



**MINUTES OF THE 72nd MEETING OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS
HELD ON 22nd June 2023 AT 12:30 PM IN NIT, TIRUCHIRAPPALLI**

MEMBERS PRESENT:

1.	Shri. Bhaskar Bhat	Chairperson, BoG*
2.	Dr. (Mrs.) G. Aghila, Director	Member
3.	Ms. Veena Dunga Deputy Secretary, MoE	Member*
4.	Mr. Anil Kumar Director (Finance), MoE	Member*
5.	Dr. Krishnan Balasubramanian, Professor, IIT, Madras	Member*
6.	Dr. S. Kumanan	Member
7.	Dr. G. Saravana Ilango	Member
8.	Dr. N. Thamaraiselvan, Registrar i/c	Secretary
* Through Video Conferencing		

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. 72.1	CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE 71ST MEETING OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS HELD ON 30th JANUARY 2023 AND AGENDA NOTES BY CIRCULATION DATED 21st MARCH 2023
	The Minutes of the 71st Meeting of the BoG were circulated to the

	<p>Members of the Board. Dr. S Kumanan, BoG member had given his remarks for item no. 71.2 and item no. 71.4. He has requested to defer the release of advertisement for faculty recruitment 2023 for reasons cited in his email. Dr. G. Saravana Ilango, BoG member did not approve the revisited reservation details circulated through the additional agenda notes for item no. 71.4. The remaining members of the BoG agreed with the proposal for releasing advertisement for faculty positions in mission mode.</p> <p>The Board may confirm the Minutes.</p>	
	<p>RESOLUTION 72/BoG/2023/1</p>	<p>RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the 71st meeting of the Board of Governors and additional annexure by circulation dated 21st March 2023 is confirmed.</p>

<p>ITEM NO. 72.2</p>	<p>ACTION TAKEN REPORT ON THE DECISIONS OF THE PREVIOUS MEETINGS OF THE BOG</p>	
	<p>The details of Action Taken on the decisions of the previous Meetings of the Board of Governors were discussed.</p>	
	<p>RESOLUTION 72/BoG/2023/2</p>	<p>RESOLVED THAT the action taken on the decisions of the previous meetings of the Board was noted by the Board. Also, suggested to present the ATR with timeline for effective follow up.</p>

<p>ITEM NO. 72.3</p>	<p>DIRECTOR'S REPORT ON THE MAJOR ACHIEVEMENTS / DEVELOPMENTS SINCE THE LAST MEETING OF THE BOG.</p>	
	<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"> • The Institute had achieved an overall score(2022-23) of 92.06%(Excellent) as per MoE MoU performance parameters 	

such as

- Student strength
- Faculty position
- Research and Professional Practice
- Graduation Outcome
- Financial parameters
- Outreach and inclusivity
- Infrastructure creation
- NIRF Ranking
- Industry Exposure

Improving Faculty Student ratio by recruiting more faculty, encouraging the faculty to file more patents, increasing PhD admission and graduation, Quality Publications & Citations are some of the points to be considered for improvement.

- Centre of Excellence in Emergency Response Support System (ERSS) was established in collaboration with the Centre for Development of Advanced Computing (C-DAC), Thiruvananthapuram for Rs 50 lakh. It has been designed to address various emergencies reported through different communication channels such as voice calls, SMS, e-mail, SOS signals, ERSS web portal, social media, etc.
- Saurashtra Tamil Sangamam (STS) was another unique exercise with the objective of enhanced & continuous mutual interaction between people of varied regions and ways of life. NITT is the coordinating educational institution by the Ministry of Education and entrusted with the important assignment of selection and travel of delegates from Tamil Nadu to Gujarat. STS was successfully conducted between 14 April 2023 and 2 May 2023.
- The second phase of the Union government's Yuva Sangam exchange programme to introduce students to the culture and traditions of India's states, were conducted. NITT sent a team of 45 delegates (23 girls and 22 boys) on a tour of Bihar from May 8 to May 18.

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- The Directorate of Census Operations (DCO) Tamil Nadu signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with National Institute of Technology – Trichy (NIT-T) to establish a workstation to promote research on census data.
- Launched a web portal to help applicants to its ‘Skill Training Hub’, a vocational certification. Participants will be awarded certificates authorised by NIT-T and National Skill Development Corporation.
- Skill training hub at NIT-Tiruchirappalli is offering vocational training for unemployed youths and school dropouts as part of the Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana (PMKVY) 4.0 scheme implemented under the National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC). It has been planned to train more than 2500 beneficiaries in the age group of 15 – 45 free of cost. Bhaskar Bhat, chairman, board of governors, NIT Trichy inaugurated the skill hub web portal.
- Pragyan, the techno-managerial fest of NIT Trichy, proudly hosted its 19th edition from 23rd to 26th March 2023. With an ISO 9001:20121 certification, Pragyan remains one of India's largest student-run fests.
- Approximately 3500 students participated in ‘Millet Marathon’. The theme was inspired by the International Year of the Millets being observed in 2023.
- The Centre For Entrepreneurship Development and Incubation (CEDI) of National Institute of Technology — Trichy (NIT-T), signed a memorandum of understanding with Tiruchirappalli District Tiny and Small Scale Industries Association (TIDITSSIA) aimed at promoting the growth of start-ups and companies in the districts on 23.05.2023.
- A Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) was signed between the National Institute of Technology Tiruchirappalli (NITT) and Armored Vehicles Nigam Limited (AVNL).
- Department of Architecture has added yet another laurel to its roster this year after its team was named as the overall winner of the Le Corbusier Trophy by the National Association of Students of Architecture (NASA) India recently.

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The NIT-T team also brought home three citations and three special mention awards during the event. ▪ The Le Corbusier Trophy is the highest accolade a college or an institution can win at NASA India. • Five-days refresher training program was conducted by Computer Support Group on basic computer hardware, troubleshooting technique, Microsoft office, installation of operating system and management of peripheral devices. • The 1968-73 batch Regional Engineering College (REC), Trichy, which met at the campus for their golden jubilee celebration, donated ₹2 lakh worth 'Nulinescope', a high-power microscope to the institute. The batch pooled in around Rs 25 Lakh as donation to assist students from low income families with scholarships and for various projects , including an afforestation drive spanning 0.5 acre. 		
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APPROVAL ITEMS

ITEM NO. 72.4	AMENDMENT IN STATUTES OF NITS
	<p>Ministry of Education, Department of higher education has issued a notification to all 31 NITs and IEST-Shibpur in its letter dated 26.05.2023 about the Amendment in the statutes of 30 NITs, IEST-Shibpur and NIT-Andhra Pradesh referring to Ministry's Earlier Letter in F.No.35-5/2017-TS.III dated 27.10.2020 about a recommendation in section 26(2) of the NITSER Act, 2007 and conveyed that all the 31 NITs and IEST-Shibpur to place the same before the Board of Governors and facilitating the amendments in the statutes of NITs, IEST-Shibpur and NIT-Andhra. The Same was placed before the Hon'ble President of India for approval and assent in the capacity as the</p>

<p>visitor of these Institutions, in accordance with the provisions under the section 26(3) and (4) of the NITSER Act, 2007. And the same was Approved by the Visitor in the context of the amendments in the statues of NITs and IEST-Shibpur.</p> <p>Subsequently, Ministry has requested all the NITs and IEST-Shibpur to notify the amendments in Official Gazette Publication of India and place the Published notification before each NITs Board of Governors for its adoption and implementation of the amended provisions.</p> <p>Hence, the item is placed before the Board seeking authorization for gazette publication and after gazette publication, the same will be reported before the Board along with amended Statutes.</p> <p>The Board considered the proposal and approved the amendments in the statues as approved by the Visitor. However, the representations of BoG members if any, may be sent separately to the MoE.</p>	
<p>RESOLUTION 72/BoG/2023/4</p>	<p>RESOLVED THAT the amendments in the statues of NITs for gazette publication is approved and will be adopted after gazette notification.</p>

ITEM NO. 72.5	<p>PROPOSAL FOR DIAMOND JUBILEE RESEARCH PARK</p> <p>Our alumni have also excelled globally in various fields such as academia, software, corporate/ industry, armed services, etc. Over the last decade, the student intake has gone up steeply at the undergraduate level and also at the post graduate level with introduction of many new programmes at the PG level. Amongst the various demographics, students are more likely to come up with new, creative and sometimes outrageous ideas. Increase in student intake is obviously associated with increase in faculty strength, infrastructure facilities etc. With the</p>
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increase in faculty strength and as a strategy aimed at moving up the value chain, the research activities have registered steep growth in the recent years. This complemented with competent student and faculty talent available at NIT, Trichy is a potent mix of creative and skilled set of people who are ready to innovate. To realize these strengths of the student and faculty community, and aligning with the National Innovation and Startup Policy, Govt. of India, F.I.R.E (Fostering Innovation, Research & Entrepreneurship) – the NITT’s integrated Research Park is envisaged during the Diamond jubilee year.

Vision of F.I.R.E.

Powering start-up India, by fostering a culture of Innovation, Research and Entrepreneurship.

Mission of F.I.R.E:

- Create vehicle
 - o Physical/virtual infrastructure
 - o Organization to support stated vision
 - o Active promotion with Ministry, HNI, CSR, Alumni for funding
- Fostering Entrepreneurship
 - o Educate, Innovate, Pre-incubate, Incubate
 - o Early stage support by NITT alumni & faculty
 - o Qualified alumni to mentor entrepreneurs through the journey
 - o Access to NITT Faculty & Students the NIT Research & Innovation Hub
- Create a Collaborative Eco System
 - o Promote Industry supported Centers of Excellence
 - o Industry-Academia Research initiatives; Access to office space and academia support
- o Access to funding

Infrastructure:

The infrastructure envisaged would be home for fostering the entire range of innovation and entrepreneurship with 3 major tracks viz., (i) Ideation, makers-breakers space/ pre-incubation (ii) Incubation center and (iii) Research park.

An exclusive floor space would be allocated for specialized coaching on innovation, design, incubation and commercialization in order that the full potential in the value chain starting from design to commercialization is realized under one roof. As a part of this value proposition, the Research park innovation school shall also have patent facilitation cell, which would do complete hand holding starting from patent search, patent filing to obtaining patent grant.

F.I.R.E. would be the natural choice for industry to lease space to set up their research centers and centers of excellence with which they could leverage the vibrancy of the campus with its young fertile brains of the students and the research acumen of the faculty.

The integrated Research park would be separate section-8 company promoted by NITT with support of Government of India, alumni and corporate/ industries and governed by a professional board.

The Board may kindly consider the proposal and approve it.

RESOLUTION
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RESOLVED THAT the proposal for Diamond Jubilee Research Park is approved in principle.

RESOLVED FURTHER THAT the Institute may prepare a detailed proposal for infrastructure, funding and policy for the proposed Research Park.

ITEM NO. 72.6	ANNUAL PERFORMANCE APPRAISAL REPORT FOR FACULTY	
	<p>Annual Performance Appraisal Report (APAR) is an objective assessment of the work and conduct of a Government servant. Assessment of APARs is the main criteria for Confirmation, Writing and maintenance of APARs, therefore, assumes importance, not only in the interest of service but also in the interest of the employee.</p> <p>Annual Review/Feedback of each and every faculty member is a must, which is a mechanism for self-improvement and mentoring. Regarding the APAR forms for the faculty members, after deliberations, it was decided to revise the existing form which will reflect the contributions/activities of the faculty, will be easy to fill up, easy to review by the HOD/Reporting Officer and which can be automated /online.</p> <p>The Board resolved to revise the APAR form for the faculty members of NIT, Tiruchirappalli vide resolution 63/BoG/2021/6 dated 30.03.2021. The revised APAR form(Academic Year) recommended by the Dean's Committee is enclosed as annexure for approval of the Board.</p> <p>The Board may kindly consider the proposal and approve the proforma.</p>	
	RESOLUTION 72/BoG/2023/6	<p>RESOLVED THAT APAR form for the faculty members is approved with a suggestion to modify the format by incorporating faculty signature in Part V(Assessment report).</p> <p>RESOLVED FURTHER THAT the APAR form to be disclosed to the faculty members as per DoPT norms. The final report, after review, is required to be communicated to the officer.</p>

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**ITEM
NO. 72.7**

**REQUEST OF DR. B. RAVISANKAR, MME FOR CONVERSION
TO OLD PENSION SCHEME**

An office communication with letter No.F.No.33-2/2021-TS.III dated 10/02/2021 was received from Ms.Veena Dunga, Under Secretary to the Government of India, Department of higher Education regarding the Mobility of personnel amongst Central/State & Autonomous Bodies while working under Pensionable establishments. Being a one time and time bound option, all NITs are requested to take timely action in the matter and for compliance.

Dr. B. Ravisankar, Professor, Department of MME has submitted a requisition letter for conversion of his pension scheme from National Pension System to Old Pension Scheme. The matter has been discussed in detail in 65th BoG meeting of the Institute. It was stated that the faculty member was under Teacher Provident Fund Scheme which is kind of CPF. Hence, resolved that the matter may be referred to Ministry of Education, for further assessment.

The matter was referred to Ministry of Education, for further assessment. In response, ministry has replied that there is no substantial document that could fulfil the condition of counting of past service which he had rendered under the State Government before 01.01.2004.

The Institute is, therefore, requested to take up the matter with PSG College of Technology, Coimbatore (his Previous Institution) and ensure that whether Dr. B. Ravisankar fulfils the condition of counting of past service rendered under the State Government. If yes, the Institute may examine his case as per Ministry of Personnel Public Grievances & Pension dated 11/06/2020 and the views of the Institute may be placed before Board of Governors of the Institute for approval.

A letter was sent to PSG, College of Technology seeking clarification.

PSG, College of Technology had informed to refer the matter to Director of Technical Education(DoTE)/Department of Higher Education, Govt. of Tamilnadu. A letter has been to DoTE seeking clarification on Teacher Provident Fund Scheme.

In response, Principal Secretary to Government, Higher Education Department, Tamilnadu vide letter no.7108/C1/2022-d dt. 27/02/2022 had clarified the following:-

- i. TPF(Teacher Provident fund) scheme is equivalent to GPF/Old Pension Scheme.
- ii. Dr.B. Ravisankar has resigned his post of Assistant Professor PSG College of Technology and claimed the settlement amount from his TPF account number 113342/TE
- iii. Hence no pensionary benefits/liabilities will be sanctioned by the government.

The Board may kindly consider the request of faculty for counting of past services for the purpose of pensionary benefit as per Ministry of Personnel Public Grievances & Pension dated 11/06/2020 and approve it.

RESOLUTION
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RESOLVED THAT the proposal to be forwarded to MoE for approval.

ITEM
NO. 72.8

BOARD NOMINEES FOR SELECTION COMMITTEES FOR RECRUITMENT OF ACADEMIC STAFF AS PER CLAUSE 23, 5 (a) OF THE FIRST STATUTES OF NITS

The Board noted, the list of nominees tabled for Board nominees for Selection Committees for recruitment of Academic staff.

	RESOLUTION 72/BoG/2023/8	RESOLVED THAT the list of Board nominees for Selection Committees for recruitment of Academic staff is approved. RESOLVED FURTHER THAT experts from other NITs may be included in the panel and the panel of experts to be approved in advance by the Chairperson, BOG
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ITEM NO. 72.9	BOARD NOMINEES FOR SELECTION COMMITTEES FOR SENIOR ADMINISTRATIVE, OTHER COMPARABLE POSTS AS PER CLAUSE 23, 5 (D) OF THE FIRST STATUTES OF NITS	
	<p>The Board noted, the list of nominees tabled for Board nominees for Selection Committees for senior administrative and other comparable posts.</p>	
	RESOLUTION 72/BoG/2023/9	RESOLVED THAT the list of Board nominees for Selection Committees for recruitment of senior administrative and other comparable posts is approved. RESOLVED FURTHER THAT experts from other NITs may be included in the panel and the panel of experts to be approved in advance by the Chairperson, BOG

RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

ITEM NOs. 72.10, 72.13, 72.14,	CONSTRUCTION OF BOYS & GIRLS HOSTEL – RS 160 CR CONSTRUCTION OF FACULTY QUARTERS (100 NOS.) – RS. 81 CRORE. CONSTRUCTION OF NON-TEACHING QUARTERS (70 NOS.) – RS. 30 CRORE. CONSTRUCTION OF RESEARCH SCHOLARS QUARTERS (100
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72.15, 72.16, 72.17, 72.18	<p>NOS.) – RS. 30 CRORE. CONSTRUCTION OF 250 SINGLE-SEATED INTERNATIONAL HOSTEL – RS. 70 CRORE. CONSTRUCTION OF 350 SEATED CONFERENCE HALL – RS 5.00 CR</p>	
<p>The B&WC has recommended the items pertaining to construction works titled above.</p> <p>The Finance committee discussed the above items and instructed the B&WC to prioritize the proposals along with the source of funding to FC for further approval.</p> <p>The Finance Committee has recommended the proposals to the Board of Governors for approval.</p>		
<p>RESOLUTION 72/BoG/2023/10 72/BoG/2023/13-18</p>		<p>RESOLVED THAT the B&WC may prioritize the proposals along with the source of funding with timeline and present the same to next BWC.</p>

<p>ITEM NO. 72.11</p>	<p>EXTENSION OF THE CENTRALIZED POWERHOUSE FOR INCREASED LOAD DEMAND AND SIX NEW ANNEX BUILDINGS – RS. 3.92 CRORE</p>	
<p>The demand for electricity consumption in our campus has increased multifold over the period. However, the transformers were not augmented and currently operating at near full-load capacity. The existing two 1000 KVA transformers in power house is feeding the essential supply for existing facilities. Also, the annex buildings for 06 departments is also under construction.</p> <p>The extension of the centralized powerhouse & augmentation of the distribution system is essential to meet the increasing demand and fulfil the functional requirements of the said buildings. The B&WC has recommended the proposal for extension of the centralized powerhouse inclusive of a 2x1000 kVA, 11KV/415V transformers and substation expansion with its connected equipment, necessary panels, cables, etc. The rough estimated cost works out to Rs. 3.92 crore.</p> <p>The Finance committee discussed the above proposal and understand the need for expansion and recommended Board for approval with the source of fund under OH 35 but within the allocated budget.</p>		

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The Finance Committee has recommended the proposal to the Board of Governors for approval. The Board may kindly consider the recommendations of the FC and approve it.	
RESOLUTION 72/BoG/2023/11	RESOLVED THAT the extension of the centralized power house for increased load at the cost of Rs 3.92 Cr under OH 35 within the allocated budget of FY 2023-2024 is approved.

ITEM NO. 72.12	SUPPLY, INSTALLATION, TESTING, AND COMMISSIONING OF 1010kVA HT DG SET WITH SYNCHRONIZATION – RS. 1.95 CRORE	
	<p>There is increase in power demand due to additional facilities like annex buildings etc. in the Institute. The existing HT DG (11 KV, 2 x 750 KVA) has been tripped frequently due to overload. Hence, an additional 1010kVA DG is essential to meet the current power demand. The B&WC has recommended the Supply, installation, testing and commissioning of 1010 kVA HT DG Set with synch with the main powerhouse.</p> <p>The Finance committee discussed the above proposal and recommended Board for approval for above proposal with the source of fund under OH 35 but within the allocated budget.</p> <p>The Finance Committee has recommended the proposal to the Board of Governors for approval. The Board may kindly consider the recommendations of the FC and approve it.</p>	
	RESOLUTION 72/BoG/2023/12	RESOLVED THAT the installation and commissioning of 1010kVA HT DG Set at the cost of Rs 1.95 Cr under OH 35 within the allocated budget of FY 2023-2024 is approved.

ITEM	CONSTRUCTION OF HOSTEL UNDER PM-AJAY SCHEME – RS. 22.50 CRORE
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<p>NO. 72.18</p>	<p>The B&WC recommended the construction of hostel under PM-AJAY scheme as per the Ministry of Social Justice and empowerment guidelines. It was proposed to construct 250 bedded hostel and the total cost of the project is Rs 30.00 Cr as per CPWD estimates. As per policy guidelines, the fund provided by the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment is Rs.3 lakhs per student. Hence, as per the student strength, the Ministry of Social Justice and empowerment can provide Rs.7.5 Crore for the hostel construction. Any amount more than that has to be provided by the Concerned department ministry (MoE) as per the circular. The B&WC requested to provide the excess funding of Rs 22.5 Cr under OH 35.</p> <p>The Finance committee discussed the proposal and instructed to identify the source of fund other than OH 35 since the Ministry funding is already provided through the scheme (PM AJAY).</p> <p>The Finance Committee has recommended the proposal to the Board of Governors for approval. The Board may kindly consider the recommendations of the FC and approve it.</p>	
<p>RESOLUTION 72/BoG/2023/18</p>	<p>RESOLVED THAT the B&WC may identify the fund other than OH 35 for further processing as recommended by FC.</p>	

<p>ITEM NO. 72.19</p>	<p>PROVISION OF CYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN PATH WITH LIGHTING AND SEATING AMENITIES ON THE SOUTHERN SIDE OF MAIN AVENUE ROAD – RS. 0.50 CRORE.</p>	
<p>The B&WC recommended the construction of cycle and pedestrian path with lighting and other amenities on the southern side of the main avenue road at the cost of Rs 0.50 Cr (50 Lakhs). The Finance committee discussed the proposal and recommended to Board for approval under OH 35 within the allocated budget.</p> <p>The Finance committee discussed the proposal and instructed to identify the source of fund other than OH 35 since the Ministry funding is already provided through the scheme (PM AJAY).</p> <p>The Finance Committee has recommended the proposal to the Board of Governors for approval. The Board may kindly consider the</p>		

	recommendations of the FC and approve it.	
	RESOLUTION 72/BoG/2023/19	RESOLVED THAT the construction of cycle and pedestrian path at the cost of Rs 0.50 Cr is approved as recommended by FC.

ITEM NO. 72.20	REVISION OF FEES (OTHER THAN TUITION FEES)	
	<p>An internal committee has proposed for the revision of the various fees (other than the tuition fees) to be collected from the Students from the Academic Year 2023-2024. The committee recommends for the introduced new fees head Institute Industries Interaction (III) and Guest Lectures (GL). Also committee recommended for 10% increase on all fee components (other than the tuition fee) every year to all batches of students from 2023-24 academic year in order to bring the uniformity among the fees for the same facilities to all the students.</p> <p>The Finance committee discussed the proposal and recommended to Board for approval.</p> <p>The Finance Committee has recommended the proposal to the Board of Governors for approval. The Board may kindly consider the recommendations of the FC and approve it.</p>	
	RESOLUTION 72/BoG/2023/20	<p>RESOLVED THAT the introduction of two fee heads viz Institute Industries Interaction (III) and Guest Lectures (GL) is approved as recommended by FC.</p> <p>RESOLVED FURTHER THAT 10% increase on all fee components (other than tuition fees) every year to all batches of students from 2023-24 academic year is approved as recommended by FC.</p>

<p>ITEM NO. 72.21</p>	<p>EXHIBITION OF R&C RELATED FUNDS UNDER SCHEDULE 2 OF ANNUAL ACCOUNTS AS PER CAG AUDIT OBSERVATION</p> <p>Our institute faculties are extending their expertise in executing various Sponsored Research Projects, Engineering Consultancy Works (ECC) and also conducting seminars/ workshop/ etc. The O/o Research & Consultancy (R&C) is coordinating and maintaining the Books of Accounts.</p> <p>Certain funds out of overhead charges earned from various projects viz (a) Research Management Fund (RMF) and (b) ICSR fund are being maintained and exhibited in Annual Accounts under Sch 3 (A) Sponsored Projects, of annual accounts up to FY 2021-22. Whereas C&AG Audit observed that the above funds are not a liability and it should not be disclosed under Current Liability in sch 3(A).</p> <p>Therefore, it is proposed to disclose under Sch 2 – (Designated Funds) under a new designated fund viz “R&C Funds” w.e.f. FY 2022-23 onwards.</p> <p>Further it was noticed ECC fund (being exhibited under Schedule-2) and Project consultancy fund (being exhibited under Schedule-3(a) of annual accounts are not having any movement/transaction for a long period.</p> <p>The available balance as on 31 Mar 2022 is as follows: ECC fund – Rs 1,85,86,267 (Sch-2) and Project consultancy Fund – Rs 1,16,75,300/- (Sch-3a)</p> <p>Since there is no transaction in the above funds it is proposed that the balance available as on date against the above two funds may be utilised for establishment of Research park by creating a new Designated Fund called “Research Park Fund” and will be exhibited in Schedule 2 (Designated Fund) of annual accounts w.e.f FY 2022-23 onwards.</p> <p>Further, as observed by the C&AG Audit, the Institute will review all the funds in terms of their source of funds and utilisation policy and the same will be placed to Board in due course so as to incorporate same in Notes on Accounts in 2023-24.</p> <p>The Finance Committee has recommended the proposal to the Board of Governors for approval. The Board may kindly consider the recommendations of the FC and approve it.</p>	
	<p>RESOLUTION 72/BoG/2023/21</p>	<p>RESOLVED THAT the “Research Management Fund” and “ICSR fund” may be</p>

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		<p>exhibited in “Sch-2(a) Designated Fund” in 2022-23 Balance Sheet under a newly created “R&C Funds” is approved as recommended by FC.</p> <p>RESOLVED FURTHER THAT the funds available in the ECC funds exhibited in the Sch-2 (Rs 1,85,86,267 as on 31.03.2022) and Project Consultancy Fund in Sch 3(a) (Rs 1,16,75,200 as on 31.03.2022) may be utilized for Research Park establishment by transferring the balances of these two funds to a newly created fund viz “Research Park Fund” and to be exhibited in Sch 2 (Designated Funds) in 2022-23 Balance Sheet as recommended by FC.</p>
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<p>ITEM NO. 72.22</p>	<p>ENHANCED WI-FI FACILITY THROUGH FTTH TO HOSTELS, INSTITUTE ZONE THROUGH SPECIAL LIMITED TENDER – RS. 3.50 CRORE (HEFA FUNDING)</p> <p>In order to enhance the Wi-Fi infrastructure, the Board in its 53rd meeting has approved for budget of 3.20 Cr under HEFA for Wi-Fi facilities in Institute Zone, Hostel zone, etc. The earlier tenderers were not materialized due to Covid 19 pandemic and subsequent cost increase. Presently, the new and better technology with economical budget, FTTH (Fiber To The Home) is proposed for Wi-Fi infrastructure. As a pilot project, the FTTH technology Wi-Fi is being implemented in Opal F Hostel through BSNL and Amethyst Boy hostel through Railtel Corporation is being implemented on nomination basis. In order to expedite the process, Limited Tender enquiry as per GFR rule 162, by obtaining bids from GoI PSUs viz BSNL, Railtel, Powergrid, ERNET, etc. is proposed.</p> <p>The Finance committee discussed the proposal and instructed to adhere the GFR provisions and recommended to Board for approval.</p> <p>The Finance Committee has recommended the proposal to the Board of Governors for approval. The Board may kindly consider the recommendations of the FC and approve it.</p>
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	RESOLUTION 72/BoG/2023/22	RESOLVED THAT the proposal to float Limited tender for the Wi-Fi facilities by obtaining Bids from PSUs service provider is approved as recommended by FC.
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ITEM NO. 72.23	CONDEMNATION OF OLD VEHICLES	
	<p>The Institute transport committee proposed to condemn 6 (LMV and HMV) vehicles for condemnation based on Ministry of Road Transport and Highways OM dated 16 Jan 2023.</p> <p>The Finance committee discussed the proposal and instructed that the condemnation may be recommended by Committee formed as per GFR Rule 217 and brought to FC for recommendation.</p> <p>The Finance Committee has recommended the proposal to the Board of Governors for approval. The Board may kindly consider the recommendations of the FC and approve it.</p>	
	RESOLUTION 72/BoG/2023/23	RESOLVED THAT condemnation of vehicles may be proposed based on recommendation of Condemnation Committee.

OTHER ITEMS

ITEM NO. 72.24	REQUEST OF DR TIYYA SRINIVASA RAO, PROFESSOR(HAG), MME TO RETIRE VOLUNTARILY FROM SERVICE.	
	<p>One faculty member of the Institute has requested for VRS as mentioned below:</p> <p>In his letter dated 01.05.2023, Dr. T. Srinivasa Rao, Professor (HAG), Department of Metallurgical and Materials Engineering had applied for Voluntary Retirement from service. His request may be accepted and he may be permitted to voluntarily retire w.e.f 31.07.2023</p> <p>The Board may kindly approve the VRS request of Dr. T. Srinivasa Rao.</p>	
	RESOLUTION	RESOLVED THAT the request of Dr. T.

	72/BoG/2023/24	Srinivasa Rao for Voluntary Retirement from service is accepted.
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ITEM NO.72.25	GRANT OF HAG SCALE TO DR. K. SANKARANARAYANASAMY, PROFESSOR- DEPT. OF MECHANICAL ENGINEERING	
	<p>Dr. K Sankaranarayananasamy, Professor in the Department of Mechanical Engineering, joined this Institute on 21.08.1989 and promoted as professor on 14.02.2004. He was appointed as a Director on lien service for a maximum period of five years on Deputation Basis at National Institute of Technology Puducherry, Karaikal with effect from 05.04.2018. He was relieved from NIT Puducherry, Karaikal upon completion of his Deputation and rejoined our Institute on 10.05.2023 after availing the joining time.</p> <p>While implementing the HAG Scales, those Professors of NITs and CFTIs who are appointed as Directors in the NITs system by the MHRD, shall deemed to have been placed in the HAG Scale notionally from the day they took charge as Directors in NITs or from the day the guidelines were issued by the Ministry vide its letter No. F.23-1/2008-TS. II Dated 18.08.2009, whichever is earlier.</p> <p>In view of the above, Dr. K Sankaranarayananasamy, Professor, Department of Mechanical Engineering deemed to have been placed in the HAG Scale notionally from the day he took charge as Director in NIT, Puducherry.</p> <p>The Board may kindly consider the proposal and approve.</p>	
RESOLUTION 72/BoG/2023/25	RESOLVED THAT Dr. K Sankaranarayananasamy, Professor, Department of Mechanical Engineering deemed to have been placed in the HAG Scale notionally from the day he took charge as Director in NIT, Puducherry	

RATIFICATION ITEMS

ITEM NO.72.26	PROPOSALS FOR RATIFICATION OF ADDITIONAL EXPENDITURE IN THE WORKS EXECUTED BY CPWD DURING FY 2006-2016	
	<p>The Institute has been engaging CPWD in the construction of different Civil Structures and Electrical works in the campus. It was observed that till 2016, lumpsum amounts were transferred to CPWD for different projects. It was found that some of the works which were executed in the 2006-2016 time frame, by CPWD, it was appropriated the funds available at the disbursal and completed the works even the AA & ES exceeded more than the approved expenditure by the BWC/FC/BoG.</p>	
	a	Additional expenditure for “Construction of Multipurpose Hall” - Rs.2.76 crore
	b	Additional expenditure for “Construction of Dining Hall with seating capacity 350 No’s at Amber hostel”- Rs.0.44 crore
	c	Additional expenditure for “Conversion of OH Lines into UG Cable for Street lights and Service connections”- Rs.0.25 crore
	d	Additional expenditure for “Purchase of 750 kVA DG set at NIT, Trichy”- Rs.1.22 crore
	e	Additional expenditure for “Rewiring of 9 nos. of hostels including Coral, Opal A, B, C, Coral and Jade Hostel” Rs.2.27 crore
	f	Additional expenditure for “Augmentation of LT Electrical installation at various buildings” at NIT, Trichy - Rs.0.29 crore -
	g	Additional expenditure for “Providing AC for Barn hall” at NIT, Trichy - Rs.0.21 crore
	<p>Finance committee discussed and instructed B&WC to review and place the item along with proper justification for the excess of funds over and above the Sanctions.</p> <p>The Board may kindly consider the recommendation of FC with respect to additional expenditure for the works executed by CPWD during 2006-2016.</p>	
	RESOLUTION	RESOLVED THAT the sanction for excess

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	72/BoG/2023/26	fund may be placed along with the proper justification for each works, separately.
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ITEM NO.72.27	ADOPTION OF DOP&T ORDER ON PROCEDURE TO BE OBSERVED BY DEPARTMENTAL PROMOTION COMMITTEE MEETING IN TERMS OF MODEL CALENDAR.	
	<p>As per OM dated 8th May 2017, the crucial date of eligibility shall be 1st January of the vacancy year. The OM specifies that Department Promotion Committee (DPC) meetings are convened in advance and approved select panels are ready on the date of commencement of the relevant vacancy year. Institute had precedents of considering staff who will be completing qualifying service till the date of DPC and consider anticipated vacancies till the date of DPC meeting.</p> <p>Implementation of the said OM will benefit 29 non-teaching officers/staff of the Institute, who will be eligible as on the crucial date of eligibility i.e.01.01.2024 for the vacancy year 2024. In total, there is a possibility of 49 non-teaching officers/staff getting promoted in the DPC meeting scheduled during 19.06.2023 & 20.06.2023 for the vacancy years 2023 and 2024.</p> <p>The Board may adopt and ratify the implementation of DoPT order on DPC meeting in terms of suggestive model calendar.</p>	
	RESOLUTION 72/BoG/2023/27	RESOLVED THAT the implementation of DoPT order on convening DPC meeting in advance as per suggestive model calendar was adopted and ratified.

ITEM NO.72.28	PROBATION DECLARATION OF GROUP B&C STAFF	
	<p>As per the directions of BoG, prior to declaring confirmation of an officer, it is required to assess the performance and to decide whether the work and conduct of the officer during the period of probation are satisfactory enough to warrant his further retention in service or post. Accordingly, the committee evaluated the performance and conduct of Group B&C staff members.</p> <p>The period of declaration of probation will be 1 year from their respective date of joining as per the Terms and conditions of offer of</p>	

<p>appointment and NIT Statues. The list of Group B&C staff declared confirmation in service is enclosed as annexure.</p> <p>The Board may ratify the confirmation of the staff with effect from respective date of completion of probation period.</p>	
RESOLUTION 72/BoG/2023/28	RESOLVED THAT the confirmation of the staff with effect from respective date of completion of probation period was noted and ratified.

ITEM NO.72.2 9	FOREIGN VISITS OF FACULTY MEMBERS.				
	The following eight Faculty members were permitted by the Chairperson, BoG to visit foreign countries to attend International Conference/Workshop/Training between Feb. 2023 and June. 2023.				
	S. No	Name of the Faculty Member	Conference/Workshop/Training	Dates	Place
	1.	Dr S Anandan, Professor, Chemistry	Collaborative Research under SPARC Scheme	09.02.2023 to 14.02.2023	Australia
	2	Dr. Venkata Kirthiga M, Professor, Dept. of Electrical Engg.	2023 IEEE IAS Global Conference on Renewable Energy and Hydrogen Technologies (GlobConHT)	10.03.2023 to 13.03.2023	Maldives
	3.	Dr. Mageshwari S, Assistant Professor, Dept. of EEE	2023 IEEE IAS Global Conference on Renewable Energy and Hydrogen Technologies (GlobConHT)	9.03.2023 to 13.03.2023	Maldives
	4.	Dr. Moorthi S, Associate, Professor, Dept. of EEE	2023 IEEE IAS Global Conference on Renewable Energy and Hydrogen Technologies (GlobConHT)	10.03.2023 to 13.03.2023	Maldives
5.	Dr. Raja P, Associate, Professor,	2023 IEEE IAS Global Conference on Renewable Energy and Hydrogen	10.03.2023 to 13.03.2023	Maldives	

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	Dept. of EEE	Technologies (GlobConHT)	3	
6.	Dr. N Gopalakrishnan, Professor, Physics	JSPS invitation Fellowship Programme	01.06.2023 to 30.07.2023	Japan
7.	Dr. Greegar George, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Civil Engg.	5th International Conference on Uncertainty Qualification in Computational Science and Engineering	10.06.2023 to 16.06.2023	Greece
8.	Dr S Anandan, Professor, Chemistry	Collaborative research work in the field of Heterogeneous Catalytic oxidation and High-Efficiency Novel Catalyst Synthesis	01.05.2023 to 08.05.2023	Taiwan
9.	Dr. V B Vinod, Professor, Dept. of HSS	Closing the Gap through Digital Reconstruction (GLOCAL CALA 2023)	15.05.2023 to 19.05.2023	Philippines
<p>The Board may consider and ratify the foreign visit made by the Faculty members of the Institute.</p>				
RESOLUTION 72/BoG/2023/29		RESOLVED THAT the foreign visits of eight Faculty members was noted and ratified.		

REPORTING ITEMS

ITEM NO.72.30	ANNUAL ALLOCATION FOR NITS FOR FY 2023-2024			
	The tentative annual allocation for NITs for the FY 2023-2024 has been received from Ministry of Education vide F.No.36-1/2023-TS III dated 04 May 2023. The Object head wise tentative allocation for the FY 2023-2024 is tabulated below:			
	Rs in lakhs			
	OH 31 (GIA General)	OH 35 (GIA for Capital assets)	OH 36 (GIA for Salary)	TOTAL
	9810.00	2800.00	12259.00	24869.00

This item is placed for information of the Board	
RESOLUTION 72/BoG/2023/30	RESOLVED THAT tentative annual allocation for NITs for the FY 2023-2024 received from Ministry of Education is noted.

ITEM NO.72.31	CONTRACT FOR THE OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF INSTITUTE GUEST HOUSE	
	<p>The contract for the 'Operation and Maintenance of Institute Guest House' is set to expire on 31.10.2023. The approximate annual cost of the contract is Rs. 90,00,000/- (Rupees Ninety Lakhs). The Director has accorded in principle approval to initiate the tender process based on the recommendation of Guest House Advisory Committee.</p> <p>This item is placed for information of the Board.</p>	
	RESOLUTION 72/BoG/2023/31	RESOLVED THAT The contract for the 'Operation and Maintenance of Institute Guest House' is noted

ITEM NO.72.32	GROUP PERSONAL ACCIDENTS MEDI-CLAIM INSURANCE FOR STUDENTS	
	<p>The students of NITT are covered under the Group medi-claim policy and personal accident insurance. The tenure of National Insurance company who provided the service for the academic year 2022-2023 is expired on 31st May 2023. For the next academic year 2023-2024 the insurance company has increased the premium amount more than 10% of the existing premium amount.</p> <p>Hence, it is proposed to invite a tender for the insurance company for an amount of Rs 40,00,000/- in the academic year 2023-2024. An amount of Rs 500/- from medical and insurance fees paid by the student will be utilized for the payment to the insurance company.</p> <p>The Director had accorded in principle approval to initiate the tender process based on the recommendation of Dean(SW). In this</p>	

	<p>connection, it is requested that Group Personal accidents medi- claim insurance for students at an amount of Rs 40,00,000/- (Rupees Forty Lakhs only) may be approved.</p> <p>This item is placed for information of the Board.</p>	
	<p>RESOLUTION 72/BoG/2023/32</p>	<p>RESOLVED THAT Group personal accidents medi-claim insurance for students for Rs.40,00,000/- is noted</p>

ITEM	ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE FY 2021-22	
NO.72.33	<p>The Annual report for the Financial Year 2021-2022 is placed for the information of the Board of Governors.</p>	
	<p>RESOLUTION 72/BoG/2023/33</p>	<p>RESOLVED THAT Annual report for the financial year 2021-2022 is noted.</p>

ITEM	REVIEW OF MoE MoU 2023-24	
NO.72.34	<p>Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between Department of Higher Education, Ministry of Education, Government of India and National Institute of Technology, Tiruchirappalli for 2023-2024 was signed in pursuance of the Rule 229(xi) of the GFR,2017.</p> <p>Performance Evaluation against MoU parameters shall be carried out every quarter and monitored by the Institution.</p> <p>This item is placed for information and review of the Board of Governors.</p>	
	<p>RESOLUTION 72/BoG/2023/34</p>	<p>RESOLVED that the MoU between Department of Higher Education, MOE, GOI and NIT-T for 2023-24 is noted.</p>

ITEM	ACCEPTANCE OF THE RESIGNATION AND RELIEVING OF FACULTIES	
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The following faculty members had resigned from NIT, Tiruchirappalli

S. No.	Staff No.	Name	Designation	Department	Relieving Date
1	2224	Dr Vivek Mohan	Assistant Professor Grade-II	EEE	10.01.2023
2	2245	Dr Manoranjan Sahoo	Assistant Professor Grade-I	EEE	03.05.2023
3	2324	Dr Umasankar Patra	Assistant Professor Grade-II	Humanities	12.06.2023

This item is placed for information of the Board of Governors.

RESOLUTION
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RESOLVED THAT the board has accepted and noted the resignation and relieving of faculties.

ITEM NO.72.36	MINUTES OF THE 59th MEETING OF THE SENATE	
	The Minutes of the 59th Meeting of the Senate is placed for the information of the Board of Governors.	
	RESOLUTION 72/BoG/2023/36	RESOLVED THAT Minutes of the 59 th Meeting of the Senate was noted.

ITEM NO.72.37	MINUTES OF THE 53rd MEETING OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.	
	The Minutes of the 53 rd Meeting of the Finance Committee is placed for the information of the Board of Governors.	
	RESOLUTION 72/BoG/2023/37	RESOLVED THAT 53 rd Meeting of the Finance Committee was noted.

ITEM NO.72.38	MINUTES OF THE 28th, 29th and 30th MEETING OF THE BUILDING WORKS COMMITTEE.	
	The Minutes of the 28 th , 29 th , and 30 th Meeting of the Building Works Committee is placed for the information of the Board of Governors.	
	RESOLUTION 72/BoG/2023/38	RESOLVED THAT The Minutes of the 28 th , 29 th , and 30 th Meeting of the Building Works Committee was noted.

ITEM NO.72.39	INFORMATION ON GRIEVANCES WITH RESPECT TO NIT, TIRUCHIRAPPALLI.	
	There are four grievances for initial action or under progress with respect to NIT, Tiruchirappalli in the Centralized Public Grievance Redress and Monitoring System (CPGRAMS) as on 13.06.2023. This is for the information of the Board.	
	RESOLUTION 72/BoG/2023/39	RESOLVED THAT the status of Grievances in CPGRAMS was noted.

ITEM NO.72.40	INFORMATION ON RTI WITH RESPECT TO NIT, TIRUCHIRAPPALLI	
	There are seventeen RTI requests and three first appeals under progress with respect to NIT, Tiruchirappalli in the RTI request and Appeal Management Information System (RTI-MIS) as on 13.06.2023. The is for the information of the Board.	
	RESOLUTION 72/BoG/2023/40	RESOLVED THAT the status on RTI was noted.

ITEM NO.72.41	IMPORTANT COMMUNICATION RECEIVED FROM MINISTRY OF EDUCATION	
	The important communications received from Ministry of Education are enclosed as annexure.	
	This item is for the information of the Board.	

	RESOLUTION 72/BoG/2023/41	RESOLVED THAT important communications received from Ministry of Education was noted.
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ITEM NO.72.42	LEGAL MATTERS SUBSEQUENT TO THE LAST BOARD MEETING.	
	The details of Court cases which were filed/came up for hearing subsequent to the 71 st Meeting of the Board were furnished for the information and direction of the Board. The Board noted the cases.	
	RESOLUTION 72/BoG/2023/42	RESOLVED THAT The court cases filled/heard subsequent to the last Board meeting was noted.

ITEM NO.72.43	ANY OTHER ITEM WITH THE PERMISSION OF THE CHAIRPERSON	
	a) Extension of the Contract Period to Dr. P A Karthick, Assistant Professor Grade-II(AGP Rs. 7000): The term of appointment shall be for a fixed period of not exceeding five (05) years as per four tier flexible cadre structure. The five (05) year period will expire on 05.07.2023 (A/N), i.e. from Dr. P A Karthick's date of joining duty on 06.07.2018 Hence, the contract period may be extended for one more year or until the next recruitment process concludes, whichever is earlier.	
	RESOLUTION 72/BoG/2023/43-a	RESOLVED THAT the Board approved the request to extend contract period of Dr. P A Karthick for one more year or until the next recruitment process concludes, whichever is earlier.
	b) TCS Centre of Excellence in Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning: To consider and approve the floating of tender for physical infrastructure set up and equipment infrastructure set up for creating the "TCS Centre of Excellence in Artificial Intelligence and Machine	

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Learning" at a cost of Rs. 1.2 crore and Rs. 4.3 crore respectively.

As the funding is borne by the TCS foundation and as per CPWD manual rule, CPWD will not carry out any work funded by a private agency, approval is accorded to float the tender and sanction the same by following institute norms. Permission is sought so as to float the tender and speed up the entire process as there is only 18 more months remaining as per MoU.

RESOLUTION
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RESOLVED THAT the Board approved floating of tender for physical infrastructure set up and equipment infrastructure set up for creating the "TCS Centre of Excellence in Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning" at a cost of Rs. 1.2 crore and Rs. 4.3 crore respectively.

c) Allocation of Fund for Institute Innovation Council Activities:

As per NISP Policy 2019, minimum 1% of annual budget to be allocated for Institute Innovation Council(IIC) activities. IIC committee members have identified activities viz innovation hackathon, idea pitching drives, inspirational talks by entrepreneurs, etc. as per guideline of Ministry.

The Finance committee discussed the item and suggested that budget shall be allocated based on the individual project, from the source of fund other grants-in-aid/IRG.

RESOLUTION
72/BoG/2023/43-c

RESOLVED THAT the fund may be allocated based on individual project.

d) MOU to Universities and Industries:

The Institute had entered into MoU with the following Universities and Industries

- Loughborough University, UK
- Debre Markos University, Ethiopia
- Altair Enterprises, London, UK
- University Technology of Malaysia
- Illinois Institute of Technology, Chicago, USA
- Addis Ababa University, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia

This item is for the information of the Board.

	RESOLUTION 72/BoG/2023/43-d	RESOLVED THAT the Board noted the MOU to Universities and Industries.
	e) Face recognition system: The Board informed that face recognition system for attendance is an administrative matter. The institute administration may implement the system by incorporating feedback received during the trial period.	
	RESOLUTION 72/BoG/2023/43-e	RESOLVED THAT the Board noted the implementation of Face recognition system.

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


Secretary


Chairperson, BoG