### Indian Institute of Technology Jodhpur Board of Governors

## Minutes of Special Meeting

30 September 2016 (Friday) at 11:30 hours Committee Room No. 2, IIC Annexe, New Delhi



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#### **Board of Governors**



MINUTES of Special Meeting 30 September 2016 (Friday), 11:30 hours Committee Room No. 2, IIC Annexe, New Delhi

The following Members of the Board attended in person:

1. Professor C. V. R. Murty, Director, IIT Jodhpur

Chairman

2. Dr. Kiran Karnik, Former President, NASSCOM, Mumbai

Member

3. Sri D. R. Mehta, Chief Patron, Bhagwan Mahaveer Viklang Sahayata Samiti, Jaipur

Member

4. Professor N. S. Vyas, Professor, Department of Mechanical Engineering, IIT Kanpur

Member

Two Members expressed their inability to attend the meeting, namely:

- 5. Professor Pankaj Chandra, Chairman, Board of Management, Ahmedabad University Member
- 6. Sri Rajhans Upadhyay, Additional Chief Secretary, Government of Rajasthan

Member

The following are the decisions of the Board on the items of the Agenda:

S.No. Item Decisions SM 8.1 Welcome by the Chairman and Opening Remarks The Director welcomed the Members to the Special Meeting of the Board. He clarified that the appointment of the regular Chairman is in process. For want of a regular Chairman, regular meetings of the Board of Governors were not held. Consequently, resolution of a number of routine and policy items are pending. He requested the Members to accommodate at least two more meetings during this Calendar Year to facilitate transaction of critical items. The Members kindly agreed convening the same. Even though MHRD has appointed the Director as the Chairman, considering that the Director is proposing the agenda item for discussion, he requested Dr. Kiran Karnik to steer the Meeting; Dr. Karnik kindly acceded to the request. The Director briefed the Members on the item of the Agenda. He mentioned that two critical communications were received from MHRD, which prompted the holding of this Special Meeting. These communications were on: (1) The Revised Cost Estimate approved by the Union Cabinet, and (2) The timeline for Phase 2 Development with projected student strength of 2,500, to be achieved by March 2019. The Director made a detailed presentation on the Status of Phase 1

The Director made a detailed presentation on the Status of Phase 1 Development of the Permanent Campus of IIT Jodhpur. He shared the communication received from Chief Project Manager, IIT Jodhpur Project Division, CPWD, Jodhpur, which clarified that the target dates by which buildings and facilities will be available. Based on this communication, the Institute is likely to move to its Permanent Campus during December 2016 – March 2017. Also, the Director presented the proposed Phase 2 Development of the Permanent Campus in light of the communications received from MHRD. In particular, he presented the plan for expansion of academic programs, including selection of Faculty Members and academic program proposed by Departments.

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After detailed deliberations on the various facets of the Development of Permanent Campus and MHRD-given timeline for targeted student strength to be achieved, the Board:

- (1) Suggested to the Senate to consider starting new academic degree programs at the B.Tech., M.Tech. and Ph.D. programs in: (a) Biotechnology, (b) Chemical Engineering, (c) Civil Engineering, and (d) Materials Engineering. In this regard, it advised the Institute to continue its generic B.Tech. (Electrical Engineering) degree program although with increased number of seats, along with the option of minors along Electrical Power Engineering and Electronics & Communications Engineering.
- (2) Suggested to the Senate to consider starting B.Tech.-M.Tech. Dual Degree Programs in (a) Mathematics and Computing, and (b) Electrical Engineering;
- (3) Expressed the need to scale up the R&D activities in the area of Solar Thermal Energy. It empowered the Director to explore: (a) building an international consortium for establishing a Solar Energy Plant and Test-bed facility at the Permanent Campus; and (b) inviting leading Indian Industrialists, distinguished academicians, and eminent Overseas Citizens of India & Non-Resident Indians, to partner in developing the solar thermal energy R&D program at IIT Jodhpur; and
- (4) Advised the Director to initiate immediately the process of Selection of Faculty Members for the new Departments, namely: Biotechnology, Chemical Engineering, Civil Engineering, and Materials Engineering.

# SM 8.2.1 Recommendations of the 13th Meeting of the Buildings & Works Committee held on 20 August 2016 at IIT Jodhpur The Board of Governors admitted the recommendations of the 13<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Buildings and Works Committee held on 20 August 2016. SM 8.2.2 Recommendations of the 10<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Finance Committee held on 17 September 2016 at IIC Annexe, New Delhi The Board of Governors approved the recommendations of the 10<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Finance Committee held on 17 September 2016.

The Meeting ended with thanks to all Members of the Board of Governors.

C. V. R Murty 030 dober 2016 Director, IIT Jodhpur 030 dober 2016

Approved

Chairman, Board of Governors, IIT Jodhpur