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Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilizers
Department of Pharmaceuticals

Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi
Dated: 19th December, 2011

Subject: Minutes of the 11th meeting of the Steering Committee for new NIPERs held on 12th December at 11.30 AM in Deptt. of Pharmaceuticals at Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi.

The undersigned is directed to refer to the subject mentioned above and to enclose (6 pages) the minutes of the meeting.

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7. Dr. Ahmed Karnal, Project Director, NIPER, Hyderabad.
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13. The Principal Secretary (Industries), Govt of Bihar, Patna.
14. The Principal Secretary (Industries), Govt of Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad.
15. The Principal Secretary (Industries) West Bengal, Kolkata.
16. The Principal Secretary (Industries) Govt of Assam, Guwahati.
17. The Principal Secretary (Industries) Govt of Uttar Pradesh, Lucknow.

Copy to
1. Mr. A.K. Bahl, Principal Staff Officer, Secretary (C&PC)
2. PS to AS & FA
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4. PS to Dir (SCS)

Registrar
NIS (Pharm) NIPAS has been approved by the Steering Committee with your necessary concurrence.

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There was nothing on record to suggest that a course which was being conducted at NIPER Mohali could not be started in a new NIPER. The Committee, therefore, approved commencement of MS (Pharm) MBA Pharmaceutical Management Course at NIPER Hyderabad from the academic year 2012-13, by treating it as one of the seven courses that each new NIPER can start in Phase I. NIPER Hyderabad should however create requisite infrastructure and other facilities before the commencement of the Course. The expenditure should be the barest minimum and may be worked out in consultation with Coordinator for NIPER, Hyderabad, with NIPER, Mohali.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.
MINUTES OF THE ELEVENTH STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON
15.12.11

The Eleventh Meeting of the Steering Committee (SC) was held on 15-12-2011 at 11:30 AM, under the Chairpersonship of Secretary (C&PC & Pharma) in the Conference room no. 220A Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi. List of participants is at Annexure I.

2. The Secretary was apprised of the developments with regard to setting up of 6 new NIPERs and commencement of PG level courses with the help of Scientific Mentor Institutes. Secretary was also informed by the Project Directors of new NIPERs about the arrangements made to conduct courses with the help of faculty from Mentor Institutes, faculty appointed on contract basis from market and guest faculty from industry, academia, etc. The difficulties faced by the NIPERs in this regard, including those concerning space, labs etc were also briefly discussed.

3. Thereafter, the agenda items were discussed and decisions taken, as detailed below:-

1). **Follow up action on the decision taken in last SC meeting (10th meeting dated 23.02.2011) relating to filling up the post of Director in each new NIPER.**

   The 10th meeting of the Steering Committee for new NIPERs at its meeting held on 23.2.2011 finalized qualification and process of selection of Directors. Thereafter, advertisements were floated in newspapers. Based on this, potential candidates had applied and applications were received till 31.05.2011. NIPER, Mohali provided secretarial assistance to the Selection Committee constituted for selecting Directors for new NIPERs. The Selection Committee, however, has not been able to proceed further after receipt of applications for selection of Directors of new NIPERs as the Chairman of the Selection Committee has expressed his inability to continue for various reasons. The file is currently under re-submission to Minister (C&F) for deciding on a new Chairman of the Selection Committee. The orders of the Minister (C&F) are awaited.

2). **Creation of posts at new NIPERs**

   The Committee discussed creation of posts for each new NIPER as per Agenda item 11.3 and approved creation of 89 posts for each NIPER with minor modifications viz. (i) Registrar (Academic), as seen in the Agenda Annexure 6, will be just designated as Registrar, (ii) there should be a post of Deputy Registrar (Academic), (iii) since there is already a post of Deputy Registrar (Administration, Store and Purchase), there need not be a separate Assistant Registrar (Administration, Store and Purchase); (iv) that in the labs, instead of Technical Assistants, the 14 posts should be of the rank of Junior Technical Assistants and (v) a post of Lady Warden should be available. A list of 89 posts as approved by the Committee is annexed at Annex II. The issue of creation of posts in new NIPERs will now be taken up with the Ministry of Finance through IFD. While approving creation of posts in the new NIPERs, it was noted that this was the barest minimum requirement for imparting PG level education in 7 streams, R&D activities and Ph.D.
3) **Construction of Campus of new NIPERs**

It was stated that new NIPERs have been set up under the amended NIPER Act 1998. As such, each NIPER is an autonomous institution under the Act of Parliament. In terms of Section 8 of the NIPER Act 1998, the Board of Governors shall be responsible for the general superintendence, direction and control of the affairs of the institute and shall exercise all the powers not otherwise provided for by the Act, and the statutes.

It was decided that construction work should be undertaken by the respective Board of Governors for each new NIPER as per GFR, etc keeping in view their requirements.

As regards land, it was informed that about 100 acre land had been allotted for NIPER Guwahati at Guwahati and about 60 acre for NIPER, Gandhinagar at Gandhinagar. The duly constituted BoGs of NIPER concerned would take up work in their location accordingly.

Appropriate letters may be written from Secretary/Minister level for firming up land allocation for other new NIPERs.

Constitution of the BoGs for each NIPER will be expedited.

4) **Establishment of National Centre for Medical Devices at NIPER Gandhinagar**

In order to have proper synergy, utilization and capacity building for development of Medical Devices industry, a proposal was received from NIPER Ahmedabad, to set up National Centre for Medical Devices at NIPER Ahmedabad. This had the objective to provide-

- Educational and Academic Training for Medical Devices.
- R&D for Medical Devices.
- Pre-clinical and clinical trials of Medical Devices.

The focus of the Centre was to be on Dental, Heart, Orthopaedic and Ophthalmic areas.

In terms of the decision at the 7th Meeting of Steering Committee for new NIPERs held on 2.3.2010, NIPER, Ahmedabad was to commence M(Pharm) course on Medical Devices. It was decided that when any new course is to be introduced in the NIPERs in respect of which syllabus is not available, the new NIPERs will constitute a Committee to finalize a uniform syllabus for all six NIPERs wherever, the new course is to be introduced. The committee would comprise the following:-

a. Project Director of concerned NIPER.
b. Representative of NIPER Mohali.
c. Representative of CDRI, Lucknow.

It was noted that NIPER Ahmedabad, had not yet implemented the decision of the Steering Committee at its 7th meeting in regard to introduction of new course on Medical
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