

National Institute of Educational Planning and Administration (Deemed to be University u/s 3 of the UGC Act 1956)

Minutes of the 3rd Meeting of the Planning and Monitoring Board of the National Institute of Educational Planning and Administration (NIEPA) held on 16th November, 2022 at 03.30 p.m.

The 3rd meeting of the Planning and Monitoring Board of the National Institute of Educational Planning and Administration was held on November 16, 2022 at 03.30 p.m. in Room No. 113, with provisions also for members to attend the meeting through video-conferencing in online mode. The following members were present in the meeting:

	Prof.	N.	V.	Varghese	
	Vice	Ch	an	cellor, NIEPA, New Delhi	

Chairperson

 Prof. Sudhanshu Bhushan Head, Department of Higher & Professional Education NIEPA, New Delhi

Member

 Prof. Mona Khare Head, Department of Educational Finance NIEPA, New Delhi

Member

4. Prof. Kumar Suresh Head, Department of Educational Administration NIEPA, New Delhi

Member

 Prof. B. K. Panda Head, Department of Training and Professional Development in Education, NIEPA, New Delhi

Member

 Prof. Rashmi Diwan Head, national Centre for School Leadership NIEPA, New Delhi

Member

7. Prof. K. Biswal Head, Department of Educational Planning NIEPA, New Delhi

Member

 Prof. G. D. Sharma President, Society for Education & Economic Development, New Delhi

Member

Prof. Namita Ranganathan
 Department of Education, CIE, University of Delhi, Delhi

Member

 Dr. Sandeep Chatterjee Registrar, NIEPA, New Delhi

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Amongst the regular members, Prof. A. K. Singh, Head, Department of Educational Policy; Prof. Pranati Panda, Head, Department of School & Non-Formal Education, and Prof. Mohammad Akhtar Siddiqui, Institute of Advanced Studies in Education, Jamia Millia Islamia could not attend the meeting. Amongst the Special Invitees, Professor Pradeep Kumar Mishra, Director, CPRHE and Dr, Tshering Chonzon Bhutia, Advisor, UIC, NIEPA could not attend the meeting.

Prof. N.V Varghese, Vice-Chancellor and Chairperson of the Planning and Monitoring Board extended a warm welcome to all the members of the Planning and Monitoring Board.

The Chairperson, Planning and Monitoring Board, briefed the members about recent visit of NAAC peer review team and NIEPA getting accreditation with B++ grade (a score of 2.99), and the institute having taken a decision to appeal this score, within the timelines, as per procedure. The conduct of Convocation and giving degrees to the graduating scholars (106-M.Phil., 27-Ph.D) and presence of Prof. Deepak Nayyar, Ex-Vice Chancellor, Delhi University, as the Chief Guest was another occasion to rejoice. The institute has seen visit of two Parliamentary Committees, viz., Official Language Implementation Committee and the Committee on Papers Laid on the Table (COPLOT), Rajya Sabha on March 7, 2022 and June 22, 2022 respectively, which were very successful. The 16th Institute Foundation Day was celebrated on August 24, 2022 and Nobel Laureate, Dr. Kailash Sathyarthi delivering the Foundation day Lecture, was another event which we all cherish.

Dr. Sandeep Chatterjee, Registrar & Secretary, Planning and Monitoring Board, NIEPA briefed about the roles and functions of Planning and Monitoring Board, as per the provision contained in the revised Memorandum of Association and Rules, 2020 of the Institute. He also welcomed the members to this 3rd meeting, which is taking place at very important instance of completion of 60 years of the existence of the institute and welcomed all members to participate in the programme scheduled to be held on November 22, 2022 at the India Habitat Centre.

ITEM 3.1 Confirmation of Minutes of the 2nd meeting of the Planning and Monitoring Board of the Institute.

It was informed that the minutes of the 2nd meeting of the Planning & Monitoring Board held on March 16, 2022 were circulated to all the members and no comments were received on it.

The members accordingly resolved to approve the minutes and expressed satisfaction on the same.

ITEM 3.2 Considering Action Taken Report (ATR) on the decisions of the 2nd meeting of the Planning & Monitoring Board, held on March 16, 2022.

The Planning and Monitoring Board noted the information with satisfaction, as given in the ATR and approved the same.

ITEM 3.3 REPORTING ITEMS

ITEM 3.3.1

The Planning & Monitoring Board noted the update and changes, which have taken place in the list of Committees, either in the membership or new-composition, as reported:

Statutory Committees

Sr. No.	Name of the Committee	Whether Notification was issued / Ref. Order			
1.	Board of Studies	Yes F. No. NUEPA/Admn. /RO/RMOA&R/155/2016-17 Dated 09.09.2022			
2.	Finance Committee	Yes F. No. NUEPA/Admn. /RO/RMOA&R/155/2022-23 Dated 10.10.2022			

ITEM 3.3.2 Visit of the Parliamentary Committee to NIEPA on June 22, 2022 : COPLOT (Committee on Papers Laid on the Table), Rajya Sabha

The Planning & Monitoring Board noted the visit of Committee on Papers Laid on the Table (COPLOT), Rajya Sabha, which visited the Institute on June 22, 2022 and have seen compliance on submission of Annual Report and Audited Accounts of NIEPA, New Delhi as per details given below and expressed satisfaction.

Financial Year	Date of sul to the Nodal M		Date of Papers laid on the Table of the Parliament (LS/RS)			
29/2011	Audit Reports received from CAG	Annual Report	Lok Sabha	Rajya Sabha		
2015-16	07.06.2019	17.12.2019	23.03.2020	19.03.2020		
2016-17	29.11.2019	22.09.2020	13.02.2021	17.03.2021		
2017-18	29.11.2019	05.07.2021	29.11.2021	10.08.2021		
2018-19	29.11.2019	28.07.2021	29.11.2021	10.08.2021		
2019-20	22.01.2021	27.10.2021	13.12.2021	15.12.2021		
2020-21	24.03.2022	10.03.2022				

ITEM 3.3.3 Conduct of Convocation Ceremony and formal award of M. Phil-Ph.D. degrees to the students

The Planning & Monitoring Board noted that 133 degrees (106- M.Phil. and 27- Ph.D) were conferred on graduating scholars on October 21, 2022 in a ceremony held at PHD Chamber of Commerce and Industry, PHD House, New Delhi and Prof. Deepak Nayyar, Ex. Vice -Chancellor, University of Delhi has graced the occasion as the Chief Guest.

Year	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	Tota
Programme	AIS S							
M.PhiJ	16	08	10	17	17	16	22	106
Ph.D	02	01	02	05	07	08	02	27
Total	18	09	12	22	24	24	24	133

ITEM 3.3.4

NAAC Accreditation process and visit of the NAAC team

The Planning & Monitoring Board noted that NAAC peer review team visited the Institute during October 12 -14, 2022 and the report from NAAC, Bangalore was communicated on October 18, 2022, informing that NIEPA is graded B++ with a score of 2.99 based on overall assessment. Not satisfied with the score, the Institute has decided to tender an appeal to review the score /assessment.

ITEM 3.3.5

A Ministry of Education (MoE) detailed work plan relating to the study on five identified themes

The Planning & Monitoring Board noted that the following project activity has been taken up as desired by the Nodal Ministry and a report will be submitted within three months.

- Rashtriya Uchattar Shiksha Abhiyan (RUSA) Prof.
 Sudhanshu Bhushan
- National Educational Policy-2020 Assessment of NEP-2020
 Implementation: Status, Issues and Pathways Prof. A.K.
 Singh & Prof. Kumar Suresh
- Samagra Shiksha (National Education Mission), an Integrated
 Scheme for School Education Prof. Pranati Panda
- An Evaluative Study of PM Poshan, Shaksham Anganwadi and Poshan 2.0 Schemes in India Prof. Madhumita Bandhyopadhyay
- A Study on NISHTHA: Its Coverage, Relevance and Implementation at the Institutional (School) Level – Prof. Sunita Chugh

ITEM 3.3.6

Institute completed a project / evaluation study on Institutions of Eminence (IoE), as awarded by UGC vide their Letter No. 1-4/2016(IoE) dated 22.12.2021

The Planning & Monitoring Board noted that a report was submitted to the University Grants Commission (UGC), as an

independent third party evaluation, on the performance and utilisation of budget pertaining to the notified Institutes, covered under the Institution of Eminence Scheme (IoE), well within the timelines, as per EoI awarded to NIEPA, under competitive bidding.

ITEMS FOR APPROVAL

ITEM 3.4 Minutes of the 11th Meeting of the Board of Studies, held on November 1, 2022.

The Planning & Monitoring Board noted the minutes of the 11th meeting of the Board of Studies, which was held on November 1, 2022 at NIEPA.

ITEM 3.5 Minutes of the 30th Meeting of the Academic Council held on November 10, 2022.

The Planning & Monitoring Board noted the minutes of the 30th Meeting of the Academic Council, which was held on November 10, 2022 at NIEPA.

ITEM 3.6 The proposed activities of the Grants-in-Aid Committee and minutes of the GIAC Meeting held on February 16, 2022.

The Planning & Monitoring Board noted the minutes of the Grants-in-Aid Committee meeting held on February 16, 2022 and of the Research Review Committee meeting held on September 21, 2022 and expressed satisfaction.

ITEM 3.7 Seeking funding support for conducting various trainings, workshops and FDPs under Higher Education Initiatives in the North-Eastern Region – a request submitted to the Ministry of Education (MoE).

The Planning & Monitoring Board noted that NIEPA has submitted a fund request for North-East Region, to the Ministry of Education, to be utilised especially for carrying out academic

and research activities, training and capacity building programmes, projects etc., for the NE Region. Dr. Sangeeta Angom, Associate Professor and Faculty Coordinator of NER Liaisoning Committee has coordinated with various Departments of the Institution and prepared a consolidated list of programmes to be conducted face-to-face in NE States. The proposal were seen by the Academic Council in its 30th Meeting, held on November 10, 2022.

ITEM 3.8 Proposed construction of New multi-storied Academic Building in NIEPA

The Planning & Monitoring Board noted that the Ministry of Education has approved the Construction of a New Academic Building at NIEPA Campus at a total cost outlay of Rs. 30.56 Crore. CPWD, the Government of India, Construction Agency has already floated NIT and the bids will be received by November 24, 2022. NIEPA has released initial fund of Rs. 8.00 Crore from available budget (OH -31) and grants received from the Ministry towards construction of the building. As per Letter No. 9713 dated August 17, 2022 received from the Tree Officer & Deputy Conservator of Forest (South Delhi), the Institute has deposited Rs. 14,82,000/- as security money towards permission for felling of 11 numbers of trees and transplantation of 15 number of trees, in the approved layout, as per norms.

A presentation about the basic features of the building was also made by the Executive Engineer & Senior Manager (Civil), CPWD, IIT Project Division before the Planning and Monitoring Board. It was informed that once the bids are evaluated and finalized, it will be informed and ground breaking or foundation stone laying ceremony may take place, possibly by third week of December, 2022. It was also decided to have a detailed presentation and get inputs on the design, bill of materials and

furniture design or layout, inventory for class room, faculty room, provisions for internet cable and networking, other compliances etc., in the said construction.

ITEM 3.9 To report the changes in the nomenclature and possible modifications in the organogram

The Planning & Monitoring Board observed that any change or revisiting the organogram should require a detailed proposal and justification. The Computer Centre can be renamed as IT Cell or IT Unit / ICT Unit and transitioned from a Service Centre or Facilitation Centre to an Academic Unit. provided it has sufficient justification and layout of work defined, including how the existing support and others required in the current or future scenario will be managed. The classification, roles and responsibility of staff and officers, including that of supervisory incharge and teaching staff shall be well defined, for its ambient governance. While entering into such transition or proposing change in a well settled organisation structure. the POSDCORB (Planning, Organizing, Staffing, Directing, Coordinating, Reporting and Budgeting), be thoroughly discussed and scripted to avoid any future ambiguity and shall be congruent with UGC guidelines.

ITEM 3.10 Diamond Jubilee Celebrations

The Planning & Monitoring Board noted that NIEPA is celebrating 60 years of its existence and a Diamond Jubilee Programme is scheduled to be held on November 22, 2022 at the India Habitat Centre (IHC). The design of commemorative logo on this occasion, engaging NID Kurukshetra students through a design contest is really appreciable, which is truly reflecting the six-decades of our existence, future zeal or dynamism and engagement of our stakeholders.

ITEM 3.11 To consider introducing a new programme of Master of
Arts in Education and Development, from the Academic
Session 2023-24

The Planning & Monitoring Board noted the recommendations of Board of Studies [11th meeting, held on November 1, 2022], and Academic Council [30th meeting, held on November 10, 2022], for introducing a new programme of Master of Arts in Education and Development, from the Academic Session 2023-24. It was observed that NIEPA shall expand its scope by offering such academic programmes which are time relevant and produce informed scholars, with multi-disciplinary approach in the field of education and development. The institute may check with the nomenclature of courses and other conditions with UGC, devise a list of contemporary or dynamic reading and references, define prior learning or pre-requisites for courses if any, qualification framework, methodology and outcome of dissemination of each course and the programme in its totality.

The Planning & Monitoring Board agreed to recommend the proposal for consideration and approval of the Board of management, in its next meeting.

ITEM 3.12 Any other item(s), with the permission of Chair.

There was no other item or supplementary item(s) for discussion.

The meeting concluded with a vote of thanks to the members and the Chair.

(Dr. Sandeep Chatterjee) Registrar and Secretary (Prof. N.V. Varghese) Vice-Chancellor and Chairperson

November 17, 2022