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Sub: - Minutes of the 15th meeting of the Steering Committee for new NIPERs held on 23.01.2013 at 4.00 PM in Department of Pharmaceuticals at Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi.

The undersigned is directed to enclose a copy of the minutes (3 pages) of the 15th meeting of the Steering Committee for new NIPERs held on 23.01.2013.

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1. Sr. PPS to Secretary (Pharma)
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The 15th meeting of the Steering Committee was held on 23.1.2013 at 4.00 PM under the Chairmanship of Secretary (Pharma) in his Chamber at Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi. The list of participants is at Annexure. None from NIPER, Ahmedabad attended the meeting because of previous pre-occupation.

2. At the outset Secretary (Pharma) welcomed all the participants. The following were the decision of the Committee:

(i) The Committee confirmed the minutes of the 14th meeting of the Steering Committee held on 11.10.2012.
(ii) The action taken notes with respect to minutes of the 14th meeting of the Steering Committee were discussed and following decision were taken:

(a) NIPER, Hajipur and Guwahati should finalise and submit their up-to-date accounts by 20.2.2013
(b) The issue of MS (Pharm) degree awarded by NIPERs and non-inclusion of this qualification by PCI affiliated Pharmacy colleges for the purpose of appointment as Lecturer in these colleges would be discussed by Secretary (Pharma) with the Chairman, UGC and Chairman, PCI.
(c) NIPER, Mohali should expeditiously obtain approval of its Board of Governors (BoG) for inclusion of MS (Pharm) in Medical Devices in NIPER Ordinance and notify the same in the Gazette of India.
(d) The meeting of the Committee constituted to consider issues in respect of revision of MS (Pharm) curriculum and disparity in fee structures of MS (Pharm) in Pharmacoinformatics vis-à-vis, other courses, may be convened early.
(e) The funds to NIPER, Hyderabad may be made available by re-appropriation if savings are available.

3. Finalization of MoU for construction of campus at NIPER Gandhinagar and Guwahati – Steering Committee approved the MoU to be entered into by NIPER Guwahati and Gandhinagar with EPIL and HSCL subject to following modifications:

(i) The first party shall appoint a third party Agency for vetting of the estimates submitted by the second party as also for periodical quality checks and cost thereof will be part of the Project cost.

(ii) In respect of release of funds as mentioned, in Para 15 (a) of the MoU, the following shall be substituted. “The funds for construction of project shall be released in a phased manner by the first party as per work done/progress of work. Running bills submitted by the second party shall be verified & checked by the first party before release of next installment of funds.”

(iii) It was mentioned by Director, NIPER, Mohali that penalty for delay in completion of work should be @ 1% of the unfinished or balance work for each week of delay solely attributable to the second party, subject to a maximum of 10% of the
cost of particular building/work. The Committee accepted this modification. The said clause was accordingly revised, as follows:

Penalty/ Compensation for delay - In the event of failure of second party to start or complete the work within stipulated period, including validity extended period granted by first party/Department of Pharmaceuticals, and if such delay is attributable to the second party, first party will impose liquidated damages on the second party. The damages shall be calculated @ 1% (one percent) of the unfinished or balance work for each week of delay solely attributable to the second party, subject to a maximum of 10% of the cost of particular building/work.

(iv) Various issues pertaining to NIPER, Ahmedabad viz refund of sports and gym fees, payment of stipend during the strike period, reporting of strike etc. were not discussed as none from NIPER, Ahmedabad attended the meeting because of their pre-occupation.

(v) The Committee approved the accounts of NIPER, Rae Bareli for the years 2008-09, 2009-10, 2010-11 and 2011-12 subject to audit.

(vi) The Committee approved accounts of NIPER, Kolkata for the years 2007-08, 2008-09, 2009-10 and 2010-11 for laying in Parliament

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

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