

I.K. Gujral
Punjab Technical University

Agenda

72nd Meeting of
Board of Governors



Venue:

IKGPTU Mohali Campus-I
C-102/B, Industrial Area, Phase-7, Mohali

Date and Time:

23rd January, 2020 at 02:30 PM

Agenda for the 72nd Meeting of the Board of Governors to be held on 23.01.2020 at 02:30 PM at IKGPTU Mohali Campus-1, C-102/B, Phase VII, Industrial Area, Mohali

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Item No.72.1: To confirm the Proceedings of 71st meeting of Board of Governors held on 15.06.2019.

The Proceedings of 71st meeting of Board of Governors held on 15.06.2019 were circulated vide IKGPTU/REG/RO/106-120 dated 03.07.2019 and are placed as **Annexure-I (Page No 55-66)**.

No comments have been received from any member of the Board. The proceedings may kindly be confirmed.

Item No.72.2: Action taken report on the proceedings of the 69th Special Meeting, 70th Special meeting and 71st meeting of Board of Governors, I.K. Gujral Punjab Technical University held on 09.01.2019, 22.02.2019, 15.06.2019 respectively

Item No. 69.2

ATR on Proceedings of 69th Special Meeting of Board of Governors

Chairman also suggested that IKGPTU to organise one-day brain storming workshop for all the members of BOG, wherein reputed academicians and leading industrialists should be invited to discuss and give suggestions regarding commencement of new courses.

Action Taken: One-day Brain Storming Workshop was organized at 26.04.2019 at IKGPTU Mohali Campus. Board Members, Eminent Industrialists & Academicians were invited to attend this workshop. Second one-day Brain Storming Workshop is planned in the mid of March-2020.

Item No. 68.2 (64.4): To Prepare and notify Regulations for the University.

Board Decision: The Board desired that the Regulations be finalized upto 31st March 2019 by the University.

Action Taken: The matter is put up as a separate agenda item No. 72.10



Item No. 68.2 (64.5): To recruit Controller of Examination and Registrar for the University.

Board Decision: The Board desired that the post of COE to be advertised and post of Registrar to be re-advertised within a period of 15 days.

Action Taken: The advertisement for the post of Registrar and COE has already advertised vide advertisement No. 19/02/01 dated 03/02/2019.

The present status is as under:

Registrar: The University has advertised the position of Registrar vide advertisement No. 06/02 dated 06/06/2018. As per the directions of BOG, the post of Registrar has been re-advertised vide advertisement No. 19/02/01 dated 02/02/2019. The total No. of applications received for the post of Registrar are 48 out of which 28 candidates are found eligible by the screening committee. The interview for the post is planned in first week of February-2020.

Controller of Examinations: The University has advertised the positions of COE vide advertisement No. 19/02/01 dated 02/02/2019. The total No. of applications received for the post of COE are 17 out of which 09 candidates are found eligible by the screening committee. As per the notified procedure, the Vice Chancellor has constituted selection committee and the matter regarding conduct of aptitude test is under process. The interview for the post is planned in first week of February-2020.

Item No.68.2 (64.8): To approve the promotions of faculty under the Career Advancement Scheme.

Board Decision: The Board authorized the Vice-Chancellor to complete the process of promotions of faculty under CAS as per UGC norms. However, for the cases falling under AICTE norms, the approval of Board may be taken separately.

Action Taken: The matter is placed as separate Agenda Item No. 72.17



Item No.68.2 (67.9): Release of balance Payment of Regional Centres.

Board Decision: Noted and action of Committee Report

Action Taken: The audit of pending payments of RCs is under process and is near to completion”.

Item No. 68.3: To approve the proceedings of 31st meeting of Finance Committee scheduled to be held on 17.10.2018.

Board Decision: The Board approved the qualification recommended by the Committee for the position of Finance Officer. However, the Board desired that the experience for the post shall be in the relevant field.

Action Taken: The recruitment process for the post of Finance Officer is under process. However, as per recommendations of Finance Committee in 32nd meeting vide Item No. 32.12.1 two (02) Accounting Professionals (CA), have been hired on yearly basis for structuring of accounting mechanism of Department of Finance & Accounts of University.

Item No. 68.4: To approve the proceedings of 53rd meeting of Standing Building Construction Committee held on 11.10.2018.

Board Decision: The Board approved the matter and further desired that the consolidated status report be presented in the next Board meeting.

Action Taken: The status report is placed as **Annexure-II (Page No.67-70)**

Item No. 68.6: Proposal for establishment of “Centre for Invention, Innovation, Incubation and Training (CIIT) by Tata Technologies Ltd. (TTL).

Board Decision: The Board directed that complete presentation is to be made before the Board regarding the status of TATA Technologies Ltd. (TTL) Project at all different places/Campuses of University.



Action Taken: The current status is placed in the Action Taken Report of 71st meeting of BOG held on 22.2.2019.

Item No. 68.12: To nominate members for Academic Council of IKGPTU.

Board Decision: Board authorized the chairman, BOG to nominate the members of Academic Council of IKGPTU on the recommendations of Vice-chancellor, IKGPTU.

Action Taken: The action is under process

Item No. 68.13: Reconstitution of Human Resource Committee of IKGPTU.

Board Decision: Board deliberated on the matter and decided that there should be two Human Resource Committees as follows:

- (i) High Power Human Resource Committee for creation of posts and other policy matters. Also review the present staff/faculty and ascertain they meet the UGC criteria and means to fulfil the UGC qualifications.

Board authorized the Chairman, BOG to nominate the members on the recommendations of Vice-Chancellor, IKGPTU.

- (ii) Internal Human Resource Committee for routine matters such as anomalies, promotions and placements of scales etc.

Board authorized the Vice-Chancellor to constitute Internal HR Committee. If Vice-Chancellor desires, may nominate members of Board in the Committee with the approval of Chairman, BOG.

Board decided that the recommendation of both the Committees shall be approved by the Vice-Chancellor for their implementation.

Action Taken: Internal and High Power Human Resource Committee is constituted by University vide order No. IKGPTU/REG/00/145-150 dated 16.01.2019 & IKGPTU/REG/00/169-174 dated 18.01.2019 respectively.



Item No. 68.14: To apprise about the status of Income Tax Cases of the University.

Board Decision: The Board has taken a serious note of the Income Tax and Service Tax cases and felt that the cases have not been dealt with properly. Board directed Vice-Chancellor to investigate the cases thoroughly, so that this type of lapses does not reoccur and the interest of the University safeguarded. Vice Chancellor, IKGPTU apprised the Board that a committee has already been constituted to look into the matter.

Board also desired that a detailed presentation regarding status report of all the Income Tax and Services Tax cases be given in the next Board meeting.

Action Taken: The Committee has already submitted the report to Vice-Chancellor and sent for legal opinion. The same shall be placed before the BOG in its next meeting.

The matter is put up as a separate agenda item No. 72.11.

Item No. 68.15: To apprise about the status of Service Tax Cases.

Board Decision: The Board has taken a serious note of the Income Tax and Service Tax cases and felt that the cases have not been dealt with properly. Board directed Vice-Chancellor to investigate the cases thoroughly, so that this type of lapses does not reoccur and the interest of the University safeguarded. Vice Chancellor, IKGPTU apprised the Board that a committee has already been constituted to look into the matter.

Board also desired that a detailed presentation regarding status report of all the Income Tax and Services Tax cases be given in the next Board meeting.



Action Taken: The Committee has already submitted the report to Vice-Chancellor and sent for legal opinion. The same shall be placed before the BOG in its next meeting.

The matter is put up as a separate agenda item No. 72.12.

Item No.68.16: To Sanction the Posts of faculty (exclusively dedicated to open & distance learning)

Board Decision: Vice-Chancellor apprised the Board that University has already applied for approval of Distance Education Bureau (DEB) of UGC. The proposed posts are bare minimum required for obtaining DEP approval.

Board approved the posts with a rider that process of the recruitment may be initiated but appointment letter for the said posts be issued only after getting approval.

Action Taken: The action is presented in Item No. 69.9

Item No. 68.17.1: To apprise about the MoUs/Agreements signed by University with various Foreign Universities/ Institutions.

Board decision: The Board noted and ratified the matter and directed that henceforth detail of MOUs may be circulated to all the Board members, along-with with financial liability (if any), 10 days prior to Board meeting.

It was also directed to apprise the Board regarding outcome of these MOUs.

Action Taken: University has signed 26 MoU's with Foreign Universities (List attached at **Annexure-III (Page No. 71-74)**) and has sent five students to Nottingham Trent University, UK for NTU Global Summer School Short Term Course: Design Thinking and one student got offer letter from Concordia University of Edmontan, Canada under Student exchange program as per MoUs signed.



Item No. 69.3: To follow up and review the acquisition/purchase of 42 acres of land at Shri Chamkaur Sahib to establish Guru Gobind Singh Institute of skills as constituent campus of IKGPTU.

Board Decision: After due deliberations, the Board decided in principle to acquire/purchase 42 acres of land at Shri Chamkur Sahib to establish Guru Gobind Singh Institute of Skills as constituent campus of IKGPTU. The land shall be purchased on the name of IKGPTU.

Board also directed that as Chamkaur Sahib is being developed as a Constituent Campus of IKGPTU and a HUB and spoke of Centre for Invention, Innovation, Incubation and Training (CIIT) is to be established by Tata Technologies Ltd. (TTL) at this place. Therefore, Board approved that building and boundary wall required at Chamkaur Sahib Campus will be created by the University.

Above decisions are subject to the following condition:

The price fixation committee has fixed solatium of 100 percent over the collector rates (Basic Price), so it was also decided by the Board that approval/clarification/decision of Financial Commissioner of Revenue (F.C.R.), Punjab is required regarding the cost of the land (including the solatium to be paid), as recommended by Collector in one of its meeting. Moreover, the 100% solatium has been decided without any involvement of IKG PTU and Department of Technical Education, Punjab. Therefore, a letter shall be sent to FCR for approval/clarification/decision regarding percentage of solatium to be paid and fixing the price of land in discussion with Secretary, Technical Education & Industrial Training, Punjab. The matter shall be placed in the next BOG meeting after above approval.

Action Taken: The matter was placed before the Board of Governors in its special 70th meeting held on 22.2.2019 vide Agenda Item No. 70.3. The action taken report is presented at Item no. 70.3.



Item No 69.6: To consider and approve Centralized Counselling and Common Entrance Test for the State of Punjab

Board Decision: The Board appreciated the proposal of Centralized Counselling for admission to AICTE courses for session 2019-20 onwards in all Universities running AICTE courses in the State of Punjab, as this will relieve the students from applying for multiple Universities. Therefore, the Board recommended that University shall send letter to Secretary, Technical Education and Industrial Training, Punjab with a request for further taking up the matter with Department of Higher Education and other departments of Govt. of Punjab for Centralized Counselling for admission to the various AICTE courses mentioning the name of all such courses

Action Taken: A letter alongwith draft notifications has been sent to Principal Secretary, Dept. of Technical Education & Industrial Training, Punjab, Chandigarh vide no. IGKTPU/REG/5642 dated 07.02.2019 regarding conduct of Centralized Counselling for admission to AICTE courses for session 2019-20 in all Universities running AICTE course in the State of Punjab. Reply is still awaited.

Item No. 69.7: To consider the cases of Officers/Employees who have been transferred from Giani Zail Singh PTU Campus, Bathinda to IKGPTU Jalandhar.

Board Decision: After due deliberations, the Board decided that the conditional consent is not acceptable. Employees should be asked to give consent that they will be governed by the existing IKGPTU norms unconditionally or they have to go back to their parent Institution

Action Taken: In this regard, letters had been issued to the concerned Officer/Employees (09 No.) regarding unconditional absorption in IKGPTU vide different letters dated 20.02.2019 and 21.08.2019 respectively.

Accordingly, the consent of only one officer (out of nine officers/employees) has been received from Mr. Avinash Singh, Assistant Professor regarding unconditional absorption in IKGPTU along with declaration.



Besides the above, as per the request of Dr. Prabhjot Kaur, the letter had been sent to the Registrar, Maharaja Ranjit Singh Punjab Technical University, Bathinda vide letter no. IKGPTU/REG/HRM/877 dated 14.06.2019 for obtaining formal acceptance from her parent department to send her back to her parent department.

Registrar, Maharaja Ranjit Singh Punjab Technical University, Bathinda vide letter no. 2658 dated 24.07.2019 had replied that, "it has been made clear that Dr. Prabhjot Kaur cannot be allowed to re-join at this institution and it would not be fair to send such cases one by one and take a decision on them. Therefore, following the same procedure, all the above cases needs to be presented to the Board of Governors, Because the long service of these officers / employees has been done in I. K. Gujral Punjab Technical University and their regular liabilities of GPA/CPA as well as pensionary liabilities (pension, leave encashment/ leave salary contribution and gratuity etc.). Therefore, further action can be taken only after a decision by the Board of Governors regarding the case."

Item No. 69.8: To consider and approve procurement of 100 acres of land in proximity to University Main Campus, Kapurthala.

Board Decision: The Board appreciated the proposal and directed that complete Detailed Project Report be put up in the next meeting. Board desired that matter be taken with the Govt. of Punjab to provide 100 acres of land in the proximity of University Main Campus, Kapurthala.

It was apprised that building and other infrastructure of Sardar Swaran Singh National Institute of Renewable Energy (NIRE), Kapurthala is not being fully utilised.

Board decided that University may take up the matter with Secretary, Technical Education and Industrial Training, Punjab for acquiring the building and other infrastructure of NIRE, Kapurthala as this would be in the interest of both organisations.

Action Taken: D.O. letters have been written by Vice-Chancellor, IKGPTU to Secretary, Ministry of New and Renewable Energy, GoI vide

No. IKGPTU/VC/36 dated 19.9.2019, Hon'ble Minister of Technical Education & Industrial Training, Govt. of Punjab vide No. IKGPTU/VC/34 dated 19.9.2019 and Secretary Technical Education & Industrial Training, Govt. of Punjab vide No. IKGPTU/VCO/44 dated 11.12.2019 regarding procurement of 200 Acre land near vicinity of University (copies enclosed at **Annexure-IV (Page No. 75)**)). Memo No. TE/Civil/08 dated 06.01.2020 has been received from Director, Technical Education & Industrial Training, Punjab and asked the University to provide the detail of available funds for the purchase of the land.

The matter is placed before the Board for information and further directions.

Item No. 69.9: To consider and approve creation of Academic Posts Exclusively Dedicated to ODL.

Board Decision: Board approved the posts with a rider that process of the recruitment may be completed but joining on the said posts be done only after getting approval from UGC.

Action Taken: The UGC Distance Education Bureau had invited for interface meeting on 02.05.2019 at their New Delhi Office to represent the deficiency of ODL faculty in the University. The Expert Committee members of UGC-DEB had not accepted Guest Faculty of ODL Department and suggested for requirement to recruit regular or contract basis faculty for ODL Department.

On 08.05.2019, UGC-DEB has uploaded the fresh list of approved Universities on their website and not included the name of IKGPTU in the same list.

The Interface Meeting on appeal filed by the University with UGC-DEB, New Delhi regarding recognition of its ODL programmes was held on 23.12.2019. UGC-DEB has approved 05 programmes of the University vide F.No. 1-11/2019 (DEB-I) dated 30.12.2019. (copy at **Annexure-V (Page No. 76-83)**)). The fresh applications are also invited by the UGC-DEB, New Delhi for the session 2020-21 and onwards for

Recognition of Open & Distance Learning (ODL) Programmes of the University.

Item No. 69.10(a): Proposal for establishment of Center for Invention, Innovation, Incubation and Training (CIIIT) by Tata Technologies Limited.

Board Decision: The Board directed that complete presentation is to be made before the Board regarding the status of TATA Technologies Ltd. (TTL) Project at all different places/Campuses of University.

Action Taken: Matter is presented in the ATR of 70th meeting of BOG.

Item No. 69.10(b): To ratify Re-constitution of University Research Board (URB).

Board Decision: The Board ratified the matter. Board further suggested that a criterion for selection of experts be defined by the University for future.

Action Taken: The matter is under progress.

Item No. 69.11.1: To approve the panel of experts for faculty recruitment.

The Board approved the panel of experts for the position of English (Communication Skills), Food Science and Technology and Journalism & Mass Communication. Board further suggested that criteria for selection of experts be defined by the University for future.

Board authorized the Vice Chancellor, IKGPTU to invite the expert members for screening and selection Committees from the approved panel as per their availability.

Action Taken: No action required

ATR on Proceedings of 70th Special Meeting of Board of Governors held on 22.02.2019.

Item No. 70.3: To consider and approve the acquisition/ purchase of 42 acres of land at Shri Chamkaur Sahib to establish Guru Gobind Singh Institute of skills as constituent campus of IKGPTU.



Board Decision: Chairman apprised the Board members that this is a special meeting and briefed regarding the agenda item.

Chairman informed that as per decision of the Board in its 69th meeting, University has written a letter to Secretary, Technical Education and Industrial Training, Punjab vide IKGPTU/REG/5305 dated 21.01.2019 to forward the case to FCR for approval/ clarification/decision regarding 100% solatium, to acquire/purchase 42 acres of land at Shri Chamkaur Sahib to establish Guru Gobind Singh Institute of skills as Constituent Campus of IKGPTU. Meeting in this regard was held under the chairmanship of Mrs. Kalpana Mittal Baruah, IAS, Additional Chief Secretary, Department Revenue & Rehabilitation on 05.02.2019 at Room No. 8, 3rd Floor, Punjab Civil Secretariat-1, Chandigarh and read out the minutes of meeting.

Chairman also informed all the members and representatives of Municipal Council/Nagar Panchayat, Shri Chamkaur Sahib, that IKGPTU is going to invest huge amount for procurement of the land, construction of the buildings, etc. for establishment of the Guru Gobind Singh Institute of skills as constituent campus of IKGPTU. This will give benefit to the students of Shri Chamkaur Sahib area and provide direct and indirect jobs to the residents of the localite and will lead to the overall development of the area. So he informed that University is ready to procure the land at basic price fixed by the Collector.

The President of the Nagar Panchayat, Shri Chamkaur Sahib explained that this land is very important for Municipal Council/Nagar Panchayat and road passing nearby land is declared as national highway, so market value of the land is much higher than the collector rates. He also quoted that the cost of the land has gone uptoRs. 60 lakhs in near by areas. Therefore, he requested land be procured at the higher price i.e. 47.04 lakhs/acre (price of the land + solatium rate) already recommended by Collector.

After due deliberations and negotiations, it was unanimously agreed that land be purchased @ Rs. 35.28 lakh per acre (Highest value +



lowest value / 2), in the name of I.K. Gujral Punjab Technical University Jalandhar, Kapurthala.

Board Decision: Board approved

- (i) The procurement of 42 acres of land at Shri Chamkaur Sahib @Rs. 35.28 lakh per acre and sanctioned Rs. 14,81,76,000/- + applicable stamp duty and registration charges etc. for the above purpose.
- (ii) University to procure the land, in the name of I.K. Gujral Punjab Technical University
- (iii) Board directed to University to get the Registration of land done upto 26 February, 2019.

Action Taken: 42 acres of land has been purchased in the name of I.K. Gujral Punjab Technical University Kapurthala (Copy placed as **Annexure-VI** Page No. 84-91). The current status is put up as a separate agenda item No. 72.20(b)

Item No. 70.4.1: To apprise the Board regarding the payment of procurement of equipments/software(s) to TATA Technologies for establishment of CIIT at IKGPTU Main Campus, Kapurthala and IKGPTU SultanpurLodhi Campus.

The members of the Board were apprised of the facts that TATA Technologies has supplied the invoices of equipment/ software worth Rs. 33,97,29,418.66 which is approx. 11% (with tax) towards IKGPTU's contribution for proprietary items. However, the invoices were not provided for the total contribution.

Board Decision: The Board took a serious view of the matter and constituted following committee to examine the financial and technical aspects of the execution of contract by TATA Technologies Ltd. in accordance with terms and conditions of MOU/agreement. The committee shall also examine the invoices supplied in accordance with the terms of MOU/agreement and give recommendations regarding payment to be released to TATA Technologies Ltd. and further course of action:

1. Dr. Raman Sharma, Sr. VP & Director, Honda Cars Ltd. Noida
2. Dr. Vijay Kumar Banga, Principal, ACET, Amritsar - Board Nominee
3. Sh. Mohanbir Singh, Addl. Director, DTE, Punjab
4. Sh. Prem Sharma, Dy. Dir. (Finance)- representative of Finance Department, Punjab

It was directed that above mentioned committee to hold a meeting on 3rd March, 2019 with the representatives of TATA Technologies Ltd. at Chandigarh/Kapurthala and give recommendations.

Action Taken: Action Taken is presented in the ATR of 71st special meeting of BOG (Agenda Item No. 71.4).

ATR on Proceedings of 71st Special Meeting of Board of Governors held on 15.06.2019

Item No. 71.4: To consider regarding payment for establishment of Centre for Invention, Innovation, Incubation and Training (CIIT) by Tata Technologies Limited at IKGPTU Main Campus, Kapurthala and IKGPTU Sultanpur Lodhi Campus.

Board Decision: The matter was placed before the Board of Governors as an Agenda Item No. 68.6 in 68th meeting held on 18.10.2018. TTL approached the Govt. of Punjab with a proposal for the establishment of "Centre for Invention, Innovation, Incubation and Training (CIIT)" in education Institutions at various locations of the State.

The project was proposed to be executed in phase wise manner with "Hub and Spoke" Model as mentioned in below table:

| Phase | Name of the Project | Hub Location* | Spoke Location* |
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| 1 | "Guru Nanak Dev ji CIIT" | IK. Gujral Punjab Technical University Kapurthala | SultanpurLodhi |

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| 2 | "Guru Gobind Singh ji CIIT" | Chamkaur Sahib | 1.Chamkaur Sahib** 2.IKGPTU Campus- Ladowali Road, Jalandhar** |
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*The Suitable Building with ready to use infrastructure will be allocated by I. K. Gujral Punjab Technical University for the projects. (** means - To be decided). The above-mentioned locations are assigned as per preliminary discussion, the locations based on the best available ready to use infrastructure, will be suggested by IKGPTU team and both parties agree to change it suitably.

The investment of IKGPTU and by the TTL for each Hub and spoke is as under:

| Investment | IKG Contribution | PTU | TTL Contribution |
|-------------------------------------|---------------------|-----|----------------------|
| 100% | 12% | | 88% |
| 215 (INR Cr) for each Hub Approx* | 26 (INR Cr) Approx* | | 189 (INR Cr) Approx* |
| 103 (INR Cr) for each Spoke Approx* | 12 (INR Cr) Approx* | | 91 (INR Cr) Approx* |

* Exclusive of Taxes

I.K. Gujral Punjab Technical University shall spend 12% of the total setup cost of proposed CIITs plus taxes as applicable for the purchase of proprietary technology tools, hardware, machinery, equipment as per the proposal and Tata Technologies along with the partner companies shall bear the entire remaining cost. TTL to provide OEM proprietary letters as per specimen provided by IKGPTU and IKGPTU to release this amount to TATA Technologies as per clause 6(d) of the MoU dated 18.9.2018.

I.K. Gujral Punjab Technical University will pay 80% of its 12% contribution plus taxes as applicable in the setup against delivery within

10 working days and remaining 20% within 10 days after successful setup completion and third party audit.

A third-party audit including evaluation and validation of equipments shall be initiated by IKGPTU within 15 days of the setup completed and the audit should be completed within next 45 days.

AMC for Software Technology Tools, Equipment, Industrial Hardware and Machinery will be for 5 Years from the date of installation, whereas both Parties agree to make the project long term success.

MOU dated 18.09.2018 was placed before the Board for ex-post facto approval.

Keeping in view the above decision of the Government of Punjab the Board approved and ratified the MOU in its present shape, signed with the Tata Technologies Ltd. by the University.

Board approved the project and sanctioned the amount of contribution of IKGPTU 12% for Phase-I and II on the purchase of equipment.

Only from the invoices, it became clear that rates were being charged for commercial version of software. Therefore, the matter regarding payment to TTL for CIIT project was placed before BOG in its 70th meeting held on 22.2.2019. As a consequence, BOG constituted a committee to examine the technical and financial aspects of the execution of contract by TTL in accordance with the terms and conditions of MOU/ agreement. The meetings of the committee were held on 03-03-2019 and 04-05-2019. However, the Committee, in addition to clarifying some ambiguous/unclear aspects of the MoU with mutual understanding of IKGPTU and TTL also concluded that the contract was being executed as per the MoU signed by IKGPTU and TTL, and as it did not include any reference to the type of software. i.e. whether educational or commercial and the Committee's scope being limited only to the MoU, the Committee limited itself to only the MoU contents. Therefore, the Committee could not take cognizance of types of invoices of software.



IKGPTU signed the MoU with understanding that TTL will supply educational version of the software/instrument etc. Whereas, TTL has supplied commercial version of Software. Type of Software is not mentioned in the MoU. There is huge difference between the cost of Education and Commercial versions of Software. It is clear that if University buys commercial licenses from TTL, University has to pay Rs. 35.9 Crores towards cost of software. On the other hand, if TTL supplies research/educational licenses then the University is expected to pay approximately Rs. 57.27 Lakhs only. Thus there is huge loss amounting to Rs. 35.31 Crores approximately to University, if payment is made for commercial licenses. Therefore, IKGPTU has not paid any amount till date to TTL due to above said discrepancy in the invoices. Vice Chancellor has apprised Chairman BOG regarding the matter vide letter no. IKGPTU/VC/1642 Date 27/05/2019.

Subsequently, a list of ambiguities of MoU was submitted to TTL for clarifications.

University raised issue of invoices of software at commercial rates with TTL and requested them to raise invoices of educational version of the software. But till date TTL has not agreed to the same.

Board Decision: Chairman Board of Governors briefed the Board members about the concept of the project. Further, it was apprised to the Board that TTL has raised the invoices for software on commercial rates, whereas, the same was not mentioned in the MoU/Agreement. As IKGPTU is established by Govt of Punjab, IKGPTU is also governed by UGC and its regulations also state that the University is not authorized to carry out the commercial activity until a separate identity is constituted to carry forward the production and commercial activity.

The Chairman BOG also briefed that since MoU has been done and ratified in its 68th meeting held on 18.10.2018. Thereafter the Chairman BOG opened the floor for discussion among board members to take final decision in the interest of University and students.



After discussion at length in the Board meeting the following points were emerged and in the light of these points final decision was taken:

1. It was apprised that the world of Technology and Engineering Innovations is growing at an unprecedented rate. We are in the midst of industry 4.0, 5.0 etc. and many other wide spread changes and disruptions. The dimensions of speed and interconnectivity of these changes has added further complexities and new challenges.

This has resulted in acute problem of skill shortage. In a survey jointly carried out by the World Bank and Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FICCI), 64% of surveyed employers are "somewhat", "not very", or "not at all" satisfied with the quality of graduates and their Job skills and only 36% are satisfied with the employability of the graduates.

Gap between Industry Needs and Academia is widening on account of inadequate Industry-Academia interaction and connect and consequently Academia has not been able to keep pace to update their Learning Contents, Pedagogy and Exposure to practical Knowledge and Real World experience for their students.

This is a National issue and priority, and as per the needs, Skill Development Road Maps have been created at National and State level.

2. Accordingly, to address the above issue and challenges, and to meet the learning objectives of IKGPTU, so as to cater to the changing and increasing Technological needs of the country, to meet the Human Resources requirements of the manufacturing sector, to increase the employability of the students / youth of Punjab, help innovators to develop new products, promote technology startups, Tata Technologies Ltd. have offered to set up a Centre for Intervention, Innovation, Incubation and Training (CIIT).
3. The establishment of this Project would be in the interest of the students and Society and it is also the priority of Govt. of Punjab to establish Centre of Invention, Innovation, Incubation and Training



(CIIIT) by TATA Technologies Limited at IKGPTU Main Campus, Kapurthala, IKGPTU Sultanpur Campus and Chamkaur sahib in phase-II. This would serve the following purposes:

- a) Improved Skills of students, leading to employment and entrepreneurship.
 - b) Technical curriculum more updated and aligned to current and near Future industry requirements.
 - c) Workshop for all nearby colleges / students.
 - d) Focus on training students in line with latest industry needs and make them employable.
4. Vice-Chancellor, IKGPTU informed the Board that MoU/Agreement was signed with an understanding that TTL would supply the academic version software. It was also apprised that there is no specific mention in MoU regarding commercial versus educational version software.

However, decision may be taken by the Board in the interest of the University and students as per recommendations of the committee constituted by the Board in 70th BOG meeting.

5. The Board members unanimously were of the opinion that as it is a good Project and it is different kind of initiative taken jointly by the University and TTL, if established it would bridge the gap between the Industry and the pass-out students. Further it will be useful to the existing students for their Industrial training and to have hands on experience on industrial robots, 3-D printers and technology tools.
6. After due deliberations among Board members it was decided that TTL authorities may be called for discussion and negotiation if so required and necessary.
7. Mr. Sushil Kumar, Director (TTL) and Mr. P.V. Kaulgud, Global COE Director (TTL) were called in the meeting room for discussion. They informed that software(s) have already been procured and supplied so at this stage, it is not possible to return these software(s). He



also clarified about the ambiguity of commercial versus educational version licenses that list of Technology Tools/Software is already mentioned in DPR. They also explained that CIIT to be established

- a) As this Project is being established by TTL as CIIT, the following activities can be undertaken:
- (i) Sustainability through consultancy and training promoting innovations and incubation for organization.
 - (ii) The skill Centre can also be utilized by MSME after training hours for speeding up their manufacturing process.
 - (iii) In nurturing new and small businesses helping them by extending the facility to work on their innovative
 - (iv) ideas/proof of concepts and to survive and grow through the difficult and vulnerable early stages of development
 - (v) Help MSME to grow their business, facilitate knowledge creation and innovation.
 - (vi) Support untapped creativity of individual innovators and also to assist individual innovators to become technology based entrepreneurs.
 - (vii) Any other activity as per MoU/agreement and DPR

This Centre will provide training to the students at par with the Industry and will be much more useful and enhance the employability of the University students. The Board decided that University shall buy/procure the commercial version of software as per MOU.

- b) Further it was decided that the University may undertake commercial activities in the Institution as suggested by TTL or as per the requirement of the Industry and students from time to time. For this purpose, the Board authorized the Vice-Chancellor, IKGPTU to form a society to carry forward the commercial activities, as and when required.



- c) IKGPTU and TTL will sign a supplementary MoU incorporating the relevant decisions of the Board and may add points as per mutual discussion of IKGPTU and TTL. Board authorized the Vice-Chancellor, IKGPTU to sign the MoU as per mutual discussions with TTL.

The following was also decided after discussion with TTL for the proper execution of the Project:

- Only 50% of the software will be used by IKGPTU to start with (50 licenses of the 100 installed base at Kapurthala and 25 of 50 installed base at Sultanpur Lodhi). The maximum capacity of the student trained would now be 2500 and 1100 for hub and spoke respectively.
- IKGPTU will pay 50% of the total Software cost of their share (as per MoU/Agreement) upto 31st July 2019 and the part of the remaining 50% upto 31st March, 2022.
- In case the usage is more than 50%, then IKGPTU will pay proportionately for the same, if these licenses are not fully utilised, then this will be used at the other Centre (s) to be opened in phase II at Sri Chamkaur Sahib or any other place decided by IKGPTU.
- For Hardware supplied till date and invoiced by TTL, 80% of the invoiced value (as per MoU/Agreement) will be paid by IKGPTU upto 31st July 2019 and the rest 20% after installation is complete and 3rd party audit report as per MoU/Agreement.
- Remaining hardware which will be delivered, 80% amount (as per MoU/Agreement) will be paid within 7 working days and remaining 20% after installation and 3rd party audit report as per MoU/Agreement.
- TTL and IKGPTU team to jointly inspect the premises and fix the timeline for completion of the CIIIT Centres at Sultanpur Lodhi and Kapurthala and then a date will be decided for the inauguration.
- The summarized payment details from IKGPTU will be as follows:



| IKGPTU Main Campus Kapurthala | | | | |
|---|---|--|---|---------------------------------------|
| Hardware & Installation (Rs.)+GST as applicable | Software (Rs.)+GST as applicable For 100 No. Licenses | Software (Rs.)+GST as applicable For 50 No. Licenses | Total Amount (Rs.)+GST as applicable For 50 No. Licenses (Col.1+Col.3) | Amount (in crores)+ GST as applicable |
| 13,83,14,695 | 2,01,41,00,000 | 1,00,70,50,000 | 1,14,53,64,695 | 114.53 (approx.) |
| Contribution of IKGPTU @12% (A) | Contribution of IKGPTU @12% | Contribution of IKGPTU @12% in first phase upto 31-07-2019 (B) | Total (A+B=C) | |
| 1,65,97,763.4 | 24,16,92,000 | 12,08,46,000 | 13,74,43,763.4 | 13.74 (approx.) |
| | | | 80% of the Total Payment (i.e. 'C') to be released upto 31-07-2019* (as per MOU) | |
| | | | 10,99,55,010.72 | 11.00 (approx.) |

| IKGPTU Sultanpur Lodhi Campus | | | | |
|---|--|--|--|--------------------|
| Hardware & Installation (Rs.)+GST as applicable | Software (Rs.)+GST as applicable For 50 No. Licenses | Software (Rs.)+GST as applicable For 25 No. Licenses | Total Amount (Rs.) +GST as applicable For 25 No. Licenses (Col.1+Col.3) | Amount (in crores) |
| 5,54,20,746 | 97,83,22,400 | 48,91,61,200 | 54,45,81,946 | 54.45(approx.) |
| Contribution of IKGPTU @12% (A1) | Contribution of IKGPTU @12% | Contribution of IKGPTU@12% in first phase upto 31-07-2019 (B1) | Total (A1+B1=C1) | |
| 66,50,489.52 | 11,73,98,688 | 5,86,99,344 | 6,53,49,833.52 | 6.53 (approx.) |
| | | | 80% of the Total Payment (i.e. 'C1') to be released upto 31-07-2019* (as per MOU) | |
| | | | 5,22,79,866.8 | 5.23 (approx.) |

* Subject to complete delivery of Software and Hardware

Action Taken:

1. As per decision of the board, IKGPTU has released payment @80% of 12% of Hardware as per MoU and 80% of 6% of Software (as per MoM dated 16-06-2019) amounting to Rs. 17.3 cr on 31-07-2019. (copy at **Annexure-VII**). (Page No. 92)
2. As per board decision, IKGPTU and TTL have signed a supplementary MoU incorporating the relevant decisions of the board & other points mutually agreed upon. (copy at **Annexure-VIII**) Page No. 93-94) Submitted for ratification. The current status is placed as Separate Agenda Item No.72.20(c).



Item No. 72.3: To approve the Minutes of 32nd, 33rd, 34th, 35th & 36th meeting of Finance Committee, IKGPTU held on 28.03.2019, 26.04.2019, 29.10.2019, 24.12.2019 & 26.12.2019 respectively.

32nd, 33rd, 34th, 35th & 36th meeting of Finance Committee, IKGPTU held on 28.03.2019, 26.04.2019, 29.10.2019, 24.12.2019 & 26.12.2019 respectively. The minutes of the meetings are placed as **Annexure-IX. (Page No___)** for the approval of the Board of Governors.

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Item No. 72.4: To approve the minutes of 54th and 55th meeting of Standing Building Construction Committee held on 25.04.2019 and 04.07.2019.

54th & 55th meeting of Standing Building Construction Committee was held on 25.04.2019 and 04.07.2019 respectively. The minutes of the meeting are placed as **Annexure-X (Page No.111-135)** for the approval of BOG.



Item No. 72.5: To approve the minutes of Human Resource Committee meeting held on 20.07.2019 & 07.01.2020.

Minutes of Human Resource Committee meeting held on 20.07.2019 are placed as **Annexure-XI (Page No. ~~136-142~~)** and minutes of Human Resource Committee meeting held 07.01.2019 will be placed on table for the approval of BOG.



Item No. 72.6: To approve the minutes of High Power Human Resource Committee meetings held on 07.01.2020 and 15.01.2020.

Minutes of meetings of High Power Human Resource Committee held on 07.01.2020 and 15.01.2020 will be placed on table for the approval of BOG.



Item No. 72.7: To approve the minutes of 52nd Academic Council meeting, IKGPTU.

52nd meeting of Academic Council, IKGPTU is scheduled on 16.01.2020 at University Campus. The minutes of the meeting will be put up to the Board of Governors on table for approval.

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Item No. 72.8: To deliberate upon Financial liabilities of the University to establish 19 new ITIs, create development fund for Technical Education and Industrial Training, setting up of start-up fund in the State of Punjab.

Reference is made to various letters received from Department of Technical Education and Industrial Training, Govt. of Punjab on the above mentioned Agenda Item. Detail is as under:

| Sr. No. | Memo No. and dated | Subject | Remarks |
|---------|-----------------------------|---|---|
| 01 | 292-293 dated 28.02.2018 | Creation of Development fund for Technical Education and Industrial Training | - |
| 02 | 662 dated 23.05.2019 | Setting up of Start-up fund of Rs. 100 crore | - |
| 03 | ITIs/728 dated 20.9.2019 | Establishment of 19 new ITIs in the State of Punjab Year 2019-20: Rs. 3686.19 Year 2020-21: Rs. 3421.90 | File has due approval of Hon'ble Chief Minister, Punjab dated 27.08.2019. |

The copies of above mentioned letters are placed as **Annexure-XII (Page No. 143-164)**

University has already expressed its inability to provide funds for setting up of start funds of Rs. 100 crores vide letter No. IKGPTU/REG/699 dated 27.05.2019 (**Annexure-XIII**)(Page No. 165-166).

The financial status of the University on long term basis and yearly basis is given below:

1. Long term liabilities:

As per M/s EdCIL report duly approved by BOG in its 59th meeting vide agenda item no. 59.12, the total outlay required for development of Campus of IKGPTU and its Constituent Campuses is Rs. 2660 crores (relevant pages of M/s EdCIL report are placed at **Annexure-XIV (Page No. 167-168)**)

The Income Tax liabilities have accrued to an extent of Rs. 858.50 crores and Service Tax liability is approximately Rs. 63 crores. University is pleading for exemptions at High Court, Tribunals and Appellate

Authorities but no relief has been granted so far (report regarding Income Tax and Service Tax Cases as put up before the various Finance Committee Meeting of IKGPTU. Details as per Agenda Item No. 72.3

Recurring monthly expenditure of University including salary and wages works out to be Rs. 10 crores (approx.) per month. It is expected to increase in view of implementation of 7th CPC. (Salary and wages for a month are placed at **Annexure-XV (Page No. 170-172)**).

The revenue position as per financial statement during 31.03.2019 is as below:

| | |
|---------------------|----------------------|
| Revenue Income | : Rs. 850,145,810.04 |
| Revenue Expenditure | : Rs. 1013398,625.20 |
| Revenue Loss | : Rs. 163,252,815.16 |

2. Liabilities on yearly basis:

It is pertinent to mention that the University has never received any grant from Government of Punjab other than the initial grant of Rs. 02 crores. It meets all its expenses on its own. As far as the revenue generation is concerned, the trend is downward due to fall in admission in overall scenario. The financial position on yearly basis can be ascertained from the budgeted figures for financial year 2019-20, 2018-19 and 2017-18 as approved by Finance Committee and BOG are placed at **Annexure-XVI (Page No. 173-174)**.

3. Mandate of University as per Act:

As per University Act, mandate is to impart education in Engineering Technologies, Sciences, Management, Humanities, Pharmacy, Social sciences and Architecture.

It is hereby submitted that Punjab Govt. vide Act No. 5 of 2015 had created the Maharaja Ranjit Singh Punjab Technical University, Bathinda. The provision of section 20 (2) of Act was as under **Annexure-XVII (Page No. 175)**.



"The State Government may transfer from all available funds of the Punjab Technical University, Jalandhar to the Maharaja Ranjit Singh State Technical University, Bathinda in the ratio of 50:50".

The Employees association of IKGPTU had filed CWP No. 20255 of 2015 titled Punjab Technical University Non-Teaching Employees Association and Ors. Vs. State of Punjab and Ors. In Writ the petitioners challenged the section 20 (2) of Act. The Hon'ble Punjab & Haryana High court vide judgment dated 02.06.2016 has made the observation as under **Annexure-XVIII (Page No. 176-179)**

"It is thus purely the decision of the Government with no correspondence inputs from the PTU which was intended to be having financial autonomy to manage its own affairs and thus section 20(2) warranting capital outflow from PTU would clearly be an infringement on the financial autonomy of PTU as it permits financial poaching to deprive the PTU even of the finances which do not belong to the government and over which it would have no say. Money collected from students of PTU, alumni, philanthropists cannot be squandered away as it is clearly a breach of faith of these contributors who volunteered for the corpus fund of the PTU."

The State of Punjab and both Universities filed Civil Appeals against the Judgment of Hon'ble Punjab Haryana High Court at Hon'ble Supreme Court. During the hearing the Punjab Govt. had amended section 20(2) of the Act as under **Annexure-XIX (Page No. 180-182)**

"In the principal Act, in section 20, sub-section (2) shall be omitted. However, such omission, shall not affect the validity invalidity, effect or consequences of anything already done or suffered, or any right, title, obligation or liability already acquired, accrued or incurred by virtue of the sub-section so omitted."



The Hon'ble Supreme Court disposed of Civil appeal vide and order dated 16.02.2018 as under **(Annexure-XX) (Page No. 180-182)**

"In view of the amendment that has been carried out in section 20(2) of the Maharaja Ranjit Singh Punjab Technical University act, 2014 as per the Maharaja Ranjit Singh Punjab Technical University (second amendment) Act, 2017, nothing further survives in the matters for adjudication on merits. As amended provision has taken care of finances with respect to all concerned institutions so far, the decision of the High Court declaring the erstwhile provision as ultra virus is of academic importance, no useful purpose would be served by deciding it on merits. In view of the amended provisions that has taken care of the grievances of the parties, the decision of the High Court with respect to the prayer made with respect to the quashment of section 20(2) of the Act of 2014, thus does not survive and is hereby set aside in toto.

The amended provisions to hold the field of governing the rights of the parties. It is made clear that none of the parties shall dispute any further past financial liability as provided in Amendment Act of 2017 and that has been taken care of in the said provisions".

The matter is placed before the BOG for deliberation.



Item No. 72.9: To approve proposal regarding leave encashment and gratuity for employees of IKGPTU.

It has been observed in audit reports from 2016-17 to 2018-19 that gratuity fund has not been set up to meet the liability which arises at the time of retirement of university employees, so it was suggested that gratuity fund should be set up to meet the future liability out of this fund.

As per Rules, the employee(s) of the University are entitled to cash equivalent of leave salary in respect of the period of earned leave at their credit subject to overall limit of 300 days at the time of retirement. Under the Payment of Gratuity Act, 1972, it is employer's statutory liability to pay 15 days salary (15/26 of a month's wages) for every completed year of service to each of his employees on their exit, for any reason after five years of continuous service, subject to maximum limit of 20 lacs. (**Revised-2018**) Higher benefits can be paid if the employer so desires.

A committee was constituted vide office order no. IKGPTU/REG/00/4472-4477, 4478-4486 dated 06.11.2018 and IKGPTU/REG/00/1718 dated 0908.2019 to give recommendations for Group Gratuity Scheme and Group Leave Encashment for university employees. Committee in its meeting held on 02.09.2019 discussed the proposal as submitted by LIC of India regarding Group Gratuity Scheme and Group Leave Encashment (LIC proposals are placed at **Annexure-XXI (Page No. ~~183-196~~)** and recommended that proposal be taken up with higher authorities for approval and implementation. Minutes of the committee are placed at **Annexure-XXII (Page No. 197)**.

LIC has worked out the actuarial valuation of IKGPTU liability towards Group gratuity & Leave Encashment in respect of 442 permanent employees based on service details provided by IKGPTU. The total amount payable as on date is shown as Rs. 34.60 crores which includes past service Contribution, Current Service Contribution and premium amount. The details of contributions are as given below:



| Particular | Total Contribution Amount (In Rs.) | Premium Amount (p.a) (In Rs.) |
|-------------------------|---|--------------------------------------|
| Leave encashment scheme | Rs. 22,38,88,996/- | Rs. 2,08,826/- |
| Group Gratuity | Rs.12,10,30,033/- | Rs.7,79,528/- |

The case was sent to Dept. of Technical Education & Industrial Training, Punjab for examination and suggestion.

The matter is placed before board members for consideration and approval for adoption of LIC scheme regarding leave encashment and gratuity for employees of IKGPTU. It is further proposed that Vice Chancellor, IKGPTU may be authorized to approve yearly variations in contribution (if any).



Item No. 72.10: To Prepare and notify Regulations for the University.

The Board of Governors in its 55th meeting held on 03.07.2015 during the course of deliberations before taking up the regular agenda, accorded top priority to the finalization and official notification of the regulations, which is essential for fair and transparent functioning of the University. An Expert Committee of the following was constituted by BOG to finalize the draft regulations applicable to both the Universities i.e. IKGPTU & MRSPTU Bathinda:

- (i) Prof. Satish Verma, RBI Chair Professor, CRRID, Chandigarh (former Professor and Head Punjab school of Economics, GNDU).
- (ii) Dr. Paramjit Singh, Former Director, Distance Education, GNDU, Amritsar
- (iii) Dr. Pritpal Singh, Registrar, Shri Guru Granth Sahib World University, Fatehgarh Sahib.
- (iv) Prof. B.S. Ghuman, Department of Political Science, Punjabi University, Patiala
- (v) Dr. V.K. Bansal, Prof. & Head, Law University, Patiala.

The Draft Regulations prepared by Expert Committee and same were circulated to all the HODs of the University. The Draft Regulations were discussed with Faculties and Officers by HODs through series of workshops between 23.12.2016 to 04.01.2017. Subsequently, the feedback received through the HODs was discussed in the review meeting held on 10.01.2017 under the Chairmanship of Vice-chancellor.

The matter was put up to the Board of Governors in its 64th meeting held on 28.12.2016 in which it was requested to approve the draft regulations so that same could be notified and working of the University could be streamlined. The Board in its decision expressed its serious concern regarding delay in finalization and notification of regulations for the University which is essential for streamlining the functioning of the University. The Board further decided that there shall be no dilution in the draft regulations prepared by the committee already approved by the Board and only essential modification not covered in the draft prepared by the Committee or not being in consonance with any Act or

Rules shall be proposed. The draft Regulations submitted by the Regulations Drafting Committee via email and modifications done alongwith comparison will be placed on table.

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Item No. 72.11: To apprise about the status of Income Tax Cases of the University.

The University has been served notices from AY 2009-10 to 2012-13 and AY 2017-18 by Income tax authorities for not filing of Income Tax Returns considering the fact that income is not exempted in view of the changes in the section 10(23C) (iii ab) of income Tax Act. As per the provisions exemptions will be specifically allowed to any such institution if it is being substantially financed by the Government. The claim of the university that its Income is exempted under section 10(23c) (iiiab) was rejected by the IT authorities with the observation that the university is earning huge interest income, profit making and was never getting any government grant after initial contribution from the State Government. As per the advise of counsel University has filed application for taking exemptions as per provisions of 10(23c)(vi) and 12AA which was also rejected. The University is defending cases at various levels and has filed appeals. It has also challenged the orders of ITAT regarding rejection of exemptions u/s 10(23c)(vi) at Hon'ble High Court. The status of cases is placed at **Annexure-XXIII (Page No. ~~98-200~~)**

Presently M/s Vaish Associates, New Delhi and CA Rupesh Prikshit & Associates, Chandigarh are defending the cases.

The matter is placed before the BOG for information please.



Item No. 72.12: To apprise about the status of Service Tax Cases.

A. Cases related to Distance Education

Service tax department has conducted an enquiry related to Distance Education Programme of University and held that when MOU and LC operational manual were evaluated in the light of statutory definitions of franchisee services as defined in section 65 of Finance Act 1994, it prima facie appeared that the arrangement between PTU and RCs/ LCs is that of franchisor and franchisee, as the RCs/ LCs appointed were given representational to use the brand name PTU at their place of work and PTU was earning income by receiving fixed amount as well as various types of recurring fees etc. from RCs/ LCs. Further, as per Finance Act 1994 there was no exemption to the education Institute under the franchise service. Thus, services provided by PTU were alleged to be covered under the taxable services of franchisee service and chargeable to service tax.

The show cause notices for different periods were issued by Service tax department and their status is placed at **Annexure-XXIV (Page No.201-202)**.

Summons received from Senior Intelligence Officer, DG of GST Intelligence, Ludhiana regarding Affiliation fee.

The summons were received from Senior Intelligence Office, DG of GST Intelligence, Ludhiana vide Letter No.F.No.IV(6)LDZU/E/INV/ST/7 /2017/1169 dated 19.07.2017 to the University for the enquiry to check the evasion of service tax/contravention of provisions of the finance act, 1994/ the service tax rules-1994. They have demanded the information in relation to various fees/ amounts collected by University for granting affiliation to colleges/ approval of courses run by the colleges and periodical renewal/ continuance thereof for the period 2012-13 to 2016-17. The information as demanded was supplied time to time to the Service Tax authorities.

Vide summons Ref. No. IV(6) /LdZU /E/ INV/ST /7/ 2017 /3292 dt.18.12.2018 Senior Intelligence officer DG of GST Intelligence Ludhiana has called upon Finance Officer of University to tender the



statement. In this regard, the University sought legal opinion from Sh. Ashok Batra, Advocate, New Delhi expert in service tax matters. The statement was tendered as per his advise. The relevant portion of advise is reproduced as under:

"As stated, the assessee is established as a state university on 16.01.1997 through the Punjab Technical University Act 1996 (PTU Act) and enacted by the State of Punjab. It is essential to highlight here that state government has control over the functions of the University. Thus, the same shall qualify as Governmental Authority as stated above. Further, the said university was solely established with an objective of promoting technical, management and pharmaceutical education in the state of Punjab at degree level and above. Thus, it is also carrying out one of the function of Municipality as specified under Schedule Twelfth of the Constitution.

In view of foregoing discussion, it can be easily inferred that assessee is rightly covered under entry no 39 of Mega Exemption Notification No 25/2012 dated 20.06.2012. Therefore, the fee charged by the assessee is not subject to service tax in terms of Entry No 39 of the Notification No 25/2012 dated 20.06.2012. Hence, no duty can be imposed without the authority of law and in the present case specific relief has been granted by way of notification no 25/2012 ibid."

Further as per recommendations of the Internal Committee of Income Tax and Service Tax cases vide against Item No.6.3 of 6th meeting held on 21.02.2019, the matter regarding applicability of GST/ Service Tax on affiliation fee etc. collected by University on regular colleges was discussed with Dr. Prabhat Kumar, Advocate and he has advised that issue involves large number of Universities all over India so a representation may be given to GST council, Ministry of Finance and clarification may be sought regarding the same by University or jointly with other Universities.

The matter is placed before the BOG for information and advice.



Item No. 72.13: To consider the proposal for handing over of IKGPTU Dinanagar Campus, IKGPTU Bhikhiwind Campus, IKGPTU Batala Campus and IKGPTU Bassian Kothi Raikot Campus to Punjab Govt. (DTE)

The following campuses are in "No admission Zone". So it is proposed to handover the campuses to Punjab Govt. (DTE).

| Name of Campus | Total land area (in Acres) | Land area with Campus (in Acres) | Investment by IKGPTU for construction | Remarks |
|------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---|--|------------------------------|
| IKGPTU Dinanagar Campus | 14.06 | 9.06 | 50,00,000 | |
| IKGPTU Bhikhiwind Campus | 14 | 9.0 | - | |
| IKGPTU Batala Campus | 24.64 | 19.64 | - | Handing over in January 2021 |
| IKGPTU Bassian Kothi, Raikot | 7.63 | 7.63 | 2,11,78,776 | |

The matter is placed before the BOG for consideration and approval.



Item No. 72.14 To consider earmarking of land for IKGPTU Hosiharpur, Amritsar, Khunnimajra Campuses

As per the notification, Govt of Punjab, Department of Technical Education and Industrial Training No.8/51/11/ITE2, dated05.01.2012, the land was handed over to following IKGPTU campuses on lease basis:

| Name of Campus | Total land area for polytechnic and IKGPTU Campus (in Acres) | Land Area required to be allocated to IKGPTU Campus (in Acres) | Remarks |
|--------------------------|--|--|--|
| IKGPTU Hoshiarpur Campus | 27.60 | 22.60 | Proper land not allocated/earmarked to IKGPTU Campus |
| IKGPTU Amritsar Campus | 27.54 | 22.54 | Proper land not allocated/earmarked to IKGPTU Campus |
| IKGPTU Khunimajra Campus | 16.75 | 11.75 | Proper land not allocated/earmarked to IKGPTU Campus |

So, it is submitted to earmark the land for the above mentioned campuses so that the required expansion plan of the Institute can be prepared and construction may be initiated as per the requirements.

The matter is placed before the BOG for consideration and approval.



Item No. 72.15: To purchase additional land for Skill Institute at Shri Chamkaur Sahib and exchange land with neighboring land owners at Skill Institute, Shri Chamkaur Sahib.

- (a) 42 Acres of land has been purchased in the name of I.K. Gujral Punjab Technical University Kapurthala for the establishment of Skill Institute at Shri Chamkaur Sahib, as approved by Board of Governors in the 68th meeting held on 18.10.2018 vide Agenda Item No. 68.7 and 70th meeting held on 22.02.2019 vide Agenda Item No. 70.3. PWD was given the responsibility for construction of this Institute. PWD has submitted that an additional land of 7 Kanal & 16 Marlas may also be purchased. This additional land will help for a better building layout. Copy of the letter is placed as **Annexure-XXV (Page No. 203)**.
- (b) The left boundary of Skill Institute, Shri Chamkaur Sahib is not straight. As submitted by PWD department, it will be a straight boundary if some land may be exchanged with neighbouring land owners with mutual understanding. Straight boundary will help for a better building layout.

The matter is placed before BOG for consideration.



Item No. 72.16: Implementation of GPF-Cum-Pension scheme for the welfare of Employees of IKGPTU.

The item was put up in the 69th Board of Governors meeting vide agenda item No. 69.5 and the same was deferred. Keeping in view the welfare of employees of IKGPTU, a committee was constituted vide office order No. IKGPTU/Reg/615 dated 15.03.2019 (**Annexure-XXVI Page No. 204**) to prepare documents regarding implementation of GPF-Cum-Pension. The Committee submitted its recommendations and the same were put up in the 34th finance committee meeting vide agenda items No. 34.09.02. As per proceedings of the finance committee, the case was forwarded to Directorate of Technical Education and Industrial Training, Punjab, Chandigarh. The University authorities have not received any reply from the DTE, Chandigarh so far.

The matter concerns the welfare of the employees of the IKGPTU and is as per the guidelines of Government of Punjab and as has been adopted by other Universities (Punjabi University, Patiala, Panjab University, Chandigarh, Guru Nanak Dev University, Amritsar and Agriculture University, Ludhiana).

Further, it is worth mentioning that University will manage pension scheme on its own and there is no financial liability on the Government of Punjab.

The matter is placed before the Board for the consideration and approval of GPF-Cum-Pension scheme.



Item No. 72.17: To consider and approve recommendations of the Committee of CAS.

A Committee was constituted for promotion of faculty under Career Advancement Scheme (CAS) vide office order NO. IKGPTU/REG/00/4763 dated 11.12.2018.

Minutes of meeting dated 01.01.2019, 23.01.2019, 09.02.2019 and 02.03.2019 are placed at **Annexure-XXVII** (Page No. ~~205-212~~) accordingly for consideration and approval of BOG.



Item No. 72.18: To consider the facts regarding GPF account of Dr. A.P. Singh, Dean, IKGPTU.

Dr. A.P. Singh joined as Dean on 01.06.2010. He requested to continue his GPF Scheme, which was approved by then Vice-Chancellor. Subsequently, a Saving account named Punjab Technical university, GPF was opened and another RD account was linked with this saving account. His application was received for withdrawal of 80% amount from his PF account dated 31.05.2019. Thereafter, the Vice-Chancellor constituted a Committee vide order no. IKGPTU/REG/OO/19-1683 dated 6/8/19 to look into the facts regarding GPF a/c of Dr. A.P. Singh, Dean. Minutes of meeting are placed as **(Annexure-XXVIII)(Page No. 213-214)**

The relevant part of recommendations of the committee is reproduced below:

- i) Since IKGPTU is not having GPF scheme for its employees, opening of an GPF account in the name of Dr. A.P.Singh is not understandable.
- ii) It is surprising to note that GPF a/c no mentioning PTU/GPF/001 was opened in favour of Dr. A.P Singh with saving a/c in SBOP without a proper procedure and above all PTU is not having GPF scheme.
- iii) The Committee is of the opinion that the opening of GPF account of Dr. A.P. Singh is questionable and so is the recommendations of the then Deputy Registrar Establishment as per reference no. 1894 dated 28.02.2011 and committee constituted vide letter no. 1736 dated 17/02/2011 comprising of the Registrar, Advisor, DR(HR).
- iv) The Committee is of the opinion that the entire amount deposited in the saving account (so called GPF account no. PTU/GPF/001) be returned to A.P. Singh at the earliest. So for as further implication of opening GPF account in the name of Dr. A.P Singh & as communicated to his vide letter no. PTU/F&A/DF/558 Dated 22.06.2011 is concerned, the responsibility in this case need to be fixed.



The relevant part of recommendations as per Legal opinion taken from legal retainer of the University Sh. R.D. Anand is reproduced as: **(Annexure-XXIX) (Page No. 215-219)**.

"In the facts and circumstances of the case, may I venture to suggest the following course of action to be adopted.

- (i) Dr. A.P. Singh may immediately be informed that the employees of the university are governed by EPF Scheme. GPF Scheme is not applicable to the university employees. The permission granted to him to opt for GPF Scheme is null and void, ab initio, without jurisdiction, and accordingly stands withdrawn.*
- (ii) The University would approach the Regional Provident Fund Commissioner to accommodate Dr. Singh under the EPF Scheme w.e.f. the date of his joining the service as Dean, IKGPTU. His consent would be needed for that purpose. The University shall have to deposit the matching contribution as per rules governing EPF Scheme.*
- (iii) The IKGPTU-GPF Account be closed and the proceeds therefrom be paid to Dr. A.P. Singh. He may use this amount towards his contribution to the EPF Account, if he so chooses.*
- (iv) Under what circumstances, Dr. A.P. Singh was allowed to opt for GPF Scheme by the then dispensation may be inquired into, if so desired."*

The matter is placed before BOG for consideration, deliberation and directions.



Item No. 72.19: To consider the clarification and correction on the minutes of Agenda Item 71.4 of 71st meeting of the Board of Governors held on 15.06.2019 regarding payment for establishment of Centre for Invention, Innovation, Incubation and training (CIIIT) by Tata Technologies Limited at IKGPTU Main Campus, Kapurthala and IKGPTU Sultanpur Lodhi.

Reference to the CIIIT review meeting held on 15-12-2019, MrSushil Kumar from TTL in the presence of Honorable VC, Mr. Anand, President TTL raised an issue regarding an ambiguity in the MoM of 71st BOG.

With reference to the 71st Meeting of the Board of Governors held on 15.06.2019 at 2:00 PM at IKGPTU Mohali Campus-I, C-102/8, Industrial Area, Phase-7, Mohali and subsequent meeting minute released on 3rd Jul 2019, there is an ambiguity in point 2 on page 10 under 7C. The following was documented in the original MOM:

IKGPTU will pay 50 % of the total Software cost of their share (as per MoU/Agreement) up to 31s July 2019 and the part of the remaining 50 % up to 31st March,2022. (Note: In this the "Part" word is creating ambiguity. It was decided that PTU will pay the remaining full 50% on or before 31st March 2022). This is urgent as this came as an audit observation and needs immediate clarification that needs to be presented to the management urgently.

Therefore it is requested that the word 'Part' which is creating ambiguity may please be removed from the Minutes of 71st meeting of BOG.



Item No. 72.20: (a) Status of purchase of items/equipment for IKGPTU Main Campus & its constituent campuses through M/s EdCIL

University entered into an agreement on 23.09.2016 with M/s EdCIL for procurement and installation of furniture and equipment for setting up of IKGPTU (Main Campus & its Constituents). M/s EdCIL was retained as Turnkey Service Provider. The maximum timeline from finalization of requirement to release of purchase orders was 17 weeks i.e. 10.07.2017.

The period of agreement executed between IKGPTU and M/s EdCIL was three years i.e. upto 22.09.2019. The procurement is still in process and EdCIL has requested vide their letter No. EdCIL/EIS&EPS/IKGPTU-PROC/ 2019/ 495 dated 20.09.2019 to extend the agreement for one year i.e. upto 23.09.2020 for completion of the purchase process of 10 tenders pertaining to package-1 (which were kept on hold by EdCIL) and final closure. Accepting the request of EdCIL, IKGPTU has approved extension in validity of said agreement for one year i.e. upto 23.09.2020 and order was issued accordingly.

The matter is placed before the Board for information.

(b) To apprise the Board regarding agendas approved via circulation

(i) Hiring of IIT, Ropar as consultant for setting up of Shri Guru Gobind Singh Institute of Skills at Sri Chamkaur Sahib, Distt. Ropar.

In the 67th meeting of the Board of Governors of IKGPTU held on 19.03.2018, it was decided to establish a Constituent Campus of PTU at Sri Chamkaur Sahib for imparting Skills through in house industrial training to the students of Technical and other Institutions in Punjab. Subsequently in the meeting held on 17.07.2019 under the Chairmanship of Hon'ble Minister of Technical Education & Industrial Training, it was decided to engage IIT, Ropar as consultant for this project.



Based on this decision, Vice Chancellor, IKGPTU requested Director IIT, Ropar to prepare a detailed report for establishment of this constituent college. As per this report IIT, Ropar shall charge a consultancy fee of Rs.45 Lacs + 5% Institute overhead + Taxes as per Government of India Rules. The members also decided that detailed terms and references along with timelines regarding the consultancy shall also be finalized.

Matter was circulated to the Board members to approve the report and to release the consultancy services Rs. 45 Lacs+5% Institute overhead+Taxes as per Government of India Rules.

Accordingly, Agenda was circulated via email dated 25.10.2019 to members of Board of Governors for approval. Out of 15 members of BOG, 09 members have given their approval on the Agenda Item. As approved by Chairman BOG via email dated 18.11.2019, letter No. IKGPTU/REG/3082 dated 20.11.2019 was sent to Director Indian Institute of Technology, Ropar for hiring the services of IIT Ropar as Consultant for setting up of Shri Guru Gobind Singh Institute of Skills at Sri Chamkaur Sahib, Distt. Ropar.

Accordingly, First installment of **Rs. 15 Lacs + 5% Institute Overhead + Taxes as applicable** has already been released. A memorandum of understanding (MOU) has been signed on 12.12.2019. Copy of the MoU is placed as **Annexure-XXX (Page No. 220-239)**

- (ii) **To depute full time Director along with his team at Sri Chamkaur Sahib for execution/review of overall progress of the project.**

It is proposed to depute and station an officiating Director/Nodal officer along with his team at Sri Chamkaur Sahib and a full time Director is being selected through an advertisement already published for the recruitment of

Professor/Dean/Campus Director. A separate Bank Account will be opened to make payments related to all kind of work at the site.

Accordingly, Agenda was circulated via email dated 25.10.2019 to members of Board of Governors for approval. Out of 15 members of BOG, 09 members have given their approval on the Agenda Item. Chairman BOG has given its approval via email dated 18.11.2019.

The matter is placed before the Board for ratification.

(c) Current status on Establishment of Center for Invention, Innovation, Incubation and Training (CIIT) by Tata Technologies Limited.

The implementation of the skill development center with the name Guru Nanak dev Ji Center of Invention, Innovation, Incubation and training (CIIT) will take place in a phased manner at IKGPTU, Kapurthala and IKGPTU SulatnpurLodhi with "HUB" and "SPOKE" model respectively in collaboration with Tata Technologies Limited (TTL), Pune.

Current Status

A MOU was signed between IKGPTU and Tata Technologies Limited on 18-09-2018 for the establishment of CIIT at IKGPTU, Kapurthala and IKGPTU SulatnpurLodhi. A work order for implementation of MOU, signed between IKGPTU and TTL, for setting of CIIT skill centers at IKGPTU campuses was issued to TTL, Pune vide ref. no IKGPTU/Reg/4034 dated 03-11-2018. The suitable buildings with appropriate infrastructure were identified and allocated to TTL for establishment of skill development centers simultaneously. Based on the inputs and requirements from TTL, IKGPTU implemented structural modification and made provisions for electrical installations, networking and internet requirements.



As per minutes of meeting of the 71st meeting of BOG, IKGPTU has made payment to TTL, Pune for its 12% share for hardware and 6% share for software amounting to Rs 17.3 Cr on 31-07-2019.

CIIIT center at IKGPTU, SultanpurLodhi was inaugurated by Hon'ble Chief Minister, Punjab on 14-08-2019. Currently second batch of students is undergoing skill development training at this center.

The software related labs at IKGPTU, Kapurthala are operational now. The hardware labs are being established. The equipment for the labs are being installed and will become fully operational by 31-01-2020.

A governing body of the CIIIT centers with following members has been constituted with the approval of Vice-Chancellor as per decision of BOG:

1. Dean (R&D), IKGPTU, Kapurthala
2. Dean (Academics), IKGPTU, Kapurthala
3. Registrar, IKGPTU, Kapurthala
4. Mr. P V Kaulgud - Global Director, TTL
5. Mr. Prassna Deshpande - PM- Education Projects Delivery, TTL

The matter is placed before the Board for information.



Item No. 72.21: Any other Agenda Item with the permission of Chair.

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