, Dept. of Civil Engineering.
- c. The Council ratified the Chairman's decision to enhance the fees for full time PG programs. It also resolved that from the next Academic year fees approved by Shikshan Shulka Samiti for UG programs should be charged. For this purpose, fees approved by Samiti for SPIT can be considered as the benchmark.

#### **Agenda Item no. 5**

##### **Any other matter with the permission of the Chair**

- a. The Member Secretary informed that the recommendations of the sixth pay commission were implemented w.e.f. August 2010, according to the directions of the Directorate of Technical Education.
- b. The reply of Shri. Chandra Gound was placed before the council. It was resolved that punitive action in the form of denying one increment permanently and a strict

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warning, making it clear that any further misconduct would attract serious penalty be taken.

Dr. S.Y. Mhaiskar, Principal, who had opted for voluntary retirement thanked the council for the whole hearted support during his tenure.

Since there was no other matter to be discussed the meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chairman.

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Dr. M.L. Shrikant  
Chairman

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