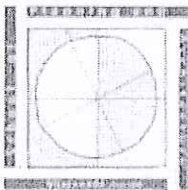


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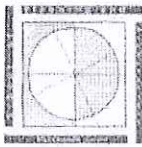
# MINUTES of the Meeting

***Emergent (Short Notice) Meeting of the  
Board of Governors (BoG)***

*held on June 14, 2011 at 01.30 PM at ITPI., New Delhi India;*



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### Minutes of the Emergent (Short Notice) Meeting of the Board of Governors of SPAV held on June 14, 2011 at 01.30 PM at Conference Hall, ITPI, New Delhi, India

#### Members Present:

1	Sri Mahendra Raj	Member & Chairman for this meeting
2	Ar. Prafulla Karkhanis, President, Indian Institute of Architects	Member
3	Ar. Balbir Verma	Member
4	Sri J.B Kshirsagar, Chief Planner, TCPO, MoUD, Govt. of India	Member
5	Sri Rajesh Singh in place of Shri N.K. Sinha (Addl. Secretary-TEL, DHE, MHRD)	Member
6	Sri Navin Soi in place of Shri S.K. Ray (Jt. Secy. & Financial Advisor-HRD, DHE, MHRD)	
7	Prof. (Dr.) Shovan K. Saha (Director, SPAV)	Member
8	Prof. (Dr.) Ramesh Srikonda (HoD – Architecture, SPAV)	Member
9	Prof. (Dr.) Ayon K Tarafdar (HoD-Planning, SPAV)	Member
10	Prof. Venkata Krishna Kumar Sadhu (Registrar, SPAV)	Secretary

Prior to commencement of the meeting, Director, SPAV informed the Board that Prof. S.K. Khanna, Chairman, BoG conveyed his inability to attend and chair the meeting due to unavoidable circumstances. As provided in the MoA, in the absence of the Chairman, the Members present are required to nominate one of the Members of the BoG to chair the meeting. It was unanimously decided to request Sri Mahendra Raj to chair the meeting. Sri Mahendra Raj agreed and chaired the meeting.

Sri C.R. Biswal<sup>I.A.S.</sup>, Principal Secretary, DHE, GoAP, Sri M.K. Hada (Member Secretary, AICTE), Dr. Dev Swarup (Joint Secy., UGC) and Sri A.N. Sachithanandan (President, ITPI) regretted their inability to attend the meeting, due to prior commitments.

Chairman welcomed the members of the Board and accorded a special welcome to Sri Rajesh Singh, DS to the Govt. of India, MHRD who represented Shri N.K. Sinha (Addl. Secretary-TEL, DHE, MHRD) and was attending the meeting for the first time.

The Chairman called the meeting to session at 1.30pm.

Director, SPAV regretfully informed the Members that Prof. (Dr.) Seshu V Musunuri, Professor and Head, Dept. of Planning passed away on 27.03.2011 at his residence in Vijayawada. Director also informed the members of his contribution to the growth of SPAV. The Board expressed deep regrets upon the demise of Prof. Seshu, observed one minutes' silence in his memory and offered its condolences to the bereaved family.

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Item # 1	To consider and approve the customization costs of occupying the hired campus at Nidamanuru, across the Agenda items 1.1-1.5 for the current meeting	Annexure:I,II
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Director, SPAV informed the Members that the 'Fair Rent Certificate' was received from the Executive Engineer, CPWD, Vijayawada (CPWDV) vide Letter No. 1(2-A)2011/ VJCSD.II/ VJCSD/ 836 dt. 30.03.2011 certifying the following lease rent per month w.e.f 25.03.2011:

For plinth area (built up area) as per CPWDV's principles	Rs 9.48 persqft
as per prevailing rates in the locality	Rs10.80 persqft
For open area	Rs 58,333/- per acre

A copy of this letter forms a part of the agenda.

The FRC has given a separate rate for renting the covered area and another rate for the open area. Whereas in the offer from the property owner the rent of covered area which is Rs. 11/- per sqft. per month includes free and exclusive use of the uncovered open area.

The rented covered area is 4570 sqm or 49173 sqft. and the open area for exclusive use of the institute is 1.5 acres.

Based on the recommendations of FRC, considering market rates, the total rent of the premises works out to Rs. 6,18,568/- per month as calculated below :-

- Covered area of 49173 sqft @ Rs. 10.80 per sqft. per month	Rs. 5,31,068.00
- Open area of 1.5 acres @ Rs. 58,333/- per acre per month	Rs. 87,500.00
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<b>Total</b>	<b>Rs. 6,18,568.00</b>

As against this, the rent being paid amounts to 49173 x 11.0 = Rs. 5,40,903.00, which is less than the rent calculated based on FRC recommendations.

As recommended by the BoG in the IX BoG meeting 22.03.2011, upon receipt of the FRC and clearance of the rent lease agreement by the Legal Advisor, Director, SPAV has entered into a Rent Lease Agreement with Dr. C. Suresh, owner of the subject property located at S.No. 71/1,

71/2A, 71/2B, 75/3C, Done Atkur, Nidamanuru, Vijayawada Rural, Krishna Dt., A.P., India on 14.04.2011. Subsequently, the Agreement was registered with O/o. The SRO, Gunadala, Vijayawada upon payment of stipulated Stamp Duty and Registration fees.

**Director, SPAV** also informed the Members that preliminary Project Cost (customization and modification) of the proposed Campus to be hired at Nidamanuru as per the suggestions and recommendations of the BWC and FC (IX BWC meeting and III FC meeting dt. 09.02.2011), is presented vide items listed 1.1 to 1.5 along with Annexure – III of the Agenda for this meeting for favour of consideration of the Members.

*After elaborate discussions the Board took note of FRC and the registered Rent Lease Agreement and agreed to examine the items listed 1.1 to 1.5 along with Annexure – III of the Agenda of this meeting.*

Item # 1.1	To consider and approve the <u>Estimated Cost of Aluminum Partitions</u> as part of customization costs of occupying the hired campus at Nidamanuru	Annexure:III
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In continuation of the above, **Director, SPAV** informed the Members that as part of the customization and modification of the proposed Campus to be hired at Nidamanuru, sealed Tenders were called vide Newspaper advt. dt. 13.05.2011 for interior works (Aluminium Partitions, False Ceiling and Electrical works) by the Committee constituted for the purpose. Out of Seven quotations received for Aluminum Partitions work on May 27, 2011, **M/s. Prameela Enterprises, Hyderabad** was adjudged as L1, as per standard procedures adopted.

The total amount for the said work as quoted by the L1 is **Rs. 9, 15,363/-** (Rupees Nine lakh Fifteen thousand Three hundred Sixty Three only) as per the details presented in Annexure – III for favour of consideration of the Members.


*After elaborate discussions, the Members considered the estimated cost of Aluminum Partitions as presented in Annexure – III and unanimously resolved as follows:*

**RESOLUTION NO.: 36.1**

*The Board unanimously resolved that the Estimated Cost of Aluminium Partitions is approved (with allowance for possible variation of up to a maximum of 10% of the estimated cost). Accordingly, Work Order may be released in favour of L1 subject to ensuring that L1 is the lowest in its quote for all components of the work to be executed.*

Item # 1.2	To consider and approve the <u>Estimated Cost of Additional Electrical Wiring</u> for the Building, Computer Labs etc. as part of customization costs of occupying the hired campus at Nidamanuru	Annexure:III
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**Director, SPAV** informed the Members that out of the Three quotations received for Electrical works on May 27, 2011, **M/s. Sree Om Electrical Works** was adjudged as L1, as per standard procedures adopted. The total amount for the said work as quoted by the L1 is **Rs. 3,76,200/-**



(Rupees Three lakh Seventy Six thousand Two hundred only) as per the details presented in **Annexure – III** for favour of consideration of the Members.

*After elaborate discussions, the Members considered the estimated cost of additional Electrical Wiring as presented in **Annexure – III** and unanimously resolved as follows:*

**RESOLUTION NO.: 36.2**

*The Board unanimously resolved that the Estimated Cost of Additional Electrical Wiring is approved (with allowance for possible variation of up to a maximum of 10% of the estimated cost). Accordingly, Work Order may be released in favour of LI subject to ensuring that LI is the lowest in its quote for all components of the work to be executed.*

Item # 1.3	To consider and approve the <u>Estimated cost of False Ceiling</u> as part of customization costs of occupying the hired campus at Nidamanuru	Annexure:III
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Director, SPAV informed the Members that out of the Seven quotations received for False Ceiling works on May 27, 2011, M/s. Prameela Enterprises, Hyderabad was adjudged as LI, as per standard procedures adopted. The total amount for the said work as quoted by the LI is Rs. 7,93,481/- (Rupees Seven lakh Ninety Three thousand Four hundred Eighty One only) as per the details presented in **Annexure – III** for favour of consideration of the Members.

*After elaborate discussions, the Members considered the estimated cost of False Ceiling as presented in **Annexure – III** and unanimously resolved as follows:*

**RESOLUTION NO.: 36.3**

*The Board unanimously resolved that the Estimated Cost of False Ceiling is approved (with allowance for possible variation of up to a maximum of 10% of the estimated cost). Accordingly, Work Order may be released in favour of LI subject to ensuring that LI is the lowest in its quote for all components of the work to be executed.*

Item # 1.4	To consider and approve the <u>Estimated Cost of Shifting to Nidamanuru campus</u> as part of occupying the hired campus at Nidamanuru	Annexure: --
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Director, SPAV informed the Members that various agencies dealing with Packing and Moving located in and around Vijayawada, visited the present premises of SPAV and Boys Hostel in the camp office in A.N.U and SPAV Hostels located in Brodipet-Guntur, Bharathinagar, Panatkalava Road and Maruthi Co-op building Society, Vijayawada and made a wind screen survey of the material to be shifted. Subsequently, they have indicated that the estimated cost of shifting would be Rs. 4,50,000 (Rupees Four Lakh Fifty thousand only).

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After elaborate discussions, the Members considered the estimated cost of Shifting to Nidamanuru Campus and accorded budget approval for Rs. 4,50,000 (Rupees Four Lakh Fifty thousand only) subject to compliance of standard-procurement procedures.

Item # 1.5	To consider and approve the <u>Estimated cost of Name Plate and Signages of SPAV</u> as part of occupying the hired campus at Nidamanuru	Annexure: --
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Director, SPAV informed the Members that as per the preliminary estimates obtained from local agencies located in and around Vijayawada, the estimated cost of Name Plate and Signages of SPAV including (i) Name Plate of SPAV on the Boundary wall on NH-5, (ii) Name Plate of SPAV on the building' Façade, (iii) Name Plate of SPAV in the main entrance foyer inside the building and (iv) Name Plates inside the building identifying specific use of rooms/spaces would be Rs. 5,70,000 (Rupees Five Lakh Seventy thousand only).

After elaborate discussions, the Members considered the estimated cost of Name Plate and Signages of SPAV and advised to choose cost effective models and thus accorded budget approval for Rs. 3,00,000 (Rupees Three lakh only), subject to compliance of standard procurement procedures.

Item # 2	To consider and approve the adoption of Nomenclature and Pay Scales of Faculty and Non-faculty of SPAV as per 6 <sup>th</sup> CPC Norms and UGC Regulations 2010 F.3-1/2009 dt. 30 June 2010	Annexure:IV
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Director, SPAV further informed the Members that SPAV has received THREE rounds of sanctioned faculty and Non-faculty posts from MHRD (as presented in Annexure – IV) till date, as per which the nomenclature for Faculty posts in all the three sanction orders was the same, i.e., Professor, Assistant Professor and Lecturer as presented below:

**Table 1: Sanction of Faculty Posts by the DHE, MHRD**

<b><u>I. Sanction of Faculty Posts vide sanction No. 3-23/2007-TS-VI dt. 01.08.2008</u></b>				
S.No.	Designation	Pay Scale (in Rs.)	AGP (in Rs.)	Pay Band
1	Professor	16,400-450-22,400		
2	Assistant Professor	12,000-420-18,300		
3	Lecturer	8,000-275-13,500		
<b><u>II. Sanction of Faculty Posts vide sanction No. 3-23/2007-TS-VI dt. 18.01.2010</u></b>				
1	Professor	37,400 – 67,000	10,000	PB-4
2	Assistant Professor	15,600 – 39,100	8,000	PB-3
3	Lecturer	15,600 – 39,100	6,000	PB-3

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**III: Sanction of Faculty Posts vide sanction No. 6-3/2010-TS-VI dt. 06.07.2010**

1	Professor	37,400 – 67,000	10,000	PB-4
2	Assistant Professor	15,600 – 39,100	8,000	PB-3
3	Lecturer	15,600 – 39,100	6,000	PB-3

However, the nomenclature for Faculty posts is Professor, Associate Professor and Assistant Professor as per the 6<sup>th</sup> CPC Norms which (a) have been recommended to be adopted by the BoG vide Minutes of Item No. 8 of the Agenda for Emergency Meeting of the BoG of SPAV dt. 10 September 2009 at New Delhi, (b) are given in MHRD Letter No.23-1/2008-TS.II dt. 18.08.2009 and (c) as per 'UGC REGULATIONS ON MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS FOR APPOINTMENT OF TEACHERS AND OTHER ACADEMIC STAFF IN UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES AND MEASURES FOR THE MAINTENANCE OF STANDARDS IN HIGHER EDUCATION 2010 (TO BE PUBLISHED IN THE GAZETTE OF INDIA PART III SECTOR IV)' F.3-1/2009 DT. 30 JUNE 2010, is as below:

**Table 2: Faculty Posts as per 6<sup>th</sup> CPC Norms**

S.No.	Designation	Pay Scale (in Rs.)	AGP (in Rs.)	Pay Band
1	Professor	37,400 – 67,000	10,000	PB-4
2	Associate Professor	37,400 – 67,000	9,000	PB-4
3	Assistant Professor	15,600 – 39,100	6,000	PB-3

In view of the mismatch of nomenclature and corresponding pay-scale in case of Associate Professor – Assistant Professor and Assistant Professor – Lecturer as explained above, **Director, SPAV** sought the advice of the Board in this regard.

The Board advised the Director, SPAV to adopt the nomenclature as per 6<sup>th</sup> CPC Norms. Regarding adoption of the pay scales recommended in the 6<sup>th</sup> CPC and the UGC Regulations 2010 F.3-1/2009 dt. 30 June 2010, the Director was advised to refer the matter to the MHRD, GOI and adopt it only after receiving the MHRD's approval. Further, the representatives of the MHRD requested the Director, SPAV to write a Letter to the MHRD to issue corrigendum w.r.t nomenclature and pay scale of Faculty posts sanctioned vide sanction **No. 3-23/2007-TS-VI dt. 18.01.2010** and **No. 6-3/2010-TS-VI dt. 06.07.2010**. They (the representatives of the MHRD) assured that the necessary corrigendum will be issued expeditiously.

*After elaborate discussions, the Board unanimously resolved as follows:*

**RESOLUTION NO.: 37**

*The Board unanimously resolved that the Nomenclature of Faculty and Non-faculty posts of SPAV be adopted as per 6<sup>th</sup> CPC Norms. Regarding the adoption of the pay scales w.r.t. faculty posts, recommended in the 6<sup>th</sup> CPC Norms and UGC Regulations 2010 F.3-1/2009 dt. 30 June 2010, the director was advised to write to MHRD requesting corrigendum to MHRD's*

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sanction letters vide sanction No. 3-23/2007-TS-VI dt. 18.01.2010 and No. 6-3/2010-TS-VI dt. 06.07.2010.

Item # 3	To consider and approve the purchase of Furniture required for Students for 2011-12 A.Y	Annexure:V
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Director, SPAV informed the Members that Furniture items to be purchased for students' use in Studio/Lecture Rooms and hostels has been estimated so as to accommodate the needs of new batch who will be admitted for the 2011-12 A.Y. The required furniture items are namely, Drafting Tables for college/studio, Tables, Chairs, Cots and cupboard for hostels. As per the market survey undertaken in Vijayawada, Hyderabad regions the estimated total cost is approximately Rs. 45,00,000 (Rupees Forty Five lakh only) as per the standard specifications developed for the said purpose. Details were presented in Annexure – V for favour of consideration of the Members.

*After elaborate discussions, the Members considered the details presented in Annexure - V and thus accorded budget approval for Rs. 45,00,000 (Rupees Forty Five lakh only), subject to compliance of standard procurement procedures.*

Item # 4	To consider and approve the Annual Accounts of SPAV for 2010-11 F.Y (for the period ending March 31, 2011)	Annexure:VI
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Director, SPAV informed the Members that the unaudited Annual Accounts of SPAV for 2010-11 F.Y (for the period ending March 31, 2011) is presented in Annexure – VI for favour of consideration of the Members.

*After elaborate discussions, the Board unanimously approved in principle the Annual Accounts of SPAV for 2010-11 F.Y (for the period ending March 31, 2011). Board further advised the Director to conduct the Internal Audit of the Annual Accounts SPAV for 2010-11 F.Y (for the period ending March 31, 2011) and present the same in the next meeting of the BOG.*

Item # 5	To consider and approve the list of Authorised Signatories for Cheques of/issued by SPAV	Annexure: --
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Director, SPAV informed the Members that at present, SPAV is maintaining Bank account with UCO Bank, Vijayawada and SBI, A.N.U Campus. Any Two of the following Officers have been designated as Authorised Signatories of the Cheques of SPAV up to a limit of Rs. 50,000 (Rupees Fifty Thousand only) while Director, SPAV should be one of the two signatories for Cheques above the limit of Rs. 50,000 (Rupees Fifty Thousand only):

1. Dr. Shovan K Saha, Director, SPAV
2. Prof. Venkata Krishna Kumar Sadhu, Registrar and D.D.O, SPAV
3. Mr. PVS Shyam Kumar, Asst. Registrar, SPAV

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However, due to the need for greater operational ease, it was proposed that the maximum value of Cheques where any Two of the following Officers have been designated as Authorised Signatories of the Cheques of SPAV, may be raised to Rs. 1,00,000 (Rupees One Lakh only).

1. Dr. Shovan K Saha, Director, SPAV
2. Prof. Venkata Krishna Kumar Sadhu, Registrar and D.D.O, SPAV
3. Mr. PVS Shyam Kumar, Asst. Registrar, SPAV

*After elaborate discussions, the Board unanimously resolved as follows:*

**RESOLUTION NO.: 38**

*The Board unanimously resolved that the following Officers are designated as Authorised Signatories out of whom any Two Officers are authorised to sign the Cheques of SPAV up to a maximum limit of Rs. 1,00,000 (Rupees One Lakh only) while Director, SPAV should be one of the two signatories for Cheques above the limit of Rs. 1,00,000 (Rupees One Lakh only):*

1. Dr. Shovan K Saha, Director, SPAV
2. Prof. Venkata Krishna Kumar Sadhu, Registrar and D.D.O, SPAV
3. Mr. PVS Shyam Kumar, Asst. Registrar, SPAV

Item # 6	To report the receipt of Audit Report for the financial year 2009-10 (for the period ending March 31, 2010) issued by the Pr. A.G, Hyderabad, India	Annexure:VII
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Director, SPAV informed the Members that Audit Report dt. May 18, 2011 was received from the Principal Accountant General, Hyderabad, on completion of the Annual Audit for the financial year 2009-10 (for the period ending March 31, 2010) which was conducted during January 21 – Feb. 02, 2011. A copy of the Audit Report was presented in Annexure – VII for favour of information of the Members.

*The Board has taken note of the receipt of Audit Certificate for the financial year 2009-10 (for the period ending March 31, 2010). The Board has requested the Director, SPAV to take appropriate measures in view of the observations of the Audit Team presented in 'Annexure' of the Audit Report. As part of the measures to be taken the Board authorised the Director, SPAV to appoint an Internal Auditor for undertaking Internal Audit. The Director was advised to institute systems in consultations with the Internal Auditor to comply with the observations made by the C & AG of India.*

Item # 7	To report the submission of Recruitment Rules (R.R s) for Faculty and Non-Faculty of SPAV for concurrence of the MHRD	Annexure:VIII
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Director, SPAV informed the Members that the RR s were submitted to the MHRD for concurrence as presented in Annexure - VIII as per the Board Resolution No. 31 and 32 corresponding to Item no. 4 and 5 of the Agenda of IX BoG meeting held on March 22, 2011.

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*The Board has taken note of the same and requested the Director to proceed with the recruitment process as per the RR s and issue Offer Letters to selected candidates only upon receiving concurrence of the MHRD.*

Item # 8	To report the hiring of Boys Hostel and Girls Hostel at Vijayawada	Annexure:IX
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Director, SPAV informed the Members that the extended lease period of Boys Hostel located at Guntur was up to May 17, 2011. In addition, Hostels at A.N.U campus had to be vacated. Under these circumstances, Girls were temporarily shifted from A.N.U campus and were temporarily accommodated in the existing Girls Hostel at Pantakalava Road in Vijayawada. But, due to extreme shortage of space, three nos. of three bedroom residential units which could accommodate nearly 20 Girls were hired in Maruthi Co-op building society, Patamata at the rate of Rs. 9,750/- as monthly rent per unit.

Subsequently, owing to the need to vacate the Boys hostel at Bharathinagar, Vijayawada due to Title/ownership issues and to accommodate the new batch of students to be admitted in the 2011-12 A.Y, there arose a need to hire premises which can accommodate about 200 Boys. Under these circumstances, the requirement of Hostel premises for 125 Girls and 200 Boys was advertised vide Advt. No. SPAV/LS/2011-305 dt. 03.03.2011 in leading dailies.

In response to the advertisement, two proposals were received for Boys Hostel premises out of which a premises named M/s. S.R. Towers at Ring road, Vijayawada having an area of 24,600 Sq. Ft (excluding Common areas) was shortlisted as L1 and was hired for a period of three years w.e.f 27.6.2011 at the rate of Rs. 3,40,200/- (Rupees Three Lakh Forty Thousand Two Hundred only) per month. Lease Agreement of the new Boys Hostel was presented in Annexure – IX for favour of information of the Members.

However, no proposals were received for Girls Hostel. In order to accommodate all Girls in one single premises, there is a need to advertise once again for the requirement of Girls Hostel premises.

*The Board has taken note of the same and accorded necessary approvals.*

	Any other Item with the permission of the Chair	
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With the permission of the Chair, the following items were considered:

**i) CUG Mobile Connection and Internet Data Cards**

Director, SPAV informed the Members that in view of the communications necessary to be made by the School with external world on a day-to-day basis, telephone connections were

necessary. However, due to limited capacity of the local rural Telephone Exchange of BSNL, required number of landlines could not be obtained. Also due to the need for external communication after office hours, staff members of the School holding additional responsibilities (other than routine academic/administrative works as applicable) were given Airtel CUG connections. As on date, 21 (Twenty One only) CUG connections (SIM Cards only) were procured and provided to staff members of the School holding additional responsibilities against which entitlement limits were stipulated as below:

S.No.	Name of the User/Additional responsibility	Entitlement limit (excl. Taxes)
1	Director	2000.00
2	Head, Dept. of Planning	1500.00
3	Head, Dept. of Architecture	1500.00
4	Registrar	1500.00
5	Chief warden	1000.00
6	Warden	750.00
7	Warden	750.00
8	Warden	750.00
9	Warden	750.00
10	Warden	750.00
11	Coordinator of Examinations	600.00
12	Academic & Admissions Coordinator	600.00
13	Architecture Dept. Office	1000.00
14	Planning Dept. Office	1000.00
15	Assistant Registrar	750.00
16	Accounts Section	600.00
17	Establishment Section	600.00
18	Examination Section	600.00
19	Library	500.00
20	Stores & Procurement	500.00
21	Computer Laboratories	500.00

**Director, SPAV** also informed the Members that the School is equipped with Internet facility for utilization of Students and Staff of SPAV. However, due to technical reasons and safety of data, most of which is confidential and important, High Speed Data Cards were purchased with 1 GB limit p.m chargeable @ Rs. 638/- pm. Also, the provision of Data Cards was aimed at facilitating uninterrupted work of Staff members during holidays and while they are on official trips out of the Camp office and / or Vijayawada. As on date, 16 (Sixteen only) Reliance Data Cards were procured for the said purpose and were provided to all faculty members and a few Non-faculty members.

*The Board taken note of the item and accorded necessary approvals.*

*However, in case of CUG connections, the Board has requested the Director to explore the possibility of obtaining required number of landline connections at the new campus in Nidamanuru and accordingly continue the provision of CUG mobile connections.*

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**ii) 1 GBPS BSNL Internet connectivity under the NME-ICT scheme of the GoI**

**Director, SPAV** informed the Members that at present, SPAV is utilizing 4 Mbps Broadband Wi-Fi internet service provided by M/s. Reliance Communications facilitated by SPA., New Delhi, the mentor institute of SPAV. Cost of the existing internet service is approximately Rs. 1.0 Lakh p.m / 12.0 Lakh p.a and was due for renewal on June 30, 2011.

However, SPAV has received a letter from BSNL dt. 06.04.2011 explaining the initiative of the MHRD, Govt. of India regarding provision of Optical Fiber Cable (OFC) based 1 Gbps connectivity to National Knowledge Network (NKN) Point of Presence (PoP) to all bonafide Universities in the country under the National Mission on Education through Information & Communication Technology (NME-ICT). The same is on a 75:25 cost sharing basis between the Central Govt. of India and the Universities concerned, which includes University level institutions.

The total estimated cost and cost sharing mechanism applicable for a period of 10 years from the date of installation is as follows:

i. Total cost for 1 Gpbs Link (rent for 10 years Period)	: 2.0 Crore
ii. BSNL Share (10% of 2crores)	: 20.0 Lakh
iii. MHRD Share (75% of balance amount)	: 1.35 Crore
iv. University/ Institution (SPAV) share	: 45.0 Lakh + Taxes

Upon request of SPAV for payment of SPAV share in 5 equal instalments spread over a period of 10 years, BSNL has agreed for 5 equal instalments spread over a period of 5 years. Thus the financial implication on SPAV is approximately Rs. 42,000 p.m / Rs. 5.0 Lakh p.m. Accordingly, SPAV has terminated the existing internet connection of M/s. Reliance on 09.06.2011 and obtained the BSNL connection on 10.06.2011 under NME-ICT scheme of the GoI.

*The Board has taken note of the above and suggested that this item may be placed as reporting item in the next BoG meeting.*

**iii) Status of Award of Degrees to students of SPAV**

**Director, SPAV** informed the Members that Prof. S.K. Khanna, Chairman, BoG has written a letter in this regard to the Hon'ble Minister of State, MHRD written on April 22, 2010. This item was also discussed under **Any Other Item** in the Seventh Meeting of the Board of Governors of SPAV held on August 04, 2010 at New Delhi. In the said meeting, Dr. Harvinder Singh, Deputy Secretary, MHRD mentioned that the Government is aware of this concern and the steps are expeditiously being taken to resolve this matter.

However, as specific directives are not received till date, Director, SPAV sought advice of the Board in this meeting. After elaborate discussions, the Board requested the Director, SPAV to approach the Ministry through the Chairman, BoG in continuation of the letter dt. 22.04.2010.

iv) Status of Land Allotment to SPAV

Director, SPAV informed the Members that SPAV is awaiting allotment of land necessary for its permanent campus apart from the 7.0 acre land along ITI Road, Vijayawada, allotted by GoAP. VMC and Railways are yet to allot the proposed 28.0 acre and 25.0 acre land parcels respectively. Director, SPAV has also updated the Board about the recent efforts of the O/o. The District Collector, Krishna District in identifying suitable land parcels.

*The Board has taken note of the same and requested the Director to continue to expedite the matter through MHRD and local authorities and accordingly provide further updates in this regard.*

As there was no other item to be discussed, the meeting ended with thanks to the Chair.

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