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## NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY DELHI

(An Autonomous Organization of Govt. of India)

Minutes of the 6<sup>th</sup> Meeting of Board of Governors (BoG) NIT Delhi held on January 10, 2013 at Committee Room No.I (Annexe), India International Centre, 40 Max Mueller Marg, New Delhi from 11 AM onwards.

The meeting of the Board of Governors (BoG) of NIT Delhi was held on January 10, 2013 (Thursday) at 11:00 AM, under the Chairmanship of Shri R. Santhanam, Chairman BoG, NIT Delhi. The following were present in the meeting:-

1. Shri R. Santhanam, Chairman BoG, NIT Delhi	-	Chairman
Ms. Amita Sharma, Addl. Secretary (HE), MHRD	-	Member
3. Shri Navin Soi, Director (Finance), Rep. JS&FA (MHRD)	-	Member
4. Shri Raman Kumar Sharma, Sr. Vice President, HCIL	-	Member
5. Shri K. Ananth Krishnan, Chief Technology Officer, TCS	-	Member
Dr. Anjlee Prakash, CEO Learning Links Foundation	-	Member
Prof. S.N. Singh, Dy. Director (Operations), IIT Delhi	-	Member
8. Prof. Sandeep Sancheti, Director, NIT Delhi	-	Member
9. Dr. Vibhakar Shrimali, OSD, NIT Delhi	-	Secretary

Ms Neelam Dhawan CEO HP India and Member BOG, NIT Delhi could not attend the meeting.

## Agenda Item No. 6 BoG-A-1:

## Welcome & Introduction:

The Chairman welcomed all the new members of the Board and informed about the nominations of the Board nominees on the Finance Committee and the Building Works Committee of the institution. Prof. S.N. Singh and Dr. Anjlee Prakash have been nominated as the members of the Finance Committee. Shri R.K. Sharma has been nominated by the Board as its nominee on the institute Building Works Committee (BWC).

Director NIT Delhi then gave a welcome address to the BoG members through a brief presentation (Annexure-'A') about the Institution.

Agenda Item No. 6 BoG-B-1:

Confirmation of Minutes of the 5th BoG Meeting of NIT Delhi:

Members of the BoG confirmed the minutes of the 5<sup>th</sup> BoG meeting held on 1<sup>st</sup> November 2012.

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Agenda Item No. 6BoG-C-1:

Action Taken Note on 5th BoG decisions:

Action taken report on the decision of the 5<sup>th</sup> BoG meeting was presented to the members and the development on the various issues taken up in the last BoG meeting were appraised.

Agenda Item No. 6BoG-C-2:

Reporting and consideration of 4<sup>th</sup> FC Meeting:

BoG NIT Delhi considered the recommendations of the 4<sup>th</sup> Finance Committee meeting which met early in the day and approved the same.

Agenda Item No. 6BoG-C-3:

Centralised Counselling for M.Tech Admissions:

The Director informed about the mandate given to the institute as per the detailed project report of MHRD in respect of NIT Delhi for starting PG programme. After detailed discussions on the infrastructure and faculty requirements, the board agreed in principle to start M.Tech (Electronics and Communication) programme with an intake of 15 students with effect from the academic year 2013-14. It was further agreed that the information in this regard may be conveyed to Malaviya National Institute of Technology, Jaipur who has been entrusted with the responsibility of conducting the CCMT (Centralised Counselling for M.Tech/M.Arch) admissions for the year 2013.

Agenda Item No.6BoG-C-4:

Annual Report 2010-11 & 2011-12 of NIT Delhi:

As all academic/administrative activities related to NIT Delhi were carried out at NIT Warangal there were not many inputs to be presented in the Annual Report of the institution for the years 2010-11 and 2011-12. The members approved the draft Annual Report of the Institution for the years 2010-11 & 2011-12 which included the account statements prepared by NIT Warangal for the years 2010-11 & 2011-12.

Agenda Item No.6BoG-C-5:

**Faculty Advertisement:** 

Additional Secretary (TE), MHRD informed the Board members about the revised model recruitment rules for the faculty for NIT Delhi which is available on the MHRD website. The Board agreed to the proposal of giving advertisement for regular faculty and the core administrative staff of NIT Delhi in line with the MHRD approved model recruitment rules. The Board also approved the proposal to maintain 120 point post based roaster register for the faculty positions at the entry level (i.e. Assistant Professor) and 13 point model Roaster for the administrative post which included Registrar, Assistant Registrar and Executive Engineer. To fill up the faculty positions and core administrative staff of the institution, the Board agreed to follow the Central Govt. approved norms for reservation and age relaxation etc. for recruitments.

Keeping in view the need to grow the academic activities of the Institute in line with expectations of MHRD an early release of the recruitment advertisement was suggested by all the members.

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Agenda Item No.6BoG-C-6:

Leasing a part of IAMR Narela campus for NIT Delhi:

In light of the earlier decision of 3<sup>rd</sup> Finance committee meeting, as conveyed vide agenda Item No.3FCA-10, the Board took cognizance of the development in this regard. Director briefed the members about the need for additional space required by NIT Delhi to carry out the academic activities during the next academic session smoothly. He further elaborated about the utility of the proposed space to be acquired at IAMR Narela campus. Members were informed that currently CPWD is evaluating our request for rent fixation. Board requested early possession at CPWD rates so that the academic activities of the Institute are carried out as per the expectations of MHRD.

Agenda Item No.6BoG-C-7:

Extension of Campus infrastructure at Dwarka:

Board was informed about the limited space available to NIT Delhi at its temporary campus, and the efforts made by the institution to acquire additional space at Dwarka. It was also mentioned that the Govt. of Delhi has accepted the request of the institute for additional space and has issued directions to Dr. B.R. Ambedkar University, Delhi to hand over the entire 3<sup>rd</sup> floor of the existing academic and administrative building of Integrated Institute of Technology Dwarka to NIT Delhi by March 31, 2013. Board noted the development and suggested for initiation of planning for effective utilisation of the space. Board requested for timely possession of additional floor so that the growth of the academic activities of the institution is able to meet the expectations of MHRD, as envisaged in DPR for NIT Delhi.

Agenda Item No. 6BoG-C-8:

Age limit of Retirement of Directors of NITs:

The Board endorsed the decision of NIT Council for raising the age limit of retirement of Director of NITs to 70 years and advised the Registrar to convey its decisions to the Ministry accordingly.

Agenda Item No. 6BoG-C-9:

Industry Institute Interface:

Emphasising the need for close Industry Institute Interface, the Board suggested that not only the student be encouraged for internship in industry but also suggested that the faculty members of the institution should be given sabbatical leave during summer/winter break to have more hands on exposure of the industrial environment to enrich their knowledge base. The Board members also agreed for continuing all help and guidance to the institution for the following:-

- (i) Students internship
- (ii) Students training
- (iii) Students placement

#### Agenda Item No. 6BoG-C-10:

## Accreditation of all programmes in the NITs:

The MHRD vide its decisions taken in the NIT Council decided that NITs should offer themselves for accreditation. Board members were informed about the need for accreditation by national agencies like National Board of Accreditation (NBA) and were also informed that there are certain minimum requirements for applying for accreditation. Accordingly, as and when the institution would become eligible for of its programmes, in next two to three years, necessary action in this regard will be taken appropriately. The Board informed that the institute should not only gear up for the academic accreditation for its programme but should also make efforts on laying down values among the students of the institute with focus on national development.

Agenda Item No. 6BoG-C-11:

Institutional set up for Academic delivery:

The Board approved the proposal of not segregating the different specializations offered by the institute in different departments so that all the faculty members operate in a unified way and work with different specialisations on need basis to promote academics and collaborative research in the institute. The Board recommended that team from NIT Delhi may be sent to visit institute like NUS/NTU Singapore and the new institute like IIT Gandhi Nagar, IIT Jodhpur, IIIT Hyderabad for looking into the contemporary best practices adopted by them for developing and supporting academic environment in the institute.

Agenda Item No. 6BoG-C-12:

Starting of new Under-graduate/PG programme:

As per the DPR for the institute, it was required to start B.Tech Mechanical Engg. programme in III<sup>rd</sup> Year of its operation and to enhance seats to 60 in each of the programmes in IVth year. The Additional Secretary, MHRD informed the Board members that the detail project report prepared by MHRD is only a guideline document and BoGs may have the flexibility in adopting need based growth plan for the institution. Accordingly the Board members were of the view that before adding any new programme it would be appropriate that we strengthen the facilities in terms of faculty, labs and Research Programmes in respect of the existing programmes and increase the intake in the existing specialisations only.

After detailed deliberations and considering alternatives, board agreed to increase the intake to 60 in all three B.Tech. programmes being offered by the institute and to add M.Tech. (Electronics and Comm.) with an intake of 15 from the ensuing academic year 2013-14.

Agenda Item No. 6BoG-C-13:

Report on Examination:

The members of the Board took note of the report on examinations and related processes like relative grading system, grade moderation etc. as adopted by the institution.

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## Agenda Item No. 6BoG-C-14:

## Contract faculty appointment:

The Board ratified the proposal of the institute for contract faculty appointment for the even semester of the academic year 2012-13.

Agenda Item No. 6BoG-C-15:

Constitution of various Statutory Bodies:

- (i) Senate;
- (ii) Building & Works Committee(BWC); and
- (iii) Representation of BoG Members on FC.

As per the constitution of the committees of the institute, the following nominations were made by the Board :-

1) Prof. S.N. Singh : No

Nominated to Finance Committee

2) Dr. Anjlee Prakash

Nominated to Finance Committee

3) Shri Raman Kumar Sharma :

Nominated to Building Works Committee

Further keeping in view the Constitution/Composition of various statutory bodies it was proposed by the Director NIT Delhi that till the time the institute has its regular Professors appointed in different specialisations, eminent academicians from amongst the relevant fields may be nominated on the senate. For this purpose, it was decided to keep the size of the Senate limited to 6 members, excluding the statutory members. The proposal was agreed by the Board and it suggested that Director may provide the list of all such eminent educationists who can be nominated as members of the Senate not only against the Professor of the institution but also for nomination of three persons by the Chairperson of the board. It was also proposed that two students with excellent academic performance may also be nominated on the Senate of the Institution.

#### Agenda Item No.6BoG-C-16:

## Vision and Mission:

The matter regarding Vision and Mission of the Institute was deliberated at length and it was suggested that a workshop of the institute student and faculty members may be conducted and opinion about their Vision and Mission of the Institute may be considered. The Vision and Mission of the institute should reflect the long term approach to be followed by the institute for its functioning and growth. It should have broad base, aiming towards excellence in education, research and should focus on overall development of all its stake holders.

Agenda Item No.6BoG-C-17:

Any other items with the permission of the Chair:

The Board was informed that the Institution has received an initiation from Ambedkar Institute of Advanced Communication Technologies & Research (AIACTR) Delhi for exploring possibilities to associate itself to NIT Delhi for mutual benefit. Constrains faced by AIACTR and the limitation of NIT Delhi for its growth were also discussed in the Board. Chairman opined that this is a potentially beneficial opportunity. The Board members agreed to the proposal in principle and suggested that to begin with, some joint activity may be initiated as a Pilot project on working together and further actions should be based on successes achieved in joint activities undertaken.

The meeting ended with the vote of thanks to the Chair.

Dr Vibhakar Shrimali

OSD

Shri R. Santhanam

Chairman