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Respecting the sanctity of IITs

NEWS SURROUNDING the resignation of IIT Delhi director, two years before the end of his term, has pointed towards gross interference by the current administration. According to reports, IIT Delhi director K Shevgaonkar was under massive pressure from the Human Resource Development Ministry to reportedly release pay of nearly Rs 70 lakh to former faculty and now senior BJP leader Subramaniam Swamy as his ‘salary dues’ between 1972 and 1991. Faculty from IIT Delhi have maintained that Swamy did not provide the institute with the requisite information and documents it needs to clear his salary dues. These details include Swamy’s earnings from the time of his termination as a professor in 1972 to March 1991, when he was reinstated following a court order. The case has taken an interesting trajectory. It began with Swamy demanding his salary dues during the period along with an 18% interest, which both the IIT and the erstwhile HRD ministry had rejected. Last year, subsequently, the Delhi High Court dismissed the institute’s plea that his petition should not be entertained. After the arrival of the Modi-led government at the Centre, however, the HRD ministry’s stance has changed. The resignation of a prestigious institute’s director, over alleged pressure from the central administration, sends a bad signal. These events affect the sanctity and prestige of an esteemed university. Preferably, all of us would appreciate less interference by the government, and let the law take its own course.
IIT Delhi hits back at HRD, says all approvals for Mauritius MoU taken

http://indiatoday.intoday.in/story/iit-delhi-hits-back-at-hrd-says-all-approvals-for-mauritius-mou-taken/1/410452.html

Hitting back at the Smriti Irani-led Union Human Resource Development ministry which was blaming IIT Director Prof R Shivgaonker's sudden resignation on possible irregularities related to its Mauritius MoU, the IIT on Monday said that all due clearances and approvals were taken and approved by the HRD ministry.

The IIT hit back clarifying that International Institute of Technology Research Academy in Mauritius is not an extension campus of IIT Delhi, that the IIT’s role was simple advisory in nature and no financial commitment was incurred on its part. It has also brought home the point that the final MoU was approved by the HRD minister Pallam Raju.

IIT Delhi on Monday shot off a communication to the Smriti Irani-led HRD ministry with a detailed sequence of events supported with ten annexures on the Mauritius MoU to clarify its stand on the issue. The IIT also released a press statement saying the same.

In its 42nd meeting on 21st January 2011, the IIT Council had granted in principle approval to set up an institute in Mauritius with the help of the IIT.

Following an agreement between HRD ministry of India and the Education ministry of Mauritius, IIT Council requested IIT Delhi to take an initiative to set up an IIT like institution in Mauritius.

IIT Delhi then set up a six-member team to conduct a feasibility study for the same.

This six-member team visited Mauritius from February 2nd to 6th, 2012 and after deliberations prepared a feasibility report which was presented to the Education Ministry in Mauritius.

This feasibility report said that a five-year period must be dedicated to just building up a research eco system to attract and retain research oriented faculty before starting any regular undergraduate teaching programme.

The proposal to set up IIT Delhi Research Academy in Mauritius was approved by the Senate and BoG of IIT Delhi.

A draft MoU was prepared and on the advice of the MHRD the name was modified to International Institute of Technology Research Academy (IIITRA), Mauritius.

On the request of the Joint Secretary, International Cooperation Cell in HRD ministry, the IIT Delhi Director joined the delegation led by then HRD minister Pallam Raju that went to Mauritius. The MoU was signed on 19th November 2013.

IIITRA was inaugurated on July 23, 2014 in Mauritius in the presence of the Director and Deputy Director IIT Delhi who went on the invitation of the Mauritius Research Council. An Executive Director from IIT Delhi has been appointed and the process to recruit faculty has been initiated.

IIT Delhi Director suddenly resigned late last week allegedly after he was pressurised by the HRD ministry to work towards clearing the salary dues to Subramanian Swamy, a BJP leader who has been in a legal wrangle with IIT Delhi for several years now on the issue.
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**IIT Delhi Director ‘illegally’ setting up off-shore campus?**

**India TV News Desk** [ Updated 29 Dec 2014, 11:32:50 ]


**New Delhi:** Top sources in the Ministry of HRD claimed that possible reason for the resignation of Director, IIT Delhi could be his alleged involvement in ‘illegally’ setting up an off-shore campus of the top institute in Mauritius.

According to a report published in Times of India, a top HRD official said that Raghunath K Shevgaonkar was on the radar of Ministry for taking up an ‘illegally’ to set an IIT, Delhi, campus in Mauritius.

"We were asking him questions to which no affirmative response was given," the official said.

The official further said that IIT Council told Shevgaonkar that the Institutes of Technology Act, that governs IITs, don’t permit creation of off-shore campuses.

Despite IIT Council’s reservation on the issue, the official claimed, Shevgaonkar went ahead with his proposal for signing a MoU with Tertiary Education Commission of Mauritius.

The proposed institute was to be called International Institute of Technology Research Academy.

He also revealed that when Shevgaonkar was asked to produce authorization certificate from the Ministry of HRD, he failed to put forward any paper regarding the same.
The institution was also asked if it had the clearance of the Ministry of External Affairs.

"IIT-D claimed they had MEA permission but again could not produce any evidence," the official said.

It was in November this year when the Ministry of HRD noticed that the MEA had not given any clearance for setting up an off-shore campus in Mauritius. Following this, the Ministry immediately issued a circular to all higher educational institutions asking them to take prior permission of MEA and HRD for any off-shore campus.

Reports in a section of media said Shevgaonkar’s resignation came under the government's pressure over matters involving land for cricketer Sachin Tendulkar’s cricket academy and BJP leader Subramanian Swamy salary dues.

**IIT Delhi Director Cited Personal Reasons for Resignation: Bhatkar**


Expressing regret over the resignation of IIT Delhi Director K S Shevgaonkar, Chairman of the institute’s Board of Governors Vijay P Bhatkar today said he was unaware of any pressure exerted upon Shevgaonkar.

Bhatkar, who received Shevgaonkar’s resignation over mail during the weekend and forwarded it to the HRD Ministry, said the Director's relationship with the governing board "has been very nice and good" and he had done a lot of good work on the campus.

"Prof Shevgaonkar has cited personal reasons for resigning. He told me that he has been away from his family in Mumbai for more than three years and wanted to return to IIT Bombay to be with them.

"I tried to convince him that he need not go for his resignation, but he said he has personal reasons to do that," Bhatkar, an eminent scientist himself, told PTI.

Reacting to media reports, he said the Director could not have been under any pressure regarding the clearance of dues of IIT alumni and BJP leader Subramanian Swamy.

"The court order has given a decision and the discussion are going on. The court has instructed to settle the issue with mutual negotiation which is going on. The question of the Director being under pressure does not arise here," he said.

As far as opening a campus is Mauritius is concerned, he said the decision had the approval of the Government and an MoU was also signed in this regard with the involvement of the then HRD Minister M M Pallam Raju.

He said the decision was also brought before the IIT-Delhi Board of Governors for approval.

According to IIT-D official website, under the MoU entered between Mauritius Research Council (MRC) of Mauritius and IIT-D, India had last year agreed to develop and implement an IIT-like institution in Mauritius.

The institute is officially named as International Institute of Technology Research Academy, Mauritius.
Irani 'Humiliated' IIT Delhi Director Shevgaonkar: AAP

The Aam Aadmi Party today accused HRD Minister Smriti Irani of "humiliating" IIT Delhi Director Raghunath K S Shevgaonkar and said the BJP was "misleading" the country over the issue.

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AAP said that BJP's "unjustified political interference" is trampling the autonomy of the top institutions for professional and technical education.

"The Aam Aadmi Party challenges the human resources development minister to answer the following two questions. Is it not a fact that she had recently summoned the IIT Delhi director ?

"Is it not a fact that impolite language was used against such a senior professor and is it also not fact that he was humiliated in that meeting?" the party said in a statement.

The party alleged that the BJP was hell bent on imposing its "dangerous agenda" on the nation.

"Ranging from the removal of the Chief Vigilance Officer of AIIMS to the shocking resignation of the IIT Delhi Director, the entire government appears hell bent on imposing its dangerous agenda on the nation.

"The HRD ministry had no right to interfere in the functioning of this autonomous institution and the matter should have been referred to its board of governors. The ministry in particular, appears to have made it a habit to create a controversy on a weekly basis," the statement added.

IIT Delhi Director Mauritius Controversy – Niti Exclusive

The Times of India started the day with a false report of a controversy involving the resignation of the Director of IIT Delhi Prof R.K. Shevgaonkar. The report alleged that Sachin Tendulkar wanted to setup a cricket academy in IIT Delhi and this was one of the reasons for the reported resignation. With the master blaster, slamming Times of India for its false report without fact checking, the newspaper had to beat a hasty retreat with an apology and deletion of all references to Sachin. Meanwhile Lutyens Pundits Varadarajan and Shekhar Gupta added fuel to the fire with loose talk of why the Director was “forced” to resign. News has also trickled of a reported controversy regarding the Director and an IIT Research Academy setup in Mauritius.

Here are the facts.
An MoU was signed in November 2013 between then HRD Minister Pallam Raju and the Mauritius Government concerning collaboration with IIT Delhi and University of Mauritius. The scope of the MoU quite clearly was limited to IIT Delhi providing remote advice via video conferencing.

Steering Committee will be set up to monitor the implementation of the project. The Committee will hold discussions through video conferencing to develop an implementation schedule and time frame.

(ii) IIT, Delhi will help identify the Director of the IIT Research Academy of Mauritius.

(iii) The themes of the research clusters will be identified by MRC in consultation with University of Mauritius, and

(iv) Research students will start undertaking their research at the Academy in June, 2014

Since the controversy broke out earlier today an ABP News Journalist has quoted the former HRD Minister as saying that the MoU was limited to setting up a Research Center and not for “running a Campus”.

So what is IIT Delhi’s role in IIT-RA Mauritius. The concerned Minister in Mauritius has put on his blog the full speech delivered by him at the launch of IIT-RA which had several IITD Faculty Members including the Director physically present. The scope of IITD’s involvement in Mauritius according to that speech suggests IIT Delhi will practically be running IIT-RA for a period of 5 years.

Here are the relevant portions of the speech:

I am pleased that the two research clusters selected for the initial years are Computer Science & Engineering and Electrical & Electronic Engineering, organized around disciplines such as :

- Computer Science: Algorithms/data structures, Cloud computing, Machine learning, Big data;
- Electrical Engineering: Communication & DSP, VLSI, Optics & Photonics, Sensors & Instrumentation, RF & Microwave;
- Common areas between Computer Science and Electrical Engineering: Vision and image processing, Embedded systems.

The IITRA will provide opportunities to existing public universities by :

- encouraging enrolment of staff and students without PhD from Tertiary Education Institutions (TEIs) to enroll in the IITRA research programs;
- welcoming teaching opportunities by the faculty of IITRA in programs of the TEIs;
- welcoming joint PhD supervision with TEIs where possible; and
- encouraging joint research proposal submission with TEI faculties for grant application.

The call for applications will be launched in August.

I have to underline that the recruitment of faculty members, the enrolment of students and the award of qualifications will be made by the IIT Delhi and that the same stringent procedures will be followed.

The project will be implemented under the strict guidance of IIT Delhi which will provide academic leadership and support.

I have also to mention that the first five years will be guided by the IIT Delhi faculty staff to enable the institution to have sufficient number of high level faculty members and to be equipped with modern laboratories with the latest technologies.
At the sixth year, it will become a full-fledged IIT and operate on its own

There is a legitimate case to be made for autonomy to IITs to be able to chart their own destiny inside India and overseas.

But one wonders if IIT Delhi in this case jumped the gun without obtaining the said autonomy from the Indian Government and exceeding the brief of the MoU by a wide margin?

Here is Prof Sheogaonkar speaking to Mauritian media in his own words

**If the role of the IIT Delhi is only a mentoring one, it will not be able to give qualifications, will it?**

At the beginning, we will register PhD students with the IIT Delhi. So in the next five years, those who are registered with the research academy will be given PhDs and master’s from the IIT Delhi. These students will spend most of their time here in the academy, but for a short duration will go to Delhi and be required to do some courses there. When they come back, there will be joint supervision, one supervisor from here and one from IIT Delhi and the degree will be given by IIT Delhi.

**Will there be anybody from the IIT in Delhi controlling quality here?**

There will be. The regional director will put in the same quality here as in the IIT Delhi.

**Is there any agreement about the number of staff from India and locally?**

Not in concrete terms. At the beginning, there will perhaps be more staff coming in from the IIT Delhi, and others will be visiting staff.

**Who will be in charge of the institute?**

To start with, a regional director. We are also going to have a steering committee that takes policy decisions. The equivalent of the director of the IIT Delhi will be a member of it. As far as execution is concerned, policy decisions will directly go to the regional director. To start with, most of these decisions will come from the IIT Delhi, but maybe two years down the line, there will be a distinguished academician who will become the executive director here.

Now of course the question is – did IIT Delhi have the legal mandate and autonomy to practically run a campus in Mauritius with staff capacity and supervision capacity coming from India for the next 5 years?

The IIT D director resigning is a serious issue to be investigated. We must protect our few institutions of excellence and their autonomy.
As IIT-D Director quits, HRD fireworks, says no role

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
NEW DELHI, DECEMBER 28

A ROW erupted Sunday over the resignation of the Director of IIT-Delhi, Raghunath K Shevygaonkar, with the Ministry of Human Resource Development issuing a statement to clarify it had not brought pressure or given him any direction to release salary dues of Subramanian Swamy, former IIT-Delhi faculty who is now a BJP functionary.

Shevygaonkar declined to explain his decision, telling reporters “I have resigned, that’s it”.

The ministry, while rejecting reports that Shevygaonkar resigned because there was pressure on him to release salary dues of nearly Rs 70 lakh to Swamy for the period 1972 to 1991, said it did not forward any such request to IIT-Delhi.

“MHRD has neither forwarded Mr Swamy’s request to IIT-Delhi nor given any direction to make payment of arrears to Mr Swamy. Views of DoPT (Department of Personnel and Training) and Finance Ministry have been sought on the matter,” the ministry said in its statement.

Shevygaonkar sent his resignation in a letter to Chairman of IIT Board of Governors Vijay P Bhatkar on Friday evening in which he cited “personal reasons”.

“Chairman, IIT-Delhi has forwarded Director’s resignation letter on 26th December evening for Appointing Authority’s decision following due process. Resignation can only be accepted by the Appointing Authority. It will have to go to the President for his approval as the Visitor of IIT-Delhi,” the statement added.

Bhatkar told PTI that “Shevygaonkar has cited personal reasons for resigning. He told me that he has been away from his family in Mumbai for more than three years and wanted to return to IIT Bombay to be with them. I tried to convince him that he need not go in for resignation, but he said he has personal reasons to do that.”

Although the ministry statement did not mention it, HRD officials claimed that Shevygaonkar resigned after an explanation was sought from him on the memorandum of understanding between the Mauritius Research Council and IIT-Delhi for setting up an International Institute of Technology Research Academy in Mauritius.

The officials claimed that the campus in Mauritius “violated the IIT Act”. The MoU was signed in 2013 under the then HRD minister M M Pallam Raju.

According to officials, the venture should have been limited to research but was not the case and, therefore, an explanation was sought from Shevygaonkar. The ministry also took cognizance of an interview he gave to the Mauritius media which it claims indicated IIT-Delhi was running a campus there.

When his comments were sought Sunday, Pallam Raju said “institutions have the autonomy to get into agreements with what they see commensurate”.

“Shevygaonkar was a fine director and academician. He did a lot of good service to IIT Delhi... Institutes have the autonomy to seek research partners where they deem fit,” Pallam Raju told The Indian Express. He refused comment on the MoU saying the “agreement was for research”.

IIT-D Director resigns

Ministry officials claimed even if Swamy’s request had been forwarded to IIT-Delhi, a decision would have to be taken by the entire Board of Governors and not the Director alone. IIT-Delhi says Swamy has not provided it with information on his earnings from the time of his termination as a professor in 1972 to March 1991, when he was reinstated following a court order.

Meanwhile, former Delhi chief minister and Aam Aadmi Party leader Arvind Kejriwal, a former IITian, said it was “very sad” that Shevygaonkar had to resign and questioned if the autonomy of IITs was being challenged.

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Ministry allegedly put pressure on him

IT-D DIRECTOR'S RESIGNATION

STATEMENTS NEWS SERVICE
New Delhi, 26 December

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The HRD Ministry denied a media report that said Shegaonkar resigned after he was allegedly put under pressure from the Ministry of IT-D to accept a demand from IIT-D to provide the IIT ground for a cricket academy. Tendulkar allegedly wants to open and to pay nearly Rs 70 lakh to Subramaniyan Swamy as his “salary dues” between 1972 and 1981.

The Ministry issued the rejoinder after HRD Minister Smriti Irani convened a meeting of her officials in the wake of the resignation of the IT-D Director.

The news report that said Shegaonkar resigned resisting pressure is “factually inaccurate and incorrect” and unnecessarily drags the HRD Ministry into the issue where no direction has been issued by the Ministry, a ministry statement said.

"There is neither any request from Sachin Tendulkar for the ground of IIT for running a Cricket Academy nor any instruction from HRD Ministry to provide the same. The HRD Ministry has neither forwarded a request to IT-D for permission to make payment to Tendulkar," the statement said.

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Swamy expressed shock over the issue of his dues being linked to the resignation of Shegaonkar, saying it is a matter between the Government and the Board of Directors. "The Director doesn't come into the picture at all," he said.

Swamy alleged that the resignation was not over the alleged demand by HRD Ministry to settle his dues but had to do something with setting up IT-D's Delhi campus in Mauritius.

"The Director was found to have in 2011 gone quietly to Mauritius without telling the Government of India and set up an institute in the name of an affiliate of the IIT and so an explanation was asked from him. And in order to hide the fact that would certainly mean termination of his directorship he tried to make a political capital of it," Swamy alleged.

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Shegaonkar became the Director of IIT-Delhi in 2011. HRD Ministry sources said the IIT-D act provides for exchange of teachers and scholars between two countries. But with the opening of the campus in Mauritius, India is only sending teachers and there is no exchange in the case. They said HRD-D Alumni Association President Ashok Kumar said the whole of the institute's alumni is not happy that Shegaonkar had resigned. "The whole of IIT-Delhi alumni committee is with the Director," Kumar said. Congress leader and Northeast Delhi MP J P Agarwal demanded an inquiry into the resignation of Shegaonkar. Former Delhi Chief Minister and AAP leader Arvind Kejriwal, an IITian, said it is "very sad" that Shegaonkar had to resign and wondered whether the autonomy of IITs are being challenged.
EARLY RETIREMENT

IIT-Delhi director Shevgaonkar’s resignation sparks controversy

HRD ministry denies putting pressure on Shevgaonkar, who has quit two years ahead of the end of his tenure

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**ANOTHER ROW HITS SMRITI IRANI**

Vijay P Bhatkar praises RK Shevgaonkar’s term

**IIT Delhi Chairman Unhappy With Director’s Resignation**

*Our Political Bureau*

**New Delhi:** The HRD Ministry on Sunday confirmed IIT Delhi director RK Shevgaonkar had resigned, but refused reports that he did so after the ministry pressurised him to provide land for a cricket academy by Sachin Tendulkar and to release ₹70 lakh to Subramanian Swamy as salary dues.

Confirming Shevgaonkar’s resignation, chairman of the Board of Governors of IIT-D, Vijay P Bhatkar, praised his term at the helm and said he was unhappy with his leaving.

“He has resigned citing personal reasons. I spoke to him and asked him to reconsider his decision, but he insisted. He said that he has been away from his family for a long time,” Bhatkar told ET from Pune, adding that a final decision would be made by HRD minister Smriti Irani.

The ministry has tried to distance itself from the latest controversy saying Shevgaonkar was under no pressure from the government. A few months ago, NCERT chief Parvin Sinclair had quit with two years left to complete tenure. IGNOU V-C M Aslam has gone on leave pending the outcome of an inquiry against him regarding irregularities in his conduct.

**No Request, No Instruction**

GOVT SAYS it hasn’t received any request from Tendulkar asking for land belonging to IIT-D and no instructions were issued to Shevgaonkar to release arrears to Swamy.

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“There are allegations regarding IIT-D’s Mauritius campus. These need to be probed. His resignation doesn’t exonerate him from charges.”

BJP’s Office Secretary AK Jain in a statement:

Swamy said: “The ministry has recently sent the director a notice about his activities in Mauritius where he has set up an institute without talking to the government. Conduct rules require that anything related to the foreign government to be done through the External Affairs Ministry. He’s violated that.”
HRD denies pressure on IIT-Delhi director

AGE CORRESPONDENT
NEW DELHI, DEC. 28

IIT Delhi director Raghunath K.S. Shevgaonkar has resigned with more than two years of his tenure left amid a controversy over the circumstances under which he quit. Mr Shevgaonkar sent his resignation in a letter to chairman of IIT board of governors Vijay P. Bhatkar on Friday evening in which he cited “personal reasons”.

“I have resigned, that’s it,” Mr Shevgaonkar said when asked to react on the controversy in which cricket legend Sachin Tendulkar was also dragged.

The human resources development ministry has denied media reports which claimed that Mr Shevgaonkar resigned after he was allegedly put under pressure from the ministry to accede to two demands — to provide the IIT ground for a cricket academy Tendulkar allegedly wants to open and to pay nearly ₹70 lakh to former IIT-D faculty and now BJP leader Subramaniyan Swamy as his “salary dues” between 1972 and 1981.

Union HRD minister Smriti Irani is understood to have convened a meeting of her officials in the wake of the resignation of the IIT-D director. Late in the evening the HRD ministry issued a rejoinder denying the news report. A statement issued by the ministry said Mr Shevgaonkar resigned resisting pressure to express his anguish on his name being dragged in the controversy. “I am appalled to read the stories that suggest some land has been asked from IIT-D for an academy in my name,” he said.

“I have not even planned any academy neither do I want any piece of land for any purpose. Wish that basic facts are checked from me before publishing such fiction using my name,” he said in a couple of more tweets.

While reacting to the news report senior BJP leader Swamy expressed shock over the issue of his dues being linked to the resignation of Mr Shevgaonkar, who became the director of IIT-Delhi in 2011, saying it is a matter between the government and the board of directors.

“The director doesn’t come into the picture at all,” he said. Mr Swamy alleged that the resignation was not over the alleged demand by HRD ministry to settle his dues but had to do something with setting up IIT’s Delhi campus in Mauritius.

“The director was found to have in 2011 gone quietly to Mauritius without telling the government of India and set up an institute in the name of an affiliate of the IIT and so an explanation was asked from him. And in order to hide the fact that would certainly mean termination of his directorship he tried to make a political capital of it,” Mr Swamy alleged.
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IIT-D director in ‘illegal’ offshore campus row: HRD sources

New Delhi: The possible reason for the resignation of IIT Delhi director R K Shevgaonkar could be his alleged involvement in illegally setting up an offshore campus of the institute in Mauritius, top Human Resource Development (HRD) ministry sources claimed on Sunday.

Shevgaonkar did not respond to repeated attempts by TOI to contact him.

A top HRD official insisted Shevgaonkar was cornered on the Mauritius issue. “We were asking him questions to which no satisfactory reply was forthcoming,” he said.

According to him, Shevgaonkar had taken the proposal of an IIT-D campus in Mauritius to the IIT Council which told him that the Institutes of Technology Act that governs IITs do not enable creation of offshore campuses. However, he said, Shevgaonkar went ahead on a memorandum of understanding with Tertiary Education Commission of Mauritius. The proposed institute was to be called International Institute of Technology Research Academy.

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Claiming that IIT Delhi director R K Shevgaonkar had to resign after he tried to set up an offshore campus in Mauritius, a top HRD ministry source said, “We asked the director what is the commitment — financial or non-financial — from IIT Delhi to the proposed campus. We also asked him to show any authorization from the HRD ministry. He could not produce any paper.”

IIT Delhi was also asked if it had the clearance of the ministry of external affairs. “IIT Delhi claimed they had MEA permission but again could not produce any evidence,” the official said. Last month when HRD ministry found that MEA clearance was not there, it issued a circular to all higher educational institutions that prior permission of MEA and HRD would be needed for any offshore campus. HRD sources said even the copy of the MoA that was provided by IIT Delhi has two pages missing. “Maybe it is an inadvertent error but we asked for the missing pages three weeks back and they are yet to be received,” a ministry official said.

The ministry said even as none of the clearances were available, Shevgaonkar went ahead and gave an interview to a Mauritian daily in which he said students of the new institute will get the same degree as those at IIT Delhi.

Meanwhile, a senior member of the IIT Delhi board said, “Whatever be Shevgaonkar’s alleged involvement with the offshore campus in Mauritius, there is no denying he was under tremendous pressure from the HRD ministry. Such pressure does not come in writing. If views of department of personnel & training and finance ministry were being sought, why was a meeting organized between IIT officials and BJP leader Subramanian Swamy for settlement of his salary dues.” But BJP member Shrikant Sharma denied any pressure on Shevgaonkar to resign.

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"The director was found to have gone quietly to Mauritius in 2011 without telling the government of India, and set up an institute in the name of an IIT affiliate, and so an explanation was asked of him. To hide that fact, which would certainly mean his termination, he tried to make a political point of it," said Swamy. Sources, however, contradicted Swamy's claim. Before the ministry sought the DoPT's view on the issue of Swamy's arrears about a month ago, Shevgaonkar was summoned to the ministry for a meeting with the BJP leader on the issue.

"A group of people had gone to meet Shevgaonkar with a proposal to run a sports academy on the IIT campus. They had to wait for a long time there. Twenty days ago, the HRD minister called Shevgaonkar and asked him why he had made them wait. She also raised the issue of Swamy's arrears, asking him whether he wanted to work with the ministry," said sources.

The issue sparked controversy in political circles too, with the Aam Aadmi Party accusing the government of "misleading" the country. It also challenged Irani to answer if it was not a fact that she had recently summoned the IIT-D director and that he was humiliated in the meeting.

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Did not force IIT director’s hand, says Irani

NEW DELHI: Caught amidst a raging controversy involving Indian Institute of Technology (IIT)-Delhi and ace batsman Sachin Tendulkar, ministry of human resource and development (MHRD) on Sunday in a clarification denied any involvement over the resignation tendered by institute’s director Raghunath K Shygamanikar, adding that media reports to the contrary were "factually inaccurate and incorrect." Union HRD Minister Smriti Irani is learnt to have called a meeting on Sunday over the resignation of Shygamanikar before issuing a rejubilation over the issue.

But at the backdrop of the IIT-HRD ministry furor, reports trickled in about Shygamanikar’s involvement in an off-shore IIT campus in Mauritius without having due clearances from any government authority and thus to escape any inquiries the director offered to quit. Sources in the ministry said that one of the reasons for the IIT director resignation was that HRD ministry had taken cognizance of a complaint against him for starting an off-campus branch of the institution. The IIT Delhi had decided to set up a campus in Mauritius in 2013 under the erstwhile UPA regime but there was a complaint that it was in violation of rules. However, HRD ministry had not served any notice to the director.

The HRD ministry in its clarification on Sunday said that the media report is factually inaccurate and incorrect and unnecessarily drags the ministry into issues where no direction has been issued by the ministry. "There is neither any request from Sachin Tendulkar for the ground of IIT for running a Cricket Academy nor any instruction from HRD ministry to provide the same," it said in an official press release.

The ministry said that IIT Delhi Board of Governor’s Chairman Dr Vijay P Bhatkar had forwarded IIT Delhi Director Raghunath K Shygamanikar’s resignation letter on Friday (December 26) evening for the Appointing Authority’s decision following due process since resignations can only be accepted by the Appointing Authority and later go to the President of India for his approval as the Visitor of IIT-Delhi. "Turns to PG-6,

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Did not force IIT director’s hand: Irani

Clarification is stand on the controversy arising over Swamy, the Ministry said that it has neither forwarded Swamy’s request to IIT-Delhi nor given any direction to make payment of arrears to him instead views of DoPT and Finance Ministry have been sought in the matter.

While Shygamanikar has refused to comment over the issue, Sachin Tendulkar denied involvement over the resignation of Shygamanikar. "I am appalled to read the stories that suggest some land has been asked from IIT-D for academy in my name. I have not even planned any academy neither do I want any piece of land for any purpose," Tendulkar tweeted.

Reacting to the reports, Swamy alleged that the director’s resignation was a “cheap trick to protect himself from disciplinary action over IIT Delhi’s campus in Mauritius.

Reportedly, Shygamanikar, who had more than two years left of his current term, was under pressure from the ministry to release pay of nearly Rs 70 lakhs to former IIT-D faculty and now BJP leader Subramanian Swamy in his salary dues between 1972 and 1991. The report further stated that the ministry was also putting pressure on institute to release land for Sachin Tendulkar’s cricket academy.
Sachin denies asking for IIT-Delhi land

Vishakha Saxena

NEW DELHI: Sachin Tendulkar on Sunday said he never wanted land to build a cricket academy inside IIT-Delhi, on a day media reports claimed the institute’s director had quit over government pressure to provide land and salary dues of BJP leader Subramanian Swamy.

In messages posted on his Facebook and Twitter account, the cricketer said he hadn’t “planned any academy” nor “wanted any piece of land for any purpose”.

“Wish that basic facts are checked from me before publishing such fiction using my name,” Tendulkar tweeted.

A newspaper report had said IIT-Delhi director Raghunath K Shevgaonkar quit over pressure from the human resource development ministry to accept two demands – provide land for Sachin’s academy and pay nearly Rs 70 lakh to former faculty Swamy as salary dues between 1972 and 1991.

The government accepted Shevgaonkar’s resignation was under process, but denied any connection with Tendulkar or Swamy, who said he had sent a legal notice to the newspaper.

The BJP, however, hit out at the director, with party national secretary Shrikant Sharma saying, “There have been charges against Shevgaonkar in relation to his alleged interests in Mauritius. These should be probed by an independent agency.”

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The IIT-director didn’t respond to HT’s messages on the charges leveled against him.

Late Sunday, chairman of the IIT’s board of directors Vijay P Bhatkar claimed he was unaware of any pressure on Shevgaonkar to resign. “Prof Shevgaonkar cited personal reasons for resigning. He told me he has been away from his family in Mumbai for more than three years and wanted to return to IIT Bombay to be with them,” the scientist said.

The HRD ministry, too, rejected reports of any links to Sachin or Swamy, saying Shevgaonkar’s resignation would go for approval to the President.

“There is neither any request from Sachin Tendulkar for the ground of IIT for running a cricket academy nor any instruction from the ministry to provide the same. The ministry had neither forwarded Mr Swamy’s request to IIT-Delhi nor given any direction to make payment of arrears to Mr. Swamy. Views of DoPT and finance ministry have been sought on the matter,” a ministry release said.

Following Sachin’s tweets on Sunday, the newspaper issued a clarification and removed all references to the ace batsman in its report.

(WITH INPUTS FROM HTC AND AGENCIES)
IIT Delhi Director Raghunath Shevgaonkar resigns amid Sachin Tendulkar, Subramanian Swamy row; Smriti Irani orders meet

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IIT Delhi Director Raghunath K S Shevgaonkar has resigned with more than two years of his tenure left amid a controversy over the circumstances under which he quit including alleged pressure put on him by the Human Resources Development(HRD) Ministry.

Raghunath Shevgaonkar sent his resignation in a letter to Chairman of IIT Board of Governors Vijay P Bhatkar on Friday evening in which he cited “personal reasons”.

“I have resigned, that’s it,” was all that Shevgaonkar would say when he was confronted by reporters after a controversy erupted in which cricket legend Sachin Tendulkar was also dragged.

Check out Sachin Tendulkar’s reaction on Twitter:

The HRD Ministry denied a media report that said Shevgaonkar resigned after he was allegedly put under pressure from the HRD Ministry to accede to two demands–to provide the IIT ground for a cricket academy Sachin Tendulkar allegedly wants to open and to pay nearly Rs 70 lakh to former IIT-D faculty and now BJP leader Subramanian Swamy as his “salary dues” between 1972 and 1981.

The Ministry issued the rejoinder after HRD Minister Smriti Irani convened a meeting of her officials in the wake of the resignation of the IIT-D Director. The news report that said Shevgaonkar resigned resisting pressure is “factually inaccurate and incorrect” and unnecessarily drags the HRD Ministry into the issue where no direction has been issued by the Ministry, a ministry statement said.

“There is neither any request from Sachin Tendulkar for the ground of IIT for running a Cricket Academy nor any instruction from HRD Ministry to provide the same.

The HRD Ministry has neither forwarded Subramanian Swamy’s request to IIT-Delhi nor given any direction to make payment of arrears to Swamy. Views of DoPT and Finance Ministry have been sought on the matter,” the statement said.

Tendulkar took to Twitter to express his anguish on his name being dragged in the controversy.

“I am appalled to read the stories that suggest some land has been asked from IIT-D for academy in my name,” he said.

“I have not even planned any academy neither do I want any piece of land for any purpose.

Wish that basic facts are checked from me before publishing such fiction using my name,” he said in a couple of more tweets,” he said.
Swamy expressed shock over the issue of his dues being linked to the resignation of Shevgaonkar, saying it is a matter between the Government and the Board of Directors.

“The Director doesn’t come into the picture at all,” he said.

Swamy alleged that the resignation was not over the alleged demand by HRD Ministry to settle his dues but had to do something with setting up IIT’s Delhi campus in Mauritius.

“The Director was found to have in 2011 gone quietly to Mauritius without telling the Government of India and set up an institute in the name of an affiliate of the IIT and so an explanation was asked from him.

“And in order to hide the fact that that would certainly mean termination of his directorship he tried to make a political capital of it,” Swamy alleged.

“Chairman, IIT-Delhi has forwarded Director’s resignation letter on December 26 evening for appointing Authority’s decision following due process. Resignation can only be accepted by the appointing Authority.

It will have to go to the President for his approval as the visitor of IIT-Delhi,” the HRD Ministry statement said.

Shevgaonkar became the Director of IIT-Delhi in 2011.

HRD Ministry sources said the IIT act provides for exchange of teachers and scholars between two countries.

But with the opening of the campus in Mauritius, India is only sending teachers and there is no exchanges in the case, they said.

IIT-D Alumni Association President Ashok Kumar said the whole of the institute’s alumni is not happy that Shevgaonkar had resigned.

“The whole of IIT-Delhi alumni coommittee is with the Director,” he said.

Congress leader and Northeast Delhi MP J P Agarwal demanded an inquiry into the resignation of Shevgaonkar.

Former Delhi Chief Minister and AAP leader Arvind Kejriwal, an IITian, said it is “very sad” that Shevgaonkar had to resign and wondered whether the autonomy of IITs are being challenged.

**Smriti Irani calls meeting over IIT-Delhi director's resignation**

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Finally at last the IIM promised by the central government during the state bifurcation will be inaugurated soon. Central Minister for Human Resources development Smrithi Irani is coming to Vizag on January 5th to inaugurate Indian Institute of Management.

The state government has decided to start the courses from the next academic year itself. So, it allocates the Andhra Bank Management Building located in the Andhra University for IIM temporarily.
Minister Smrithi Irani will formally inaugurate IIM to enable the government to make necessary arrangements for conducting the classes from next academic year. State government has allotted a vast land to IIM at Gambheeram village near Madhurawada in Vizag city.

According to the inside sources, recently, a central team has visited the site and expressed satisfaction. So, once the construction of campus is completed there, IIM will shift there.

**IIT Delhi director quits over land for Tendulkar academy; HRD Ministry denies it exerted pressure**


**New Delhi:** The Union Human Resources Development (HRD) Ministry is in the midst of another controversy as IIT Delhi director Raghunath K Shevgaonkar has quit. While reports said Shevgaonkar resigned as he was facing pressure to give IIT land for a Sachin Tendulkar cricket academy and over pending dues of BJP leader Subramanian Swamy, the HRD Ministry has denied having anything to do with the two issues.

IIT sources insist Shevgaonkar resigned because of personal reasons while HRD ministry sources say they had just forwarded a letter by Swamy about his pending dues to the IIT director.

HRD Minister Smriti Irani is learnt to have called a meeting on Sunday over the resignation of Shevgaonkar before issuing a rejoinder over the issue. In a statement, the Ministry said, "There is neither any request from Sachin Tendulkar for the ground of IIT for running a Cricket Academy nor any instruction from MHRD (Ministry of HRD) to provide the same. MHRD has neither forwarded Mr Swamy's request to IIT-Delhi nor given any direction to make payment of arrears to Mr. Swamy. Views of DoPT (Department of Personnel and Training) and Finance Ministry have been sought on the matter."
The HRD Ministry has issued denial saying it did not have anything to do with IIT Delhi director's resignation.

#hrd ministry #iit delhi #smriti irani #sachin tendulkar

The sources said Chairman, IIT-Delhi, forwarded the director's resignation letter on December 26 for appointing authority's decision following due process. It will have to go to President Pranab Mukherjee for his approval as the Visitor of IIT-Delhi.

"The news item reported is factually inaccurate and incorrect and unnecessarily drags the Ministry into issues where no direction has been issued by the Ministry," the HRD Ministry statement said.

While Shevgaonkar has refused to comment over the issue, Tendulkar has tweeted denying reports that IIT Delhi had been asked to sanction land to set up an academy in his name. Tendulkar said he was appalled by the reports and that he had not even planned any academy nor wanted any piece of land.

Sources said one of the reasons for the IIT director resignation was that HRD ministry had taken cognizance of a complaint against him for starting an off-campus branch of the institution. IIT Delhi had decided to set up a campus in Mauritius in 2013 under the UPA Regime but there was a complaint that it was in violation of rules. However, HRD Ministry had not given any notice to the director.
BJP demands probe against IIT-Delhi director


NEW DELHI: The BJP on Sunday demanded a probe by an independent agency against RK Shevgaonkar - who resigned from the post of Delhi IIT director - over his alleged involvement in setting up an institute in Mauritius.

The Bharatiya Janata Party also refuted the charges that he was forced to leave the post under pressure from the central government.

"Shevgaonkar has put in his papers due to his alleged involvement in the activities in Mauritius. An independent agency should probe the matter. One cannot escape by resigning and blaming others," BJP national secretary Shrikant Sharma said in a statement.

"IIT Delhi is a honourable institution. No one should politicise the matter by taking its name," he said.

Earlier, Shevgaonkar said he had resigned but refused to divulge the reason.

Reports in a section of media said Shevgaonkar's resignation came under the government's pressure over matters involving cricketer Sachin Tendulkar and BJP leader Subramanian Swamy.

The Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) slammed the government for "misleading" the country on the issue of Shevgaonkar's resignation. The government dismissed the report.

IIT-Delhi director resigned because he was unmasked, alleges Swamy

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Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) leader Subramanian Swamy on Monday alleged that the reason behind Indian Institute of Technology (IIT)-Delhi director Raghunath K Shevgaonkar resignation, more than two years before the end of his term, is because he was unmasked.

"The IIT-Delhi director was appointed by the United Progressive Alliance (UPA) government he was caught for failing to inform the government of India of opening a branch of IIT in Mauritius. The IIT director has been unmasked that is why he has resigned, he violated the code of conduct and IIT statutes. He tried to play the victim," said Swamy.

"The order of my termination was held null and void and the court said 'therefore he is deemed to have continued as a professor' which means all my salaries have to be paid. So I only asked for that, they were delaying it so I went to the court it issued notice to the government, and the government asked the director the reason for delay," he added.
Further lashing out at a private newspaper for publishing the wrong report Swamy said, "The Times of India violated principle of fair reporting, the order of my termination was null and void. I am surprised why this briefing and the TOI's failure to contact me to ask me, I would have put them wise to it. The TOI violated the principle of fair reporting and that's why I have sent them a notice for Rs. 1 crore."

Yesterday, The Ministry of Human Resource Development (MHRD) had denied involvement over the resignation tendered by Shevgaonkar, adding that media reports to the contrary were 'factually inaccurate and incorrect'.

Previously, media reports had stated that Shevgaonkar, who had more than two years left of his current term, was under pressure from the ministry to release pay of nearly Rs 70 lakh to former IIT-D faculty and now BJP leader Subramanian Swamy as his salary dues between 1972 and 1991. The report further stated that the ministry was also piling pressure on the premier institution to release land for former cricketer Sachin Tendulkar to start a cricket academy.

**Irani 'Humiliated' IIT Delhi Director Shevgaonkar: AAP**

The Aam Aadmi Party today accused HRD Minister Smriti Irani of "humiliating" IIT Delhi Director Raghunath K S Shevgaonkar and said the BJP was "misleading" the country over the issue.

Shevgaonkar has resigned with more than two years of his tenure left amid a controversy over the circumstances under which he quit including alleged pressure put on him by the Human Resources Development Ministry.

Shevgaonkar sent his resignation in a letter to Chairman of IIT Board of Governors Vijay P Bhatkar on Friday evening in which he cited "personal reasons".

AAP said that BJP's "unjustified political interference" is trampling the autonomy of the top institutions for professional and technical education.

"The Aam Aadmi Party challenges the human resources development minister to answer the following two questions. Is it not a fact that she had recently summoned the IIT Delhi director?"

"Is it not a fact that impolite language was used against such a senior professor and is it also not fact that he was humiliated in that meeting?" the party said in a statement.

The party alleged that the BJP was hell bent on imposing its "dangerous agenda" on the nation.

"Ranging from the removal of the Chief Vigilance Officer of AIIMS to the shocking resignation of the IIT Delhi Director, the entire government appears hell bent on imposing its dangerous agenda on the nation.

"The HRD ministry had no right to interfere in the functioning of this autonomous institution and the matter should have been referred to its board of governors. The ministry in particular, appears to have made it a habit to create a controversy on a weekly basis," the statement added.

AAP chief Arvind Kejriwal later wrote on micro-blogging website Twitter, "Sad to learn that IIT Director pressurised by govt. First govt interfered in AIIMS, now IIT. Govt shud stay away from autonomous institutions".

Meanwhile, dismissing allegations levelled by opposition parties over Shevgaonkar's resignation, the BJP said the IIT director was not authorised to sign an MoU with Mauritius without the ministry's approval for setting up
an IIT affiliate there.

BJP national secretary Shrikant Sharma said the director of IIT was not authorised to sign the MoU without the approval of the ministry and he could not start a course of his own.

"When asked by the authorities, he was unable to explain the power exercised by him in signing such an MoU as he did not have the prerogative to do so," he said, adding that, the allegations are baseless and aimed at tarnishing BJP's image.

He said the NDA government is trying to rectify the infirmities and inadequacies in the education system created by the previous UPA government and is working in public interest and not in any individual's interest.

"If somebody is twisting the matter for his personal consideration then it is his frustration as BJP is removing errors in the education system created by the previous government and working in public interest," he said.
आईआईटी निदेशक के इस्टीफे पर विवाद

नई दिल्ली, 28 दिसंबर (मनीष राणा): आईआईटी दिल्ली के निदेशक के इस्टीफे की लेकर विवाद जारी मात्रा है। केंद्र सरकार ने निदेशक पर किसी भी प्रकार का दबाव डालने की बात से इंकार किया है। बीजेपी नेता सुभाष अंबाली की सैलाबि के सवाल पर मंत्रालय ने सफाई देते हुए कहा कि इस केस की लेकर भी आईआईटी को कोई अंतर्विकास नहीं हासिल है। मंत्रालय ने कहा कि इस मामले में डीआईपीटी और विद्यालय मंत्रालय से उनकी यह मांग गई है। यहाँ, पूर्व क्रिकेटर और राष्ट्रीय संघ पुलिस तेंदुलकर ने मामले में अपना नाम घोषित कर दिया।

गौतम राव कहा कि आईआईटी दिल्ली के निदेशक रुहित नाय के, शिखर गंगुलकर के उद्धरण से इस्टीफे के बाद (तेस्रा पृष्ठ 12 कालावधि 7 पृष्ठ)।

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आईआईटी के चेयरसमन ब्रह्मा, विजय पी. भारतकर ने कहा कि निदेशक के नहीं कुछ दिन पहले ही उन्हीं को खुला दिया था। भारत में इसी तरह के जो कारण बताए जाते हैं, वो सही नहीं। निजी कारणों के चलते शिखर गंगुलकर ने इस्टीफे किया। इसके बाद, शिखर गंगुलकर ने इस मामले पर कई समाधान प्रस्तुत किया जिसके बाद इसे संदिग्ध कर दिया।

लिखित सूत्र दिल्ली के एल्जेब्रार्बर्ड ने इस्टीफे पर जानकी आपत्ति।
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1. सचिन तेंदुलकर की क्रिकेट एकेडमी के लिए आईआईटी की जमीन मुहैया करने का आदेश
2. सुब्रमण्यम रवांडा की बकाया 70 लाख रुपये दिलाने का दबाव, वह संस्थान में पढ़ा चुके हैं

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आईआईटी के डायरेक्टर ने विरोध की है। मानव सामाजिक विकास मंत्रालय ने 70 लाख रुपये को सैनिक दिलाने की अटकलें को जवाब दिया कि नियोजन ने पूर्व रिवाज के ख़राब किया कि नियोजन ने इस 'ख़याल' में नहीं लिया कि सरकार सचिन लेकरकर की क्रिकेट एकेडमी के लिए आईआईटी की जमीन मुहैया करते हुए वह संस्था के कार्यकाल में शरण रहे और उन पॉलिसी के पराक्रमिक गुणसृत्व स्वामी की कबाड़ 70 लाख रुपये को नियोजन दिलाने पर जोर देते थे।

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सचिन का ईरान

इस बांध खोज आई की संसदिक विकास मंत्रालय में दिल्ली की जमीन पर बचाव करने के लिए अभ्यास करने पर बचाव। अब तक का संसदिक विकास मंत्रालय में दिल्ली की जमीन पर बचाव करने के लिए अभ्यास करने पर बचाव करने के लिए अभ्यास करने पर बचाव।

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मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्रालय के कार्य सचिव के रूप में श्रीमती प्रभारती राजनीति के दर्शनीय कार्यकाल में, अपने संबंधों के कारण उन्हें प्रमुख सचिव के रूप में सेवा करने को आदेश दिया गया। उन्हें 2009 में राजनीति से संबंधित कार्य के लिए सेवा दी गई थी। उन्हें इस स्थिति में सेवा करने के लिए प्रमुख सचिव के रूप में नियुक्त किया गया।

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शिवगंगनारायण ने आईआईटी दिल्ली के अभियंता विजय पी भाटकर को शुक्रवार रात को अपना लायफ रिटर्न भेजा था। इसीके की वजह के तौर पर उन्होंने ‘निजी कारण’ कहा था।

शिवगंगनारायण ने रिक्वर्स को संबद्धताओं द्वारा पूछा, जाने पर कहा, ‘मैंने इस रीति में दिया है।’ नहीं भाटकर ने कहा कि शिवगंगनारायण पर किसी तरह के दबाव को उन्हें जानकारी नहीं दी। भाटकर ने कहा, ‘प्रोफेसर शिवगंगनारायण ने इसी के लिए निजी कारण कहा है।’

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आईआईटी दिल्ली के डायरेक्टर रघुनाथ के शिवायवकर के इस्तीफे के मसले पर एचआईडी मिनिस्ट्री ने बयान जारी कर डायरेक्टर पर किसी तरह के दबाव से इनकार किया है। इस मसले पर राजनीति शी शुरू हो गई है। मिनिस्ट्री के दबाव में डायरेक्टर के इस्तीफे की खबर की बाद आम आदमी पार्टी नेता आरविंद केजरीवाल ने ट्वीट किया कि यह जानकारी दुखद है तथा आईआईटी डायरेक्टर ने सरकार के दबाव में इस्तीफा दे दिया है। पहले सरकार ने एससी में दबाव दिया और तब इस्तीफा दिया। सरकार को स्वयं संस्थाओं से खुद को अपना रहना चाहिए।

2 साल पहले इस्तीफा
महेंद्र मिहिला में आईआईटी के मुख्य शिक्षाविकास ने दबाव में अपना टम खान होने से 2 साल पहले ही इस्तीफा दिया, क्योंकि उन पर बीजेपी नेता सुभाष रामकाण्ड की सेल्सी के लेकर दबाव बनाया जा रहा था। स्वामी ने आईआईटी में 1972 से 1991 तक पढ़ाया था। उन्होंने एक वर्ष के लिए गृहपालक के रूप में रहे। रघुनाथ ने इस दोस्ती के लिए आईआईटी को एक जोड़ी संगठन का भाग दबाया था।

मेरा लेना-देना नहीं: स्वामी
सुभाष रामकाण्ड स्वामी ने कहा कि उनका प्रियदर्शन कोट में मैं हूँ और आईआईटी डायरेक्टर को इससे कोई लेन-देन नहीं है। इसके बजाय उनके प्रियदर्शन कोट में मैं रहना चाहता हूँ। कोट में मैं रहना चाहता हूँ। मेरे कार्यकाल के पास आईआईटी की मुद्रा देना पड़ा। स्वामी ने ट्वीट कर बताया कि उनके कोट में आईआईटी डायरेक्टर के खिलाफ कंटेम्पर ओपन कोट निर्देशन तैयार कर रहे हैं।

सचिन ने कहा, बकवास
सचिन तेंदुलकर ने भी दबाव कर इस तत्त्व को खबर का खंडन किया है। सचिन ने लिखा कि 'यह दर्शकों की संख्या का विवाद है। यह एक खंडन है। आईआईटी में भिन्नता शर्मा रखने का अर्थ दबाव है।'

फिलहाल दबाव पर इस्तीफा नही है।
आईआईटी दिल्ली के निदेशक का इस्तीफा

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राजनीतिक दबाव की चर्चा, सुब्रह्मण्यम स्वामी को व्याख्या के साथ तनख्वाह देने का मामला

श्रूनाथ के, शिवगांवकर

पैसा आईआईटी के डायरेक्टर को अपनी जेब से नहीं देना था। उसका भुगतान सरकार ने करवाया था। कार्यकाल के दौरान उन्होंने बच्चों को अपना जीवन प्लान बनाया था। विवाद के दौरान उन्होंने एक विवाद पैदा करने के बाद इस्तीफा दे दिया है। इस विवाद के दौरान शिवगांवकर ने नए क्रिकेट स्पर्धा तेंदुलकर को भी घसीटा गया है।

सुब्रह्मण्यम स्वामी, मध्यप्रदेश नेता

किया है जिसमें कहा गया था कि शिवगांवकर ने तब इस्तीफा दे दिया जब उन्होंने मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्रालय की कठिनाई से दौड़ने के विषय में इंतजार कर दिया। ये मामले श्री आईआईटी दिल्ली के मंत्रालय में तेंदुलकर को कठिनाई पर अपनी कृतियों के लिए जमीन देने और आईआईटी दिल्ली के पूर्व डायरेक्टर और अब भाजपा नेता सुब्रह्मण्यम स्वामी को 1972 से 1981 के बीच उनके 'बकाया वेतन' के तौर पर तक्रीर रूप हेतु का मुद्दत करना।
आईआईटी निदेशक के इस्तीफा मामले में नाम आने पर सचिन ने जताई हैरानी

नई दिल्ली (ब्यूरो)। आईआईटी दिल्ली के निदेशक रघुनाथ के शेखावार्कर के अपने तय कार्यकाल से पहले ही इस्तीफा देने पर क्रिकेटर सचिन तेंदुलकर और मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्रालय ने अपना नाम घसीटे जाने पर कड़ी प्रतिक्रिया जताई है। सचिन ने बाकायदा ट्वीट कर कहा है कि वह हैरान है और इस काल्पनिक कहानी को प्रकाशित करने से पहले तथ्यों को परख लिया जाना चाहिए था। वहाँ मंत्रालय ने भी बयान जारी कर अंग्रेजी समाचार पत्र में छपी खबर का खंडन किया है। मंत्रालय ने कहा कि उनकी ओर से आईआईटी निदेशक पर किसी तरह का दबाव नहीं डाला गया। बयान में कहा गया है कि नहीं सचिन ने क्रिकेट अकादमी के लिए जमीन की मांग की और नहीं मंत्रालय ने निदेशक को अकादमी के लिए जमीन मुहैया कराने को कहा। भाजपा नेता श्रीकांत शर्मा ने शेखावार्कर पर मॉरीशस में पद का दुर्घटनाग्रस्त कर निजी हित साधने का आरोप लगाते हुए मामले की निष्पक्ष एजेंसी से जांच की मांग की। पूरे मामले पर गंभीर आपत्तियाँ आने के बाद अंग्रेजी समाचार पत्र की ओर से कहा गया कि गूगल के हवाले से चलाई गई इस खबर के लिए वह क्षमा मांगते हैं।

एक अंग्रेजी समाचार पत्र की खबर में दाबी किया गया था कि आईआईटी दिल्ली के निदेशक ने अपने कार्यकाल में दो साल का समय रहने के बावजूद सिर्फ इस वजह से इस्तीफा दे दिया क्योंकि मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्रालय उन पर सचिन को क्रिकेट अकादमी के लिए जमीन उपलब्ध कराने और सुबहाण रे स्वामी के 1972 से लेकर 1991 के बाकायदा राशि को जारी करने का दबाव डाल रहा था। सचिन ने खबर पर ट्विटर के जरिए अपनी नाराजगी जताई।