NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF TECHNICAL TEACHERS TRAINING AND RESEARCH CHENNAI Taramani P.O., Chennai – 600 113

Minutes of the 31st Meeting of the Board of Governors held on 12th November 2014 at 11.00 A.M. in the Conference Hall of the Institute

The following Members were present at the Meeting:		
01	Prof. ALLAM APPA RAO Chairman, Board of Governors NITTTR Chennai Society	- Chairman
02	Shri P SASIKUMAR Deputy Secretary Ministry of Human Resource Development, Government of India, Department of Higher Education Shastri Bhavan, New Delhi.	- Representative JS (TEL), MHRD
03	Shri SATPAL SHARMA Asst. Financial Adviser Integrated Finance Division Ministry of Human Resource Development, Govt. of India, Shastri Bhavan, New Delhi.	- Representative of IFD, MHRD
04	Dr. S.S. VARAPRASAD Consultant, USP India Pvt. Ltd Hyderabad.	- Member
05	Dr. K. VIJAYAKUMAR Director of Technical Education, Government of Kerala Trivandrum	- Member
06	Shri I.A. PULLAIAH Training & Placement Officer O/o Directorate of Technical Education Government of Andhra Pradesh Hyderabad - 500 063.	- Representative of DTE, AP
07	Dr. S. RENUKADEVI Professor & Head i/c Department of Education NITTTR, Chennai	- Special Invitee*

^{*} Attended in response to intimation letter dated 17.10.2014. However, one year term as faculty representative ended on 06.11.2014 and hence attended as special invitee.

08 Dr. S. DHANAPAL Director i/c NITTTR, Chennai 600 113. - Member-Secretary

The following Members could not attend the Meeting:

 The Commissioner of Technical Education - Member Government of Tamil Nadu Chennai – 600 025.

2. The Vice Chancellor - Member Anna University,
Guindy, Chennai – 600 025.

The Director of Technical Education - Member
 Government of Maharashtra
 Mumbai – 400 001.

The Director of Technical Education - Member
 Government of Orissa
 Cuttack – 753 001.

5. Shri Karumuthu T. Kannan - Member Managing Director Thiagarajar Mills (P) Limited Kappalur, Madurai – 625 008.

The Director in-charge welcomed the Chairman. The Chairman welcomed all the Members, and the items on the agenda were then taken up for consideration.

Item No.1 To consider and confirm the minutes of the 30th Meeting of the Board of Governors

held on 28.04.2014

Res. No. 1-31/2014/BoG

It was resolved to approve the minutes of the 30th Meeting of the Board of Governors held on 28.04.2014.

Item No. 2-31/2014/BoG

To report about the action taken on the various resolutions passed at the 30th

Meeting of the Board of Governors held on

28.04.2014

Res. No. 2-31/2014/BoG

The Board felt that Item No. 2 needs detailed discussions and so it was proposed to be taken up for discussion in the next BoG Meeting.

Item No. 3-31/2014/BoG

To consider the report on the progress of the academic activities of the institute from April 2014 to August 2014

Res. No. 3-31/2014/BoG

The Board felt that Item No. 3 needs detailed discussions and so it was proposed to be taken up for discussion in the next BoG Meeting.

Item No. 4-31/2014/BoG

To report on the Action taken on Roll out of NMEICT products to Universities / Engineering Colleges / Polytechnics, as directed by MHRD.

Res. No. 4-31/2014/BoG

The Board felt that Item No. 4 needs detailed discussions and so it was proposed to be taken up for discussion in the next BoG Meeting.

Item No. 5-31/2014/BoG

To report about the RFD of the Institute for the year 2014 – 2015

Res. No. 5-31/2014/BoG

The Board felt that Item No. 5 needs detailed discussions and so it was proposed to be taken up for discussion in the next BoG Meeting.

Item No. 6-31/2014/BoG

To consider and approve the Annual Report of the Institute for the year 2013-2014.

Res. No. 6-31/2014/BoG

The Annual Report for the year 2013-14 was submitted during the meeting. The approval of the Annual Report 2013-14 will be taken up in the next BoG Meeting.

Item No. 7

To consider the Agenda and Notes being placed before the 30th Meeting of the Finance Committee scheduled at the Institute on 12.11.2014

Res. No. 7-31/2014/BoG

The Board reviewed the agenda items placed before the Finance Committee at its 30th Meeting held on 12th Nov 2014. The Board considered the recommendations of the Finance Committee and resolved to approve the same.

 The Chairman and Members suggested appointing an Auditing firm for carrying out periodical internal audit of the Institute Accounts. It was also suggested to explore the possibility of appointing an Accounts Officer through recruitment, instead of inviting deputation from the AG's Office.

Item No. 8

To discuss about the creation of Extension Centre in Andhra State (Hyderabad Centre is in Telangana)

Res. No. 8-31/2014/BoG

Discussion:

As the present NITTTR Extension Centre is in Hyderabad (Telangana), the Board discussed the need for starting an Extension Centre for the state of Andhra Pradesh in view of the bifurcation of the states. The Chairman also suggested opening an Extension for Puducherry.

Decision:

It was decided in principle, to open Extension Centre at a suitable location in Andhrapradesh and explore the possibility of opening an Extension at Puducherry.

Item No.9

To consider the request of DTE, Karnataka to allot two rooms in ECB for BoAT

Res. No. 9-31/2014/BoG

The item was deferred for later consideration.

To consider the report of the activities of the Centre for Sustainable Development

Res. No. 10-31/2014/BoG

Deferred for presentation at the next Board Meeting

Item No. 11

To consider the date and venue of the next meeting

Res. No. 11-31/2014/BoG

Discussion:

The Chairman initiated the idea of having a Board Meeting at the Extension Centres and it was proposed by a Member to keep the next Board meeting at Hyderabad. The difficulties with respect to conduct of the meeting away from the Institute was discussed. It was suggested to take help from the local state DTE, for secretarial assistance.

Decision:

The Chairman requested the Director in-charge to convene the next board in the last week of December 2014 or first week of January 2015 taking into account the convenience of the Members.

Item No. 12

To consider any other item(s) with the permission of the Chair

Res. No. 12-31/2014/BoG

Discussion:

On the eve of the Golden jubilee of the Institute, the chairman requested the Ministry officials to sanction special funds for the same. It was also proposed to invite the past Chairmen and Directors for the celebrations so that it will be possible for the Institute to get their wisdom for developing the Institute. Special emphasis was made for Inviting Personalities like Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam, who have significant contribution to the Institute as Chairman.

Decision:

It is resolved to celebrate the golden jubilee year of the Institute by inviting the past, eminent Chairmen and Directors of the Institute like Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam.

It is also resolved to request MHRD for a special grant for this purpose.

Discussion:

The Chairman also initiated the proposal for getting the Deemed University Status. In this connection, the Director in-charge informed the Board that a draft NITTTR Act has been prepared through a Workshop attended by senior faculty from other NITTTRs.

Decision:

The draft NITTTR Act developed to be finalized in consultation with other NITTTRs and to be presented to the Ministry.

Discussion:

The Chairman requested the Director in-charge to reconstitute the academic council of the Institute by including Chairman as the Invited Guest and also a few eminent academics.

Decision:

It was resolved to amend Rule 13 of the MoA of the NITTTR Chennai Society to convene Academic Council Meeting as many times a year as required. It was also resolved to reconstitute the Academic Council.

Discussion:

The Board expressed its concern about the number of litigations and related spending. In view of the several ongoing Court cases, the Chairman suggested that the Advocate General may be requested to give a panel of lawyers for the purpose of appointing a Standing Counsel for the Institute. The Members suggested that the Director in-charge may get inputs from IIT Madras in this regard.

Decision:

It was resolved to get a panel of lawyers from Advocate General for the purpose of appointing a Standing Counsel for the Institute.

Discussion:

The need for opening the Computer Centre, which is kept closed for some time, was discussed.

Decision:

It was resolved to open the Computer Centre and to do the necessary for refunctioning.

The Board also advised to initiate the process for recruitment of non-teaching positions.

The Board thanked the contribution of Dr. S. Renukadevi, Faculty representative in the Board, whose term has ended.

The meeting ended at 01.00 p.m. with Vote of thanks to the Chair.

DIRECTOR IN-CHARGE / MEMBER-SECRETARY

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