



**MINUTES OF THE 62nd MEETING OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS
HELD ON 30th JANUARY 2021 AT 2:15 PM IN IC&SR COMMITTEE
ROOM, IIT MADRAS**

MEMBERS PRESENT:

1.	Shri. Bhaskar Bhat	Chairperson, BoG*
2.	Dr. (Mrs.) Mini Shaji Thomas, Director	Member
3.	Shri. Madan Mohan ADG, MoE	Member*
4.	Shri. D K. Singh Deputy Secretary, IFD, MoE	Member*
5.	Shri Karumuttu T. Kannan	Member*
6.	Dr. Krishnan Balasubramanian	Member*
7.	Dr. S. Kumanan	Member*
8.	Dr. S. Jerome	Member*
9.	Dr. M. Umopathy, Registrar i/c	Secretary
* Through Video Conferencing		

Shri. Venkatarama Raja could not attend the meeting

GENERAL MATTERS

WELCOME ADDRESS BY THE CHAIRPERSON, BOARD OF GOVERNORS.

Shri. Bhaskar Bhat, Chairperson, Board of Governors welcomed the members to the meeting.

Thereafter, the Registrar (i/c) - Secretary initiated the deliberations on the Agenda Items.

ITEM NO. 1	CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE 61st MEETING OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS HELD ON 14th DECEMBER 2020
	The Minutes of the 61 st Meeting of the BoG were circulated to the

	Members of the Board and one comment was received, which was not reflecting the decision of the Board of Governors. The concern of the member is noted. The Board confirmed the Minutes.
RESOLUTION 62/BoG/2021/1	RESOLVED THAT the Minutes of the 61 st Meeting of the Board of Governors be confirmed.

ITEM NO. 2	ACTION TAKEN REPORT ON THE DECISIONS OF THE PREVIOUS MEETINGS OF THE BOG
	The details of Action Taken on the decisions of the previous Meetings of the Board of Governors will be taken up in next meeting of the Board.
	RESOLUTION 62/BoG/2021/2

ITEM NO. 3	DIRECTOR'S REPORT ON THE MAJOR ACHIEVEMENTS / DEVELOPMENTS SINCE THE LAST MEETING OF THE BOG.
	<p>The Director gave a presentation on the following major achievements and developments that took place in the Institute since the last Meeting of the Board of Governors:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Two new Deans were appointed, Dr Ramaklayan Ayyagari, as Dean (Academic) and Dr. G. Subbaiyan as the Dean (Institutional Development and Alumni Relations). The services of the previous Deans are appreciated. • The odd semester 20-21 was completed successfully for UG and PG programs and the classes for even semester 20-21 started on 18th January 2021. Due to the late admissions, the First year UG classes could start only in December. • Full time PhD scholars were brought back to the institute in a phased manner and some UG Students with connectivity issues were also brought back to campus following quarantine norms and SoPs. • Research publications saw an improvement in 2020 and projects and consultancy revenue is improving.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A unique Wave-Flume Facility was inaugurated for use by multiple Departments at the Institute. • Greening efforts of the campus is going on with 1000 fruit trees planted in the hostel zone. • Special thanks Dr. L. Cinderella who officiated as the Registrar for some time. 		
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APPROVAL ITEMS

ITEM NO. 4	RECOMMENDATION OF THE SELECTION COMMITTEE FOR APPOINTMENT OF THE REGISTRAR	
	<p>The Minutes of the Selection Committee for the post of Registrar were presented to the Board. The committee recommendations read as 'None found suitable' as no suitable candidate was found for the position of Registrar.</p> <p>The Board noted that the relevant instructions issued by the Ministry from time to time regarding Registrar recruitment have been duly followed.</p> <p>Efforts will made to recruit a regular Registrar at the earliest.</p>	
	RESOLUTION 62/BoG/2021/4	<p>RESOLVED THAT the Minutes of the Selection Committee Meeting for the post of Registrar be approved.</p> <p>RESOLVED FURTHER THAT efforts to recruit a Registrar at the earliest be made.</p>

ITEM NO. 5	RECOMMENDATION OF THE SELECTION COMMITTEE FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY DIRECTOR#	
	# The Registrar in-charge abstained during this agenda item.	

	<p>The Minutes of the Selection Committee, for the post of Deputy Director were presented to the Board and the Board approved the Minutes of the Selection Committee of Deputy Director. Dr. M. Umapathy, Professor (HAG), Department of Instrumentation and Control Engineering) has been recommended as the Deputy Director of the Institute.</p> <p>The Board noted that the relevant instructions issued by the Ministry from time to time regarding Deputy Director recruitment have been duly followed.</p> <p>The draft contract of service to be signed by the Deputy Director, as given in Schedule B of the First Statutes of NITs is approved for signature by the Deputy Director who is appointed by the Board of Governors, as per the clause 18 of the First Statutes of NITs. The offer of appointment for Deputy Director be issued immediately without waiting for confirmation of minutes of the meeting.</p>		
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<p>ITEM NO. 6</p>	<p>INSTALLATION OF SUPER COMPUTING FACILITY UNDER NATIONAL SUPER COMPUTING MISSION (NSM)</p> <p>NIT Tiruchirappalli has been inducted as a member of the National Super Computing Mission (NSM) in March 2020. A 650TF Super Computer will be installed at the Institute, at a cost of</p>
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	<p>Rs.17,11,72,337 (Seventeen Crores, eleven lakhs, seventy-two thousand three hundred and thirty-seven only) by C-DAC, Pune.</p> <p>The Institute has to provide the necessary space, power with back up, cooling, etc. for the Data Centre of this proposed facility. C-DAC has provided an estimate of Rs.3.59 crores (Approximately for site preparations including power with back-up, cooling etc.). The drawings, and other details were finalized by the teams, the tender document is readied by C-DAC.</p> <p>C-DAC will provide funding up to 10% of the supercomputing facility cost, approximately Rs. 1.7 crores (10% the cost of Super computer) for the site preparation, including Power backup and cooling from National Computing Mission grants. The remaining fund of Rs.1.89 crores are expected to be made available by the Institute, which can be met from the internal revenue generated by the Institute.</p> <p>After discussion, the Board approved the above proposal, to transfer Rs. 1.89 Crores to C-DAC to enable them to execute the complete Supercomputer Project under NSM.</p> <p>The NSM committee at the Institute may review the progress from time to time.</p>		
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REPORTING ITEMS

ITEM NO. 7	<p>RECRUITMENT OF NON-TEACHING STAFF</p> <p>As per Board resolution no. 61/BoG/2020/7, advertisement for the recruitment of 101 Group B and C positions was released on 16.12.2020 and online portal for submission of application was closed on 18.01.2021.</p> <p>The selection process is scheduled in three stages, as approved by the Board.</p>
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	<p>i) Screening test (only for shortlisting of applicants) ii) Skill Test (Qualifying in nature) iii) Main Written Test</p> <p>The process of shortlisting of applicants is in progress. Further a professional agency will be engaged for conduct of stage -I and III of the selection process. Stage-II skill test be conducted by the Institute.</p> <p>The application statistics and details were furnished for information of the Board. As per the number of applications from different regions of the Country, it is desirable to conduct the screening test at 6 Centers across the country, Delhi, Mumbai, Kolkata, Hyderabad, Chennai and Trichy. The tender to identify the agency to conduct the test will be floated as soon as possible.</p>		
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ITEM NO.8	LEGAL MATTERS SUBSEQUENT TO THE LAST BOARD MEETING.	
	Details of Court cases which were filed/came up for hearing subsequent to the 61 st Meeting of the Board were furnished for the information and direction of the Board. The Board noted the cases.	
	RESOLUTION 62/BoG/2021/8	RESOLVED THAT the court cases filed/heard subsequent to the last Board meeting be noted.

The Meeting ended with a Vote of Thanks to the Chair.


Secretary


Chairperson, BoG