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MINUTES OF THE FIRST MEETING OF THE PLANNING BOARD HELD AT
11.30 A.M. ON 8TH APRIL, 1999.

The meeting was held under the Chairmanship of the Vice Chancellor.
Following other members attended the meeting:-

1. Shri Narendra Prasad, Secretary(Education), Government of Delhi.
2. Sh. R.K. Chhabra, Former Secretary, UGC.
3. Dr. Paramjit Singh, Registrar, Punjab University, Chandigarh.
4. Sh. R.G. Gupta, Former Director(DC&B), DDA.
5. Dr. P.N. Gupta, Director, Department of Electronics, Govt. of India.
6. Dr. R.M. Singh, Principal, College of Business Studies, Delhi University.

Sh. Vivek Singhal, President, Biotech International Ltd., Sh. F.C. Kohli, Deputy Chairman, Tata Consultancy Services and Dr. A.K. Aggarwal, Director, School of Health Sciences(IGNOU) could not attend. Sh. Vivek Singhal had however sent suggestions which were put up before the Board.

After a brief introduction of the eminent and distinguished personalities on the Board, the Vice Chancellor welcomed all the members and hoped that their guidance and support will help the University in planning & development process and will facilitate the University in achieving its objectives as an affiliating and teaching University as well as in its role to encourage participation of Private Sector in the emerging areas of higher education, achieving excellence at all levels.

The Registrar (Admn.) Secretary of the Board subsequently briefed the members about the role of the Planning Board and its constitution as laid down in the various Statutes and Act of the University.

Itemwise discussion on the various items of agenda subsequently took place as follows:-

1. **Agenda Item No. 1.1**

To note the status regarding the land to be acquired for the University campus:

The Board was informed that an area of about 350 acres of land is proposed to be acquired in the South-West District in Village Chhawla and in addition approximately 100 acres of land is proposed to be identified and acquired for the main Office of the University in the East/North East District. It was also intimated that a payment of Rs.46 Crores has already been made for acquiring land in the West. During the course of deliberation which took place on the issue, following suggestions were made:

1. Development of two Campuses is welcome, but it was the opinion of the Board that the university's main administrative office and teaching departments should be housed in one campus and the Government may be apprised of the Boards views in the matter.
2. After the land is identified and other related issues are decided, an appropriate architectural competition should be held for doing lay out planning as well as for the designing of the building of the university to be constructed.

2. **Agenda Item No.1.2**

To note the courses approved by the Board of Management and to suggest further courses for the coming session:

The Board was informed about the establishment of the various departments in the university and the new courses for which the Board of Management has already accorded approval. During the course of discussion, following suggestions were made by the members:

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1. The members were of the opinion that though it is appreciated that there was an urgency in getting the approval of the courses from the Board of Management yet in future the Board of Management should have the privilege of having the recommendations of the Planning Board in the matter as far as possible.
 2. The members were of the opinion that only those teaching department should be started where employment of graduates is expected to be good.
 3. The members will send their suggestions for introduction of more disciplines in due course.
 4. The Board will also be apprised of the infrastructural and academic facilities created for the establishment of these departments from the next academic session.

3. **Agenda item No. 1.3**

To consider and suggest guidelines for affiliation of institutions situated outside NCT of Delhi:

The Board deliberated the issue and it was the opinion of the members that it was for the college which is seeking affiliation to seek No Objection from their concerned State or the University under whose jurisdiction they are situated. The University may, however, separately examine to ensure that the terms & conditions of affiliation, may not violate the provisions of any Central Act on the subject.

4. **Agenda Item No.1.4**

Framing of ordinances/rules & regulations:

The Board was informed that an ordinance regarding the affiliation was put up before the Board of Affiliation in its meeting held on 7th April, 1999 and the matter is still under its consideration. During the course of deliberation, it was agreed that a statute as per the provisions 25(n) is to be framed as well as ordinance as per the provision 13(4) on the subject.

5. **Agenda Item No.1.5**

Starting of the schools of studies:

The Board was informed of the schools of studies which are proposed to be established which may cover more than one disciplines. During the course of deliberations, the following suggestions were made:

1. The members felt that the Schools of studies should not be unnecessarily large in number.
2. The "School of Basic Sciences and Humanities" should be better reorganised as 'School of Basic and Applied Sciences' and 'School of Humanities and Social Sciences'.

It was also decided to authorise the Chairman to take a decision regarding the establishment of schools of studies, encompassing the various related disciplines.


6. **Agenda Item No. 1.6**

To Prepare a 'Profile of Growth' of the Indraprastha Vishwavidyalaya

The Chairman informed the members that it is proposed to prepare a document on the 'Profile of Growth' of the University, which may conceptualise the academic growth of the university for the next decade & may contain & give the action plan. Various alternatives were discussed. It was decided that the task could be assigned to M/s. Educational Consultant of India Limited, a Government of India Undertaking, but University should guide the agency and monitor their task to ensure that the eminent professionals in the field are consulted by them in finalising the document. A core group could also be constituted which may include Prof. Ashok Chandra, Director, IAMR, Prof. C.S. Jha which could guide and interact with EdCIL in finalising the document.

At the end of the discussion, Sh. R.G. Gupta, Former Director (DC &B) made a presentation on the planning and development of the University which highlighted in detail the various social, economic and geographical parameters within which the new campus of the institute is to be developed. The presentation was appreciated by all the members.

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


-(A.S.AWASTHI)

REGISTRAR(ADMN.)