

**Minutes of the
Fortieth Meeting of the
Board of Governors**

**Indian Institute of Information
Technology Guwahati
October 04 2023**

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Present:

Mr. S. Ramadorai, Former Chairman (via VC)
Mr. Satyabrata Dey, Chairman (via VC)
Dr. Indrajit Bhattacharya (via VC)
Mr. Subroto Ghosh (via VC)
Prof. Parmeswar Iyer (via VC)
Prof Ramesh Chandra Deka (via VC)
Prof. Kanduru V. Krishna (Via VC)
Mr. Ranjit Barthakur (via VC)
Mr. Priyank Chaturvedi (via VC)
Prof. Gautam Barua, Director
Mr. Uttam Chandra Das, Registrar
Prof Ferdous Ahmed Barbhuiya (via VC)

Item No. 1 Appointment of Chairman of the Board

The Board noted that the Visitor of the Institute, the President of India, has appointed Mr. Satyabrata Dey as the Chairman of the Board till 24.08.2026. Mr. Satyabrata Dey is the founder, promoter, and Managing Director of Sreeleathers Ltd, Kolkata. The Board welcomed Mr. Satyabrata Dey and invited him to chair the meeting.

Item No. 2 Tribute to Outgoing Chairman

The Board bid farewell to the outgoing Chairman of the Board, Mr. S. Ramadorai.

Mr. S. Ramadorai, former CEO of TCS has been the Chairman of the Board of IIIT Guwahati since the inception of the Institute in 2013. In fact, his association goes back even further. When the Central Government announced the formation of IIITs in the country in 2011, the Government of Assam formed a State Steering Committee (SSC) to oversee the establishment of an IIIT in Assam on 30/9/2011. Mr. Ramadorai was appointed the Chairman of the SSC. He steered the SSC to take appropriate decisions and the IIIT in Guwahati was established in 2013 and was one of the first five IIITs to be established, all of which were established that year. With the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding with Industry Partners by the Central and State Govt. and the approval of a Memorandum of Association for the newly established IIITs on 6/5/2013, IIIT Guwahati was established and the first batch of students joined in August 2013. It started functioning under the supervision of the SSC and Director IIT Guwahati was the Mentor Director. The Central Govt. appointed Mr. Ramadorai as the first Chairman of the Board of the Institute on 26/2/2014. The first Board meeting was

held on 30/4/2014.

In his 12 years of association as the Chairman of the Governing Body of the Institute, Mr. Ramadorai's contribution to the establishment and growth of the Institute was immense and decisive. The Institute is where it is today, is to a large extent due to his guidance and also due to his presence at the helm which brought a lot of stature to the fledgling Institute.

The Board thanked Mr. Ramadorai for all his contributions and pledged to carry the Institute forward as per the vision he has set and the directions he has given.

Mr. Ramadorai expressed satisfaction at the progress of the Institute in the last ten years. He expressed confidence that the Institute will continue to show progress under the guidance of the incoming Chairman, Mr. Satyabrata Dey. He recalled the support provided by Dr. Himanta Biswa Sarma in establishing the Institute. Dr. Sarma was the State Education Minister then. He played a decisive role in making sure that the Institute started on time and with the right inputs. Mr. Ramadorai also acknowledged the help and advice provided by Mr. Ranjit Barthakur during the establishment of the Institute and also in later years. He thanked the Board for fulfilling its duties and taking quick decisions. He thanked the Director, Prof. Gautam Barua, for carrying out the directions of the Board smoothly, and for administering the Institute efficiently. He wished all success to the Institute.

Item No. 3 Minutes of the Thirty-Ninth Meeting of the Board of Governors of the Institute held on 15/06/2023

Resolution 40.3: The Minutes of the Thirty-Ninth meeting of the Board held on 15th of June 2023, as given at Annexure 1, were approved.

Item No. 4 Action Taken Report

The Board noted the action taken report of decisions taken in earlier meetings of the Board.

Item No. 5 Director' Report

The Board noted the Director's Report.

Item No. 6 Reconstitution of the Board

The Board noted that the Board needs to be reconstituted as per the provisions of the IIIT PPP Act of 2017. The Board noted that the Board composition will be notified by the Central Government and to do so it will seek nominations for filling up positions as

per provisions of the Act. The Board noted that one of the clauses mentions:

One nominee representing each of the industry partners:

Provided that if there are more than two industry partners then the number of representatives of industry partners at any time would be limited to two, chosen amongst themselves by rotation every two years;

Since there are four industry partners, it was decided that M/S TCS and M/S Oil India will nominate one person each to be in the Board for the next two years.

Item No. 7 Approval of the Audited Annual Accounts of 2022-23

Resolution 40.7: The Board resolved to approve the Audited Annual Accounts of 2022-23, as recommended by the Finance Committee.

Item No. 8 Approval of the Annual Report of 2022-23

Resolution 40.8: The Board resolved to approve the Annual Report of 2022-23.

Item No. 9 Current status of the Approved Budget (B.E.) and Expenditure in FY 2023-24

The Board noted the status of the budget and the expenditure so far in 2023-24.

Item No. 10 Ratification of Appointment of Faculty

Resolution 40.10: The Board ratified the decision of the Chairman in approving the following appointments to faculty positions in the Institute:

Department of Mathematics

1. Dr. Dipendu Maity, Assoc Professor, pay as per rules
2. Dr. Mostafizar Khandakar, Asst Professor, 75,300, Level 11
3. Dr. Masihuddin, Asst. Professor, 70,900, Level 10

Waiting List:

1. Dr. Tejinder Kumar, Asst Professor, 70,900, Level 10 (against Sl. No 2)
2. Dr. Anjana Mondal, Asst. Professor, 70,900, Level 10 (against Sl. No 3)

Department of Computer Science and Engineering

1. Dr. Ferdous Ahmed Barbhuiya, Professor, as per rules
2. Shreya Ghosh, Asst. Professor, 75,300, Level 11
3. Pawan Kumar Mishra, Asst. Professor, 73,000, Level 10
4. Nilotpal Chakraborty, Asst. Professor, 1,01,500, Level 12
5. Arijit Nath, Asst. Professor, 70,900, Level 10
6. Shuba Brata Nath, Asst. Professor, 75,300, Level 11

Waiting List:

1. Krishnendu Hazra, Asst. Professor, 75,300, Level 11
2. Pranay Kumar Sahu, Asst Professor, 75,300, Level 11

Department of Electronics and Communication Engineering

1. Dr. Sounak Roy, Assoc. Professor, as per rules
2. Dr. Mourina Ghosh, Assoc Professor, as per rules
3. Dr. Sudip Biswas, Assoc Professor, as per rules
4. Dr. Rajib Malik, Asst. Professor, 1,01,500, Level 12
5. Dr. Sheikh Wasmir Hussain, Asst. Professor, 75,300, Level 11
6. Dr. Valmik Tilwari, Assistant Professor, 77,600, Level 11

Item No. 11 Extension of the Term of the Registrar

Resolution 40.11: The Board resolved to extend the term of the Registrar, Mr. Uttam Chandra Das, by one more year.

Item No. 12 Re designation of Associate Dean (Administration) to Dean (Administration) and Creation of Dean's position.

Resolution 40.12: The Board resolved as follows:

- a) The position of Dean (Administration) is created
- b) Prof. Ferdous Ahmed Barbhuyia is appointed as Dean (Administration) till 31.03.2025.
- c) The appointment of the following Associate Deans till 31.03.2025 are ratified:
 - i. Dr. Moumita Roy appointed as the Associate Dean (Research and Development)
 - ii. Dr. Rakesh Matam appointed as the Associate Dean (Student Affairs)

Item no 13: Selection of the Next Director

The Board noted that the current Director will demit office on 14.04.2024 and so the process for the selection of the next Director of the Institute is to be initiated. It was noted that as per the Act, the Visitor will appoint the Director of the Institute from a panel of three names to be provided by a search-cum-selection committee whose composition is defined in the Act. The following members of the committee needs inputs from the Board:

- i. two members, nominated by the Board, from amongst eminent administrators, industrialists, educationists, scientists, technocrats and management specialists;
- ii. nominee of one of the industry partners by rotation;

It was decided that every member of the Board will suggest a name to the Chairman, and the Chairman will choose two members to be members of the search-cum-selection committee. The Ministry will find out which industry partner nominated a member in the last search-cum-selection committee and ask one of the other three industry partners to nominate a member.

As there were no other matters, the meeting ended after thanking the Chair.

(Gautam Barua)
Director, IIIT Guwahati and
Secretary to the Board

Approved

(Satyabrata Dey)
Chairman Board of
Governors, IIIT Guwahati