MINUTES OF THE 13^{TH} MEETING OF THE BUILDING & WORKS COMMITTEE HELD AT 11.00 A.M. ON WEDNESDAY THE 13^{TH} FEBRUARY 2008.

An emergent meeting of BWC was convened to discuss the escalation in price of steel and other related issues. Major construction activities are ongoing on the campus and hence was the urgency.

Following members were present:

1. Dr. S. S. Gokhale, Director, VNIT, Nagpur

- Chairman

2. Shri V.R. Jamdar, BoG, Nominee

- Member

3. Shri B. M. Ganveer, Registrar, VNIT, Nagpur

- Member-Secretary

Mr. Madan Mohan, Director (NITs), MHRD, New Delhi and nominees of CPWD Civil & Electrical Wing could not attend the meeting.

Dr. Rajesh Gupta, Co-ordinator (Construction), Shri K. G. Barapatre, A.E. (M) and Dr. P. S. Kulkarni, i/c Electrical Maintenance attended the meeting as Special Invitees.

The Committee deliberated the issue along with the request received from M/s Sadiq & Co. which has been awarded a contract for construction of the Chemical Engineering Department building on the campus.

The Committee heard the Partner of M/s Sadiq & Co. He requested the Committee to change the provision of clause 10 C A (indicated in CPWD tender document) regarding deviation in prices of cement and steel to clause 10 C C pertaining to cost of work for which escalation is applicable for adjustment of components of cement, steel, material and labour.

The BWC deliberated the issue and decided not to make any changes in the clauses already indicated in VNIT tender document in this regard. The BWC further resolved that in the best interest of the Institute and to get the construction activity done timely, the Institute shall negotiate directly with reputed cement and steel companies as far as the cost is concerned and in accordance with the schedule of construction, the contractor shall procure the material. The Dean (P&F), Co-ordinator (New Constructions) along with A.E.(Maint.) shall work out the operational modalities.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

(B. M. Ganveer)

Member-Secretary

(S. S. Gokhale) Chairman