MINUTES OF THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR CENTRAL INSTRUMENTATION LABORATORY

HELD ON 16-02-2017.

A meeting of the Advisory Committee for Central Instrumentation Laboratory was held on 16-02-2017, from 0230 pm onwards, in the office of the Director, CIL.

The Director CIL welcomed all the members of the Advisory Committee and presented the following facts / figures to the Advisory Committee:

- 1. On 08-7-2016, Director RUSA requested the Director (Research) for preparing proposals for "purchase of equipments for the CIL".
- 2. It was informed that Rs. 1.50 crores have been allocated under the RUSA scheme to purchase equipment for the establishment of CIL. The e-tendering process initiation was to be done on or before 20th July, 2016.
- 3. 12 equipments were recommended for purchase, out of which 07 were purchased. However, 05 equipment could not be purchased as only one e-tender for each of the equipments was received. For one equipment not even a single e-tender was received. Consequently, four equipments could not be purchased due to one-tender received by university authorities.

The estimated cost of these four equipments was as follows:

- i. Sophisticated fluorescence spectrometer (up to 1550 nm, NIR) approx. 55 lacs
- ii. Potentiostat / galvanostat, with software for EIS measurements, approx. 30 lacs
- iii. Forensic tool kit, approx. 30 lacs
- iv. Average evoked potential, approx. 30 lacs (No quotation received in e-tender).

Tender for equipments was due on 15-9-2016.

Total estimated cost = Rs. 1.45 crores.

Out of these equipments, following equipments have been purchased:

a. Potentiostat / galvanostat / EIS analyzer

: Rs. 32,41,713/-

b. Digital forensic kit

: Rs. 31,25,925/-

c. Sophisticated fluorescence spectrometer

: 73500 USD (approx. Rs. 49,208,25/-)

Total expenditure = Rs. 1,12,88,463/- (approx.)

In addition, a budget of Rs. 1.00 crores has also been earmarked for CIL, in budget estimates 2016-17.

4. The Director CIL informed the Advisory Committee that one large hall in Deptt of Visual Arts had gen allocated as an extension of CIL. This hall is being renovated: presently 04 cabins, with Al/glass partitions have been made, some furniture has been procured, false ceiling done and electric work partly done. One new equipment (Fluorescence spectrometer has been housed in this lab). Four new Air conditioners, office furniture and computer, and lab stools have been requisitioned by the Director CIL, for this lab.

Further, a new CIL is to be constructed, for which preliminary design has been submitted by the Director CIL (approx. Rs. 3.0 crores have been allocated, CIL lab to have Ground+ 2 floors, with lift, power backup, air conditioners etc). The site for the new CIL is presently being finalized, and budget allocated out of RUSA

funds.

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he observations / recommendations of the Advisory Committee are as follows:

- At e-tender for purchase of 04 equipments was launched, last date for which was 15-9-2016. In this e-tender, 02 equipments have been purchased (as above), 01 equipment has been received (purchase in process), while no quotation was received for 4th equipment. An expenditure of Rs. 1,12,88,463 approx. is estimated to be spent, out of the budget of Rs. 1.5 crores allocated by RUSA.
- Out of the budget head allocated by the University funds, no proposals for purchase of any kind had been 2. initiated till Nov. 2016.
- In Dec. 2016, a full fledged post of Director CIL was created (previously, Director Research was looking after 3. the CIL). The Director, CIL started looking after the purchase procedure (initiated already by the Director Research).
- Keeping in view the time frame of the e-tendering process, and the fact that for imported equipments, much 4. time is required by the suppliers (it was noted that for Fluorescence spectrometer, ordered on 03-11-2016, the instrument has been received only on 15-02-2017), it was observed by the Advisory Committee that " It was not feasible to make any new purchases for CIL, from Dec. 2016 onwards, in the financial year 2016-17".
- For the financial year 2017-18, the Advisory Committee recommends that as soon as the new budget is 5. allocated, all the HODs may be requested to put up their demands for new equipments, under CIL, through Departmental Committee (with full justification & underlining the multi-disciplinary uses of the proposed equipments). These would then be shortlisted by the Advisory Committee and purchase process initiated as soon as possible (in 2017-18), so that the purchases may be finalized in the financial year 2017-18.
- The Director, CIL is advised to seek guidance from the Advisory Committee regarding any issues in the 6. construction of new CIL.

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

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