

Minutes of the Meeting

The 4th Meeting of the Technical Committee constituted by the Hon. Vice Chancellor, for commissioning and monitoring the WiFi facility under Campus Connect Program (MHRD), was held on Wednesday March 21, 2018 at 11.00 am in the Conference Room, Admin Building, MANUU. The following were present:

- Prof. A. Ravinder Nath, OSD, Planning and Development, MANUU - Chairman
- Prof. Syeda Sameen Fatima, Principal, University College of Engg, OU Hyd - Member
- Dr. G. Ram Murthy, IIIT Hyd - Member
- Dr. K. Rajasekhar, Dy Director General, NIC, Hyd - Member
- Prof. Abdul Wahid, Dean, CS&IT, MANUU - Member
- Prof. Shane Kazim Naqvi, Professor, DDE MANUU & Director I/c CIT - Member
- Mr. M. Kamil, Joint Director, CIT MANUU - Member Convener and Nodal Officer

The following Agenda items were discussed:

1. Confirmation of minutes of last meeting held on 06/02/2018

The Minutes of the meeting held on 06th Feb, 2018 were confirmed.

2. To discuss the status of passive network being executed in MANUU by NICS I through M/S Velosis

Director, CIT appraised the members about the status of passive network. It was reported that the work has been completed as per the plans approved in the earlier meetings. It was further reported that the network testing and documentation work is presently under way and is expected to be completed soon.

As there was lack of clarity, in respect of inspection of the items supplied by M/s. Velocis The opinion was sought from the members. The committee advised the following action:

1. A local inspection team comprising following be entrusted with the inspection work:
 - i. Mr. Badshah
 - ii. Mr. Deepak Singh
 - iii. Nominee of the Dean, CSIT
 - iv. Nominee of the Head, Purchase Section
2. A mail be written to NICS I with copy to Dr. K. Rajasekhar requesting them to provide Inspection Report/Clarify the matter.

Dr. G. Ram Murthy, IIIT Hyderabad advised that appropriate measures be taken by the university to ensure that the network infrastructure is not accidentally damaged in future. It was clarified that adequate number of concrete route markers have been erected along the OFC path. As a matter of precaution a copy of OFC route will also be shared with University's Engineering Section.

As briefed by the Nodal Officer, However, the Active network procurement was on hold as the budget sanctioned to the University by UGC is likely to be lapsed. Members were apprised about the background of case and reasons of delay primarily caused due to non-clarity in the Opex Model and deviation of the

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MHRD/UGC from the 4-Party Agreement signed between MHRD, UGC, NICSI and Vice Chancellors of All Central Universities. After deliberations it was approved that a letter be sent to UGC giving necessary background details and seeking permission to use the sanctioned grant of Rs. 355.6 Lakhs so that the passive network resources are fully utilized.

3. To discuss the status of work order given to NICSI for procurement of UPS

Nodal Officer briefed the members that NICSI was also given Order for supply of UPS systems to MANUU. The UPS systems were to be primarily used for supporting network equipment which were to be procured separately. After deliberations the following was approved:

1. In view of the delay in supply of UPS systems and changed circumstances, the NICSI be asked to put the Order of UPS supply on hold.
2. The newly constructed floors in Gulzar Hostel and Boys Hostel-4 may be got surveyed by the NICSI empanelled partner for preparing estimate for commissioning passive network.
3. Once estimate is obtained the same may be forwarded to NICSI with a request to re-appropriate the amount earlier transferred to them for purchase of UPS system and also adjust interest accrued on the amount.

4. To Discuss Progress of WiFi Connectivity in the Satellite Campuses of MANUU

Director, CIT reported that as per advice of the Technical Committee given in the meeting held on 06-02-2018 an EOI has been floated on the University website seeking proposals from TSPs/ISPs to setup WiFi infrastructure in MANUU campuses for providing WiFi Services. However, till date no response has been received. In view of poor response the committee recommended that the last date of submitting the EOI may be extended by at least 1-month after obtaining approval of the competent authority.

5. Any Other Item

With Permission of the Chairperson, the Director, CIT briefed the committee about 100% advance paid to NICSI instead of 80% as stipulated in the 4-party MoU signed between MHRD, UGC, NICSI and Vice Chancellors of Central universities. The committee was also informed that NICSI has been requested to refund the interest accrued on the additional 20% amount w.e.f transfer of fund to the project completion date. The Chairperson requested committee members to suggest if any other measure is required at the university's end. The committee members expressed their satisfaction on the action already initiated by the university.

The meeting ended at 12:30 p.m. with thanks to the Chair.

Prof. Ravinder Nath
Chairperson, Technical Committee

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