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**EXTRACT OF THE MINUTES OF
THE 30th MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF MANAGEMENT
(held on 18th August 2020)**

A2.M3. Briefing on NAAC accreditation process:

Vice Chancellor explained to the Council the status of preparation of the Self-study Report (SSR) for the 2nd Cycle of Assessment & Accreditation by NAAC. In particular, he explained about articulation of some key features of HBNI/DAE policies:

- (i) **Industrial Consultancy and Revenue from Consultancy:** The Council was informed that the Constituent Institutions and Off Campus Centre under the purview of HBNI are primarily funded by the Govt. of India through the DAE. These institutions are executing mandates of the Govt. of India as per the applicable rules and guidelines. Scientists in DAE units offer consultancy to a number of strategic programs including space and defence. They also offer consultancy in other sectors including nuclear agriculture. However, these activities are pursued on institutional basis, and not on individual basis. There is no provision for the scientists in DAE units to get monetary benefits on individual basis from such consultancy.

However, the Grant-in-aid institutes under DAE, being autonomous bodies, may formulate a policy of consultancy, with due approval from their Apex body, wherein the revenue generated can be shared with the individual scientist concerned. The Off-Campus Centre (OCC) of HBNI, NISER has articulated such policy; however, there have been no instances of such consultancy so far.

- (ii) **Seed Money for faculty:** NAAC, under a key metric, has solicited information regarding the University offering seed money to young faculty to start their research in their areas of specialization. In this context, the Council was appraised that the research programs in the CIs/ OCC are supported through adequate funding from DAE, but this funding is made available in a structured manner to a group of scientists and not to an individual scientist. However, every new faculty member has opportunity to propose and engage in projects and his/her work gets necessary funding.

The Council concurred with the above articulation of the policies for consultancy and seed money.



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