



Resolution of the meeting of ICT-MIS Working Committee dated 14-08-2023

Members Present:

1. Professor Susanta Kumar Chakraborty – Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor – Chairman
2. Professor Tapan Kr. De- Dean, Faculty of Arts & Commerce
3. Professor Satyajit Saha – Dean, Faculty of Science
4. Dr. J. K. Nandi – Registrar
5. Prof. Radha Raman Pal,, Dept. of Physics
6. Prof. Biswapati Jana, Dept of Computer Science
7. Shri Biplab Chakraborty – Sr. Information Scientists
8. Shri Partha Sarathi Das - Programmer
9. Shri Debayan Nanda – System Analyst
10. Shri Sunil Ch Mallik – Executive Director, Computer Centre - Convener

Professor Susanta Kumar Chakraborty, Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor in Chair.

Agenda 1: Confirmation of the resolution of the Previous meeting dated 02-11-22

Convener read the resolutions of the last meeting and the action taken thereof with the approval of the authority.

Resolution: The resolutions of the last meeting and action taken with the approval of the authority were confirmed and ratified. It was noted that the website committee has been re constituted by the authority for revamping the website.

Agenda 2:

To consider the proposal for renewal of CISCO Support on urgent basis for the Network Campus wide Devices installed in August 2020 and in 2014.

- Convener reported that the CISCO CON SNT Replacement support for the new and old Network infrastructure devices like Campus Switches, Access Points, WIFI Controller and Firewall are expiring on August 2023 or have already Expired. WBEIDC has submitted budgetary quotation for renewal of the replacement support for one year for the newly installed devices of 2020. The budgetary proposal for the above support will be approximately Rs. 40 lakhs per annum. The matter is being placed for necessary discussion and taking up appropriate resolution.

Resolution: After thorough discussion and careful consideration of the proposal, the followings are resolved:

- a. The New Devices installed in 2020 and support expiring in August 2023 should be kept operational and CISCO CON Support should be purchased till the support is available initially for at least three years. The Old infrastructure installed in 2014/2018 along with its CON support has expired but service support is still available from CISCO with their CON Support which are required to be purchased after removing coverage restriction through health inspection by cisco.
- b. The Support is to be purchased through Government agency WBEIDC. A Letter of Intent (LOI) is to be issued to WBEIDC by Finance Officer with a concrete list of CISCO Component (Old/New) which is to be prepared by Computer Centre as per above guideline. WBEIDC is be invited for further discussion and price negotiation on the budgetary price and optimization of components.
- c. The Estimated cost as per Budgetary Proposal of WBEIDC is Rs. 47(approx.) lakhs (Old+New) per annum which is to be sent to Finance Committee for Financial Approval immediately.

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Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor
for kind
perusal & approval
22/8/23

- d. A proposal should also be prepared and be submitted to the State Government for sanction of fund in this head with the supported proposal from WBEIDC.

3. To report the Status of e-Tender for AMC of Campus Wide Computer and other peripherals and resolve the next course of action.

- The Convener of the Technical team for tender evaluation reported that the 2nd call for the above mention e_tender was floated vide NiET No. WB/VU/MID/NIT-16/22-23(2ND Call) dated 01-03-2023 against which 4 bids were received. Out of the 4 bids, 2 bids were not qualified as per decision of IT Technical Committee. The other two bids namely that of M/S Soft-Ed and M/S Bharat IT Solution were eligible but the technical committee noted that there are some shortfall of document. It was also noted that tender period of 120 days has also been over. Therefore appropriate decision should be taken on either to open financial bid or to go for 3rd call.

Resolution : After careful examination of the reporting, it is recommended that the 2nd call may be cancelled and 3rd call may be initiated.

4. To report the status of AMC of CISCO Core Switch:

- The Convener of the Technical Team for tender evaluation reported that the e_tender for the CISCO CON Support for the Core Switch was floated and only one bid was received. Appropriate decision is to be taken in this regard.

Resolution: After careful consideration it was resolved that the CON SNT Support for the Core Switch (WS-C4506-E – SPE183000JT) may also be purchased from CISCO through Government Agency(WBEIDC) and the e-Tender may be cancelled.

5. To report the status of Microsoft Campus Licensing:

- Convener reported that as per resolution of the “VU Microsoft team”, Finance Officer has already sent a Letter of Intent (LOI) based on the budgetary proposal of WBEIDC (Rs. 13.54 lacs) in consultation with CC for getting the Final price and proceed further for purchasing. Convener also reported that as per resolution of the VU Microsoft team, alternative Government agency namely WTL has also been sent LoI for offering their final price on the same BoQ of Microsoft. But none of them has yet sent the final price.

Resolution: After thorough discussion it was resolved that follow up action be taken to receive the final prices and the appropriate decision be taken regarding placement of Order to the L1 bidder among the above two Government agencies. The Financial requirement be placed to FC. The Proposal on this should be sent to Government of West Bengal for necessary funding.

6. To place the IT Project Proposals of WBEIDC for consideration:

- Convener reported that as per the resolution of the last meeting, WBEIDC visited the Campus and gathered our requirements on various IT Projects. But except CISCO AMC, they have not yet submitted any new proposal along with financial requirement for sending it to Government of West Bengal for Financial support. Therefore this agenda cannot be discussed and accepted.

Resolution: deferred

7. To consider the proposal of Identity cum Library Card for the Session 2023-24

- System Analyst reported that for Identity cum Library card of all the students of this session, and amount of Rs. 95000 may be required as per the last year rate. Placed for consideration.

Resolution: It is resolved that Rs.95000/- be sanctioned for the above purpose. The material be procured through tendering process.

8. To extend the financial approval of the server for admission purpose.

System Analyst reported that as per approval of Vice-Chancellor a temporary server was urgently hired from the existing server infrastructure provider (selected through tendering process in 2018) for 6 months for the Ph. D. and other admission purpose, but due to administrative delayed admission process it should be extended for another 5 months with an estimated price of Rs. 18000/- p.m. from the existing vendor w.e.f. Nov, 2023 with a total requirement of Rs. 90000.

Resolution: It is resolved that the server be hired for another 5 months and Rs. 90000/- be sanctioned for the above purpose. The hiring be done from the existing vendor on existing rate.


9. Misc.:

- a. JIO FI Connection: The existing JIO FI Connection for which Rs. 7000/-(approx.) is being paid every month may be discontinued after due discussion among the users who may not be using it.
- b. Prof. Biswapati Jana propose to take over the NSQF Computer for use by their department. However decision in this regard has been deferred.
- c. EDCC proposed for a Central housing of bulk computers in a single location so that it can be centrally managed and used by every department effectively. The proposal was accepted and feasibility study along with space may be identified for the purpose. Programmer proposed to use the CC Lab for the purpose. Alternately the space used by UCO bank may also be used for the purpose.
- d. System Analyst reported that a new initiative has been taken by Central Ministry with IIT Delhi, where they have developed a ERP solution for University Management System namely "SAMARTH" which they are offering for deployment in qualified Central and State Universities free of cost. For on board, A Nodal Officer along with a UMS Team has to be formed and informed the respective department.

Resolution: The committee accepted this and Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor is requested to form the relevant committee as per the requirements of SAMARTH guidelines.

Since there was no other matter of discussion, the meeting ended with thanks to all the members.


(Sunil Ch Mallik)
EDCC
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Vice-Chancellor
Chairman