



IIT PALAKKAD

Indian Institute of Technology Palakkad

Minutes of the 11th Meeting of Board of Governors

Minutes of the eleventh BoG meeting of the Indian Institute of Technology Palakkad held on 30th July 2021 at 10.00 Hrs through video conferencing is furnished below. The following members attended the meeting.

1.	Shri. Ramesh Venkateswaran	Chairperson
2.	Prof. P. B. Sunil Kumar	Director, Ex-officio Member
3.	Dr. Subbaiah Shanmugam	Member
4.	Shri. Raghu Verabelli,	Member
5.	Prof. L. S. Ganesh	Member
6.	Prof. S. H. Kulkarni	Member
7.	Dr. Piyush P Kurur	Member
8.	Col S Chakraborty (Retd)	Secretary

Shri. Rakesh Ranjan, Dr. V Venu, and Shri Amit Satija and could not attend the meeting due to prior commitments. Comments on the Agenda Items received from the Technical Division, MoE, through email on 28th July 2021 are attached as **Annexure 16**.

Procedural Matters

BoG 11.1	Welcome address by the Chairman. The Chairman welcomed the new member Dr. Piyush P Kurur and all the members to the 11th Meeting of the Board of Governors of IIT Palakkad. Also, the Chairman thanked the outgoing member Prof. Pramod S Mehta, who served as member of Board of Governors of IIT Palakkad and completed his term on 30th June 2021. He said he was hoping that this meeting would be held on campus but unfortunately it could not be so due to the ongoing Covid situation. He was happy to note that the meetings were being held every quarter. He then requested the Director to proceed with the agenda items.
BoG 11.2	Confirmation of the minutes of the Tenth Meeting of Board of Governors of IIT Palakkad held on 30th April 2021 at 2.30 PM. (Annexure - 1) (Page 1 to 8)



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	<p>The minutes of the 10th meeting of the Board of Governors of IIT Palakkad were confirmed.</p>
BoG 11.3	<p>Presentation of the Director's overview report.</p> <p>The Director made a presentation regarding the progress of the Institute and its future plans. He gave a brief overview of the various course programmes and the planned intake of students in the next academic session.</p> <p>The members were informed about the MoUs signed by IIT Palakkad for research collaboration with (i) M/s. Bexel India Consulting LLP, Chennai, (ii) Palakkad Municipality, (iii) Kerala Highway Research Institute (KHRI), and (iv) Avitis Institute of Medical Sciences, Palakkad.</p> <p>He informed the members that this year's graduands list included the first student to graduate with a Ph.D. degree from IIT Palakkad and the institute has one more PhD student selected for the PMRF fellowship.</p> <p>He updated the activities of the Charitable Trust and the announcement of an annual UG research and Innovation award by the Alumni Cell of the Institute.</p> <p>The Director briefed the members on the progress of the ongoing construction work in the permanent campus. The concern of the institute on slower than expected progress in construction, due to the pandemic situation and contractual delay was highlighted. Steps taken to speed up construction were discussed.</p> <p>The Chairman and other members noted the salient aspects of the presentation and appreciated the progress made by the institute in various spheres. The members also shared the concern about the delay in achieving the targets set for construction activities in the main campus.</p>
BoG 11.4	<p>To note the action taken report of 10th BoG of IIT Palakkad.</p> <p><u>Agenda Item BoG 10.5:</u> To consider and approve the panel of experts for the selection of faculty in the discipline of Mathematics and Data Sciences.</p> <p>Action taken: Committees are constituted and the recruitment process is on</p> <p><u>Agenda Item BoG 10.6:</u> To consider and approve the board nominees in the committees for selection of non-teaching staff in the following Group A and Group B non-teaching staff</p>

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	<p>posts:</p> <p>(a) Assistant Registrar, L-10, Group A (b) Horticulture Officer, L-10, Group A (c) Counsellor, L-10, Group A (d) Physical Training Instructor, L-6, Group B</p> <p>Action taken: Committees are constituted and the recruitment process is on</p> <p><u>Agenda Item BoG 10.10:</u> To consider and approve the appointment request of Prof. Varadharajan Muruganandam, as Visiting Professor at IIT Palakkad for a period of one year from 01/08/2021.</p> <p>Action taken: Offer Letter sent to Prof. Varadharajan Muruganandam. Acceptance received.</p> <p><u>Agenda Item BoG 10.12:</u> To consider and approve the extension of the contract of Col. Soumyabrata Chakraborty (Retd) as the Registrar of IIT Palakkad.</p> <p>Action taken: Extended the contract of Col. S. Chakraborty till 31st December 2021.</p> <p><u>Agenda Item BoG 10.13:</u> Appointment of Vigilance Officer.</p> <p>Action taken: Names of three faculty members, Prof. Jagadeesh Bayry, Dr. Jasine Babu and Dr. Sudheesh T.K., were sent to MoE on 18.05.2021 and response is awaited.</p>
	The Board noted the actions taken.

Items for consideration and approval

BoG 11.5	<p>To consider the decision taken in the 16th Senate Meeting and approve the award of Degrees to students graduating in the year 2021.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">(Annexure - 2) (Page 9 to 17)</p>
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	<p>The Board considered the decisions taken in the 16th Senate Meeting and approved the award of Degrees to students graduating in the year 2021.</p>
BoG 11.6	<p>To consider and approve the appointment request of Dr. Satyadev Nandakumar, Associate Professor, IIT Kanpur, as Visiting Associate Professor at IIT Palakkad for a period of one year from the date of joining.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">(Annexure - 3) (Page 18 to 33)</p>
	<p>The Board considered and approved the appointment of Dr. Satyadev Nandakumar, as Visiting Associate Professor at IIT Palakkad for a period of one year from the date of joining.</p>
BoG 11.7	<p>To consider and approve the procedure for the appointment of Deans/Associate Deans at IIT Palakkad.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">(Annexure - 4) (Page 34)</p>
	<p>The Board considered and approved the procedure for the appointment of Deans/Associate Deans at IIT Palakkad. The Board suggested that “experience in IIT or any other equivalent institute of repute” be included in the eligibility condition for selection of Dean.</p>
BoG 11.8	<p>To consider and approve the Annual Accounts of the Institute for the year 2020-21.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">(Annexure - 5) (Page 1 to 45)</p>
	<p>The Board considered the Annual Accounts of the Institute for the year 2020-21 and approved the submission of the same for CAG audit after incorporating the suggestions made by the 10th FC.</p>
BoG 11.9	<p>To consider and approve the rates of payment of honorarium to the external examiner for the evaluation of MS and Ph.D. theses.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">(Annexure - 6) (Page 35)</p>
	<p>The Board considered and approved the rates of payment of honorarium to the external examiner for the evaluation of MS and Ph.D. theses.</p>



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BoG 11.10	<p>To consider and approve the tuition fees for foreign students for different courses and research programs in the institute.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">(Annexure - 7) (Page 36 to 38)</p>
	<p>The Board approved the proposed fee structure with the recommendation that the fees for the foreign students be enhanced to \$1000 per semester for all research programs. Necessary waivers may be granted to foreign students on a case-to-case basis. No change was recommended for the fee structure for OCI/PIO students.</p> <p>It is also suggested to look into restructuring the semester fee based on the number of credits for which the students are enrolled in that semester.</p>

Items for Ratification

BoG 11.11	<p>The approval accorded by the Chairman, BoG, for the extension of the term of Dean (Student Affairs) for a period of one year or till the end of his current term as visiting professor at IIT Palakkad, whichever is earlier.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">(Annexure - 8) (Page 39 to 41)</p>
	<p>The Board noted the Chairman's approval for the extension of the term of Dean (Student Affairs) for a period of one year or till the end of his current term as visiting professor at IIT Palakkad, whichever is earlier.</p>
BoG 11.12	<p>The approval accorded by the Chairman, BoG, for board nominees to the Selection Committee for the post of Registrar.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">(Annexure - 9) (Page 42 to 43)</p>
	<p>The Board noted the Chairman's approval for board nominees to the Selection Committee for the post of Registrar.</p>

Items for Noting/Reporting

BoG 11.13	<p>To note the withdrawal of the offer of appointment of Mr. Tanduru Jagadish as Assistant Registrar and the offer Letter of the same has been issued to the waitlisted list candidate Mr. V. Shanmugam.</p>
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	<p>The Board noted the withdrawal of the offer of appointment of Mr. Tanduru Jagadish as Assistant Registrar and the offer letter issued to the waitlisted list candidate Mr. V. Shanmugam.</p>
BoG 11.14	<p>To note the nomination of external members to the Senate</p> <p>As per the IITs Act, Section 14; “Three persons, not being employees of the Institute, to be nominated by the Chairman in consultation with the Director; from among educationists of repute, one each from the fields of science, engineering and humanities” The following three members were nominated by the Chairman BoG to the Senate of IIT Palakkad”.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Prof. Srilata K, Department of Humanities and Social Sciences, IIT Madras2. Prof. Subramanian Ramakrishnan, Department of Chemistry, IISc Bangalore3. Prof. Srikanth Vedantam, Department of Engineering Design, IIT Madras <p>They joined the 16th Senate Meeting on July 16, 2021.</p>
	<p>The Board noted the nomination of external members to the Senate.</p>
BoG 11.15	<p>To note the date for the Convocation 2021 as September 18, 2021, and acceptance of Shri M M Murugappan, Murugappa Group to be the Chief Guest for the convocation.</p>
	<p>The Board noted the date for the Convocation 2021 as September 18, 2021, and acceptance of Shri M M Murugappan, Murugappa Group to be the Chief Guest for the convocation.</p>
BoG 11.16	<p>To note the summary of proceedings of the 16th Senate meeting held on 16-July-2021.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">(Annexure - 10) (Page 44)</p>
	<p>The Board noted the summary of proceedings of the 16th Senate meeting held on 16-July-2021.</p>
BoG 11.17	<p>To note the signing of the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between IIT Palakkad and the Ministry of Education for the year 2021-22.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">(Annexure - 11) (Page 45 to 58)</p>

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	<p>The Board noted the signing of the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between IIT Palakkad and the Ministry of Education for the year 2021-22.</p>
BoG 11.18	<p>To note the summary of the 28th, 29th, and 30th meeting of the Project Monitoring Committee for the permanent campus construction, held on 05/05/2021, 09/06/2021, and 07/07/2021.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">(Annexure - 12) (Page 59 to 61)</p>
	<p>The Board noted the summary of the 28th, 29th, and 30th meeting of the Project Monitoring Committee for the permanent campus construction, held on 05/05/2021, 09/06/2021, and 07/07/2021.</p>
BoG 11.19	<p>To note the decision taken in the 16th Building Works Committee meeting held on 05/05/2021.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">(Annexure - 13) (Page 62)</p>
	<p>The Board noted the decision taken in the 16th Building Works Committee meeting held on 05/05/2021.</p>

Tabled Item

BoG 11.20	<p>To consider and approve the completion of the probation period of Group-A Officer, Mr. R. Navaneethakumar, Executive Engineer on 15th June 2021.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">(Annexure - 14) (Page 63 to 64)</p>
	<p>The Board considered and approved the completion of the probation period of Group-A Officer, Mr. R. Navaneethakumar, Executive Engineer on 15th June 2021.</p>
BoG 11.21	<p>To consider and approve the award of Degree to MS student, Ms. Parvathi S (Roll No: 131913002), Mechanical Engineering, graduating in the year 2021.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">(Annexure - 15) (Page 65)</p>



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