

**DEFENCE INSTITUTE OF ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY PUNE**  
(Deemed to be University)

No.DIAT/F/ADMIN/16<sup>th</sup> BoM/2019/01Date: 16<sup>th</sup> Jan 2019

**MINUTES OF THE 17<sup>th</sup> MEETING OF BOARD OF MANAGEMENT,**  
**HELD ON 16<sup>th</sup> Jan 2019**

The following were present:

<b>Dr C P Ramanarayanan, Vice Chancellor</b>	<b>Chairperson</b>
Prof Pravas Mahapatra	Member
Prof Dipankar Banerjee,	Member
Dr. K S Varaprasad, DG (HR), DRDO	Member (on V Con)
Shri Subir Mallick, All FA & JS, DRDO	Member (on V Con)
Shri V V Parlikar, OS and Director, R&DE Engineers, Pune	Member
Prof S N Kale, Dean (Acad)	Member
Prof K Balasubramanian, Dean (Student Affairs)	Member
Prof K P Ray, HoD, EE	Member
Dr Somanchi Krishna Murthy, Asso Professor & HoD AM	Member
Prof C R S Kumar, CoE	Permanent Invitee
Prof P K Khanna	Invitee
Mr Ramesh Jahagirdar, FO, DIAT	Invitee
Shri Aloke, CCE(W)	Invitee
Mr T V Ananthasubramanian, Jt Registrar, DIAT	Invitee
Cmde A K Sinha (Rtd), Registrar	Secretary

Prof S K Koul and Dr Sunil Chandel were allowed leave of absence.

**Item No. 17.1****Opening Remarks by Vice Chancellor & Chairman, Board of Management**

Dr C P Ramanarayanan, Vice Chancellor and Chairperson expressed that it is his proud privilege to welcome DG(HR), Addl FA, R&D, Prof D Banerjee, Prof Mahapatra, Shri V V Parlikar, Shri Aloke and colleagues from DIAT to the meeting and that he looked forward to the valuable advises from distinguished members of the forum to take the Institute to greater heights in the coming years. The Chairman stated that considering the importance and the impetus to be given to the important and difficult issues to be decided upon in the Agenda, the "difficult" or more important issues will be discussed before other items on the Agenda so as to give adequate time to these items during discussion.

With the above opening remarks, Chairman directed the Registrar to go ahead with the Agenda.

**Item No. 17.2**

**The following developments, since the previous BoM Meeting were reported:**

- The University Grants Commission has accepted the proposal of renaming of the Institute and change of name of the Society, as Defence Institute of Advanced Technology. The MHRD notified the change of

name of the Institute and the Society as DEFENCE INSTITUTE OF ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY, vide notification No F9-4/97-U.3 dated 4<sup>th</sup> Jan 2019.

- Considering the changed requirements of DIAT, the earlier designation of Deans into Dean (Appl Sciences); Dean (Technology) and Dean (Student Affairs) has been changed to Dean (Acad); Dean (Research) and Dean (Student Affairs) to enable adequate focus and single point responsibility for development of Academics and Research.

During the discussions, it evolved that "Research and "Academics" are not mutually exclusive. Considering the fact that "Research" in this particular context of allocating portfolio is limited to providing focused attention to faculty research, monitoring and guiding / encouraging faculty to bring in funded projects from Academia, Industry and from Govt organizations with an objective of revenue generation which will lead to self sufficiency, it has been **decided to change the nomenclature as "Dean – Sponsored Research"**.

➤ **Faculty promotion under CAS**

The BoM was informed about the promotion of the following faculty members, as per the Institute guidelines, to the next academic level:

S. No.	Details of the Faculty	Promoted under CAS Levels/ Designations	Effective date of promotion
1	Dr. C. R. S. Kumar Associate Professor	Stage-4 to Stage-5 [Level-13A to Level-14 ] Designated as <u>Professor</u>	14/11/2018
2	Dr. D. G. Thakur Associate Professor	Stage-4 to Stage-5 [Level-13A to Level-14 ] Designated as <u>Professor</u>	14/11/2018
3	Dr. Suwarna Datar Assistant Professor	Stage-2 to Stage-3 [Level-11 to Level-12]	30/03/2018
4	Dr. Vijay Hiwarkar Assistant Professor	Stage-1 to Stage-2 [Level-10 to Level-11]	30/09/2018
5	Dr. Manisha Nene Assistant Professor	Stage-2 to Stage-3 [Level-11 to Level-12]	01/11/2018

During the discussion on this point, the following questions came up:

- a. Whether faculty promotion is a time-bound promotion; to which it was clarified that the faculty members need to complete the prescribed residency in the feeder level and in addition, complete the requirements viz., meeting the Academic Performance Indicators; attend the prescribed training / faculty development programs of prescribed duration etc. Further, a duly constituted committee under the chairmanship of the Vice Chancellor interview and select the Faculty considered suitable, for the next level.
- b. Whether BoM is the approving body or whether the forum is just reported of the promotion: The BoM was informed that sub-para (3) of Para – 17, on powers of Vice Chancellor in DIAT Statutes reads, *"the Vice Chancellor shall be appointing authority of core faculty, faculty on deputation, professors on contract, visiting professors, librarian,*

registrar and controller of examinations" and sub para (8) reads, "the Vice Chancellor shall submit the recommendations of the selection committees to the Governing Council for ratification".

However, even though considering the fact that Para .4(iii) of the UGC Deemed to be University Regulations, 2016 on powers of BoM reads, "To appoint such Professors, Associate Professors, Assistant Professors and other academic staff as may be necessary on the recommendation of the Selection Committee"; all cases of appointments / promotions are put up to the BoM for ratification at the first instance, and then are put up for final ratification at GC level as directed by our statutes.

As has been the practice in the Institute, the instant cases also will be submitted to the ensuing Governing Council, for ratification, after ratification by the BoM..

The BoM ratified the promotions. However, all relevant details on this issue are to be circulated to BoM Members for better appreciation.

Action: Registrar

➤ **Status / Infrastructure Improvement in the last 3 years at DIAT**

The following update on renovation of labs of Academic Departments, Labs and facilities were presented:

A. **Renovated facilities in the last 3 years:**

Sr. No.	Department	Year	Cost (in lakhs)
(a)	Electronics Engg	2017	42.71
(b)	Mechanical Engg	2017	14.00
(c)	Computer Engg	2018	36.03
(d)	Entire Rocket Propulsion Complex	2018	89.50
(e)	Aerospace Engg	2017	65.47
(f)	Incubation Centre has been created now	2018	18.61
(g)	Physics Dept.	2018	21.00

B. **Under renovation:-**

Sr. No.	Department	EDC	Cost (in lakhs)
(a)	Remaining portion of Computer Dept	Dec 2019	47.65
(b)	MMG Complex	Jun 2019	23.69
(c)	Special repairs of the entire main building rooms, offices, classroom and labs	Apr 2020	830.18

C. **Under construction:-**

Sr. No.	Department	EDC	Cost (in lakhs)
(a)	Boys Hostel of 100 rooms	Feb 2020	4593.00
(b)	PhD Hostel and Studio Apartments for Visiting Faculty of 48 rooms		
(c)	Girls Hostel of 100 rooms	March 2019	1842.05

D. Proposals awaiting approval of DRDO HQ:-

- (a) Accommodation for ½ platoon DSC
- (b) Renovation of Mini Auditorium

E. New infrastructure Projects approved by the General Body:

- (a) Large EMI/EMC & UAV range
- (b) Classroom complex with 10 classroom and Mini Auditorium
- (c) Administrative Block
- (d) Aerospace Block, Centres of Excellence for Radar and Nano Technology
- (e) Hostel for International Students
- (f) Students Canteen
- (g) Sports Complex
- (h) MT Pool
- (i) MI Room
- (j) Additional Guest House

➤ Training Programme

A brief account of the following training activities was presented to BoM.

- MATLAB-17 for DRDO Scientists held between Nov 26 – 30, 2018 [Total 19 batches completed as yet]
- Technical Module Course [6 wks] for OFB Officers [2019 batch] commenced on 7<sup>th</sup> Jan 2019
- The Post Induction Training for the newly inducted Scientists of DRDO [22<sup>nd</sup> batch] will commence from 11<sup>th</sup> Feb 2019. The batch size is 80+.

➤ Admission to M.Tech with AMIE Qualification:

The BoM was informed that, DIAT had admitted 04 students with AMIE qualification in July, 2018. The AICTE Council, in its 52nd Emergent meeting held on August 03, 2017, recognised equivalence for all purposes including Higher Education and Employment to Technical courses conducted by various Professional Bodies / Institutions which were duly recognized by MHRD with permanent recognition up to 31 May 2013. The 04 students fulfilled the criteria.

In view of the above, the Academic Council in its meeting held earlier on 16<sup>th</sup> Jan 2019; ratified admission of 4 students to M.Tech with AMIE Qualification, since "B.Tech / equivalent" was inadvertently missed out in the Advertisement. .

Details of candidates admitted and branch:

Student name	Qualifications	Sponsor	M.Tech Prgm
Satyendra Prasad	Graduate of The Institution of Engineers (India) / AMIE	DRDO	Mechanical Engg (Armament and Combat Vehicles)
Sugriv Kumar Gautam	-do-	DRDO	Electronics & Communication Engg (DES)
Pankaj Pallav	-do-	OFB	Modelling and Simulation

Arnab Das	-do-	OFB	Mechanical (Mechanical Design)	Engg System
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The BoM accepted the fact that inadvertently, the word, "equivalent" got missed out in the qualification requirements for admission and directed to be more careful in future.

### Item No. 17.3

The following detailed account of the action taken / progress on minutes of 17<sup>th</sup> Meeting of BoM held on 5<sup>th</sup> Oct, 2018 (*Tabled*) was presented:

Points	Agenda points / decisions thereon	Progress / Action taken
16.5.1	<p><b><u>Approval of Audited Annual Accounts of the Institute for the year 2017-18:</u></b></p> <p><b>Decision:</b> BoM approved the Audited Annual Accounts of the Institute, for the year 2017-18.</p>	BoM accorded approval to the Annual Accounts for the FY 2017-18.
16.5.2	<p><b><u>Budget Estimates for the FY- 2019-20:</u></b></p> <p><b>Decision:</b> BoM approved the budget.</p>	Budget estimates for the year 2019-20 was approved by BoM.
16.5.3	<p><b><u>Approval of the Annual Report 2017-18:</u></b></p> <p><b>Decision:</b> The AR was approved in principle.</p>	The final copies of the Annual Report 2017-18 printed and submitted to DRDO HQ for tabling in Parliament.
16.5.4	<p><b><u>16.5.4 Adoption of UGC Regulations on Minimum qualifications for Appointment of Teachers and other Academic Staff in Universities and Colleges and Measures for the Maintenance of Standards in Higher Education 2018.</u></b></p> <p><b>Decision:</b> The regulations may be examined in detail and a comparison be made vis-a-viz the 2016. Regulations approved earlier by BoM to have a better idea on the major points. Since there is time of 6 months to adopt, the matter may be tabled in the next meeting of BoM.</p>	Prof. P. K. Khanna will present the comparative account, during the 17 <sup>th</sup> meeting of BoM.
16.5.5	<p><b><u>Incubation policy of DIAT</u></b></p> <p>Observations:</p> <p><i>DRDO scientists to be exempted from the coverage of beneficiaries as it may raise an issue of dual employment of Govt Servants which is prohibited.</i></p> <p><i>Adequate care to be taken on the IP aspects considering the litigation possibilities involved</i></p> <p><i>The proposal to provide loan to the incubator from grants-in-aid, to be further examined</i></p> <p><i>While the concept is attractive, the execution may come across difficulties.</i></p> <p><i>The technical development funds being provided by the government viz., the DST Scheme may be</i></p>	

	<p><i>examined, in this regard;</i></p> <p><i>Liaise with other govt institutes to get a good idea on the practical aspects of the policy;</i></p> <p><i>An experienced Academician working in this area in IIM / IIT Bombay may be invited for an interaction with a sub-committee of BoM. The slides presented to this BoM may be shared with the Academician to have feedback / suggestions for improvement.</i></p> <p><b>Decision:</b> to be presented to the next BoM after due exercise as above.</p>	<p>Prof P K Khanna will present the update to the 17<sup>th</sup> meeting of BoM.</p>
16.5.6	<p><b><u>Amendment to MoU with DRDO</u></b></p> <p><b>Decision:</b> It may not be a good approach to exclude Tri-services from the need for the payment as they already pay for the service officers sponsored for IITs/ IISc and hence, need be billed for the services and accordingly, the proposed amendment to be modified.</p>	<p>Under correspondence with DRDO HQ</p>
16.5.7	<p><b><u>Foreign travel of students with limited financial assistance from DIAT</u></b></p> <p><b>Decision:</b> DRMC may evaluate the quality of paper to be presented. The need for the designated committee to specifically certify the quality of paper is to be dispensed with. However, the case need be examined by the designated committee to administratively recommend for approval of the Vice Chancellor.</p> <p>The instance case also, to be dealt with, accordingly.</p>	<p>Action completed.</p>

During further discussions on the ATR on point 16.5.6, it was agreed that both DG(HR) and Vice Chancellor may further pursue the matter of billing the Tri-Services, with the Secretary.

#### **Item No.17.4**

#### **Confirmation of the Minutes of the 16<sup>th</sup> Meeting of BoM held on 5<sup>th</sup> Oct, 2018**

After a brief discussion, the BoM confirmed the minutes of the 16<sup>th</sup> Meeting.

#### **Item No.17.5**

#### **Agenda for discussion:**

#### **17.5.1 MoU with Cranfield University**

**Preface:** Cranfield University and DIAT had a couple of delegation visits and meetings in the last few years, and have been considering possible collaboration and run joint degree programmes / double degree programme.

This, prima facie, needs permission of the UGC as required under Para 28 of the MoA which reads,

- a. The institute may conduct joint academic programme(s) with other Universities/ institutions deemed to be universities in India and abroad

with the prior approval of the Commission. The proposed joint programme(s) shall conform to the Acts and Rules of the Commission that shall apply to such programmes from time to time.

Provided that no such permission shall be required in case the Institution goes for collaboration with industry or for research purposes.

- b. There shall be sufficient safeguards so as to protect the interests of students enrolled in such programmes.
- c. The joint programmes shall be subject to mandatory assessment and accreditation.

Of late, the MHRD, vide OM F. No.6-2/2015-ICC dated 11/12/2015 [Annexure 17.5.1], has come out with a solution for entering into agreement with foreign agencies for collaboration in the field of education with an intend to promote collaboration, which reads:

- (a) In cases of MoUs/ Agreements at Institutional Level, where there is a provision in the Act (under which the institution has been established) to enter into an agreement with the foreign institution, *the institutions can enter into MoUs/Agreements with the approval of their respective Board of Governors provided there is no additional financial implication for the Government over and above the lump sum annual grant already provided to the institution and the MoU/Agreement conforms with the National Education Policy, Acts of Parliament and any other laws of the land in vogue.* The representative(s) of the Department in the Board of Governors may safeguard the interests of Government at the approval stage; and
- (b) If there is no provision in the Act of the institution for signing MoU/Agreement with the foreign institutions, MoUs/Agreements may be signed with the approval of the Ministry in consultation with the Ministry of External Affairs.

*Para 4 - Aims and Objectives of the DIAT MoA has provision for this which reads, "To maintain an active interaction and liaison with Universities and other Scientific and Defence Institutions in the Country and abroad for to and fro exchange of knowledge and scientific personnel". Further, there is no additional financial implication for the Government and agreement shall conform to the National Education Policy / laws of the country to safeguard the interests of the students, as required under Para (a) of the MHRD OM ibid and also, Para 28 of the MoA.*

**Discussion:** The members put forward the following observations / points for further examination:

- a. A comprehensive examination of the proposal to be made;
- b. We should go beyond the dual degree etc. and should extend to faculty exchange, mutual benefits, advantages and future prospects etc.,
- c. Specific details including the financial implications;
- d. Safeguards against any future complications;
- e. Specific clearance by MHRD for such an MoU with BoM approval

**Decision:** The proposal with details and relevant enclosures be forwarded to DRDO HQ for information.

**Action:** Registrar

**17.5.2 Adoption of UGC Regulations on Minimum qualifications for Appointment of Teachers and other Academic Staff in Universities and Colleges and Measures for the Maintenance of Standards in Higher Education 2018. – Carry forward of 16<sup>th</sup> BoM agenda item.**

During the 16<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the BoM, it was decided that the regulations to be examined in detail and a comparison be made vis-a-viz the 2016 Regulations approved earlier by the BoM to have a better idea on the major points. Since there is time of 6 months to adopt, the matter may be tabled in the next meeting of BoM.

Prof P K Khanna made an oral presentation on the various aspects of the UGC Regulations on Minimum qualifications for Appointment of Teachers and other Academic Staff in Universities and Colleges and Measures for the Maintenance of Standards in Higher Education 2018 vis-à-vis the DIAT adopted version (with modifications) of the 2016 Regulations.

**Discussion:** During the discussions, the following observations / questions came up:

- a. Can DIAT decide not to adopt the Regulations: The regulations need be adopted within 6 months of publication in the gazette?
- b. Can DIAT adopt the regulations with modifications: UGC provides liberty to Institutions to improve upon the minimum requirements; ie., the institute can adopt the regulations and improve upon them, without violating the minimum requirements?
- c. The presently adopted, 2016 Regulations is with raised bar for both direct recruitment and promotion;
- d. Is there a requirement for DIAT to have its own standards if UGC has promulgated the minimum standards?
- e. Adopting higher standards will not vitiate the spirit of reservations in services as always, relaxation to the tune of 5% in the required qualifying marks is provided to SC/ST candidates.

**Decision:** the BoM approved adoption of UGC Regulations on Minimum qualifications for Appointment of Teachers and other Academic Staff in Universities and Colleges and Measures for the Maintenance of Standards in Higher Education 2018 with the condition that while these will be the minimum requirements, the Institute can exercise liberty to adopt higher criteria to restrict the number of candidates for interview etc., and for internal promotions of faculty.

**Action:** Registrar

**17.5.3 Incubation policy of DIAT - Carry forward of 16<sup>th</sup> BoM agenda item.**

During the last BoM, the following suggestions / decisions evolved, during the discussions on the point:

- a) DRDO scientists to be exempted from the coverage of beneficiaries as it may raise an issue of dual employment of Govt Servants which is prohibited.



- b) Adequate care to be taken on the IP aspects considering the litigation possibilities involved
- c) The proposal to provide loan to the incubator from grants-in-aid, to be further examined
- d) While the concept is attractive, the execution may come across difficulties.
- e) The technical development funds being provided by the government viz., the DST Scheme may be examined, in this regard;
- f) Liaise with other govt institutes to get a good idea on the practical aspects of the policy;
- g) An experienced Academician working in this area in IIM / IIT Bombay may be invited for an interaction with a sub-committee of BoM. The slides presented to this BoM may be shared with the Academician to have feedback / suggestions for improvement.

Prof. P. K. Khanna made a brief presentation on the point, providing inputs on the various exercises undertaken since the last 2 years and also on the directions of the BoM in its 16<sup>th</sup> Meeting.

**Discussion:** The following observations / questions came up during the deliberations:

- a. How the investment / seed money could be provided to the incubator and whether there is any earmarked funds for the purpose
- b. How many incubators could be harbored at a given time and investment for all such cases
- c. Whether such a plan of incubation feasible for an Institution like DIAT in comparison with the stature of IITs where the major incubators are Graduate level students
- d. The possibility of bringing industry interphase for the incubators

**Decision:** A sub-committee consisting of Prof P R Mahapatra and Shri V V Parlikar, Director, R&DE Engrs was formed to which the detailed proposal be sent for comments and further examination. Prof Khanna may visit them, discuss and give a final shape to the proposal, for adoption. Status be presented in the next meeting.

Action: Prof P K Khanna

#### **17.5.4 Appointment of Statutory Auditors for the years 2018-19, 2019-20 To 2020- 21**

As per procedure, the o/o the C& AG of India was requested to forward a list of CA firms based in Pune and empanelled with CAG for appointment as Statutory Auditors of DIAT(DU) for the years 2018-19, to 2020-2021.

- 1 The C&AG OFFICE furnished list of 5 CA firms based in Pune empanelled with CAG office.
- 2 Enquiries were sent to the 05(Five) Pune based CA firms, for submission of quotations.
- 3 M/s PGMJ & Associates., Pune quoted lowest Fees and was declared as L1. Rs.39000/+ GST as applicable for F.Y. 2018-19, 2019-20 and 2020-21) GST(at applicable rates) and Out of Pocket expenses extra, at actual, subject to a maximum of Rs 10,000).
- 4 Approval to appoint M/s PGMJ & Associates, CAs Pune as Statutory Auditors of DIAT(DU) for F.Y.2018-19 to F.Y.2020-21 (03 years) as per terms stated above, is solicited.

**Decision:** BoM approved engagement of M/s PGMJ & Associates, CAs Pune as Statutory Auditors of DIAT(DU) for F.Y.2018-19 to F.Y.2020-21 (03 years)

Action: FO

#### **17.5.5 To consider and approve” Model Document to make DIAT self sufficient”**

The FO presented the following proposal to turn DIAT self sufficient:

- a. Presently, DIAT is generating internal resources from internal resources generated constitute 08% of the Revenue Expenditure of DIAT, through fees from civilian students, overheads from sponsored projects, interest on bank deposits and revenue fro customised courses.
- b. The plan to have additional resources generated is through;
  - New Generic Customized courses for DPSUs, MOD Organisations and Students in niche areas of Technology;
  - Introducing refresher courses for faculty under UGC/ AICTE domain by DIAT; commercial exploitation by levying user charges for other organisations for usage of High Technology Equipments/ Experimental instruments of DIAT
  - Establishment of incubation centre for development of new technologies for commercialization.
  - Offering of consultancy services by DIAT faculty to Government and Private Organizations.
  - Enrolment of more Industry Sponsored candidates with levy of higher fees.
  - Implementation of cost reduction measures, wherever feasible.

The expected increase in internal generation is pegged at 10-15 % over a period of next 5 years.

**Decision:** The BoM noted that initiatives proposed are encouraging and commended that they should be put in place and since revenue generation and gaining self-sufficiency is a long time process, approved the proposal.

Action: FO

**17.5.6 Review of Budget visa-vis -Actual expenditure of DIAT for the year 2018-19 (up to 31.12.2018)**

The following budget figures were presented to the BoM:

**17.5.6 - Review of the Actual Expenditure of DIAT (DU) for the year 2018-19 and anticipated expenditure till 31.03.2019**

Particulars	(Rs.incrores)		
	BE 2018-19	Actual Expr till 31.12.18	Anticipated 31.03.2019
<b>(A) Capital Expenditure</b>			
Lab Equipments/office equipments/ Furniture & Fixtures	3.50	2.90	<b>2.50</b>
Library (Books & Journals )	1.50	0.36	1.14
<b>TOTAL (A)</b>	<b>5.00</b>	<b>3.26</b>	<b>3.64</b>
<b>(B) Revenue Expenditure</b>			
Pay and allowances of DIAT Officers (Including NPS)	9.50	8.22	2.75
Pay and allowances of DIAT Staff (Including NPS)	5.00	3.79	1.26
Establishment Expenses	1.00	0.73	0.40
Stipend, Scholarships, Awards, Training courses	3.00	1.37	0.70
Printing & Stationary, Stores, Lab Consumables , Fuel, Legal/Audit Fee & other Admin Exp.	3.00	2.16	0.72
Repairs & Maintenance//Logistics/Security, Messenger & Hygiene & Sanitation Contracts etc.	5.00	3.76	1.10
Research Grant (for Basic Research )	0.50	0.12	0.08
<b>TOTAL (B)</b>	<b>27.00</b>	<b>20.15</b>	<b>7.01</b>
<b>TOTAL (A+B)</b>	<b>32.00</b>	<b>23.41</b>	<b>10.65</b>
Additional requirement of Funds for 2018-19 is Rs.2.00 crores			

**BUDGET ESTIMATES AND EXPENDITURE PROJECTIONS (in Cr)**

F.Y.	BE Sanctioned	Capital Expr	Revenue Expr	Total Expr	Internal Resources
2014-15	33	9.93	19.56	29.49	2.2
2015-16	35	11.85	23.15	35	2.32
2016-17	38	10.88	22.74	33.62	2.16
2017-18	40	8.61	29.92	38.53	3.02
2018-19	32	7	27	34	5.00*

**Discussion:**

The members sought clarifications on some of the figures, especially on the reduction in the Sanctioned BE and on internal resources. It was clarified that the being grant-in-aid, the money will not lapse and will be carried forward for the next fiscal and that the expected internal resource generation for 2018-19 is high as the provision for charging DRDO sponsored candidates is envisaged.

To the request of the Chairman to provide an additional Rs 2 Cr pending allocation of funds in the ensuing financial year, the Addl FA indicated the budget proposal for 2019-20 and request for the funds be sent immediately and the utilisation statement can be sent immediately after the fiscal so that the preliminary examination of the proposal and clarification if any to be sought etc could be completed in the meantime thereby saving time.

**Decision:** The BoM approved the review budget cum expenditure statement for the year 2019.

Action: FO

## Item No. 17.6

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

#### **17.6.1 Fund Allocation for Maintenance and Repairs**

The Chairman and Secretary informed the BoM that there is no earmarking of funds for repair and maintenance of the buildings and that there is no specific delegation of powers to the Vice Chancellor to approve any such repair.

**Discussion:** The Addl FA enquired about the efforts made by DIAT for the delegation / funds for such repairs to which, it was informed that the proposal was put up in an earlier BoM meeting and with the clearance of the BoM, proposal was mooted with facts and figures i.e., highlighting the powers of the Director, ADA, Commandant, MILIT et.al., for consideration but received a reply that DIAT may send proposals for both minor and major repairs for approval.

**Decision:** A fresh proposal be made highlighting the issues, also referring the earlier such efforts made for examination at DRDO HQ for necessary enabling orders.

Action: FO/ Registrar

#### **17.6.2 Construction / Expansion plan activities in DIAT Campus**

Shri Aloke, CCE(W) made a presentation highlighting briefly, the projects undertaken by the Directorate of Estates in DIAT Campus which is as under:

##### New facilities under construction:-

Sr. No.	Project	EDC	Cost (in lakhs)
(a)	Boys Hostel of 100 rooms	Feb 2020	4593.00
(b)	PhD Hostel and Studio Apartments for Visiting Faculty of 48 rooms		
(c)	Girls Hostel of 100 rooms	March 19	1842.05

##### Road-map for future expansion:

The design and proposal on the road-map plans for expansion of the campus for future requirements presented and the layouts are at Appendix – 1. The proposal includes construction of an Administrative block, a class-room – mini-auditorium complex and a VVIP Guest House, all overlooking the

Khadakwasala lake. During the presentation, the members observed that "provision for vertical expansion should always be kept" for possible expansion in future.

In the concluding remarks, the Chairman thanked all the members who joined the meeting in person and on Video conferencing, for their active participation, detailed deliberations and the whole hearted support on the endeavors being undertaken by the Institute.

In the absence of any other point, the meeting concluded at around 1500 Hrs.



Cmde A K Sinha (Retd)  
Secretary & Registrar, BoM

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