



**MINUTES OF THE 76<sup>th</sup> MEETING OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS HELD ON 18<sup>th</sup> JULY 2024 AT 12:00 PM IN OOM ROOM, NIT, TIRUCHIRAPPALLI**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

| Sl No | NIT Act/Statute            | Name and Designation                                   | Position                        |
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| 1.    | NIT First Statutes 17(15). | Dr. (Mrs.) G. Aghila,<br>The Director                  | Officiating Chairperson,<br>BoG |
| 2.    | Section 11 Clause (c)      | Mr. Mukesh Kumar<br>Director (IFD), MoE                | Member*                         |
| 3.    | Section 11 Clause (c)      | Ms. Saumya Gupta,<br>Joint Secretary, MoE              | Member*                         |
| 4.    | Section 11 Clause (f)      | Dr. N Sivakumaran                                      | Member*                         |
| 5.    | Section 11 Clause (f)      | Dr. V Satheesh Kumar                                   | Member                          |
| 6.    | Section 11 Clause (g)      | Dr Krishnan Balasubramanian,<br>Professor, IIT, Madras | Member*                         |
| 7.    | Section 18 Clause (2)      | Dr. N. Thamaraiselvan,<br>Registrar i/c                | Secretary                       |

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**GENERAL MATTERS**

**WELCOME ADDRESS BY THE CHAIRPERSON, BOARD OF GOVERNORS.**

Dr G Aghila, Officiating Chairperson, Board of Governors and Director, NITT, welcomed the members to the meeting and confirmed the quorum for the meeting. The Chairperson welcomed the new Board Members nominated by Senate and appreciated the contribution and service rendered by the outgoing Senate nominees, Dr S Kumanan and Dr G Saravana Ilango. The Registrar (i/c) - Secretary initiated the deliberations on the agenda items.

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| <b>ITEM NO.</b><br>76.1 | <b>CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE 75<sup>th</sup> MEETING OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS HELD ON 11<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2024</b>  |  |
|                         | The Minutes of the 75 <sup>th</sup> Meeting of the BoG were circulated to the Members of the Board. The comments received from the member has been incorporated and recirculated.<br>The Board may confirm the Minutes. |  |
|                         | <b>RESOLUTION</b><br>76/BoG/2024/1  | <b>RESOLVED THAT</b> the minutes of the 75 <sup>th</sup> meeting of the Board of Governors is confirmed. |

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| <b>ITEM NO.</b><br>76.2 | <b>ACTION TAKEN REPORT ON THE DECISIONS OF THE PREVIOUS MEETINGS OF THE BOG</b>   |  |
|                         | The details of Action Taken on the decisions of the previous meetings of the Board of Governors were discussed and noted. |  |
|                         | <b>RESOLUTION</b><br>76/BoG/2024/2  | <b>RESOLVED THAT</b> the action taken on the decisions of the previous meetings of the Board be noted. |

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| <b>ITEM NO.</b><br>76.3 | <b>DIRECTOR'S REPORT ON THE MAJOR ACHIEVEMENTS / DEVELOPMENTS SINCE THE LAST MEETING OF THE BOG.</b>  |  |
|                         | <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"> <li>➤ Welcomed the new Board Members nominated by Senate and appreciated the contribution and service rendered by the outgoing Senate nominees, Dr S Kumanan and Dr G</li> </ul> |  |

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|  | <p>Saravana Ilango.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Successfully competed AY 2023-24 and results of January session 2024 has been published.</li> <li>➤ Academic year 2024-25 commenced on 18<sup>th</sup> July 2024 for all UG and PG programs except I year UG &amp; PG Students.</li> <li>➤ Institute Convocation 2024 is scheduled to be held on 3<sup>rd</sup> Aug 2024. Dr (Mrs) N Kalaiselvi, DG, CSIR &amp; Secretary DSIR has consented to be Chief Guest for Convocation.</li> <li>➤ Institute takes step to upload the Degree Certificates and Transcripts in NAD before convocation in order to issue the NAD Digital Degree certificate for the convocation 2024.</li> <li>➤ Institute scored 90.53%, Excellent in terms of Performance Score as per MoU with MoE.</li> <li>➤ Student strength: Institute targeted to increase 6% in overall student enrollment as per 5year vision plan to achieve 39% increase in next 5 year.</li> <li>➤ Multiple Entry and Exit as per NEP Parameter has been arrived.</li> <li>➤ Institute adopts same CPDA guideline as that of block year 2021-24 for the ensuing CPDA Block Period 2024-27.</li> <li>➤ Institute conducted Faculty Development programs (FDPs) to promote startup initiatives, utilizing the GDC of IITM .</li> <li>➤ Institute signed 01 International MoU and 06 national MoUs.</li> <li>➤ Various students activities viz NITTFEST'24, AAVEG'24,SAMVAD, SCIENT Annual day, etc concluded.</li> <li>➤ Team EcoORB from Dept of Architecture of Institute secured the prestigious "Best Movie Award" in Solar Decathlon India.</li> <li>➤ Institute utilized fully the grants received under OH 35 in the FY 2023-2024.</li> <li>➤ 61<sup>st</sup> Institute Day 2024 celebrated on 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2024.</li> <li>➤ Skill Hub Centre hosted the graduation ceremony on 11 Jun 2024 and 230 students completed their skill based courses.</li> </ul> |  |
|  | <p><b>RESOLUTION</b><br/><b>76/BoG/2024/3</b></p>  | <p><b>RESOLVED THAT</b> the Director's report on the major achievements and developments be noted.</p> |

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## APPROVAL ITEMS

**ITEM NO.**  
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**AMENDMENT IN NIT STATUTES:**

**(A) TO INSERT STATUTE 14 (V) - TO EXTEND THE TENURE OF INCUMBENT CHAIRPERSON, &**

**(B) TO DELETE CLAUSE (15) OF STATUTE 17 - TO PREVENT OVERLAP IN FUNCTIONING OF DIRECTOR AND CHAIRPERSON**

Our Institute is governed by NITSER Act - 2007 and First Statutes of NIT. As per section 4 of NITSER act, each institute (NITs) mentioned in First Schedule of NITs are a body corporate consists of Board of Governors, Senate and other authorities. The Board of Governors shall consist of Chairperson, a Director and other members of Board as enumerated in NITSER act and First statutes.

(A) At present, there is no provisions under the NIT Statutes to extend the term of incumbent Chairperson, Board of Governors (BoGs) or to assign the temporary or additional charge of the post of Chairperson, BoGs to the Chairperson, BoGs of any other NITs or CFTIs in the event of occurrence of any vacancy in the office of Chairperson for any reason. As per the instructions received from the President's Secretariat, it is necessitated to initiate amendment to insert following clause in Statute 14 after clause (vi) of Statutes of NITs and IEST, Shibpur.

**Statute 14 (v)** *"In the event of the occurrence of any vacancy in the office of the Chairperson of Board of Governors by reason of expiry of his or her tenure, death, resignation or otherwise or in the event of the Chairperson being unable to discharge his or her functions owing to absence, illness or any other cause, the Chairperson of an Institute of National Importance (INI) nominated by the Visitor to fill up the casual vacancy, may discharge the functions assigned to the Chairperson under Section 16 of the Act, for a period of six months or till the nomination of a regular Chairperson, whichever is earlier."*

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| <p><i>“Additionally, in case of expiry of tenure, the Visitor may extend the term of the incumbent Chairperson for a period of six months or till the nomination of a regular Chairperson, whichever is earlier.”</i></p> <p>(B) As the relevant provisions in the Statutes are being inserted under clause (v) of Statute 14 of the Statutes in order to have clear distinctions between the responsibilities of Director and Chairperson and to prevent any overlap of functions provided in the Statutes, it is, therefore, necessary <b>to delete clause (15) of Statute 17</b> of the Statutes of NITs and IEST-Shibpur, which exist as under:-</p> <p><i>“In the event of the occurrence of any vacancy in the office of the Chairperson by reason of his death, resignation, or otherwise or in the event of the Chairperson being unable to discharge his functions owing to absence, illness or any other cause, the Director may discharge the functions assigned to the Chairperson under Section 16 of the Act”.</i></p> <p>The Board discussed and approved the amendment in NIT Statutes.</p> |   |
| <p><b>RESOLUTION</b><br/><b>76/BoG/2024/4</b></p>   | <p><b>RESOLVED THAT</b> the statute 14(v) shall be inserted in the First Statutes of NITs.</p> <p><b>RESOLVED FURTHER THAT</b> the statute 17 clause (15) may be deleted.</p> |

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| <p><b>ITEM NO. 76.5</b></p> | <p><b>AWARD OF DEGREES AND MEDALS TO BE CONFERRED IN THE 20<sup>th</sup> CONVOCATION</b></p> <p>The 20th Convocation of the Institute is planned to be held on 03<sup>rd</sup> Aug 2024. The list of departmentwise graduands, for the Award of Degrees as recommended by the chairperson Senate is attached as annexure. The eligible rank holders of UG and PG programmes shall receive the medals during the convocation. As on 12th July, 2024, a total of UG – 1032, PG-854, M. S. (by Research) – 7 and 144 Ph.D. graduands shall receive the degree during the convocation. It was also proposed to the Board to delegate the power to the Chairperson (officiating), to approve the Award of Degrees to the students who will qualify prior to the forthcoming Convocation and also approve the list of Medal winners for UG &amp; PG programmes.</p> |
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| <p>The Board discussed and approved the award of degree and Medal winners. Also delegate the power to the Chairperson (Officiating) to approve the Award of Degrees to the students who qualify prior to the forthcoming Convocation.</p> |  |
| <p><b>RESOLUTION</b><br/><b>76/BoG/2024/5</b></p>   | <p><b>RESOLVED THAT</b> the Award Of Degrees to 1032 UG, 854 PG, 7 M. S. (By Research) and 144 Ph.D. Graduands and 42 medal winners are approved.</p> <p><b>RESOLVED FURTHER THAT</b> the Chairperson (officiating), BoG be authorized to approve the award of degrees to graduands who will qualify prior to the forthcoming Convocation.</p> |

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| <p><b>ITEM NO. 76.6</b></p>   | <p><b>REPORT RECEIVED FROM NIT WARANGAL WITH REGARD TO DR T SRINIVASA RAO, PROF (HAG) AND EX DIRECTOR, NIT WARANGAL</b></p> |
| <p>Dr T Srinivasa Rao, Prof MME Department of our Institute was served as the Director of NIT Warangal from 27 May 2011 to 30 Jun 2016 and rejoined this Institute on 01 Jul 2016.</p> <p>Initially, he submitted a request for Voluntary Retirement from the Service on 15 Sept 2021 and the same was accepted by Board of Governors of our Institute in its 67<sup>th</sup> BoG held on 24 Nov 2021. Subsequently he withdrew the VRS request on 02 Dec 2021 stating the "personal reason" and the same was ratified in 68<sup>th</sup> BoG held on 25 May 2021.</p> <p>Again, in the month of Jun 2023, he submitted a request for Voluntary Retirement from the Service and the same was accepted by Board of Governors of our Institute in its 72<sup>nd</sup> BoG meeting. As Vigilance Clearance certificate is mandatory for processing the VRS, the Vigilance Clearance Certificate from NIT Warangal was sought out as he served as the Director at NIT Warangal for 5 years. Accordingly, Institute approached NIT Warangal to get the information about any</p> |   |

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| <p>charges/pending cases against Prof T Srinivas Rao.</p> <p>NIT Warangal responded vide letter no NITW/ID-653/2023 dated 21 July 2023 and the same was brought to the notice of Board of Governors and accordingly the approval accorded for the VRS was withdrawn in 73<sup>rd</sup> meeting of BoG. As per the instruction of MoE the matter was placed before the Board.</p> <p>The Board discussed the matter and suggested the Institute to have a meeting with concerned NIT Warangal officials to fully understand and to present this with more inputs in the next Board meeting for further course of action.</p> |   |
| <p><b>RESOLUTION</b><br/><b>76/BoG/2024/6</b></p>   | <p><b>RESOLVED THAT</b> the matter shall be placed in the next meeting with full details.</p> |

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| <p><b>ITEM NO. 76.7</b></p> | <p><b>FILLING UP OF CONSECUTIVE VACANCY IN GROUP B AND GROUP C</b></p> <p>The Institute has the sanctioned strength of 432 non-teaching positions as per the student strength of the year 2010-2011, 393 are Group B &amp; C positions. The Board of Governance (BoG) in its 74<sup>th</sup> meeting (74/BoG/2024/8) authorized the Director to fill the vacancies arises due to the resignation of staffs from the waitlisted candidates of the recruitment 2023 for one year from the last selection committee meeting ie 22 Dec 2023. Due to the Mission mode recruitment almost all CFTIs floated the recruitment for faculty and non-faculty cadres. Due to selection in other NITs and CFTIs 20 non-teaching staffs had resigned from our Institute out of which 10 were resigned after 22 Dec 2023, all were recruited during 2021 recruitment.</p> |
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| <p>Considering the acute shortage of manpower in the Institute, the Board suggested to place all the vacant positions in Group B &amp; C under direct recruitment in the next meeting for approval and further recruitment process as per the Recruitment Rules 2019.</p> |   |
| <p><b>RESOLUTION</b><br/>76/BoG/2024/7</p>  | <p><b>RESOLVED THAT</b> all the vacant positions in Group B &amp; C under direct recruitment be placed in the next BoG meeting.</p> |

**RECOMMENDATIONS OF FINANCE COMMITTEE**

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| <p><b>ITEM NO. 76.8</b></p> | <p><b>REVISED APPROVAL FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF STP ON CAMPUS</b></p> <p>The Building and Works Committee in its 34th meeting held on 30.05.2024 has deliberated the construction of STP which has been approved earlier by the BoG in its 74th meeting held on 03.01.2024 vide Resolution No. 74/BoG/2024/14.</p> <p>It has been resolved to approve the construction of a new 2-MLD STP for an amount of Rs. 12.65 crores under OH-35. Further to this approval, a committee was constituted at the institute level with a NITT expert team along with members from the industry to ascertain the feasibility of the available technologies, considering the capital cost and running expenditure.</p> <p>In principle, it was decided to proceed with 1.0 MLD + 0.5 MLD (in total 1.5 MLD) in the Hostel zone and a separate 0.5 MLD STP in the Quarters zone with SBR technology. This recommendation leads to three separate STPs with capacities of 1.0 MLD + 0.5MLD+0.5MLD using SBR Technology that would be more effective from an operational point of view.</p> <p>On request, CPWD has submitted a revised Preliminary Estimate for the split STPs amounting to Rs. 16.2 crores vide Ltr No. 23(1)(12)/SE/Trichy/2024/985 dt. 15/03/2024. The Building and Works Committee accorded approval for the revised cost estimate of Rs. 16.2 crore under OH-35 against the previously approved amount of Rs.12.65 crore under OH-35. The BWC recommended the proposal to FC &amp; BoG for further approval, under OH-35 in a phased manner for the two</p> |
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| <p>Financial Years 2024-25 and 2025-26.</p> <p>The Finance Committee deliberated the matter and recommended the Board for approval of the construction of STP with a revised estimate of Rs.16.2 crore.</p> <p>The Board has discussed the above item and approved the proposal as recommended by the FC.</p> |   |
| <p><b>RESOLUTION</b></p> <p><b>76/BoG/2024/8</b></p>  | <p><b>RESOLVED THAT</b> the revised estimate of Rs.16.2 crore for the construction of STP under OH-35 be approved as recommended by FC.</p> |

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| <p><b>ITEM NO. 76.9</b></p> | <p><b>MASTER PLAN PREPARATION FOR NITT (PHASED MANNER)</b></p> <p>The Building and Works Committee in its 34th meeting held on 30.05.2024 has deliberated the preparation of Master Plan. The present strength of students and future courses to be introduced in line with the NEP 2020, necessitates additional campus infrastructure.</p> <p>However, as the infrastructure development in the campus has happened over different time frames, a proper functional planning (Master Plan) is absolutely required prior to proceeding with any new upcoming project in order to ensure efficient use of land and built space, Road networking, preservation of biodiversity, zero waste export, Energy harvesting etc., A market survey indicated that the consultancy fee for this plan would be 10 crores, with an additional 25 crores required for the detailed master plan preparation.</p> <p>Considering the huge cost, it is proposed to execute in a phased manner. Various phases of the master plan may be as follows but not limited to (1) Topographical Land Survey (2) Mapping Existing Land Use (3) Built Space - Open Space distribution (4) Circulation analysis (Vehicular and Pedestrian) (5) Efficient use of land (6) Efficient use of built space (7) RWH (8) Preservation of bio-diversity (9) Social Equity (10) Zero energy import (11) Zero waste export (12) Zero water import (13) Mobility without cars (14) Harvesting energy onsite (15) Energy rated campus.</p> <p>The execution of (1) Topographical Land Survey (2) Mapping Existing Land Use and (3) Built Space - Open Space distribution is proposed as</p> |
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| <p>Phase-1. CPWD is ready to provide their service in this regard and submitted a preliminary estimate for an approximate cost Rs. 0.2615 Crore. For Item 2 &amp; 3, consultants are to be engaged through a tender process. The total estimated budget for the Phase-1 activity is 1.00 crore. The BWC reviewed the proposal and recommended to execute Phase-1 of the Master Plan of NITT at the cost of Rs. 1.0 crore under OH-31 funds.</p> <p>The Finance Committee deliberated the matter and recommended the Board for approval of preparation of Master Plan and for carrying out the Phase-1 works at the cost of Rs.1 crore from OH-31.</p> <p>The Board has discussed the above item and approved the proposal as recommended by the FC.</p> |  |
| <p><b>RESOLUTION</b><br/><b>76/BoG/2024/9</b></p>   | <p><b>RESOLVED THAT</b> the preparation of Master Plan and carrying out the Phase-1 works at the cost of Rs.1 crore from OH-31 be approved as recommended by FC.</p> |

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| <p><b>ITEM NO.</b><br/><b>76.10</b></p> | <p><b>SUPPLY, INSTALLATION, TESTING, AND COMMISSIONING OF A 13-PASSENGER LIFT IN THE OPAL-D HOSTEL</b></p> <p>The Building and Works Committee in its 34th meeting held on 30.05.2024 has deliberated the supply, installation, testing and commission of a 13-Passenger Lift in the OPAL-D Hostel.</p> <p>The OPAL-D is a ground plus three (G+3) storey hostel building accommodating 326 girls. The existing 13-passenger lift of the OPAL-D hostel was installed by the CPWD in 2011 and handed over to the NITT. The lift is covered under an annual maintenance contract by a third-party agency.</p> <p>Since 2022, the lift has experienced some technical issues, such as occasional door sticking, ARD malfunctions, bearing noise, and hydraulic failures. These issues have led to some concerns among the students.</p> <p>Considering the 13 years of service and repairs beyond economic justifications, erecting a new lift with a 13-passenger capacity for the OPAL-D hostel is proposed. CPWD submitted a rough cost estimate for</p> |
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| <p>an amount of Rs.35 lakhs including 5 years of the AMC. The BWC reviewed and recommended the proposal.</p> <p>The Finance Committee deliberated the matter and recommended the Board for approval of SITC of a 13-passenger lift in the OPAL-D at the cost of Rs.35 Lakhs from OH-35.</p> <p>The Board has discussed the above item and approved the proposal as recommended by the FC.</p> |  |
| <p><b>RESOLUTION</b><br/>76/BoG/2024/10</p>   | <p><b>RESOLVED</b> the SITC of a 13-passenger lift in the OPAL-D at the cost of Rs.35 Lakhs from OH-35 be approved as recommended by FC.</p> |

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| <p><b>ITEM NO.</b><br/>76.11</p> | <p><b>ADDITIONAL EXPENDITURE SANCTION FOR SUPPLY, ERECTION/INSTALLATION, TESTING, AND COMMISSIONING OF 1010KVA HT DG SET WITH SYNCHRONISATION</b></p> <p>The Building and Works Committee in its 34th meeting held on 30.05.2024 has deliberated the SITC of 1010kVA HT DG Set.</p> <p>An amount of Rs.1.95 Crore was approved under OH-35 for the work entitled "supply, erection/installation, testing and commissioning of 1010 kVA HT DG" through 31st B&amp;WC &amp; 54th FC and 72nd BoG held on 22.06.2023 based on the rough cost estimate submitted by CPWD.</p> <p>The preliminary estimate submitted by the CPWD in March 2024 amounts to Rs. 3,58,55,000. The project cost is escalated by Rs. 1.6355 crores due to the revised cost of the 1010 kVA, 11 kV silent type DG.</p> <p>The BWC reviewed the proposal and recommended for an additional cost of Rs. 1.6355 crore (Revised total budget of Rs. 3,58,55,000) under OH-35 fund. Further, it is recommended to ensure the quality of the DG in line with premium segment brands.</p> <p>The Finance Committee deliberated the matter and recommended the Board for approval of the revised estimate of Rs.3.5855 crore for the SITC of 1010kVA HT DG Set with synchronization.</p> <p>The Board has discussed the above item and approved the proposal as recommended by the FC.</p> |
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|  | <b>RESOLUTION</b><br><b>76/BoG/2024/11</b> | <b>RESOLVED THAT</b> the revised estimate of Rs.3.5855 crore for the SITC of 1010kVA HT DG Set with synchronization be approved as recommended by FC. |

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| <b>ITEM NO.</b><br><b>76.12</b> | <p><b>CONSTRUCTION OF CABLE TRENCH FOR ELECTRICAL CABLES AROUND PRODUCTION, MECHANICAL &amp; MME ANNEX</b></p> <p>The Building and Works Committee in its 34th meeting held on 30.05.2024 has deliberated the construction of Cable Trench for Electrical Cables around Production, Mechanical &amp; MME Annex.</p> <p>There are 4 underground LT cables running from the production substation to the production department (eastern side of the MME annexure site). Also, 8 underground LT cables are running from the Production substation to the CSG and Octagon building (western side of the MME annexure site).</p> <p>Currently, these twelve cables are excavated and lying over the surface temporarily. These cables are causing hindrance to the ongoing construction and developmental work around the building. There is a need to route these cables properly with safety. Furthermore, 10 more new LT cables will be laid in the same path around the annexure site.</p> <p>Therefore, construction of a cable trench is proposed on the three sides of the MME annexure site with an approximate length of 350 m. This helps in organising and supporting cables for safe and reliable operation. Also, providing a cable trench makes it easier to identify and access specific cables when needed. The BWC reviewed the proposal and recommended the construction of Cable Trench for Electrical Cables for a cost of Rs. 1.69 crore under OH-35 fund.</p> |
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| <p>The Finance Committee deliberated the matter and recommended the Board for approval for the construction of Cable Trench for Electrical Cables for a cost of Rs. 1.69 crore under OH-35 fund.</p> <p>The Board has discussed the above item and approved the proposal as recommended by the FC.</p> |  |
| <p><b>RESOLUTION</b><br/><b>76/BoG/2024/12</b></p>   | <p><b>RESOLVED THAT</b> the construction of Cable Trench for Electrical Cables for a cost of Rs. 1.69 crore under OH-35 fund be approved as recommended by FC.</p> |

| ITEM NO. | ADDITIONAL EXPENDITURE SANCTION FOR   |
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| 76.13    | <p><b>“PROVIDING AC FOR BARN HALL- 2019”</b></p> <p>The Building and Works Committee in its 34th meeting held on 30.05.2024 has deliberated the matter of providing AC for Barn Hall.</p> <p>The purchase and commissioning of Air Conditioners in the Barn Hall was recommended in the 18th B&amp;WC &amp; 36th FC and approved in 50th BoG held on 29.06.2018. An Administrative Approval and Expenditure Sanction of Rs. 64,06,699.00 was accorded to CPWD in 2019. However, the total expenditure after completing the work was Rs. 74,56,699.00. An additional expenditure of Rs.10,50,000.0 (16.4% over and above the AA) is incurred during the execution of the work due to Supply and commissioning of two new electrical panels and additional UG cables for ACs at BARN Hall. Also, the false ceiling at BARN Hall was removed and re-fixed during the execution.</p> <p>The purchase and commissioning of Air Conditioners in the Architecture building was recommended in the 19th B&amp;WC &amp; 36th FC and approved in 50th BoG held on 29.06.2018. An administrative approval and expenditure sanction of Rs.43,94,000 was accorded to CPWD in 2019. The total expenditure till October 2021 was Rs. 36,66,216. The balance fund of Rs. 7,27,784.00 is transferred by the CPWD to NITT and reflected in the Form-65 of November 2021. However, an additional work was executed by the CPWD for Rs. 8,00,000.0 (18.2% over the AA) after transferring the balance fund to NITT. An additional expenditure of Rs.8,00,000.00 is incurred in the supply and commission of additional AC</p> |

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| <p>installations (5 x 2TR split units and 6 HP VRF AC on the 2nd floor) in the Architecture building.</p> <p>The removal and recommission of Cassette ACs in the CSG building is executed by the CPWD for an amount of Rs.2,50,000.00. The work includes the removal and recommissioning of cassette-type AC units from the ground floor to the first floor in the CSG building and installing additional copper piping &amp; gas charging.</p> <p>In total, an additional expenditure of Rs. 21,00,000.00 is incurred jointly on the above-mentioned three air conditioning works.</p> <p>The BWC considered the matter and recommended the additional expenditure sanction of Rs.0.21 crore to complete the payment towards the work and to take over the projects by the NITT at the earliest.</p> <p>The Finance Committee deliberated the matter and recommended the Board for approval for additional expenditure of Rs.21 Lakhs for three air conditioning works.</p> <p>The Board has discussed the above item and approved the proposal as recommended by the FC.</p> |  |
| <p><b>RESOLUTION</b><br/><b>76/BoG/2024/13</b></p>   | <p><b>RESOLVED THAT</b> the additional expenditure of Rs.21 Lakhs for three air conditioning works be approved as recommended by FC.</p> |

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| <b>ITEM NO.</b> | <b>ADJUSTMENT OF ADDITIONAL EXPENDITURES FOR THE WORKS ENTRUSTED TO CPWD DURING 2012 TO 2017</b>   |
| <b>76.14</b>    | <p>The Building and Works Committee in its 34th meeting held on 30.05.2024 has deliberated the matter of ratification of adjustment of additional expenditures for the works entrusted to CPWD as detailed below:</p> <p>The Institute is engaging CPWD for developing major infrastructural</p> |

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projects (construction of major civil structures and electrical works) in the campus after becoming NIT. It has been noticed that additional expenditures were made in excess of approval for the following projects executed during 2012 to 2017. The CPWD settled the payments from the excess funds/savings available from other projects.

| Work [Year]   | AAES        | Actual Expenditure | Difference  | Justification   |
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| Conversion of OH Lines into UG Cable for Street lights and Service connections [2012] | 2,46,88,011 | 2,71,72,738        | 24,84,727   | Due to erection of additional 150 street lights   |
| Purchase of 750 kVA DG set at NIT, Trichy   | 2,00,00,000 | 3,21,90,749        | 1,21,90,749 | Due to the cost of synchronization panel, additional HT cable, earthing and additional expenditure for the increased cost of two HT DG as per changes in the CPCB norms |
| Augmentation of LT Electrical installation at various buildings                       | 1,73,07,143 | 2,01,82,166        | 28,75,023   | Due to increase in panel capacity and an increase in the number of outgoing in an LT panel  |

The BWC has deliberated the matter along with the justifications. The BWC has noted that there is no additional financial commitment except the administrative approval towards audit compliance. The BWC has ratified the requests for adjustment of additional expenditure for the above three works.

The Finance Committee deliberated the matter and recommended the Board for approval for the revised administrative approval for the three works and adjustment of additional expenditures.

The Board has discussed the above item and approved the proposal as recommended by the FC.

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| <b>RESOLUTION</b><br>76/BoG/2024/14 | <b>RESOLVED THAT</b> the revised administrative approval for the three works entrusted to CPWD during 2012 to 2017 and adjustment of additional expenditures be approved as recommended by FC. |  |

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| <b>ITEM NO.</b><br>76.15  | <b>APPROVAL FOR UNDERTAKING CONTRACTS / PROCUREMENT WORTH RS.25 LAKHS &amp; ABOVE</b>   |                       |
|   | As per the existing Delegation of Financial Powers of the Institute, the approval for Contracts / Procurements with value of Rs.25 Lakhs & above is required to be obtained from the Board of Governors. As such, the first list of Contracts/Procurements with value of Rs.25 Lakhs & above proposed for the Financial Year 2024-25 is placed below: |                       |
|   | <b>Particulars of the Procurement</b>   | <b>Amount (Appr.)</b> |
| SonicWALL NSSP 12400 UTM/Firewall-Subscription Renewal along with Hardware Warranty for one year  |   | Rs. 30,00,000         |
| Procurement of Academic Consumables (Answer Sheets, Booklets, Practical Notebooks etc.,)  |   | Rs. 56,04,917         |
| The Finance Committee deliberated the matter and recommended the Board for approval for the above contracts / procurements.<br>The Board has discussed the above item and approved the proposal as recommended by the FC. |   |                       |
| <b>RESOLUTION</b><br>76/BoG/2024/15   | <b>RESOLVED THAT</b> the two contracts / procurements be approved as recommended by FC.   |                       |

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| <b>ITEM NO.</b><br>76.16 | <b>ADOPTION OF SPECIAL PROVISIONS FOR SCIENTIFIC MINISTRIES / DEPARTMENTS IN GENERAL FINANCIAL RULES (GFRs), 2017 AND REVISED DELEGATION OF FINANCIAL POWER</b>  |  |
|                          | <p>The Ministry of Education in its communication F.No.33-3/2022-TS.III dated 18.06.2024 has conveyed the concurrence of the Competent Authority of the Ministry for extending the special provisions for Scientific Ministries / Departments in General Financial Rules (GFRs), 2017 as notified by the Ministry of Finance vide OM No.F.20/42/2024-PPD dated 20.05.2024. The revised Delegation of Financial Powers in accordance with the special provisions of GFR is proposed.</p> <p>The Finance Committee deliberated the matter and recommended the Board for approval for the adoption of special provisions of GFR as per DoE OM dated 20.05.2024 as communicated by MoE vide F.No.33-3/2022-TS.III dated 18.06.2024 and for the approval of revised delegation of financial powers.</p> <p>The Board has discussed the above item and approved the proposal as recommended by the FC.</p> |  |
|                          | <b>RESOLUTION</b><br>76/BoG/2024/16  | <p><b>RESOLVED THAT</b> the adoption of special provisions of GFRs.</p> <p><b>RESOLVED FURTHER THAT</b> the revised delegation of financial powers be approved as recommended by FC.</p> |

**RATIFICATION ITEMS**

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| <b>ITEM NO.</b><br>76.17 | <b>FOREIGN VISITS OF FACULTY MEMBERS.</b>   |  |
|                          | The foreign visits of faculty members were placed before BoG. The BoG ratified the foreign visits of faculty members. |  |
|                          | <b>RESOLUTION</b>   | <b>RESOLVED THAT</b> the foreign visits of |

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|  | 76/BoG/2024/17 | faculty members be ratified. |
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**REPORTING ITEM**

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| <b>ITEM NO.76.18</b> | <b>ASST LIBRARIAN APPOINTED ON DEPUTATION – REVERSION TO PARENT ORGANIZATION.</b>   |   |
|                      | <p>Shri Manivannan M (Staff no 2483) has appointed as Assistant Librarian (on Deputation from IIT Kharagpur) in this Institute from 23 Aug 2023 vide Office order No 431/2023-24 dated 09 Nov 2023. The deputation period of concerned employee to this Institute was one year with effect from his date of joining in this Institute with further extension of period. The concerned staff has submitted a requisition on 22 May 2024, to consider his repatriation to his parent organization ie IIT Khargapur and to relieve from his duties from this Institute by 23 June 2024. Accordingly, the concerned staff was relieved from duties from our institute on 23 Jun 2024.</p> <p>The Board noted the reversion of Asst Librarian to parent organization .</p> |   |
|                      | <b>RESOLUTION</b><br>76/BoG/2024/18   | <b>RESOLVED THAT</b> the the reversion of Asst Librarian to parent organization be noted. |

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| <b>ITEM NO.76.19</b> | <b>MOU ENTERED WITH THE MINISTRY IN ACCORDANCE WITH RULE 229(XI) OF GFR FOR FINANCIAL SUPPORT IN 2024-25.</b>  |  |
|                      | <p>As per Rule 229(xi) of General Financial Rules, 2017, Autonomous organisations, with a budgetary support of more than Rupees five crores per annum, require to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with the Administrative Ministry every year. Accordingly, the Institute has entered into MoU with the Ministry of Education for the FY 2024-25 vide Letter No. NITT/RO/MOU/2024 dated 24.04.2024.</p> |  |

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| The Board noted the submission of MoU in accordance with the provisions of GFR. |   |
| <b>RESOLUTION</b><br><b>76/BoG/2024/19</b>                                      | <b>RESOLVED that</b> the submission of MoU in accordance with the provisions of GFR 2017 to the Ministry of Education be noted. |

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| <b>ITEM</b><br><b>NO.76.20</b> | <b>FINALIZATION OF ANNUAL ACCOUNTS 2023-24</b>   |   |
|                                | <p>The Annual Accounts of NIT Tiruchirappalli for the Financial Year 2023-24 was prepared as per the format of Accounts prescribed by the Ministry and approved by Finance committee through circulation. The same has been circulated on 04.07.2024 and, since no comments are received till 11.07.2024, the annual accounts was confirmed and approved to forward to the Office of Comptroller &amp; Auditor General of India (CAG). The Inspection by the CAG Audit team is expected during the August 2024.</p> <p>The Board noted the approval of Annual Accounts by circulation for the Financial Year 2023-24 and its submission to the CAG Office.</p> |   |
|                                | <b>RESOLUTION</b><br><b>76/BoG/2024/20</b>   | <b>RESOLVED that</b> the approval of the Annual accounts for the FY 2023-2024 through circulation and the submission of Annual accounts to C&AG office be noted |

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| <b>ITEM</b><br><b>NO.76.21</b> | <b>SUMMON RECEIVED FROM GST AUTHORITIES IN CONNECTION WITH THE TAXATION OF FUND RECEIVED FOR RESEARCH PROJECTS.</b>   |  |
|                                | <p>The Senior Intelligence Officer and his team from the Office of the Directorate General of Goods &amp; Services Tax Intelligence (DGGI), Coimbatore have conducted inquiry at this Institute on 05.04.2024 in connection with payment of GST in respect of consideration received for Research &amp; Consultancy Projects by NIT Trichy.</p> <p>The said Team has intimated that research services provided for sponsored projects by the Institute are subject to GST under SAC 998112 (Research &amp; Development Services in Engineering &amp; Technology) and thus attracting GST @ 18%.</p> |  |

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| <p>It was replied that the grants received from Govt. for the purpose of carrying out research for Govt. entities is as per Sl. No. 9(C) of Notification 12/2017-CT(Rate) as amended by Notification No.32/2017-Central Tax(Rate) dated 13.10.2017 and thus exempted from GST. The Information sought by the DGGI have been furnished and the Institute awaits for the further instructions from DGGI, Coimbatore.</p> <p>The Board noted the contents of the Questionnaire of the Office of the DGGI and reply of the Institute.</p> |  |
| <p><b>RESOLUTION</b><br/>76/BoG/2024/21</p>   | <p><b>RESOLVED that</b> the contents of the Questionnaire of Office of the DGGI, Coimbatore and the reply furnished by the Institute be noted.</p> |

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| <p><b>ITEM</b><br/>NO.76.22</p> | <p><b>ANNUAL ALLOCATION OF FUND FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2024-25.</b></p>   |  |
|                                 | <p>The Ministry in its communication F.No.36-2/2024-TS.III dated 09.04.2024 has conveyed the tentative Annual Allocation of Budget under different accounting head for the Financial Year 2024-25.</p> <p>The Board noted the tentative budget allocation for the Institute for the Financial Year 2024-25.</p> |  |
|                                 | <p><b>RESOLUTION</b><br/>76/BoG/2024/22</p>   | <p><b>RESOLVED that</b> the tentative budget allocation for the Institute for the Financial Year 2024-25 be noted.</p> |

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| <b>ITEM<br/>NO.76.23</b> | <b>MINUTES OF THE 62<sup>nd</sup> &amp; 63<sup>rd</sup> MEETING OF THE SENATE.</b>  |   |
|                          | The Minutes of the 62 <sup>nd</sup> and 63 <sup>rd</sup> Meeting of the Senate is placed for the information of the Board of Governors. |   |
|                          | <b>RESOLUTION<br/>76/BoG/2024/23</b>  | <b>RESOLVED THAT</b> minutes of 62 <sup>nd</sup> and 63 <sup>rd</sup> meeting of Senate be noted. |

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| <b>ITEM<br/>NO.76.24</b> | <b>MINUTES OF THE 56<sup>th</sup> MEETING OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.</b>  |  |
|                          | The Minutes of the 56 <sup>h</sup> Meeting of the Finance Committee is placed for the information of the Board of Governors. |  |
|                          | <b>RESOLUTION<br/>76/BoG/2024/24</b>   | <b>RESOLVED THAT</b> the minutes of 56 <sup>th</sup> Finance committee be noted. |

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| <b>ITEM<br/>NO.76.25</b> | <b>INFORMATION ON GRIEVANCES WITH RESPECT TO NIT, TIRUCHIRAPPALLI</b>  |   |
|                          | There is one grievance with respect to NIT, Tiruchirappalli in the Centralized Public Grievance Redress and Monitoring System (CPGRAMS). This is for the information of the Board. |   |
|                          | <b>RESOLUTION<br/>76/BoG/2024/25</b>   | <b>RESOLVED THAT</b> the status of Grievances in CPGRAMS was noted. |

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| <b>ITEM<br/>NO.76.26</b> | <b>INFORMATION ON RTI WITH RESPECT TO NIT,<br/>TIRUCHIRAPPALLI</b>   |  |
|                          | <p>There are 21 RTI requests and four first appeals under progress with respect to NIT, Tiruchirappalli in the RTI request and Appeal Management Information System (RTI-MIS) as on 04.07.2024.</p> <p>This is for the information of the Board.</p> |  |
|                          | <b>RESOLUTION<br/>76/BoG/2024/26</b>   | <b>RESOLVED THAT</b> the status on RTI be noted. |

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| <b>ITEM<br/>NO.76.27</b> | <b>MOU SIGNED BETWEEN INSTITUTE AND INDUSTRIES</b>  |   |
|                          | <p>The list of MoUs signed between our Institute and industries is enclosed as annexure.</p> <p>This is for the information of the Board.</p> |   |
|                          | <b>RESOLUTION<br/>76/BoG/2024/27</b>  | <b>RESOLVED THAT</b> the MoUs signed between Institute and industries be noted. |

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| <b>ITEM<br/>NO.76.28</b> | <b>LEGAL MATTERS SUBSEQUENT TO THE LAST BOARD<br/>MEETING.</b>  |  |
|                          | <p>The details of Court cases which were filed/came up for hearing and order passed, subsequent to the previous Board were furnished for the information and direction of the Board. The Board noted the cases and decided as following:</p> <p><b>(i) Dr Rajendrakumar Case:</b> As per the communication from the Ministry via F.No.19-6/2024-TS.III, NITT has referred this case for an appeal against the order passed in W.P.(MD) 9309 of 2017 to our panel counsel and the memorandum of grounds has been finalized and</p> |  |

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| <p>awaiting for MoE concurrence.</p> <p>(ii) <b>R.Muthukumar Case:</b> The Hon'ble High Court had ordered that Mr.Muthukumar's application must be taken into consideration. Hence, the Hon'ble High Court quashed the order passed by the Registrar rejecting Mr.Muthukumar's application and has granted four weeks time to pass orders with regard to Mr.Muthukumar's application. Institute awaiting the court copy of orders. Further Board noted the legal counsel advise and prefers for appeal in this case.</p> <p>(iii) <b>Mr Chidhambaram</b> (WP (MD) No 1680 / 2024<br/> <b>Mr Karuppan</b> (WP (MD) no 1985/2024)</p> <p>The Ministry had instructed to take further actions in the matter keeping in view the rule position in terms of DoPT's OM dated 26/06/2023 which is under examination. Hence, action can only be taken after the publication of OM from DoPT subsequent to the examination.</p> <p>Further Board noted all the updates on the Disposed off and in progress cases.</p> |  |
| <p><b>RESOLUTION</b><br/>76/BoG/2024/28</p>  | <p><b>RESOLVED THAT</b> the court cases disposed/filed/heard subsequent to the last Board meeting was noted.</p> |

**TABLED ITEM**

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| <p><b>ITEM NO. 76.29</b></p> | <p><b>ANNUAL MAINTENANCE, OPERATIONAL AND MANPOWER CHARGES FOR 'PARAM PORUL' (SUPERCOMPUTING FACILITY)</b></p>  |
|                              | <p>Param Porul, a state-of-the-art supercomputer has been established at this Institute under National Supercomputing Mission, a joint initiative of MeitY and DST. A MoU has been entered with C-DAC, Pune (Implementing Agency) in this</p> |

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|  | <p>regard.</p> <p>The supercomputing facility was inaugurated on 25.05.2022 at this Institute and came into operation w.e.f. 22.09.2022 with an 838 TeraFlops system equipped a mix of CPU nodes, GPU nodes High Memory nodes, High throughput storage and high performance Infiniband interconnect to cater the computing needs of various scientific and engineering applications. The 60% of the facility is being allocated for the in-house utilization and the remaining 40% is for users in-around the locale, as per MoU.</p> <p>C-DAC, Pune has provided maintenance support for 2 years from the date of operation as per MoU. The support from C-DAC, Pune will be expiring on 22.09.2024 and the Institute has to borne the maintenance cost thereafter. The approximate annual expenditure involved for the maintenance is Rs.70 Lakhs.</p> <p>The Finance Committee deliberated the matter and advised to approach C-DAC, Pune for the maintenance support for one more year with an intimation to the Ministry. Further it is instructed to provide publicity about the availability of supercomputing facility by writing to all the educational and research organizations under various Ministries of Government of India.</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="533 1279 1433 1532"> <tr> <td data-bbox="533 1279 823 1532"> <p><b>RESOLUTION</b><br/><b>76/BoG/2024/29</b></p> </td> <td data-bbox="823 1279 1433 1532"> <p><b>RESOLVED THAT</b> the Institute shall make official communication to C-DAC Pune with an intimation to the Ministry for providing maintenance support for one more year.</p> </td> </tr> </table> | <p><b>RESOLUTION</b><br/><b>76/BoG/2024/29</b></p> | <p><b>RESOLVED THAT</b> the Institute shall make official communication to C-DAC Pune with an intimation to the Ministry for providing maintenance support for one more year.</p> |
| <p><b>RESOLUTION</b><br/><b>76/BoG/2024/29</b></p> | <p><b>RESOLVED THAT</b> the Institute shall make official communication to C-DAC Pune with an intimation to the Ministry for providing maintenance support for one more year.</p>  |  |   |

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| <p><b>ITEM</b><br/><b>NO.76.30</b></p> | <p style="text-align: center;"><b>ANY OTHER ITEMS</b></p> <p><b><u>(a) BoG members for Finance Committee &amp; B&amp;WC:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- As per Statute 10 (iv) – BoG members to be nominated to Finance Committee. Accordingly, Dr N Sivakumaran will be nominated for Finance Committee.</li> <li>- As per Statute 12 (iii)- One BoG member to be nominated to</li> </ul> |
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B& WC. Accordingly, Dr V Sateeshkumar will be nominated for B&WC.

**b) BoG members to be nominated by State Government :**

- As per Sec 11 (d) of NIT Act, two members to be nominated by the Government of State in which the institute is situated.
- As per the information received from State Government, the shortlisted members were forwarded to MoE for approval and requested to process the proposal at the earliest.
- Further Board requested MoE to appoint the Chairperson to our Board at the earliest.

**c) Grievance Committee Recommendation:**

- In the 74<sup>th</sup> BoG meeting, the Grievance Committee recommendations were submitted. The Case 1 and case 5 were approved and implemented.
  - Board suggested to refer the case 2 , case 3 and case 4 to the Ministry for the further proceeding.
- Accordingly, Institute forwarded the matter to the MoE on 29 Dec 2023 and further communicated on 09 Feb 2024. DPC for the year 2024 is awaiting in view of the above proposal consideration.
- BoG requested to look into the referred case for positive consideration.

**RESOLUTION**  
**76/BoG/2024/30**

**RESOLVED THAT** Dr Sivakumaran be nominated to Finance committee and Dr V Sateeshkumar be nominated to B&WC as BoG nominees.

**RESOLVED FURTHER THAT** the MoE may take appropriate action to speed up the process for State government nominee for BoG which was referred to MoE by State Government.

**RESOLVED FURTHER THAT** for case 2,3,

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|  |  | and 4 of the Grievance committee recommendation, Institute requested MoE to consider positively as per norms and issue a direction. |
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The Meeting ended with a Vote of Thanks to the Chair.



**Secretary**

**Chairperson (Officiating),  
Board of Governors**

