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 Department of Pharmaceuticals

Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi
 Dated June 8th, 2018

Subject:- Minutes of the 32nd Meeting of the Steering Committee of National Institutes of Pharmaceutical Education & Research (NIPERs) of Gandhinagar, Guwahati, Hajipur, Hyderabad, Kolkata and Rae Bareli.

The 32nd meeting of the Steering Committee was held under the Chairmanship of Secretary, Pharmaceuticals on 04.06.2018 at 10.30 a.m. at NIPER, Raebareli. The list of participants is at **Annexure**.

2. At the outset, Director, NIPER, Raebareli welcomed all the participants.
3. The decisions taken by the Steering Committee on each agenda item are as under:

Agenda No.	Subject	Decision	Action to be taken by
32.1	Action Taken Report on the decisions taken in 31 st Meeting of the Steering Committee.	<p>The following decisions were taken on ATR on minutes of the 31st meeting of the Steering Committee:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. NIPER Hajipur to submit required copies (Hindi and English) of the Annual Accounts for the year 2012-13 to 2015-16 <u>within a week</u> along with <u>detailed statement indicating reasons for delay</u> so that the same can be laid before the Table of the House. ii. NIPERs to approach Pharmacy Council of India (PCI) for start of B Pharma course from the academic session 2019-20. iii. NIPER Knowledge portal was to be finalized by 15.04.2018. All NIPERs to send their comments to NIPER Hyderabad immediately and the Institute to finalize the same <u>within a week</u>. 	<p>NIPER Hajipur</p> <p>All NIPERs</p> <p>All NIPERs/ NIPER Hyderabad</p>

		iv. NIPER Kolkata to arrange alternative residential accommodation for the 1 st year students of academic session 2018-19 <u>by end of June, 2018.</u> Otherwise, running of the first year course at the Institute would be reviewed.	NIPER Kolkata
32.2	Financial matters pertaining to NIPERs	<p>Directors / Project Director made presentations on various financial matters. The gist of decisions taken is as under:</p> <p>i. Individual Institutes would submit the proposals, if not submitted already, to DoP regarding action plan for utilization of funds for the year 2018-19 and actual release sought during the first quarter of the year.</p> <p>ii. All NIPERs to furnish the details of funds released till date for purchase of equipment and utilization thereof, including list of equipment purchased.</p> <p>iii. All NIPERs to deposit funds received by way of fees, user charges etc. in a separate account (corpus/endowment fund). SOP for utilization of the same be drawn by DoP in consultation with IFD/ all NIPERs. Till finalization of the SOP, utilization of funds from the existing corpus funds, if any, would be with approval of the Steering Committee.</p> <p>iv. NIPER Guwahati may propose to utilize the amount in its corpus made from its own resources for acquiring the land for approach road to their regular campus under construction.</p>	<p>All NIPERs/ DoP</p> <p>All NIPERs</p> <p>DoP</p> <p>NIPER Guwahati</p>

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32.3 [Deferred Agenda Item No. 31.5]	Commencement of construction of the sanctioned phase of the project	To await final approval of EFC minutes.	-
32.4 [Deferred Agenda Item No. 31.6]	Approval of Annual Report and Annual Statement of Accounts for the year 2017-18	Approved. The same may now be sent to CAG.	NIPER Ahmedabad
32.5 [Deferred Agenda Item No. 31.7]	Implementation of 7 th CPC scales	All NIPERs to send specific proposals clearly indicating the details of source of funds for meeting 30% of expenses for pay revision/ payment of arrears of 7 th CPC, so that proposal(s) can be further examined.	All NIPERs/ DoP
32.6 [Deferred Agenda Item No. 31.8]	Conduct of Annual Sports Event for the year 2018-19 and allotment of additional grants for conduct of Inter NIPER Sports and Cultural Meet at Gandhinagar	Additional funds for the purpose not approved. The activity can be done by pooling of resources by all NIPERs, as is being done presently.	NIPER Ahmedabad
32.7	Approval of the award of PhD degree to Shri Bhavik Kansara.	Extant practice may continue.	NIPER Ahmedabad
32.8	Finalization of guidelines on matching of	Decided to follow the provisions recorded vide Note 1 below Section 3.6 of the NIPER Statute.	All NIPERs

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	emoluments with higher qualification/experience. [Refer Other decisions iii of 30 th Steering Committee]		
32.9	Construction of additional 250 sqm of temporary built up area to enable create space for establishment of instrumentation facility at NIPER Ahmedabad.	To await final approval of EFC minutes.	-

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32.10 [Deferred Agenda Item No. 31.9]	Allocation of additional funds for: a. Appointment of a Placement Officer on contractual basis from the academic session 2018-20 b. Payment of HRA to the PhD scholars not availing the Hostel facilities	The Committee noted that the placement duties are assigned as an additional charge to faculty members in other NIPERs. Further, no such post has been proposed in EFC memo by DoP. As such, the proposal cannot be approved at this stage. The Chair, however, observed that the idea is good and NIPERs should develop a mechanism for it and re-submit the same with recommendations. Deferred	All NIPERs NIPER Kolkata
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32.11 [Deferred Agenda Item No. 31.10]	Awarding Honorary Degrees to two eminent persons.	Not approved	-
32.12	Constitution of a Committee to study the existing courses conducted by NIPERs keeping in view the industry and society demands.	Decided to form an Academic Council to look into various issues including introduction of new courses/continuation of existing courses/revision of courses etc. DoP to issue orders indicating the composition and TOR of the Council.	DoP
32.13	Approval of Annual Statement of Accounts of NIPER Kolkata for the year 2017-18	Approved. The same may now be sent to CAG. AS&FA advised all NIPERs to follow the standardized format of Accounts as prescribed by CAG format.	NIPER Kolkata/ All NIPERs
NIPER Hyderabad			
32.14 [Deferred Agenda Item No. 31.12]	Filling the existing vacancy of faculty due to some resignations in few departments.	Permitted to fill two posts in Pharmaceutical Management Department and one post in Pharmacology & Toxicology and Regulatory Toxicology Department on contractual basis.	NIPER Hyderabad
NIPER Raebareli			
32.15	Approval of Academic Council for NIPER Raebareli	Approved. It was further decided that out of the six external experts prescribed under composition of the Academic Planning and Development Committee (APDC) vide section 3.3.1.1 (d) of NIPER Statute, two would be Directors of	NIPER Raebareli/ All NIPERs

		other NIPERs.	
32.16	Provision of repeat order/joint order for capital items by NIPERs	Approved, in principle. It was decided that all the NIPERs should purchase equipment in bulk as it would give them leverage in purchasing equipment at lower cost and transparency in dealing with financial matters. A Purchase Committee of all NIPERs be constituted which will develop SOP on standardization of equipment required/ common purchase process etc. and gives its report. DoP to issue orders indicating TOR of the Committee.	DoP
32.17	Transfer of fixed items at NIPER Raebareli campus to GAIL on payment	Approved. The Institute has to follow the extant rules and procedures in the matter.	NIPER Raebareli
NIPER Guwahati			
32.18 [Deferred Agenda 31.15]	Fixing of emoluments of the contractual faculty possessing higher qualification/experience, if any.	As per decision taken to Agenda Item 32.8.	All NIPERs
32.19	Reorganization of the courses for better employment opportunities	As per decision taken to Agenda Item 32.12.	DoP
NIPER-Hajipur			
32.20 [Deferred Agenda 31.16]	Fate of existing students of PhD Pharmacoinformatics -	The Committee, after pursuing the representations of Ms Bhavana P. and Venkateshwaran, PhD students in pursuance of judgment dated 14.5.2018 of High Court of Patna in LPA No. 575 of 2018, after	NIPER Hajipur/ NIPER Mohali

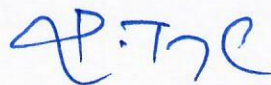
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<p>In the 29th meeting of the Steering Committee held at NIPER, Hyderabad on 13.12.2018, it was decided that no admissions be made in Pharmaco-informatics from the next year. The Institute has 2 PhD students of year 2013, whose matter is pending is Patna High Court, 1 PhD student of the year 2016 and 2 PhD students of the year 2017 will be expected to continue till 2021 and 2022 respectively. It is suggested that, if possible, by making necessary amendment these scholars may be transferred</p>	<p>detailed deliberations and taking into consideration all facts and issues including provisions of NIPER Ordinances, 2014 decided that Project Director, NIPER Hajipur would appoint an Advisor from the Institute and two Joint Advisors from NIPER Mohali, in consultation with Director, NIPER Mohali for the appellants. The two Joint Advisors would visit Hajipur as needed/ practical and guide the appellants so that they may complete their PhD at the earliest, but within the overall period of 5 years from date of admission in PhD.</p> <p>Project Director, NIPER Hajipur would issue a Speaking Order in pursuance of the Court directions.</p> <p>Separate proposal may be submitted by NIPER Hajipur for other PhD students in Pharmaco-informatics stream.</p>	
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	to another NIPER where Pharmacoinformatics stream is in operation.		
32.21 [Deferred Agenda 31.17]	Creation of non-teaching (support staff) posts Some ministerial posts up to Group- B may also be created so that persons who have rendered their services to NIPER, Hajipur for the last 8-10+ years, become over aged, may be absorbed.	To await final approval of EFC Minutes.	-
<p>Other decisions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Annual Accounts (2017-18) of NIPER Raebareli, which were placed as a Table Agenda, were approved. The same may now be sent to CAG. (Action: NIPER Raebareli). ➤ AS&FA noted that NIPERs are not using their instruments/facilities for user charges except NIPER, Mohali. They should revise the user charges from industry / public and inform the Department. (Action: All NIPERs) 			

3. The meeting ended with vote of thanks to the chair.


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5. Directors of NIPER - Ahmedabad, Kolkata, Guwahati, Raebareli and Mohali.
6. Assistant Director, Official Languages for translation of the proceedings for circulation to all and to hoist on the Department website.

Annexure**List of Participants**

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Hajipur	Dr. P. Das	Project Director