



# INDIAN INSTITUTE OF SCIENCE EDUCATION AND RESEARCH MOHALI

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Sector 81, Knowledge City, P. O. Manauli, S.A.S. Nagar, Mohali, Punjab

Minutes for the 12<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Board of Governors held on 28.03.2012 at 12.00 noon at CAF Building in the IISER Mohali campus, Sector 81, Mohali.

The following were present:

1.	Professor R. A. Mashelkar	Chairman
2.	Professor N. Sathyamurthy	Member
3.	Professor M. K. Surappa	Member
4.	Professor K. N. Ganesh	Member
5.	Dr. Sibaji Raha	Member
6.	Professor Ram Sagar	Member
7.	Dr. S. Kathirolu	Member
8.	Professor Arvind	Member
9.	Professor Sudeshna Sinha	Member
10.	Dr. P. Bapaiah	Secretary
11.	Professor I. B. S. Passi	Special Invitee
12.	Professor Kapil Hari Paranjape	Special Invitee
13.	Professor Anand K. Bachhawat	Special Invitee
14.	Professor Jasjeet Singh Bagla	Special Invitee
15.	Dr. Jagdeep Singh	Special Invitee

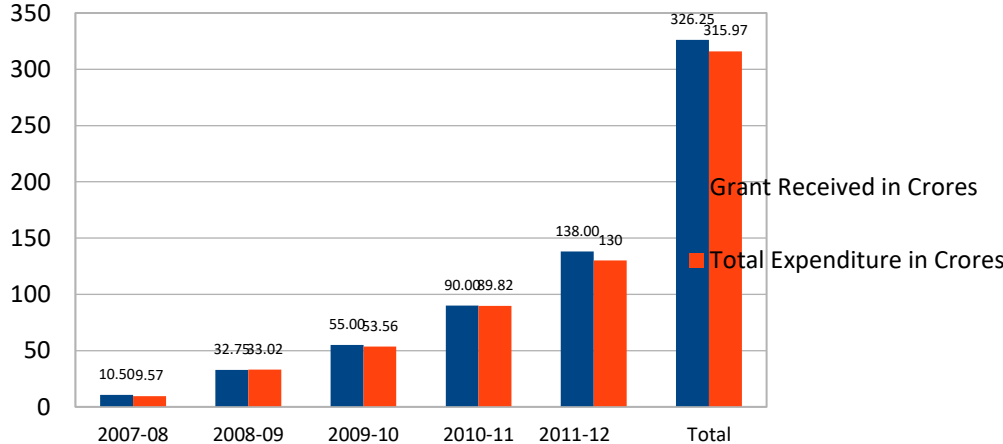
The following could not be present due to prior commitments and hence leave of absence was granted:

1.	Ms. Vibha Puri Das, IAS	Member
2.	Sh. Rakesh Singh, IAS	Member
3.	Dr. M. K. Bhan	Member
4.	Ms. S. Jalaja	Member
5.	Dr. S. Ayyappan	Member
6.	Professor P. Balaram	Member
7.	Dr. Lalji Singh	Member
8.	Sh. A. N. Jha	Member

<b>B.O.G.12.12.1</b>	<b>Welcome Remarks by the Director.</b>
	<p>The Director welcomed the Chairman and the members of the Board and thanked them for sparing their valuable time for IISER Mohali to conduct this meeting.</p> <p>The Director informed the Board about the symposium held in the Institute about two years ago and the book on, “Symmetry: an interdisciplinary perspective” that has just been published. On his request, the Chairman released the book and presented a copy to the Editor Professor I. B. S. Passi. He congratulated the Editorial team and desired that more such volumes should come from IISER Mohali.</p> <p>The Director then informed the Board of the other achievements of the students and the faculty in the last six months.</p> <p>Specifically, Professor A K Bachhawat: Fellowship, Indian National Science Academy, New Delhi; Professor Somdatta Sinha and Professor A K Bachhawat: J C Bose Fellowship, DST, New Delhi.</p> <p>Dr. Kavita Babu and Dr. Ram Yadav: Innovative Young Biotechnologist Award, DBT.</p> <p>Dr. Ram Yadav: Ramalingaswami Fellowship, DBT.</p> <p>Dr. Sanjeev Kumar and Dr. Yogesh Singh: Ramanujan Fellowship, DST.</p> <p>Mr. Keshav Aggarwal a 4<sup>th</sup> year student of the BS-MS dual degree programme was invited as a teaching assistant in the “ATM school for College Lecturers on Number Theory” at HRI Allahabad from 22 December, 2011 to 4 January, 2012.</p> <p>Ms. Shruti Dogra got the best poster award at NMRS, 18<sup>th</sup> National Seminar at Bangalore, February 5-8, 2012.</p> <p>Ms. Gurpreet Kaur got the IUCr Poster Award at the 20<sup>th</sup> International Conference at Bangalore June 25-30, 2011.</p> <p>Ms. Neha Jain, Ph. D. Scholar was awarded the best poster award in National Fluorescence workshop, ICGEB and JNU, New Delhi, Nov. 2011.</p> <p>Dr. Sanjeev Sharma, Research Associate, IISER Mohali received the 1st Dr. Saminderjeet Singh Young Geographers National Award for 2011.</p> <p>The Director appraised the Board about the progress of the Institute since the last meeting.</p>
<b>B.O.G.12.12.2</b>	<b>Opening Remarks by the Chairman.</b>
	<p>The Chairman extended a warm welcome to all the members of the Board and congratulated all the award winners. He described the meeting of the Hon'ble HRM on March 9, 2012 with the Directors and Chairmen of the five IISERs as very positive and very supportive. The Chairman suggested</p>

	that a document be prepared on the progress made by all IISERs. He also wanted a Note prepared on Research and Innovation in Education and a brainstorming session held in IISER Mohali. He emphasized that the tapping of young talent is a continuous process and the search for Talent should go on.																		
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Decision	<p>Draft Minutes of the 11<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the BOG held on September 27, 2011 have been circulated to all the members on 13.10.2011, seeking comments if any by 28.10.2011. Since no comments have been received, it is proposed that the Draft Minutes may be confirmed.</p> <p><b>Confirmed.</b></p>																		
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	<b>B.O.G.11.11.6</b>	<b>Ratification of :</b>	
	<b>B.O.G.11.11. 6(a)</b>	<b>Appointments of 12 Faculty members, Appointments of 4 Visiting faculty and extension of contractual appointments.</b>	Ratified
	<b>B.O.G.11.11.6(b)</b>	<b>Clearance of the probation of 4 Professors, Dr. Jasjeet Singh Bagla, Professor, Dr. Anand K. Bachhawat, Professor, Dr. Kapil H. Paranjape, Professor, Dr. Sudeshna Sinha and Dr. Samarjit Bhattacharya, Assistant Professor and Mr. Sandeep Ahlawat, Assistant Registrar</b>	Ratified.
	<b>B.O.G.11.11.6(c)</b>	<b>Resignation of Dr. Sanchyan Neal Gupta and Dr. Bharani Kollipara</b>	Ratified
	<b>B.O.G. 11.11.7</b>	<b>For Consideration of:</b>	
	<b>B.O.G. 11.11.7(a)</b>	<b>Sanction of Non-teaching positions by the MHRD</b>	28 non-teaching positions have been advertised and the selection process is on.
	<b>B.O.G.11.11.7(b)</b>	<b>Minutes of the Finance Committee Meeting held on September 27, 2011.</b>	BOG decisions noted for compliance.
	<b>B.O.G. 11.11.7(c)</b>	<b>Minutes of Building &amp; Works Committee meeting held on September 26, 2011.</b>	Recommendations of the Finance Committee approved by the BOG, noted for compliance.
	<b>B.O.G. 11.11.7(d)</b>	<b>Revised Budget for the year 2011-12 and Budget Estimate for 2012-13.</b>	Noted for compliance.

Decision	B.O.G. 11.11.8	Best Teacher Award		A committee has been constituted to work out the modalities.					
	Noted.								
B.O.G.12.12.5	For Noting: (1) Financial Position:								
	Sr. No .		Received during 2011-12	Expenditure during 2011-12	Received during 2007-12	Expenditure during 2007-12	Balance (Rs. In Cr.)		
	1	Grant-in-aid from MHRD	138.00	130.00(approx.)	326.25	315.97	10.28(approx.)		
	2	R & D	5.64	4.1	13.14	7.93	5.21		
									
	Noted.								
Decision	* The above indicated figures were approximate. However Actual expenditure during the year 2011-12 is Rs. 133.36 Crore and during 2007-12 is Rs. 319.20 Cr. and the balance is Rs. 7.05.								
	Sr. No .		Opening Balance	Received during 2011-12	Expenditure during 2011-12	Balance (Cr.)	Received during 2007-12	Expenditure during 2007-12	Balance (Rs. In Cr.)
	1	Grant-in-aid from MHRD	2.41	138.00	133.36	7.05	326.25	319.20	7.05

<b>(2) Faculty Visits Abroad</b>				
<b>Sr No</b>	<b>Name of Faculty Member</b>	<b>Purpose of Visit</b>	<b>Duration of Visit</b>	<b>Place of Visit</b>
1	Dr. N.G Prasad	To attend the International Scientific Seminar “Scotland-Punjab collaborations : exploring possibilities for research collaborations and staff and student exchanges in biotechnology, crop science and the environment”	August 22-24, 2011	University of St. Andrews, Scotland, UK
2	Dr. R. Vijaya Anand	To attend the Gregynog Synthesis Workshop, 2011  To visit the universities of Bath and Leicester	September 23 -25, 2011  September 26-28, 2011	Royal Society of Chemistry (RSC) held in Newtown, Powys, UK
3	Prof. N. Sathyamurthy	Delegation from INSA for meeting with JSPS officials	October 5-6, 2011	Tokyo, Japan
4	Prof. P. Guptasarma	To attend the YIM meeting in Boston, USA	October 7-11, 2011	Boston, USA
5	Prof. N. Sathyamurthy	Delegation from INSA in connection with the meeting of the World Science Forum held in Budapest, Hungary	November 15-20, 2011	Budapest, Hungary
6	Dr. Vinayak Sinha	To visit Max Planck Institute for Chemistry in Germany under the 'Max Planck-IISER' Collaborative Research Program  To participate in the American Geophysical Union Fall meeting being held at San Francisco  For carrying out collaborative research activities.	December 02 - 05 2011  December 05 - 09, 2011  December 11 to January 05, 2012.	Mainz, Germany  San Francisco USA
7	Dr. Baerbel Sinha	To visit Max Planck Institute for Chemistry in Germany to enable her to assist her Phd student in Mainz in thesis submission  To participate in the American Geophysical Union Fall meeting being	December 02, 2011 to January 05, 2012  December 05 - 09, 2011	Martinsried Germany  Mainz, Germany

			held at San Francisco		
	8	Prof. N. Sathyamurthy	Delegation from INSA in connection with the visit to the Pakistan Academy of Sciences, Islamabad	January 16-19, 2012	Islamabad, Pakistan
	9	Prof. N. Sathyamurthy	Delegation from INSA to meet the officials of the African Academy of Sciences in Nairobi, Kenya	February 5-9, 2012	Nairobi, Kenya
	10	Dr. Baerbel Sinha	To attend the HCCT meeting at Germany	February 15- 16, 2012.	Mainz Germany
	11	Dr. Samrat Mukhopadhyay	To attend & deliver a lecture at the 56 <sup>th</sup> Annual meeting of the Biophysical Society at San Diego, California, USA  To visit Scripps Research Institute in La Jolla California to deliver a seminar	February 24 – 29, 2012	San Diego USA  California USA
	12	Dr. Sanjeev Kumar	To attend the meeting of American Physical Society at Boston, Massachusetts (USA)	February 27 – March 2, 2012	Boston USA
	13	Dr. Krishnendu Gongopadhyay	To attend trimester program on geometry organized by Bill Goldman, Olivier Guichard, Jean-Marc Schlenker and Anna Wienhard in Paris	March 04-11, 2012.	Paris, France
	14	Dr. K.R. Shamasundar	To deliver a lecture at the International Workshop Advanced Methods and Applications in Quantum Chemistry (AMAQC2012)	March 21-30, 2012	Universitat Stuttgart, Germany
	15	Dr. Angshuman Roy Choudhury	To attend the Symposium entitled “small Molecules in interactions”	March 26-27, 2012	Ruhr University, Bochum, Germany
<b>Decision</b>	<p><b>Noted.</b></p> <p>(3) Minutes of the Academic Senate meeting held on 16.12.2011 for approval of the contents of the Academic Senate, proposed convocation in 2012 and award of degrees including honorary degree.</p> <p><b>Approved.</b></p>				
<b>Decision</b>					
<b>B.O.G.12.12.6</b>	<p><b>For Ratification:</b></p> <p>(1) Appointments made on the basis of approval accorded by the Chairman, Board of Governors.</p>				

	(a) Appointments of faculty on regular basis:				
	<b>Sr. No.</b>	<b>Name of faculty member</b>	<b>Date of Joining</b>	<b>Background</b>	<b>Research Area</b>
	1.	Dr. Mahak Sharma, Assistant Professor	03.10.2011	Ph.D. University of Nebraska Medical Center, Omaha, USA (2005-2009), Post doctoral Fellow Harvard medical School, Boston , USA (2009-11)	Protein trafficking
	2.	Dr. Somdatta Sinha, Professor	01.11.2011	Ph.D. JNU New Delhi (1982) , Formally , Scientist – G, CCMB Hyderabad	Mathematical & Computational Biology
	3.	Dr. Yashonidhi Pandey, Assistant Professor	09.01.2012	Ph.D. (Universite Montpellier-II) 2005-2008, Post-doctoral Fellow, Chennai Mathematical Institute 2009-11	Algebraic Geometry
	4.	Dr. Rachna Chaba, Assistant Professor	25.01.2012	PhD(IMTECH Chandigarh) (1998-2003) , Postdoctoral Fellow, University of California, san Francisco, USA (2004-11)	Signal transduction in bacteria
<b>Decision</b>	5.	Dr. Ram Kishor Yadav	21.03.2012	Phd (Technical University Munich Germany) Post-doctoral Fellow University of California	Magna cum laude
	<b>Noted.</b>				
<b>Decision</b>	<b>(b) Appointments of Visiting Faculty:</b>				
	<p>Dr. Adrene D'cruz joined on 04.10.2011</p> <p>Dr. S. K. Arun Murthy, joined on 31.10.2011</p> <p>Dr. Meera Nanda joined on 02.12.2011</p> <p>Dr. Bhas Bapat joined on 02.01.2012.</p> <p>Dr. Shobha Madaan, joined on 24.01.2012</p>				
<b>Decision</b>	<b>Noted.</b>				
	<b>(c) Extension of Contractual appointments:</b>				
<b>Decision</b>	<b><u>Faculty:</u></b>				
	1. Professor I.B.S. Passi in Mathematics, Extension of tenure as an Honorary				



<p><b>Decision</b></p>	<p>Professor upto 31.08.2015.</p> <p><b>Noted.</b></p> <p><b>(d) Extension of Visiting faculty appointments:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Professor T. R. Rao from 28.09.2011 to 15.05.2012</li> <li>2. Professor H. L. Vasudeva from 03.10.2012 to 15.05.2012.</li> </ol>
<p><b>Decision</b></p>	<p><b>Noted.</b></p> <p><b><u>Non-teaching :</u></b></p> <p><b>(e) <u>Extension of Contractual appointments:</u></b></p> <p>(I) Mr. Kulwant Singh as Stores &amp; Purchase Officer for a period of six months, w.e.f. January 7, 2012.</p> <p>(ii) Mr. G. S. Multani as Assistant Security Officer for a period of one year, w.e.f. March 1, 2012.</p>
<p><b>Decision</b></p>	<p><b>Noted.</b></p> <p>(2) Based on their performance during the probation period, the following faculty and non-teaching staff were confirmed in their positions:</p> <p>(a) <u>Faculty:</u></p> <p>Professor Purnananda Guptasarma</p> <p>Dr. Ananth Venkatesan</p> <p>Dr. Vinayak Sinha</p> <p>Dr. Pranaw Rungta</p> <p>Dr. Sanjeev Kumar</p> <p>Dr. Santanu Kumar Pal</p> <p><b>Confirmed.</b></p> <p>(b) Registrar</p>

<b>Decision</b>	<p>Dr. P. Bapaiah</p> <p><b>Before this item was taken up for discussions, the Registrar recused himself. The Board ratified the decision of the Chairman to confirm Dr. Bapaiah in the position of the Registrar.</b></p> <p>(C) Non-teaching:</p> <p>(i) Dr. Paramdeep Singh Chandi, Scientific Officer</p> <p>(ii) Mr. Atul Kadwal, Assistant Engineer, Electrical</p> <p>(iii) Mr. Rajiv Kumar, Assistant Engineer, Civil</p> <p>(iv) Mr. Tarandip Singh, Office Assistant, Multi-skill</p>
<b>Decision</b>	<b>Confirmed.</b>
<b>B.O.G. 12.12.7</b>	<b>For Consideration of :</b>
	<b>Establishing School/Department of Chemical Sciences, Physical Sciences, Mathematical Sciences, Biological Sciences, Earth and Environmental Sciences and Humanities and Social Sciences.</b>
<b>Decision</b>	<p>The Institute has almost moved to its own campus and in other few months period, the research labs will also be ready in the new campus. So far the entire Institute has been functioning as one unit with different disciplines of studies.</p> <p>The Institute is ready for establishing Schools/Departments for different disciplines as the students have started “majoring” in different subjects. Accordingly, it is proposed to establish Schools/Departments for different disciplines indicated below:</p> <p>For consideration of the BOG to establish the Department of Biological sciences, Department of Chemical Sciences, Department of Physical sciences, Department of Mathematical sciences, Department of Earth and Environmental Sciences, Department of Social Sciences and Humanities.</p> <p>For approval.</p> <p><b>There was a detailed discussion on the proposal. The members pointed out the administrative advantages in forming the departments and at the same</b></p>

	<p>time warned about the danger of compartmentalization.</p> <p>The Director recalled the efforts made by IISER Mohali in ensuring interdisciplinarity in teaching as well as research. He assured the Board that the departments are being formed as proposed for convenience in administration, particularly in teaching and in course allotments and that</p> <p>(i) there will be no quota of faculty positions or student number in any department.</p> <p>(ii) there could be joint appointments between departments.</p> <p>(iii) interdisciplinary research will be encouraged.</p> <p>(iv) students will be encouraged to take courses outside their “majors”.</p> <p>(v) MS and Ph.D. students will be encouraged to undertake research across departments and in interdisciplinary areas.</p> <p>(vi) a student from one department can easily carry out MS/PhD research in any other department(s).</p> <p>(vii) the doctor of Philosophy degree will not be in any particular subject.</p> <p>(viii) there will not be budget allocations for departments for the purchase of major equipment.</p> <p>(ix) the Institute will strive hard to keep the “borderless” character of Science.</p>
<b>B.O.G. 12.12.8</b>	<b>MHRD Representative in Building &amp; Works Committee.</b>
<b>Decision</b>	<p>MHRD communicated vide its letter no. F. No. 40-40/2009-TS.V dated September 13<sup>th</sup>, 2011 stating that there shall not be any representative from MHRD in the Institute's Building &amp; Works Committee. Accordingly, we may exclude the MHRD representative in Building &amp; Works Committee composition.</p> <p>For approval.</p> <p><b>Approved.</b></p>
<b>B.O.G. 12.12.9</b>	<b>Integrated Ph.D. Programme.</b>
	<p>Since it was decided to introduce an Integrated Ph.D. Degree Programme in the meeting of the standing committee and some of the IISERs have already</p>

Decision	<p>introduced this programme, it is proposed to introduce the Integrated Ph.D. Programme at IISER Mohali from the next Academic session, i.e. August 2012. The Senate of IISER Mohali in its meeting held on <b>December 16, 2011</b> had given its approval and had desired that the details be worked out by the Institute. Admission notice has been issued in leading newspapers.</p> <p><b>The Director informed the Board of Governors that the details will be placed before the Senate. In the meantime, he requested the members to convey any of their inputs to the Institute. One member suggested that the eligible qualification for admission be made as BSc. or equivalent. With the above modification, the proposal was approved.</b></p>
<b>B.O.G. 12.12.10</b>	<b>Convocation 2012</b>
Decision	<p>In anticipation of the passing of the Amendment to NIT Act by the Houses of Parliament, a committee has been constituted to plan the first convocation of IISER Mohali.</p> <p><b>Noted and approved including the proposal to confer honorary degree on Professor C. N. R. Rao.</b></p>
<b>B.O.G. 12.12.11</b>	<b>Minutes of the Finance Committee Meeting to be held on 28.03.2012 at 11.00 a.m.</b>
Decision	<p>Minutes placed on the table.</p> <p><b>Noted.</b></p>
<b>B.O.G. 12.12.12</b>	<b>Transfer the earnings of Rs. 230.97 Lakh and other earnings to the Endowment Fund.</b>
	<p>The Board in its 5<sup>th</sup> Meeting held on April 13, 2009 had approved the proposal for opening an Endowment Fund Account. Accordingly, the Endowment Fund Account was opened. During the year 2007-08 and 2008-09 an amount of Rs. 70 Lakh was transferred to the Endowment Fund Account. Further while approving the above transfer the Board of Governors also accorded approval for transfer of the amounts of Enrollment Fees and other earnings by the efforts of the Institute, for its future growth, vide item no. BOG 09.06.16 of the 6<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Board</p>

Decision	<p>of Governors. During the year 2010-11 the Institute earned Rs. 230.97 Lakh including R &amp; D.</p> <p>It is proposed to transfer the Institute earnings of 230.97 Lakh and any other earnings, be transferred to the Endowment Fund Account of the Institute. This is for the information that the Expenditure if any from the Endowment fund will be made only based on the recommendations of a duly appointed committee.</p> <p>The proposal was placed to the Finance Committee for its recommendation to the Board of Governors for transferring earnings of the Institute to the Endowment Fund Account vide item no. F.C. 12.10.06 of the meeting held on 28.03.2012 at 11.00 a.m.</p> <p>On approval, and on transfer of the above amount to the Endowment Fund Account, the balance available under the Endowment Fund Account will be Rs. 459.97 Lakh.</p> <p>For approval.</p> <p><b>Approved as recommended by the Finance Committee. The Chairman further advised that an endowment committee be formed to invest the funds and to work out the plans for its utilization.</b></p> <p><b>* Rs. 2.30 Crore Indicated as on 28.03.2012. But the actual earnings during the year 2011-12 is Rs. 3.18 Crore as on 31.3.2012.</b></p>
B.O.G. 12.12.13	<b>Disposal of applications for the Faculty and non-teaching posts .</b>
Decision	<p>We have been preserving all the applications received for the appointment of the faculty and the non-teaching staff. However, the situation is becoming unmanageable as there are a very large number of applications that we have received so far.</p> <p>It is requested that permission be given for destroying all the applications that are more than 3 years old. However, the lists of applicants shall be maintained.</p> <p>For approval.</p> <p><b>Approved.</b></p>
B.O.G. 12.12.14	<b>Any other item with the permission of the Chair</b>

<b>Decision</b>	<p>1. Outreach activities of the IISER Mohali</p> <p><b>Professor Arvind explained the outreach programme of the IISER and the proposed expansion plans with a power point presentation. In the powerpoint presentation the building proposed for the various activities of the outreach programme of the IISER Mohali was shown to the Board. The Chairman appreciated the move and wanted the Institute to go ahead with the proposal.</b></p>
<b>Decision</b>	<p>2. Visit of IISER students to scotland on exchange programme.</p> <p><b>The Director explained about the proposed visits of two students under an exchange programme to Scotland on an experimental basis. The Chairman emphasized that it should be on real exchange basis and should not be a one way flow.</b></p> <p>3. Fee Structure.</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">For BS-MS course</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">For Ph.D. Course</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">For Integrated Ph.D. Course</p>
<b>Decision</b>	<p><b>Approved in principle. All the IISER Directors will meet and finalize the uniform fee structure soon.</b></p>

**Sd/-  
Director  
IISER Mohali**

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Chairman  
IISER Mohali**

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Registrar/Secretary  
IISER Mohali**