

**NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY
TIRUCHIRAPPALLI**



**MINUTES OF THE 27th MEETING OF
BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF NITT
HELD ON 3rd SEPTEMBER 2011
AT 12 NOON AT
BANGALORE**

NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY, TIRUCHIRAPPALLI (NITT)

Minutes of the 27th Meeting of the Board of Governors of NIT, Tiruchirappalli held on 3rd September 2011 at 12.00 noon in Bangalore.

Members Present:

Dr. Rajaram Nityananda Chairman, BOG, NITT Senior Professor National Centre for Radio Astrophysics, Tata Institute of Fundamental Research, Pune 411 007	Chairman
Dr. S. Sundarrajan Director National Institute of Technology Tiruchirappalli 620 015	Member
Shri Raja Sankaran Managing Director Infologix Software Solutions Pvt. Ltd. Old No. 5 / New No. 11, 12 th Cross Street, Sastry Nagar, Adayar, Chennai 600 020	Member
Shri S. Ramanathan Chairman & Managing Director Cethar Foodoil Ltd. "Juman Centre", Promenade Road, Cantonment. Tiruchirappalli 620 001	Member
Ms. Nandini Rengaswamy Chairperson, Confederation of Indian Industry, TN Circle, CEO, Chandra Textiles & Founder Trustee, GRG Trust, Peelamedu Coimbatore 641 004	Member
Padma Shri Prof. Ashok Jhunjhunwala Professor, Department of Electrical Engineering, Indian Institute of Technology, Chennai	Member



Dr. M. Umapathy Professor, Department of Instrumentation and Control Engineering National Institute of Technology Tiruchirappalli 620 015	Member
Dr. A. K. Banerjee Registrar (i/c) National Institute of Technology Tiruchirappalli 620 015	Secretary
Prof. V. Ramprasad Professor, Department of Architecture, National Institute of Technology Tiruchirappalli 620 015	Special Invitee

Members who expressed their inability to attend the Meeting:

Shri Ashok Thakur Special Secretary (Technical Education) Department of Higher Education, Ministry of Human Resource Development, Shastri Bhavan, New Delhi 110 001	Member
Shri Navin Soi Director, Integrated Finance Division (IFD) Ministry of Human Resource Development, Shastri Bhavan, New Delhi 110 001	Member
Prof. R. Murugesan Assistant Professor, Department of Humanities, National Institute of Technology Tiruchirappalli 620 015	Member

Preamble:

The Chairman welcomed all the members of Board of Governors (BoG) of NIT, Tiruchirappalli (NITT). Chairman extended a warm welcome to Dr. S. Sundarajan, Director, NIT-T, for his first BoG Meeting and the new members of the BoG Dr. M. Umapathy and Dr. R. Murugesan. Chairman expressed his thanks to Prof. Sandeep Sancheti, former Director (i/c) of NIT-T and the past Members of the Board of Governors Dr. P. Asokan, Professor & Head, Department of Production Engineering and Dr. S. Nickolas, Associate Professor, Department of Computer Applications of NITT. Chairman



invited Prof. V. Ramprasad, Professor, Department of Architecture, to attend the BoG meeting as a Special Invitee.

With the permission of the Chair, Secretary, BOG began deliberations on the Agenda items.

27th BOG ITEM NO. A1	REPORTING OF THE INDUCTION OF NEW SENATE NOMINEES TO BOARD OF GOVERNORS (BoG)
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The Board noted that Dr. M. Umapathy, Professor, Department of Instrumentation and Control Engineering and Dr. R. Murugesan, Assistant Professor, Department of Humanities are the Senate Nominees to the BoG of National Institute of Technology, Tiruchirappalli.

27th BOG ITEM NO. A2	DIRECTOR'S PRESENTATION
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The Board took a note of Director's presentation on Transformation Strategy and Report of Activities for the period July-August 2011.

27th BOG ITEM NO. A3	CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE 26th MEETING OF THE BoG HELD ON 20th APRIL 2011
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The Board resolved to confirm the minutes of 26th meeting of the Board of Governors.

27th BOG ITEM NO. B4	ACTION TAKEN REPORT (ATR) ON THE MINUTES OF THE (PREVIOUS) 26th MEETING OF THE BoG HELD ON 20th APRIL 2011
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Item No. 4.1 : **TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE ENHANCEMENT OF FIXED MEDICAL ALLOWANCE (FMA) FOR PENSIONERS.**
(Item No. D7 of the Minutes of the 26th BOG) Implemented.

Item No. 4.2 : **TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE PROPOSAL FOR DELEGATION OF POWERS TO DEANS/REGISTRAR/HODs**
(Item No. D8 of the Minutes of the 26th BOG) Implemented.

Item No. 4.3 : **TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE TEMPORARY ALLOCATION BUILT SPACE FOR IIM, TRICHY**
(Item No. D9 of the Minutes of the 26th BOG) Implemented.

Item No. 4.4 : **TO CONSIDER AND ACCORD IN PRINCIPLE APPROVAL APPOINTMENT OF PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS.**
(Item No. D10 of the Minutes of the 26th BOG) Steps initiated to appoint Professional counselors.





Item No. 4.5 : TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE PROPOSAL FOR RECRUITMENT / APPOINTMENT OF STEEL CHAIR PROFESSOR

(Item No. D11 of the Minutes of the 26th BOG)

Ministry of Steel has since revised pay scale upwards. Detailed note placed as Item No. D16.

Item No. 4.6 : TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE RELEASE OF PAYMENT TO TIMES OF INDIA (TOI) TOWARDS ADVERTISEMENT RELEASED IN AUGUST 2010.

(Item No. D12 of the Minutes of the 26th BOG)

Payment released.

Item No. 4.7 : TO CONSIDER MONITORING OF SARVA SHIKSHA SCHEME

(Item No. D13 of the Minutes of the 26th BOG)

Board resolution has been communicated.

Item No. 4.8 : TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE ANNUAL ACCOUNTS 2009 – 2010.

(Item No. D14 of the Minutes of the 26th BOG)

Annual Report and Annual Accounts were got printed (after receipt of Audit Report Audit Report) and the same sent to MHRD for placement in the Parliament.

Item No. 4.9 : TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE ANNUAL REPORT 2009 – 2010.

(Item No. D15 of the Minutes of the 26th BOG)

Annual Report and Annual Accounts were got printed (after receipt of Audit Report Audit Report) and the same sent to MHRD for placement in the Parliament.

Item No. 4.10 : TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE PROPOSAL FOR PROCUREMENT OF FURNITURE AND UTENSILS FOR THE NEW HOSTELS AND MESSES.

(Item No. D16 of the Minutes of the 26th BOG)

As resolved by the BoG, the procurement of furniture and utensils is in process.

Item No. 4.11 : TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE PROPOSAL FOR REVISION OF HOSTEL FEES

(Item No. D17 of the Minutes of the 26th BOG)

As approved by BoG revision of mess advance was implemented..

Item No. 4.12 : TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE REALLOCATION OF PORTFOLIO OF A DEAN HOLDING TWO PORTFOLIOS.

(Item No. E1 of the Minutes of the 26th BOG)

Reallocation of portfolio of a Dean holding two portfolios has been completed.

C. ITEMS PLACED IN THE 27th MEETING OF BOARD OF GOVERNORS HELD ON 3rd SEPTEMBER 2011

INFORMATION / RATIFICATION ITEMS:

27 th BOG ITEM NO. C5	TO CONSIDER AND RATIFY APPROVAL FOR APPOINTMENT OF DOCTORS AND NURSES ON CONTRACT BASIS
16 th FC ITEM NO. C1	

Recommendation of the Finance Committee (FC):

The Finance Committee (FC) discussed and resolved to recommend to BoG to ratify and approve the proposal for appointment of Doctors and Nurses on Contract Basis. FC further resolved to recommend to BoG for procurement of a good and well-equipped ambulance for NIT-T.

Resolution of the Board:

The BoG resolved to approve the recommendations of the Finance Committee.

27 th BoG ITEM NO. C6	TO CONSIDER AND RATIFY APPROVAL FOR APPOINTMENT OF TEMPORARY FACULTY FOR SIX MONTHS
16 th FC ITEM NO. C2	

Recommendation of the Finance Committee (FC):

The Finance Committee discussed and resolved to recommend to BoG to ratify and approve the proposal for appointment of temporary Faculty Members for six months.



Resolution of the Board:

The BoG resolved to approve the recommendations of the Finance Committee.

27 th BoG ITEM NO. C7	MHRD ACCORDS APPROVAL FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF MODIFIED ASSURED CAREER PROGRESSION SCHEME (MACPS)
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BoG noted that the Modified Assured Career Progression Scheme (MACPS) as approved by MHRD for non-faculty members of NIT-T has been implemented.

27 th BoG ITEM NO. C8	MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MoU) WITH BINGHAMTON UNIVERSITY - SUNY, BINGHAMTON, NEW YORK
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BoG noted the details pertaining to the MoU signed with Binghamton University-SUNY, Binghamton on August 02, 2011, at Bangalore, to promote academic partnership and the said MoU was ratified by the Board.

27 th BoG ITEM NO. C9	MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH CECRI
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BoG noted the details of the proposed MoU with CECRI

27 th BoG ITEM NO. C10	MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH BHEL
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BoG noted the details of proposed extension of MoU with BHEL.

DISCUSSION AND DECISION ITEMS:

27 th BoG ITEM NO. D11	TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE THE PROPOSAL FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF WAGE REVISION FOR NMRs
16 th FC ITEM NO. C3	

Recommendation of the Finance Committee (FC):

After careful consideration the Finance Committee resolved to recommend to BoG the proposal for implementation of wage revision for NMRs, as recommended by the five member committee in their report submitted as Annexure-IV of the Agenda and Notes for the 16th Meeting of the FC.



Resolution of the Board:

The BoG resolved to approve the recommendations of the Finance Committee. The Board further resolved to appoint a committee to study the issues pertaining to regularization of NMRs.

27 th D12	BOG ITEM NO.	TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE THE REQUEST OF Mr. G. THAVASI RAJA, ASST. PROFESSOR/ECE TO PURSUE Ph.D. AT IIT-KHARAGPUR UNDER QIP SCHEME.
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The Board approved the request of Mr. Thavasi Raja, Assistant Professor, Department of Electronics and Communication Engineering, to pursue Ph.D. at IIT-Kharagpur, under Quality Improvement Programme (QIP).

27 th D13	BOG ITEM NO.	TO CONSIDER APPEAL OF DR.T.N.JANAKIRAMAN, ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR, DEPARTMENT OF MATHEMATICS FOR REVISION OF PROMOTION DATES.
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The BoG approved in principle the recommendations of the Committee pertaining to the appeal of Dr. T.N. Janakiraman. Approval is subject to further vetting by the Director of NIT-T.

27 th D14	BOG ITEM NO.	TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE PROCESSING OF APBS/CAS PROPOSAL FOR NIT, TIRUCHIRAPPALLI
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The BoG resolved to approve the processing of APBS / CAS proposal for NIT-T.

27 th D15	BOG ITEM NO.	TO CONSIDER THE REQUEST OF DR.H.J.PRABHU, PROFESSOR, CHEMICAL ENGINEERING FOR CONTRACT APPOINTMENT POST SUPERANNUATION IN NOVEMBER 2011
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BoG resolved to authorize the Director to constitute an adhoc committee to evaluate / review the Curriculum Vitae and other details submitted by Dr. H.J. Prabhu, Professor, Department of Chemical Engineering, to decide on considering him for Contract Appointment on his superannuation in November 2011. The Board further resolved that based on the committee's recommendations Director may appoint Dr. H.J. Prabhu on Contract basis for one year initially.



27 th BOG ITEM NO. D16	APPOINTMENT OF STEEL CHAIR PROFESSOR WITH MODIFIED TERMS OF REMUNERATION.
16 th FC ITEM NO. C4	

Recommendation of the Finance Committee (FC):

Finance Committee resolved to recommend to BoG the appointment of Steel Chair Professor with modified terms of remuneration as per the details in Annexure-V of the Agenda and Notes for the 16th Meeting of the FC.

Resolution of the Board:

The BoG resolved to approve the recommendations of the Finance Committee and further authorized the Director to initiate the process of selecting and appointing the Chair Professor at the earliest. The Board also authorized the Director to circulate the advertisement calling for the said Chair Professor to all Steel Plants - both in the Government and Private Sectors.

27 th BOG ITEM NO. D17	TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE PROPOSALS FROM SENATE
16 th FC ITEM NO. C5	

- (a) To consider and approve the Proposal for (i) Charging Condonation Fee for Attendance shortage and (ii) to pay honorarium to the faculty members handling special / additional classes to make up such shortages

Recommendation of the Finance Committee (FC):

After careful consideration the Finance Committee resolved to defer this item.

Resolution of the Board:

The BoG resolved to approve the recommendations of the Finance Committee.

- (b) To consider and approve the Proposal to pay honorarium to the faculty members for setting the question papers and evaluation of answer scripts of Supplementary Examinations only

Recommendation of the Finance Committee (FC):

Finance Committee resolved to recommend to BoG this proposal for payment of honorarium to faculty members and such payments shall be restricted only for Supplementary Examination related question paper setting and evaluation of answer scripts.





Resolution of the Board:

The BoG resolved to approve the recommendations of the Finance Committee.

- (c) **To consider and approve the Proposal for revising the rates for Transcripts and Duplicate Degree Certificates.**

Recommendation of the Finance Committee (FC):

Finance committee resolved not to approve this proposal. It was further resolved that after carrying out a realistic costing, the modified proposal with adequate supporting documents may be resubmitted to FC.

Resolution of the Board:

The BoG resolved to approve the recommendations of the Finance Committee.

- (d) **To consider and approve the Proposal for payment of Sitting Fees to the members of the Department Project Evaluation Committee (DPEC) and Project Coordination Committee (PC)**

Recommendation of the Finance Committee (FC):

Finance Committee resolved not to approve this proposal.

Resolution of the Board:

The BoG resolved to approve the recommendations of the Finance Committee.

- (e) **To consider and approve the Proposal to start New Courses**

Recommendation of the Finance Committee (FC):

The Finance Committee resolved to defer this item.

Resolution of the Board:

The BoG resolved to approve the recommendations of the Finance Committee.

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26 th BOG ITEM NO. D18	TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE THE ANNUAL STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS OF THE INSTITUTE FOR 2010 - 2011
16 th FC ITEM NO. C6	

Recommendation of the Finance Committee (FC):

The Finance Committee approved the Annual Accounts of the Institute for the year 2010 – 2011 and recommended to place the same in meeting of BoG.

Resolution of the Board:

The BoG resolved to approve the Annual Accounts of the Institute for the year 2010-2011 and authorized the Director to carry out corrections / modifications / revisions in the Accounts necessitated by Audit Observations of Comptroller and Audit General (CAG) of India.

BoG - ANY OTHER ITEM(S) WITH THE PERMISSION OF CHAIR

E1. NOMINATION OF BoG MEMBER FOR FINANCE COMMITTEE (FC)

The Board ratified the action of the Chairman in nominating the following Member of BoG to the Finance Committee (FC) of NITT. The 16th Meeting of FC was held on 3rd September 2011 at 10.00 a.m. at Bangalore.

Dr. M. Umapathy
Professor, Department of Instrumentation and Control Engineering
National Institute of Technology
Tiruchirappalli 620 015

E2. APPOINTMENT OF SIXTH DEAN AND REALLOCATION OF PORTFOLIOS OF DEANS

The BoG noted and ratified the action taken by the Chairman in approving the induction of Prof. V. Ramprasad, Professor of Architecture, as the sixth Dean with effect from September 01, 2011 and the allotment of the portfolio of Faculty Welfare to him.

The Board also approved the reallocation of portfolio of Institutional Development to Dean Dr. A. K. Bakthavatsalam, with effect from September 01, 2011.

The BoG further resolved that in future, the Director shall appoint the Deans with intimation to the Chairperson of the Board of Governors, in line with the NIT Statutes - item number 19 of page number 43 of Statutes.



E3. TO CONSIDER THE REQUEST OF DR. N. SULOCHANA, RETIRED PROFESSOR, DEPARTMENT OF CHEMISTRY FOR CONTRACT APPOINTMENT

BoG resolved to authorize the Director to constitute an adhoc committee to evaluate / review the Curriculum Vitae and other details submitted by Dr. N. Sulochana, Retired Professor from Department of Chemistry, NIT-T, to decide on considering her for Contract Appointment. The Board further resolved that based on the committee's recommendations Director may appoint Dr. N. Sulochana on Contract basis for one year initially.

E4. TREC-STEP RELATED MATTERS

The Board noted the contents of the report of the special committee constituted by the Director to study TREC-STEP Land Transfer issue. BoG resolved to defer the transfer of land to TREC-STEP as the issue of land is to be looked along with other issues.

Recommendations of the 16th Finance Committee (FC) Meeting held on 3rd September 2011 at 10.00 a.m. at Bangalore:

16 th FC ITEM NO. C1	TO CONSIDER AND RATIFY APPROVAL FOR APPOINTMENT OF DOCTORS AND NURSES ON CONTRACT BASIS
27 th BOG ITEM NO. C5	

Recommendations of the Finance Committee and the Resolution of the Board pertaining to this matter are stated under 27th BOG ITEM NO. C5.

16 th FC ITEM NO. C2	TO CONSIDER AND RATIFY APPROVAL FOR APPOINTMENT OF TEMPORARY FACULTY FOR SIX MONTHS
27 th BoG ITEM NO. C6	

Recommendations of the Finance Committee and the Resolution of the Board pertaining to this matter are stated under 27th BOG ITEM NO. C6.

16 th FC ITEM NO. C3	TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE THE PROPOSAL FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF WAGE REVISION FOR NMRs
27 th BoG ITEM NO. D11	

Recommendations of the Finance Committee and the Resolution of the Board pertaining to this matter are stated under 27th BOG ITEM NO. D11.

16 th FC ITEM NO. C4	APPOINTMENT OF STEEL CHAIR PROFESSOR WITH MODIFIED TERMS OF REMUNERATION
27 th BoG ITEM NO.D16	

Recommendations of the Finance Committee and the Resolution of the Board pertaining to this matter are stated under 27th BOG ITEM NO.D16.

16 th FC ITEM NO. C5	TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE PROPOSALS FROM SENATE
27 th BoG ITEM NO.D17	

Recommendations of the Finance Committee and the Resolution of the Board pertaining to this matter are stated under 27th BOG ITEM NO.D17.

16 th FC ITEM NO. C6	TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE THE PROPOSAL TO DELINK CHIEF WARDENSHIP FROM DIRECTOR
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Recommendations of the Finance Committee:

After careful consideration the Finance Committee resolved to recommend to BoG the proposal to appoint a Professor as a Chief warden with full financial and administrative powers in respect of hostels, thereby delinking the Chief Wardenship from the Director. All expenditure towards capital items like furniture, etc., are to be met from the Plan Fund of the Institute.

FC further recommended that all revenue expenses are to be met from hostel funds and the amount collected towards rent, electricity charges and water charges shall continue to be transferred to Institute Non-Plan Fund and the expenses such as electricity and water charges be met from this fund.

The Finance Committee also recommended that any proposal affecting the Institute Plan or Non-Plan Fund should be routed through Institute accounts and then taken to Director for approval.

Resolution of the Board:

The BoG resolved to approve the recommendations of the Finance Committee.



16 th FC ITEM NO. C7	TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE GRANT OF CUMULATIVE PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT ALLOWANCE (CPDA) TO PHYSICAL DIRECTOR AND LIBRARIAN
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Recommendations of the Finance Committee:

The Finance Committee resolved to recommend to BoG the proposal to grant Cumulative Professional Development Allowance (CPDA) to the Physical Director and the Librarian.

Resolution of the Board:

The BoG noted that the Physical Director and the Librarian are members of Senate and resolved to approve the recommendations of the Finance Committee.

16 th FC ITEM NO. C8	TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE THE PROPOSAL TO PURCHASE OF WATER COOLERS AND SOLAR WATER HEATERS
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Recommendations of the Finance Committee:

The Finance Committee discussed the matter and resolved to recommend to the Board the proposal to purchase water coolers for hostels. The number of water coolers needed shall be calculated at the rate of one water cooler per floor per hostel.

FC resolved to recommend in principle the provision of Decentralized Reverse Osmosis (RO) Plant for each hostel.

FC further resolved to recommend the proposal to procure thirty (30) numbers of Solar Water Heaters for hostels at an estimated cost of Rs.48.00 Lakhs (Rupees Forty Eight Lakhs).

Resolution of the Board:

The BoG resolved to approve the recommendations of the Finance Committee.

16 th FC ITEM NO. C9	TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE THE ANNUAL STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS OF THE INSTITUTE FOR 2010 - 2011
27 th BoG ITEM NO.D18	

Recommendations of the Finance Committee and the Resolution of the Board pertaining to this matter are stated under 27th BOG ITEM NO.D18.



FC - ANY OTHER ITEM(S) WITH THE PERMISSION OF CHAIR

D1. TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE PROPOSAL FOR GRANT OF ADVANCE INCREMENTS FOR ACQUIRING Ph.D. WHILE IN SERVICE

Recommendations of the Finance Committee:

The FC resolved to ask the Committee that looked into the anomalies relating to non-grant of increments to faculty members for acquiring Ph.D. qualification during their service, as per the 5th CPC norms, to submit a detailed report covering relevant past decisions, the list of eligible faculty members and other details in the next meeting of the FC and BoG.

Resolution of the Board:

The BoG resolved to approve the recommendations of the Finance Committee.

D2. TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE PROPOSAL FOR NEW BUILDING FOR DEPARTMENT OF MANAGEMENT STUDIES:

Recommendations of the Finance Committee:

The Finance Committee resolved to recommend to the BoG the proposal for the new building for Department of Management Studies (DoMS), which was placed and approved in the Ninth Meeting of the Buildings Works Committee (BWC) held on 03 July 2010 (Item No:4.).

FC noted that the new Department of Architecture building is incomplete as the designed faculty block has not been constructed. FC further resolved that after a thorough review of all ongoing work, priority is to be established on need basis and the new building for DoMS and Faculty block for Department of Architecture be given priority.

Resolution of the Board:

The BoG resolved to approve the recommendations of the Finance Committee.

The Meeting of the Board of Governors ended with vote of thanks to the Chair.



Dr. A. K. Banerjee
Registrar (i/c) &
Secretary, BOG


Dr. Rajaram Nityananda
Chairman, BOG