

## GOVERNING COUNCIL

### ***Governing Council (GC)***

The Governing Council is as defined in the Memorandum of Association (MOA).

***Membership of the GC:*** The membership of the GC, the number of members, and the chair of the GC shall be as defined in the MOA, and can be changed only by a resolution of the HPSC duly approved by the General Body.

***Terms of Membership:*** The terms of the members of the GC, constituted herein above, shall be decided by virtue of the office they are holding and shall be determined accordingly. The terms of the GC representatives shall be co-terminus with their respective terms of membership in the HPSC.

***Right of the GC members to remain members of the General Body:*** Any member of the GC, by virtue of their membership of GC, will automatically enjoy membership of the general Body of NCSCM. In the same vein, any ex-officio or expert member nominated against any vacancy in GC will, by virtue of their membership of GC, will similarly and automatically enjoy membership of the General Body of NCSCM.

***Rights of a Substituted Member:*** Should any ex-officio member of the GC be unable to attend a meeting of the GC, the Chairperson shall be at a liberty to appoint his/her nominee as a substitute to take the place of the absent ex-officio member at that meeting of the GC. Such substituted member shall have all the rights and privileges of any member of the GC for that meeting only.

***Powers and duties of Chairperson of GC:*** Vice-Chancellor of Anna University, Chennai shall be the Chairperson of the GC, and shall preside over all meetings of the GC.

- The Chairperson, GC may him/herself call, or by a requisition in writing signed by him/her, ask the NCSCM Director to call, a meeting of the GC at any time and on the receipt of such requisition the NCSCM Director shall forthwith call such a meeting;
- The Chairperson, GC on behalf of GC shall approve selection and recruitment of the Additional Director of NCSCM, and will fix remuneration and define the powers and duties of the Additional Director of NCSCM;
- The Chairperson, GC will enjoy such other powers as may be delegated to him by the GC. The Chairperson, GC in-turn can further delegate these powers to the NCSCM Director as s/he deemed fit.

***Powers of the GC:*** Subject to the provisions of the Memorandum of Association and the rules and regulations, the GC shall have the control and management of the business and affairs of the NCSCM, subject to conformity with the powers of the HPSC related to the research program and the associated activities of the NCSCM; and will have the following powers:

- The GC shall have all executive and financial powers to conduct the affairs of the NCSCM through its Director.
- All the duties, powers, function and rights, whatsoever, consequential and incidental to the carrying of the objectives of the NCSCM shall only be exercised or performed by the GC, subject to the conformity to the supervisory powers of the HPSC related to the research and knowledge generation activities of the NCSCM.

- Specifically, the GC will approve, if already approved in-principle by SICOM, and award is recommended by the MC, the following: (i) procurement of goods and equipment above an amount of `10.0 crore; (ii) procurement of works above an amount of `5.0 crore; and, (iii) procurement of consultancy services above an amount of `3.0 crore.

### ***Functions of GC***

In particular and without prejudice to the foregoing provision, the GC, subject to conformity to the functions of the HPSC, may;

- Implement or cause to implement through the NCSCM Director, the recommendations of the HPSC.
- Consider and pass the annual budget and the annual action plan, placed before it by the NCSCM Director from time to time and pass it with such modifications as the GC may think fit, subject to conformity to research program and budget approved by the HPSC. The budget and annual action plan may be deemed approved upon passing by the GC for implementation in case the General Body could not be convened due to any reason;
- Delegate powers, other than those of making rules, to the Chairperson of GC;
- Authorize acquisitions by gift, purchase, lease or otherwise any property, movable or immovable, for the purpose of the NCSCM as deemed appropriate by the GC;
- Authorize investment of the funds of the NCSCM in securities and/or to sell or transfer such investments in such a manner as approved by the GC, subject to the laws applicable in India;
- Accept donations and endowment or give grants upon such terms and conditions as the GC may think fit;
- Approve appointment of all staff of NCSCM equivalent to ,Scientist F' and ,Scientist E' , and will fix remuneration and define the powers and duties of all such staff.
- Approve Joint Project Agreement(s) with any National Partner Institution.
- Monitor the financial position of the NCSCM in order to ensure smooth income flow and to review annual audited accounts;
- GC shall do all such acts and things as may be necessary or incidental to carry out the objectives of the NCSCM or any of them. Provided that nothing herein contained shall authorize the GC to do any act or to pass any bye-laws which may be repugnant to the provisions hereof, to the powers conferred on the HPSC, or which may be inconsistent with the objectives of the NCSCM.

### ***Governing Council meetings***

The GC shall meet at least twice a year at Chennai or at such other convenient place as may be fixed by the Chairperson, provided that the Chairperson of the GC may whenever he thinks fit, direct the NCSCM Director to call a special meeting. Every meeting of the GC shall be prescribed by the Chairman. In the absence of the chairman one of the other members present shall be elected to preside from among themselves.