

MINUTES OF THE FIRST MEETING OF BOARD OF MANAGEMENT OF THE IIHMR UNIVERSITY HELD ON NOVEMBER 27, 2013 AT 11.00 AM IN THE BOARD ROOM OF IIHMR, 1, PRABHU DAYAL MARG, NEAR SANGANER AIRPORT, JAIPUR

The Institute of Health Management Research, Jaipur has been established and incorporated in to 'The IIHMR University' by the Ordinance 2013 (No 30 Of 2013) made and promulgated by the Hon'ble Governor of Rajasthan on the 27th day of September 2013.

The first meeting of the Board of Management (BOM) the IIHMR University was held on 27th November 2013 under the Chairpersonship of Sh. M.L. Mehta, Chairperson, The IIHMR University.

The following were attended the meeting:

1. Shri M.L. Mehta, Chairperson
2. Dr. Ashok Agarwal, Member
3. Shri Anand Agarwal, Member(attended through Skype)
4. Dr. Ashok Pangariya, Member
5. Dr. Malovika Pawar, Member (attended through Skype)
6. Shri Vivek Sawant, Member
7. Shri Hemant Kaul, Member
8. Shri Naveen Jain , Director College Education, GoR Member
9. Dr. S.D. Gupta, Director, IIHMR – Special Invitee

Dr. Sudarshan Jain was granted the leave of absence.

Shri M.L. Mehta, Chairperson, The IIHMR University, chaired the meeting.

The meeting was called to order by the Chairperson.

1. The Board was informed about Sh. M.L.Mehta's appointment as the first Chairperson of The IIHMR University by the Sponsoring Body i.e. Indian Institute of Health Management Research (Society) with the approval of the State Government. After brief introduction of the members, the Chairperson welcomed the Board Members, lauded their eminence in respective fields and hoped that the new University would greatly benefit from their expertise. The Chairperson informed that the Sponsoring Body i.e. IIHMR Society has nominated 05 persons, namely, Shri Anand Agarwal, Dr. Ashok Agarwal, Dr. Ashok Pangariya, Dr. Malovika Pawar and Dr. Sudarshan Jain for being members of the Board of Management, and further that in exercise of the powers conferred under sec 22 of the Ordinance, he has nominated Shri Hemant Kaul, ex ED of the Axis Bank as a member due to his expertise in financial matters and Shri Vivek Sawant, MD, Maharashtra Knowledge Corporation Ltd (MKCL) as a member of the Board due to his expertise in the field of IT .

2. Shri Mehta then gave an overview of the vision and mission behind setting up IIHMR in 1984 and the phenomenal growth registered by it since then, present status of its academic courses and research work and the efforts leading to the formation of the University. He also informed members about the broad details of various provisions under the Ordinance about the University, in particular, he highlighted that IIHMR University would be holding only postgraduate programmes in the disciplines mentioned in Schedule II of the Ordinance and undertake research work in the respective fields. In a way it has been envisaged as a research university which can run postgraduate courses in approved disciplines.

The members congratulated the Management of the Sponsoring Body, the faculty and the staff of the Institute for finally getting the university status for the Institute. They also congratulated Shri M.L. Mehta for his appointment as the first Chairperson of the IIHMR University.

3. Thereafter, special invitee Dr S.D. Gupta, Director, IIHMR gave a detailed power point presentation about formation, growth, faculty, academic programmes run by it and research work carried out at IIHMR, Jaipur over the years, faculty strength and infrastructure built up and various distinctions earned by IIHMR. He informed that the IIHMR was set up in 1984 and developed into a well known institute in public health in the country with exclusive focus on health management research, education and training. Presently, it has three campuses, at Bangalore, Jaipur and Delhi while the fourth has been planned at Kolkata. The IIHMR Jaipur is a WHO Collaborating Centre on district health systems based on primary health care for many years.

The Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, GoI has declared IIHMR as an Institutes of Excellence in the health sector. The Institute has also been accredited by the National Board of Accreditation. The Institute is also the member of SEAPHEN; a WHO's Public Health Education Network in South East Asia. Dr. S.D. Gupta, Director, IIHMR Jaipur, has been elected as President Elect of SEAPHEIN. With its work in Member countries of SAARC and SEARO WHO, the Institute has established now a global footprint.

The Institute's proposal for University status was approved by the Government of Rajasthan on September 27, 2013, by bringing IIHMR, University Ordinance 2013 (Ordinance No. 30 of 2013).

4. Approval of Draft Statutes of the IIHMR University.

The Board considered the draft statutes of the University prepared and submitted for consideration of the Board by the University authorities. The Board considered the draft statutes clause by clause. The approved statutes are provided at Annexure-1.

In addition, following points were made for further consideration of the University:

- a. A policy should be framed for investment of funds, property transactions and acceptance of donations, bequests and gifts of movable and immovable nature by the University.
 - b. The Faculty/institute/School formation should be made keeping in view the number of students pursuing different courses under the banner of the faculty/institute/school. Each institution/school may have their Board of Studies.
 - c. The University may develop its own personnel policy including pay scales keeping in view the industry trends, UGC guidelines and personnel policy of the Sponsoring Body with which the present employees of IIHMR transferred to the IIHMR University, were governed
 - ii. There would be less number of students because of the prohibition of undergraduate courses in the Ordinance. In view of smaller size of the University, it may consider the option of entrusting work of Pro-President, Provost and Proctor to the senior faculty of the University as additional responsibility(ies).
 - iii. As IIHMR had been headed by the Director since its inception in 1984, the statutes must provide for position of Director/Dean for the institute. The Director/Dean would head the respective Institute(s). All faculty members and the staff working in the Institute would come under the administrative control and supervision of Director.
 - iv. Dr. Ashok Agarwal wanted to know the hierarchy of Registrar, CFAO, Provost and Procter. It was explained that these offices would report to the President.
 - v. Dr S.D. Gupta would prepare an Organogram and submit it to the Board in the next meeting.
5. The Board looked at the CVs of following persons including their research experience, leadership quality and teaching experience for preparing a panel of 3 names for appointment of the President:
- i. Dr S.D. Gupta
 - ii. Dr Barun Kanji Lal
 - iii. Dr L.P.Singh
 - iv. Dr Dharendra Kumar
 - v. Dr P. Sodani

The Board approved a panel consisting of the candidates listed at (i).(iii) and (iv) above for appointment of President in order of priority.

6. Approval of the members of the Academic Council

As per the Ordinance, the Board has to constitute an Academic Council, which shall be the principal academic body of the University and shall consist of the following members.

- i. President (Chairperson)
- ii. Pro-President
- iii. Five eminent educationists/ professional drawn from academia and industry co-opted by the President from outside the University in consultation with the Chairperson
- iv. Directors/Deans
- v. Two faculty members to be nominated by the President
- vi. Controller of Examination(s) as ex-officio member(s).
- vii. Registrar of the University shall be the Member-Secretary

The Board suggested that there should be eight persons in category (iii) instead of five persons. The president could consider some alumni with global experience member of the expanded Academic Council.

The Academic Council shall be the principal Academic Body of the University and shall subject to the provision of the ordinance and the Rules, Regulations, Statutes or Ordinance, made there under co-ordinate and exercise general supervision over the academic policies of the University. The Board authorizes the Academic Council to take a decision on shifting the AICTE approval course to the IIHMR University and apply for closures to the AICTE.

Dr. Malovika Pawar suggested that the Academic Council may have sub-committee(s) to more specifically review the course curriculum and syllabus.

The Academic Council will report to President who shall give final approval for its recommendations regarding academic courses, student related Rules and acts, quality and accreditation of the academic programs.

It was discussed in detail. All the members were of the opinion in case of any discretion to overcome the recommendation of the Academic Council by the President, in that case they should go to the Board of Management.

7. The Board suggested that vesting of the assets both movable and immovable should be done by observing all necessary legal formalities.

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

Chairperson