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Sub: - Minutes of the 18th meeting of the Steering Committee for new NIPERs held on 11.09.2013 at 3.00 PM in Department of Pharmaceuticals at Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi.

The undersigned is directed to enclose a copy of the minutes of the 18th meeting of the Steering Committee (4 pages) for new NIPERs held on 11.09.2013.



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Minutes of the 18th Steering Committee meeting held on 11.09.2013 at 03:00 PM

The 18th meeting of the Steering Committee was held on 11.09.2013 at 03:00 PM under the Chairmanship of Secretary (Pharma) in his chamber. The list of participants is at Annexure.

2. At the outset Secretary (Pharma) welcomed all the participants. The decisions taken by the Steering Committee on the list of points in the agenda circulated to all concerned are as under:-

- I. **Approval of layout/drawings of construction of campuses at NIPER, Guwahati and Gandhinagar**
 - a) Steering Committee held that there should be a coordinated approach towards the process in the direction of construction of campuses of NIPER, Guwahati and Gandhinagar amongst the NIPERs concerned, the project management agencies who are the signatories of the Memorandum of understanding (MoU) and the State Government for proper implementation of the project.
 - b) Highlighting the communication gap, Chairman stressed that the concerned NIPERs and the agencies should interact with the respective State Governments who have allotted land for construction of campuses in regard to the progress.
 - c) Papers of the allocated land by the State Government needs to be examined properly by the concerned NIPERs in consultation with the agencies.
 - d) A third party evaluation of the project is to be made on its commencement. Project Directors of the concerned NIPERs are to appoint a suitable third party for the purpose. Agencies like IIT can be considered for the purpose.
 - e) The Steering Committee discussed the layout plans of campuses of NIPER, Guwahati and Gandhinagar with the representatives of both the agencies i.e. EPIL and HSCL respectively.
 - f) The Steering Committee was of the view that the layout plan of HSCL particularly the front elevations in respect of campus of NIPER, Gandhinagar needs to be revised. JS (SK) informed that all requirements including standard of labs, number of labs, the requirements of administrative wing and academic requirements etc. has already been appraised to HSCL for redesigning suitable layout plans. The Committee opined that HSCL should prepare 4-5 alternative layout plans for a decision in the matter by the Steering Committee.

- g) Steering Committee approved the layout/drawings of EPIL for construction of new campus of NIPER, Guwahati.
- h) Secretary (Pharma) asked EPIL to send the cost estimate of the layout plan for construction of campus for NIPER, Guwahati within two month time for the approval of Steering committee.

3. Approval of degree of qualified students (89) of NIPER, Rae Bareli

Approval granted for the batch 2009-11, 2010-12 and 2011-13 by the Steering Committee.

4. Agenda items of NIPER, Hyderabad

- (a) **Approval of conducting and with a sanctioned budget of Rs. 15 lakhs (fifteen lakhs) for conducting the 3rd Convocation of NIPER, Hyderabad on 19th October, 2013, and**
Approval granted by the Steering Committee.
- (b) **Approval of Granting of Degrees of M.S. (Pharm) students (73) by Steering Committee.**
Approval granted for the batch 2011-13 by the Steering Committee.

5. Setting up of National and Regional Biosimilar Expertise Centres (as proposed by Working Group on Drugs and Pharmaceuticals Industry of 12th Five Year Plan) - To provide expert advice and assistance to industry on regulatory issues pertaining to Clinical Trials, Testing and Approval process for Biosimilars – One national centre at Bangalore and Three Regional centres at Chandigarh, Hyderabad and Ahmedabad.

Members of the Steering Committee were of the view that none of the NIPERs has resource and capability enough to handle the above project. Steering Committee decided that NIPER, Mohali may submit a concept paper along with the name of experts in the field and thereafter for circulation amongst all NIPERs, related Departments like DBT, DSIR & Industry for their comments.

6. Agenda items of NIPER, Kolkata

- a) **Conferring of degrees to successful students of NIPER, Kolkata, 2012 and 2013.**
Approval granted by the Steering Committee.

- b) **Approval of awards and medals to be given to the successful students (2012 & 2013) of NIPER, Kolkata in the 3rd Convocation to be held on 25th October, 2013.**

Approval granted by the Steering Committee.

- c) **Approval of Statement of Accounts 2011-12 of NIPER, Kolkata.**

Approval granted by the Steering Committee.

7. Besides above following additional agenda items were raised in the meeting with the permission of the Chair:-

- i. **Approval of Statement of accounts of Guwahati for the financial year 2008-09**

Approval granted by the Steering Committee.

- ii. **Approval of the revised statement of accounts of NIPER, Rae Bareli for the years 2008-09, 2009-10, 2010-11 and 2011-12 based on the observations of the audit**

Approval granted by the Steering Committee.

- iii. **Secretary (Pharma) directed all the concerned Project Directors to follow up with the State Governments for expeditious allocation of land for new NIPERs.**

As a follow up action Project Director, NIPER, Rae Bareli informed that the matter regarding possession of land has already been pursued with the State Government and three of the land holders who are having land patches in the allocated land for NIPER, Rae Bareli have given their acceptance and others are being tried for obtaining their assent with the help of state Government.

- iv. Regarding constructions of campus at NIPER Madurai, it was decided that as requested by IFD, feasibility study and cost revision for the project may be undertaken. Steering Committee approved assigning the work to the agency who had done similar work for other NIPERs. .

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

List of participants

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2. Shri Shambhu Kallollikar, Joint Secretary, Department of Pharmaceuticals
3. Prof. Nagarajan Venkataraman, Member, Steering Committee
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