Action Taken report in respect of 47th and 48th meeting of the IIT Council held on 16th September, 2013 and 22nd September, 2014

Item No.	Decision Taken	Action Taken
48.2 (ii)	**External Peer Review of IITs** The Council noted that IIT-Kanpur, IIT-Kharagpur, IIT-Guwahati, IIT-Madras, IITPatna and IIT-Hyderabad have already completed the External Peer Review. The Council decided to fix a time-line 45 days for the remaining IITs to complete the External Peer Review except IIT-Roorkee who were given the deadline of 15th December, 2014. IIT Mandi and IIT Indore, who have not completed their five years since inception, were requested to begin the process of External Peer Review.	IIT Kharagpur has already completed External Peer Review process within the deadline of 15th December 2014. Thereafter, the outcome of the External Peer Review is being shared across all departments / centers / schools and the progress of change is also being monitored on a regular basis.
47.2 (ii)	**External Peer Review of IITs** The Council noted the fact that the comprehensive guidelines on external peer review were issued. Most IITs reported initiating internal review at the departmental level as a step towards external peer review and decided as follows. (a) Internal review at the departmental level should involve persons from outside for greater objectivity, as IITM indicated that they were involving experts from industry, research lab and academia. A key focus area should be undergraduate level innovation and laboratory facilities. (b) The revised time lines suggested by the SCIC were approved, viz, i. Internal review should be completed by December 2013.	Internal Review at the department level was conducted at IIT Kharagpur for 36 departments / centers / schools between January, 2013 to December, 2013. Each of this Peer Review was conducted by involving experts from Industries, Research Laboratories and Academia with key focus area on under-graduate level innovations and laboratory facilities. The Internal review was completed by December 2013 by IIT Kharagpur.

		ii. The panel for external peer review should be submitted to the Council by October 2013.	A panel for External Peer Review was formed with five experts approved by Ministry of HRD and was also submitted to IIT Council.
		iii. The external peer review methodology should be firmed up by the institutes and posted on the IIT Council website.	External Peer Review methodology was firmed up and was posted on the IIT Council website.
		iv. External peer review should be initiated latest by February 2014.	External Peer Review was initiated by February 2014 and was completed in May 19-20, 2014.
		v. SCIC should meet regularly to monitor the progress made in this direction.	The outcome of the External Peer Review is being shared across all departments / centers / schools and the progress of change is being also monitored on a regular basis.