INFLIBNET Centre, Infocity, Gandhinagar (An Inter-University Centre of the UGC)

27th October, 2015

Minutes of the 16th Meeting of the Governing Council of the INFLIBNET Centre held on Friday, 23rd October, 2015 at the INFLIBNET Centre, Gandhinagar

Members Present

Prof. Ved Prakash Chairman, UGC and President, INFLIBNET Society & Chairman, Governing Council, INFLIBNET Centre

Prof. N Mukunda Chairman, Governing Board, INFLIBNET Centre

Members Governing Council

Ms. Indra Kaul

Dr. B L Rama

Representing Chairman, ICSSR, New Delhi

Representing Chairman, AICTE, New Delhi

Dr. A. K. Chakraborty

Director General, National Library, Kolkata

Vice-Chancellor, REVA University, Bengaluru

Prof. Rajbir Singh

Dr. Jagdish Arora

Director, INFLIBNET Centre, Gandhinagar

(Member Secretary)

Dr. H Devaraj, Vice-Chairman, UGC, New Delhi and Dr. Girish Sahni, Director General, CSIR, New Delhi could not attend the meeting due to their prior commitments.

Members of the Governing Board

Dr. R K Chadha
Prof. S B Ray Chaudhury
Prof. Shivajirao S Kadam
Prof. Karmeshu
Dr. Jagdish Arora

Former Addl. Secretary, Lok Sabha, New Delhi
Vice-Chancellor, Rabindra Bharti University, Kolkatta
Vice-Chancellor, Bharait Vidyapeeth, Pune
Profrssor Emeritus, CCS&S, JNU, New Delhi
Director, INFLIBNET Centre & Member Secretary

Special Invitee

Dr. (Mrs.) Manju Singh

Shri Harish Chandra

Jt. Secretary, UGC (IUC/MC), Bureau Head

Admn. Officer, INFLIBNET Centre

Prof. H Devaraj, Vice-Chairman, UGC, New Delhi, Prof. (Dr.) Jaspal Singh Sandhu, Secretary, UGC, New Delhi, Prof. (Dr.) Avinash S Pant, Member Secretary (Actg.), AICTE, New Delhi, Prof. Sunaina Singh, Vice-Chancellor, The English and Foreign Languages University, Hyderabad, Prof. Nandini Mukherjee, Dept. of Computer Science & Engg. & Director, School of Mobile Computing and Communication, Jadavpur University, Kolkata, could not attend the meeting because of their prior commitments.

The Chairman welcomed the members of Governing Council and Governing Board to the 16th Meeting of the Governing Council. He expressed his happiness on new projects, consultancies and initiatives taken up by the INFLIBNET Centre as well as CEC as service organizations. He opined that the services offered by these two organizations are very important for the quality of research and development activities undertaken by universities and colleges in the country. He specifically placed his appreciation for the role being played by the INFLIBNET Centre in ranking of Indian Universities under National Institutional Ranking Framework.

Prof. Ved Prakash, Chairman, UGC also uploaded 50,001 theses into the Shodhganga repository during the 16th Meeting of the Governing Council.

1. Confirmation of the Minutes of the 15th Meeting of the Governing Council held on 22nd August, 2014 at INFLIBNET Centre, Gandhinagar

The Minutes of the 15th Meeting of the Governing Council held on 22nd August, 2014 were duly approved by the Chairman, Governing Council.

2. Action Taken and Progress Made since 15th Meeting of the Governing Council held on 22nd August, 2014 at INFLIBNET Centre, Gandhinagar

Dr. Jagdish Arora presented a brief report on action taken on the decisions made during the 15th Meeting of the Governing Council. Important action-taken report presented to the members was as follows:

- i) Minutes of the 15th Meeting of Governing Council held at INFLIBNET Centre, Gandhinagar on 22nd August, 2014 were duly approved by the Chairman, Governing Council. (Agenda 1, 15-GC).
- ii) Minutes of the 28th Meeting of the Governing Board duly approved by its Chairman, were circulated to all the members of the Governing Board and copy of the Minutes were also sent to the UGC.. (Agenda 2, 15-GC).
- iii) A gist of Annual Accounts of the Centre for the Financial Year 2013-2014 were published in the Annual Report for the year 2013-2014. Copies of the Annual Report was sent to the UGC, to the members of the Governing Board / Governing Council as well as to the Universities and other institutions of higher education.
- 3. Presentation on the Proceedings of the 29th Meeting of the Governing Board held on 23rd October, 2015 at INFLIBNET Centre, Infocity, Gandhinagar

The Director made a brief presentation on important decisions taken during the 29th Meeting of the Governing Board held on 23rd October, 2015 at INFLIBNET Centre, Infocity, Gandhinagar, to the Members of the Governing Council. Minutes of the 29th Meeting of Governing Council duly approved by the Chairman, Governing Board is enclosed as Appendix-I.

The Director also made a brief presentation on new projects that have been initiated at INFLIBNET Centre since last meeting of the Governing Council. A brief description of new projects at INFLIBNET is given in 29th Minutes of the Meeting of Governing Board held at INFLIBNET Centre, Gandhinagar on 23rdOctober, 2015 (Enclosed as Appendix I (Item 5). The Chairman, UGC showed keen interest in the project on ranking of Indian Universities. He enquired about the differences in parameters used by NIRF and INFLIBNET Centre for ranking of Indian universities. He encouraged scientists at INFLIBNET Centre to contribute to the cause of developing suitable parameters for ranking universities and colleges under NIRF that addresses limitations and opportunities applicable to Indian colleges and universities.

4. Presentation of Audited Annual Accounts of the Centre for the Financial Year 2014-2015

The Governing Council approved the Audited Annual Accounts of the Centre for the Financial Year 2014-2015.

5. Presentation of Annual Report of the INFLIBNET Centre from 1stApril, 2014 to 31stMarch, 2015

The Annual Report of the INFLIBNET Centre from 1stApril, 2014 to 31st March, 2015 presented to the Governing Council, was approved. Prof VedPrakash, Chairman, Governing Council requested the members to go through the report and send their comments to the Director, INFLIBNET Centre for necessary action before printing of the report.

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

(Jagdish Arora)
Director, INFLIBNET Centre

(Prof. N Mukunda)

Chairman, Governing Board

Chairman, Governing Council