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Government of India
Planning Commission
Science and Technology Division

Yojana Bhawan,
Sanasd Marg,
New Delhi-110001

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: WG-1: Constitution of Working group to Review the existing Institutional Mechanisms and Structures as well as the Management and Governance of S&T Sector

The Steering Committee on Science and Technology for the formulation of Twelfth Five Year Plan, during its first meeting held on 5th April, 2011 under the Chairmanship of Dr. K. Kasturirangan, Member (Science). Planning Commission has decided to constitute a Working group to Review the Existing Institutional Mechanisms and Structures as well as the Management and Governance of S&T Sector. The composition and Terms of Reference of the Working group are as under:

Composition

S. No.	Name & Designation	
1	Dr. Anil Kakodkar Former Secretary, DAE, and Homi Bhabha Chair Professor, Mumbai	Chairman
2	Prof. S.K. Brahmachari, Secretary. DSIR & DG-CSIR	Member
3	Dr. Baldev Raj, Director, IGCAR, Kalpakkam	Member
4	Dr. G. Sundararajan, Director, ARCI, Hyderabad	Member
5	Dr. Vijayalakshmi Ravindranath, Chairperson, Centre for Neuroscience, IISc, Bangalore-560012	Member
6	Shri A.K. Verma, Adviser (S&T), Planning Commission or his Nominee	Member
7	Dr.Indrani Chandrasekharan, Adviser(E&F), Planning Commission	Member
8	Shri K.C. Mehra, ASSOCHAM, New Delhi	Member
9	Dr K.V.Prabhu, Head, Division of Genetics, IARI, New Delhi	Member
10	Representative of the Department of Atomic Energy (R&D Sector)	Member
11	Representative of the Department of Space	Member
12	Representative of the Department of Science and Technology	Member
13	Representative of the Department of Scientific and Industrial Research/CSIR	Member
14	Representative of the Department of Biotechnology	Member
15	Representative of the Ministry of Earth Sciences	Member
16	Representative of DOPT	Member
17	Representative of Ministry of Finance	Member
18	Director, NIAS, Bangalore or his representative	Member

19	Director, ASCI, Hyderabad or his Representative	Member
20	Representative of the Director General, CII	Member
21	Dr. Arun Srivastava, DAE, Mumbai	Member Secretary

Terms of Reference

1. To examine and critically review the continued relevance of some of the existing institutions, structures, mechanisms, which have been created over the years to enhance India's Research & Development base and scientific capability and to ensure that the much needed resources, both financial and human, are deployed in an optimal fashion
2. To suggest specific measures/policies/procedural reforms to de-bureaucratize science through effective personnel and financial management in the S&T sector, including incentives, rewards, amenities etc. to the scientists and also for expeditious approval/sanction of various S&T programmes/schemes and timely release of funds to the scientists, while at the same time ensuring transparency and accountability in the system.
3. The Chairman may co-opt any other member.
4. The expenditure towards TA/DA in connection with the meetings of this Working Group in respect of Official Members would be borne by their respective Ministries/Departments. In respect of Non-Official Members, the expenditure would be met by the Department of Atomic Energy, as admissible to class-I officers of the Government of India.
5. The report of the Working Group would be submitted to the Steering Committee on the S&T for the formulation of Twelfth Five Year Plan by 15th July, 2011.

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2. Chairman, all Members and Member-Secretary of the Working Group
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