

Government of India
Ministry of Communications and Information Technology
Department of Electronics & Information Technology
(IPHW Division)

Hon'ble Minister of Communications and Information Technology has approved a proposal to constitute a Working Group for Development of Innovation and IP in ESDM sector, as per details mentioned below:

1. Mr. Madhavan Nambiar, IAS (Retd.) & Chairman, C-DOT Chairman
2. Mr. Ajai Chowdhry, Former Chairman, HCL Infosystems Member
3. Dr. Ajay Kumar, Joint Secretary, DeitY Member
4. Dr. M.J. Zarabi, Former CMD, SCL and Member Empowered Committee
5. Prof. Rajat Moona, DG, CDAC Member
6. Joint Secretary, NMCC Member
7. Shri R.K. Pathak, DDG(IP), DOT Member
8. Dr. Debashish Dutta, GC (R&D in Electronics), DeitY Member
9. Dr. B.M. Baveja, GC (R&D in CC&BT), DeitY Member
10. Dr. G. V. Ramaraju, GC, DeitY Member
11. Shri Rajoo Goel, Secretary General ELCINA Member
12. Shri Vikas Mohan, Secretary General, CEAMA Member
13. Shri P.V.G. Menon, President, ISA Member
14. Shri Pankaj Mohindroo, National President, ICA Member
15. Shri Sanjay Nayak, CEO & MD, Tejas Networks Member
16. Shri Vinod Sharma, MD, Deki Electronics Member
17. Shri B.V. Naidu, Chairman & MD, Sagitaur Member
18. Prof. Abhay Karandikar, IIT Bombay Member
19. Prof. Dhruves Biwas, IIT Kharagpur Member
20. Prof. Deepak Gupta, IIT Kanpur Member
21. Prof. Huzur Saran, IIT Delhi Member
22. Shri Neeraj Sinha, Scientist, Office of the PSA Member
23. Representative from National Innovation Council Member
24. Director (R&D in Electronics), BEL Member
25. Shri Rajneesh Agrawal, Director, DeitY Member-Secretary

The Terms of Reference for the Working Group are as follows:

1. To proactively promote R&D and innovation in identified segments/product lines.

2. To develop a road map for product development and to evaluate the proposals, technically and also in terms of their modeling of industry-academia partnership, for product development and innovation through industry-academia collaboration, in the Electronics System Design and Manufacturing sector to evolve and make recommendations for such proposals.
3. To seek necessary proposals for setting up of Centers of Excellence in specified verticals of the ESDM sector, to be developed in joint collaboration between industry and academia and to recommend plan for their initiation, development and sustainability.
4. To recommend models for seeking active participation of industry in product innovation, incubation and development of indigenous electronic products appropriate for operating conditions in developing conditions and at affordable prices.
5. To oversee and periodically recommend /suggest broad level actions on ongoing projects in the overall interest of fulfilling the objectives of the National Policy on Electronics.
6. The Working group meetings will be held as many times as required.
7. GC (IC&IP)/IPHW would have the option to co-opt other members/invitee experts to attend specific meetings of the Working Group or setup specialist groups in order to assist either in the assessment of the project proposals or developing/studying certain areas for evolving plan of action.
8. TA/DA for members, co-opted members and invitee experts for attending of the Working Group meetings as also for meetings of the Specialist Groups will be borne by the Department of Electronics & IT as per rules.
9. The Working Group members will have tenure of two years starting September 21, 2012 after which the WG is to be constituted afresh.