

Maharaja Ranjit Singh Punjab Technical University, Bathinda-151001

AGENDA

FOR THE 12TH MEETING OF BOARD OF GOVERNORS TO BE HELD

on 31.10.2020 (Saturday) at 02:30 PM (Through Video Conference)

OFFICE OF PRINCIPAL SECRETARY,
DEPARTMENT OF TECHNICAL EDUCATION & INDUSTRIAL TRAINING, PB.
ROOM NO. 210, PUNJAB CIVIL SECRETARIAT-II,
SECTOR-9, CHANDIGARH

MEMBERS ON BOARD OF GOVERNORS

Vice/Acting Chairman 1. Principal Secretary, Department of Technical Education & Industrial Training, Pb. 2. Vice-Chancellor Member Maharaja Ranjit Singh Punjab Technical University 3. Vice-Chancellor Member Inder Kumar Gujral Punjab Technical University 4. Secretary Finance Member Department of Finance, Government of Punjab 5. Director Member Technical Education & Industrial Training, Punjab 6. Chairman, North West Committee Member All India Council for Technical Education, Chandigarh 7. President of CII or his nominee Member Confederation of Indian Industries 8. Director Member Indian Institute of Technology, Ropar 9. Registrar **Ex-Officio-Secretary** Maharaja Ranjit Singh Punjab Technical University(As per Section 11(3) of

MRSPTU Act, 2014)

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ITEM NO. 12.1 CONFIRMATION OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF 10th and 11thMEETING OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS, MRSPTU,BATHINDA.

The 10th and 11th meetings of the Board of Governors of the University were held on 19.02.2020 and 08.10.2020 at Room No. 210, Punjab Civil Secretariat-2, Sec-9, Chandigarh under the Chairmanship of Sh. Anurag Verma IAS, Principal Secretary, Government of Punjab, Department of Technical Education & Industrial Training-cum-Chairman, Board of Governors. The proceedings of the meeting were circulated to all the members. No comments were received from any member. The proceedings of the meeting are placed at (Annexure-I-II)

TO RECOMMEND A PANEL OF NAMES FOR THE POST OF VICE-CHANCELLOR AS RECOMMENDED BY SEARCH COMMITTEE.

- i) The appointment of Vice Chancellor was made by the Hon'ble Governor of Punjab-cum-Chancellor of Maharaja Ranjit Singh, Punjab Technical University, Bathinda under sub-section (1) of Section 10 of Punjab Act No.5 of 2015 vide order No. 2/9/15-2TE2/471378/5 dated 28.04.2015 for a term of 3 years w.e.f. date of assumption of office by him (Annexure-III). He joined his duty on 30.04.2015 (AN). His term of appointment expired on 30/04/2018 and it was extended for 1 year w.e.f. 01.05.2018. The term of present Vice Chancellor was further extended until the appointment of next Vice Chancellor vide order no. 5/2/2015-MRSU-2G-PRB/1567 dated Chandigarh, the 10/03/2019 (Annexure-IV).
- Department of Technical Education and Industrial Training, Punjab had advertised the post of Vice Chancellor vide advertisement no. DPR/07-feb19/D-3958, and the last date of receipt of applications was 28.02.2019 (Annexure-V). Total 28 applications were received. Copies of complete bio-data submitted by these 28 candidates are placed at (Annexure-VI). A Scrutiny committee was constituted to check eligibility conditions of applicants and during scrutinising 24 applicants were found eligible as per UGC requirements. Report of Scrutiny committee is placed at (Annexure-VII)
- iii) As per section 10(1) of MRS PTU Act. The Board of Governors in its meeting held on 19.02.2020 vide agenda item no 10.3. (Annexure-VIII) constituted a Search Committee which was notified by the State Government vide its notification dated 07.04.2020 (Annexure-IX)

- (Minutes of meeting Annexed at Annexure X) shortlisted 7 Candidates from 24 eligible applicants for personal Interaction. For personal interaction with the shortlisted 7 candidates meeting of Search Committee which was scheduled to be held on 17.07.2020. In the mean time one of the applicant namely Dr N P Singh filed CWP 9961 of 2020 in the Hon'ble High Court challenging the legality of constitution of Search Committee. Hon'ble High Court granted a stay on further activity of the Search Committee. The CWP 9961 of 2020 was dismissed on 16.10.2020 and the judgment is placed at (Annexure-XI), Subsequently Dr. NP Singh filed LPA 752 of 2020 challenging the pervious order of the High Court which was also dismissed as withdrawn on 28.10.2020.
- v) After the dismisal of CWP 9961 of 2020 Sh. N P Singh had sent a representation dated 26.10.2020 (Annexure XII) to the Chief Secretary, Punjab, in which he has alleged as under:

It is pertinenet to mention here that this unlawful BOG has not even cared for maintaining the requirement of quorum of minimum 5 members as per section 10(11) of the Act during decision related to formation of Search Committee. Only 4 members ,including acting chairman that is Principal Secretary, department of technical education and industrial training and two nominee(s) of regular members were present in the meeting while taking decisions on this important matter as the incumbent Vice Chancellor opted out during this item.

However he had not raised this point in CWP 9961 of 2020 but has raised this point in LPA 752 of 2020. Although the quorum in this meeting was complete as defined in section 13 (11) of the Act, even then as a matter of abundant caution the constitution of Search Committee as recommended by the 10th Board meeting vide agenda item no.10.3 may be ratified.

vi) The Search Committee held its 2ndmeeting on 28.10.2020 under the Chairmanship of worthy Chief Secretary, Punjab. A Panel of names as recommended in the 2nd meeting of the Search Committee has received as password protected file.

The board is requested to consider the recommendations as required under section 10(1) of the MRSPTU Act (**Copy enclosed** at **Anneure-XIII**) and forward its recommendations to the Chancellor through the State Government for the appointment of the Vice Chancellor.

12th BOG Meeting held on 31.10.2020 (through Video Conference)

ITEM NO.12.3 Any other item with the permission of the Chair.