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MINUTES OF THE 74th MEETING OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS, NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY, ROURKELA THROUGH CIRCULATION

BOG-74(2021)-01: Proposal for signing MoU between SAIL, Rourkela Steel Plant (RSP), Rourkela and NIT, Rourkela.

A research project proposal entitled "**Waste-to-wealth - Sustainable and Innovative Organic Farming Technique Especially for Women Farmers of Peripheral Areas of RSP**" from our institute (NIT Rourkela), was submitted to M/s Steel Authority of India Limited, Rourkela Steel Plant (RSP), Rourkela, Odisha for possible funding. The project intends to address common areas of interest of NITR and RSP (for its ESC/CSR interventions) and educate stakeholders regarding indiscriminate excessive use of chemicals in agriculture which deteriorates soil health, human health, environmental health ultimately reducing soil productivity. It proposes to provide an opportunity to educate and train peripheral farmers, especially women, in sustainable eco-friendly farming techniques for better income, better productivity of the land and innovative methods of farming as applicable. Besides the transfer of knowledge and skill for vermi-composting, bio-pesticides, better utilization of land etc., it shall also provide the ground for data analysis and help generate research publications through conclusive studies in the area of organic farming during the envisaged 48 month duration of the project with the help of a research scholar from NITR who shall monitor the project and provide the internal assessment reports of the executing agency, along with his/her scheduled research etc.

With respect to the project proposal, RSP Rourkela agreed to provide a fund of Rs 45,02,282/= for four years to NIT Rourkela. For this, RSP Rourkela need to sign a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with NIT Rourkela. There will be no financial obligation on the institute (NIT Rourkela) for this purpose. The MoU is attached herewith for your ready reference.

The above agenda note was circulated among the BOG members through circulation. One comments/view was received from the Ministry that the "MoU should be in accordance with NITSER Act, 2007 and First Statutes of NITs along with protection of IPR & Patent Rights." Accordingly, one undertaking was received from Prof. N. Mishra, HS & Prof. R. C. Pradhan, FP, NIT, Rourkele ensuring that the Clauses of MoU are in accordance with NITSER Act, 2007 and First Statutes of NITs along with protection of IPR & Patent Rights First Statutes of NITs along with protection of IPR & Patent Rights.

The Board approved MoU between SAIL, Rourkela Steel Plant (RSP), Rourkela and NIT, Rourkela as per the following follows:

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