Report of the Expert Committee of UGC to examine the suitability of the Indian Institute of Information Technology and Management, Gwalior, for the Deemed to be University Status.

The Expert Committee met at Gwalior on August 28th & 29th, 2000. The following members were present:

1.	Prof. S. K. Joshi	.....	Convener
2.	Prof. M. S. Bisht		
3.	Prof. M. P. Kapoor		
4.	Prof. A. Kalanidhi		
5.	Prof. Vinayshil Gautam		
6.	Prof. S. K. Kak		
7.	Shri. Gurcharan Singh		

The Director of the Institute made a presentation about the mission, vision and present activities of the Institute. The Profile of the Institute is enclosed as Appendix – I.

The Institute is currently functioning from a temporary site at Madhav Institute of Technology & Science (MITS) Campus at Gwalior.

The Committee visited the Class Rooms, Laboratories and the Library. The Institute has made a good beginning of an Electronic Library. The Committee also visited the proposed site of 60 hectares where the Campus of the Institute is to come up. A professional architect of Delhi who was duly selected has prepared the architectural plan of the campus. As reported, the construction activity is to start from October 2000.

The Committee had interactions with the Director, faculty, research fellows, students of diploma courses and 5 year integrated programme.

On the basis of presentations made, documents and materials provided, interaction with faculty, research fellows, students, visit to laboratories and library as well as perusal of the course contents, the Committee is fully convinced that the Institute is an Institute of Information Technology. Its unique characteristic is its specialization in Information Technology enabled Management systems.

In view of the above, the performance achieved and potential for growth, the Committee unanimously recommends that IIITM, Gwalior, be granted the provisional status of a Deemed to be University as a de-novo Institution in the emerging area of Information Technology with the promise of excellence. This will be subject to its confirmation after 5 years on the basis of performance report of the UGC Review Committee done annually for a period of 5 years.

Notwithstanding the above, the Committee makes the following suggestions for the future strengthening of the Institute:

(i)   In view of the fact that the IIITM, Gwalior is an Institute of Information Technology; the competent authorities consider rechristening the Instiute as Indian Institute of Information Technology (IIT).

(ii)   The Board of Governors, and the Society needs to be constituted as early as possible consistent with the Rules and Regulations as applicable.

(iii)   The Institute should have an Academic Planning Board to facilitate a structured academic growth in a programmed manner.

The Committee is grateful to the authorities of Indian Institute of Information Technology & Management, Gwalior for the hospitality offered by them and also making special efforts to inform the committee about the activities and plans of the Institute.

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