

**DHIRUBHAI AMBANI INSTITUTE OF INFORMATION  
AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY  
GANDHINAGAR**

**MINUTES OF THE TWENTIETH MEETING OF THE  
BOARD OF GOVERNORS**

The twentieth meeting of the Board of Governors was held on 28<sup>th</sup> January, 2023 at DA-IICT, Gandhinagar. The following members were present:

- 1) Prof D Narasimha Reddy
- 2) Prof Bimal Kumar Roy
- 3) Prof K S Dasgupta
- 4) Dr Aloknath De
- 5) Shri Shrenik Vaishnav
- 6) Prof Manik Lal Das
- 7) Prof Manjunath V Joshi
- 8) Prof Ranendu Ghosh (Secretary)

Shri Punit Garg, Shri Shrikant Kulkarni and Ms Alpana Doshi joined the meeting online from their respective locations.

Leave of absence was granted to Shri Anil D Ambani, Shri SJ Haider, Shri Vijay Nehra.

Prof Abhay Karandikar, Shri Surendra Khot and Shri Dharmendra Adhikari could not attend the meeting.

The Board designated Prof D Narasimha Reddy as the Chairman of the meeting.

At the outset, the Director introduced the existing and new members of the BoG. He made a brief presentation of the institute activities and the academic and research ecosystem in the institute.

The BoG was informed the loss of Prof Suman Mitra, Prof Asim Banerjee and Mr Soman Nair during the last two years of pandemic. The Director recollected the significant contribution made by all three during their stay at DAICT in academic and administrative domains respectively. The Board stood in silence for two minutes as a mark of respect to the departed souls.

The following items were discussed at the meeting as per the agenda items circulated with the invitation

**Item No. 1**

**To confirm the minutes of the nineteenth meeting of the Board held on 18th January, 2020**

The Board confirmed the minutes of the nineteenth meeting held on 18<sup>th</sup> January, 2020.

**Item No. 2**

**To review matters arising from the minutes of the meeting on 18<sup>th</sup> January 2020.**

The Board noted the actions taken on the minutes of the meeting held on 18<sup>th</sup> January 2020 as details placed before the meeting.

**Item No. 3**

**To ratify the approval of the Academic Council to launch a new MSc program in Agriculture Analytics.**

Dr R Ghosh presented the salient features of the new PG program, MSc in Agriculture Analytics, and informed that it is a multidisciplinary and multi-institutional program in collaboration with Anand Agriculture University, Anand and Indian Institute of Remote Sensing Dehradun. The Director briefed the Board the procedures followed in finalizing the proposal to launch the new MSc Program. He stated that the Academic Council at its meeting held on 21<sup>st</sup> July 2022 has approved the Program and its Curriculum. There are few suggestions from the BoG members

- The remedial courses, as used by UGC, has different connotations. Instead, the term Refresher Course may be used in this case.
- Success of the program will be determined by the actual placement of the students in the first few batches.
- Since it is a new program, it requires effort to market the program.

The Board ratified the decision taken by the Council and accorded its approval to launch the program from the academic year 2022-23 with an intake not exceeding 30 students.

#### Item No. 4

#### **Ratification of degree registers and gold medal for the students graduated in 2019 – 20, 2020 – 21 and 2021-22.**

Dr Ghosh presented that a total of 492 and 521 students graduated in the years 2019-20 and 2020-21 respectively including UG, PG and Doctoral programs. It was also informed that the degrees have been distributed for these two years. In the current year 2021-22, a total of 563 students are graduating and will be receiving the degrees today. BoG members congratulated all the students and ratified the decision of their degrees. Ms Alpana Doshi enquired about the total number of students admitted in different programs so that members are informed the successful candidates who are completing different programs. Figures are as follows

492 out of 515, 521 out of 532 and 563 out of 573 students have successfully completed different programs in 19-20, 20-21 and 21-22 years respectively.

Dr Ghosh also presented the list of the students receiving President's Gold Medal in 2019-20, 2020-21 and 2021-22 academic years. The number of students who received gold medal are 6, 5 and 7 in 2019-20, 2020-21 and 2021-22 respectively.

“Board hereby accept the recommendations of the Academic Council and approve award of President's Gold Medals to the following students in three years.”

#### **President's Gold Medal Awardees AY 19-20**

Sr No	Student Id	Student Name	CPI	Program
1	201601202	JOGI YASH	9.21	Bachelor of Technology (Information and Communication Technology)
2	201601416	RUTVIK SHAH	9.55	Bachelor of Technology (Honours) in ICT with Minor in Computational Science
3	201811001	NANAVATI TILAK DIGANTKUMAR	9.6	Master of Technology (Information and Communication Technology)
4	201812001	AKSHAY JAIN	8.98	Master of Science (Information Technology)
5	201812003	SHAH ROMIL HEMENDRA	8.98	Master of Science (Information Technology)
6	201814004	PRATHAMESH VINAY SIDDHESH	8.57	Master in Design (Communication Design)

### **President's Gold Medal Awardees AY 20- 21**

Sr No	Student Id	Student Name	CPI	Program
1	201701170	BAXI RUSHIRAJ ASHISH	9.12	Bachelor of Technology (Information and Communication Technology)
2	201701074	MEHTA BHARGEY JAY	9.46	Bachelor of Technology (Honours) in ICT with Minor in Computational Science
3	201911003	BHAT SHRIPAD ANANT	9.79	Master of Technology (Information and Communication Technology)
4	201912019	VRUTTANT MANKAD	9.53	Master of Science (Information Technology)
5	201914012	KS ASHA	8.18	Master in Design (Communication Design)

### **President's Gold Medal Awardees AY 21- 22**

Sr No	Student Id	Student Name	CPI	Program
1	201801190	MAKADIYA NEEL NARENDRABHAI	9.31	Bachelor of Technology (Information and Communication Technology)
2	201801403	SHAH NISHANT KETANKUMAR	9.47	Bachelor of Technology (Honours) in ICT with Minor in Computational Science
3	202011051	MEHTA KRUNAL KAMLESHKUMAR	9.61	Master of Technology (Information and Communication Technology)
4	202015005	THERATTIL ANAND SAJU	8.45	Master of Technology (Electronics and Communication)
5	202012004	NIHARIKA SRIVASTAVA	9.07	Master of Science (Information Technology)
6	202018010	PATEL PREET ARVINDBHAI	9.16	Master of Science (Data Science)
7	202014004	JUHI BHANOT	8.72	Master in Design (Communication Design)

## Item No. 5

### To ratify the additions to faculty

The Board noted that the following faculty members have joined the Institute during 2020 – 21 to 2022 – 23 academic years.

Sr.No.	ID No	Name	DOJ	Designation
1	202091003	Vinay Palaparthi	01.12.20	Assistant Professor
2	202091002	Avik Hati	15.09.20	Assistant Professor
3	202191002	Pritam Anand	24.03.21	Assistant Professor
4	202191003	Shefali Jha	01.04.21	Assistant Professor
5	202091001	Madhu Kant Sharma	04.06.21	Assistant Professor
6	202191005	Nalin Kumar Sharma	12.07.21	Assistant Professor
7	202191006	Manish Kumar	15.07.21	Assistant Professor
8	202191007	Arpit Rana	31.08.21	Assistant Professor
9	202191001	Anuj Tawari	01.03.21	Assistant Professor
10	202191008	Sreeja Rajendran	20.10.21	Assistant Professor
11	202291001	Ayan Palchaudhary	18.02.22	Assistant Professor
12	202291002	Rachit Chhaya	21.02.22	Assistant Professor
13	202291003	Gopinath Panda	05.07.22	Assistant Professor
14	202291005	Jenson Joseph	17.10.22	Assistant Professor
15	202291007	Prosenjit Kundu	30.12.22	Assistant Professor
16	202391001	Sudip Bera	02.01.23	Assistant Professor
17	202391002	Pankaj Kumar	16.01.23	Assistant Professor
18	202291006	Rahul Mishra	21.12.22	Assistant Professor
19	202191004	Shailendra Kumar Singh	28.04.21	Assistant Professor

It was also informed that Dr Avik Hati, Dr Nalin Sharma, Dr Ayan Pal Chowdhury and Dr Shailendra Kumar Singh has since left the institute.

## **Item No. 6**

### **Approval of the new tag line of the institute**

The institute has applied for second cycle of NAAC accreditation and also several ranking arrangements by both public and private institutions e.g. NIRF, GSIRF, TIMES Ranking. In order to establish the institute identity vis a vis other similar ranking institutes, it is proposed to make a tag line which correctly epitomizes the institute programs, pedagogy and academic culture.

It is proposed to add a tag line “**Engineers with social responsibility**” below the logo of the institute so that the character of the logo does not alter, as under



ENGINEERS WITH  
SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

The members present welcome the idea of having a tag line with the logo of the institute and gave formal approval to go ahead and use it for future communications.

## **Item No. 7**

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

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