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VISVESVARAYA NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY, NAGPUR – 440 010 (India)

Draft minutes for 49th meeting of the Board of Governors held on Monday, December 4th 2015 at VNIT, Nagpur.

The following members were present:

1.	Shri Vishramji Jamdar, Industrialist	- Chairman
2.	Dr. Narendra S. Chaudhari, Director, VNIT, Nagpur.	- Member
3.	Dr.U.N.Gaitonde, Prof.of Mechanical Engg., IIT Mumbai	- Member
4.	Dr.S.C.Sahasrabudhe, Director, DAIIT, Gandhinagar	- Member
5.	Shri Sanjeev Sharma, Director(NITs), MHRD GOI Representative	- Member
6.	Shri Satpal Sharma, IFD, MHRD, GOI Representative	- Member
7.	Dr. Joyashree Roy, Professor, Jadavpur University, Kolkata	- Member
8.	Dr.L.M.Gupta, Faculty Representative, VNIT, Nagpur	- Member
9.	Dr.J.D.Ekhe, Faculty Representative VNIT, Nagpur.	- Member
10.	Dr. Rajendra R. Yerpude, Registrar, VNIT, Nagpur.	- Secretary

The VNIT organized 13th Convocation on 15th September 2015. Hon.ble Shri Pranab Mukherjee, President of India delivered the convocation address. Shri.CH.Vidyasagar Rao, Governor of Maharashtra, Shri Devendra Fadnavis, Chief Minister of Maharashtra, Shri Nitin Gadkari, Union Minister for Road Transport Highways & Shipping graced the occasion. Shri Vishramji Jamdar, Chairman, BoG, Dr.Narendra Chaudhari, Director and Dr.R.R.Yerpude, Registrar were also present on the dais during the occasion.

Mr.Prem Ramesh Auti from Mechanical Engg. dept. received Sir.Visvesvaraya Medal for Highest CGPA score of 9.76 in B.Tech. at the hands of Hon.ble President of India. Total 40 medals and 56 prizes awarded to the academically meritorious students during the convocation. During this occasion 48 Ph.D, 6 M.Tech. by Research, 312 M.Tech., 45 M.Sc. and 655 B.Tech. students received degrees. The Ph.D awarded during the current academic year has an increase of 25 % over last year.

13th Convocation of VNIT was a grand success.

49.01 To confirm the minutes of the 48th meeting of the Board of Governors held on September 14, 2015 at VNIT Nagpur.

The Minutes of the 48th meeting of the Board of Governors held on September 14, 2015 are placed at **Annexure-I**.

The Board is requested to confirm.

Resolution: The comments were received from Shri Sanjeev Sharma, Director(NITs). It was agreed to incorporate the comments. BoG has reviewed the modified draft minutes and same are confirmed.

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49.02 To note the Action Taken Report on resolutions of the 48th meeting of the Board of Governors.

Agenda Item	Resolution	Action taken	
48.04 Temporary Campus for Indian Institute of Information Technology (IIIT) at VNIT, Nagpur.	BoG declined the proposal and advised VNIT to accept mentorship of IIIT, Nagpur.		nas been ted to the Governmen during the

The Board is requested to note the action taken report.

Resolution:: The Board has noted the action taken report.

49.03 To approve the recommendations of 38th meeting of the Finance Committee held on 4th December 2015.

The recommendations of 38th meeting of the Finance Committee held on 4th December 2015are placed.

The BoG is requested to approve.

Resolution: The minutes of 38th meeting of the Finance Committee are approved.

49.04 Visits of VNIT Director to Europe- item for information.

i) To Sweden and Belarus: Member academic delegation accompanied the President of India.

Dr. Narendra Chaudhari, Director, Visvesvaraya National Institute of Technology (VNIT), Nagpur was the member of academic delegation which accompanied President of India for a state visit to Sweden and Belarus from 31st May to the 4th June 2015. During the visit, Dr. Narendra Chaudhari, signed two MoUs between VNIT, Nagpur and Belarussian State University of Informatics and Radioelectronics, Belarus and Belarussian National Technical University, Minsk, Belarus.

ii) To Germany, France and Netherlands: Under FICCI

Dr. Narendra Chaudhari, Director, VNIT visited Germany, France & Netherlands as part of FICCI Higher Education Delegation in June 22-June 26, 2015. The purpose of this visit was to provide an exposure to Indian higher Education leaders the good practices which have enabled these countries to develop World Class Universities.

Dr. Narendra Chaudhari visited Technical University of Munich, Freie Universität Berlin (Free university of Berline), Sciences Po University, Paris, ESSEC Business School, La Defense Campus Paris, Ecole Centrale Supelec Paris (Supelec Central School Paris), Paris and Delft University, Delft. As a result of this visit, VNIT,Nagpur is likely to participate in Erasmus plus program with European countries.

Resolution: Noted. The details about the said visits was informed by the Director to the BoG. The Director also informed about the progress in this direction after signing the MoU. He reported that

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one Professor is likely to visit our Department. Additionally, efforts have been initiated for VNIT's participation in Erasmus plus program with European countries. It was suggested that the BoG should be kept informed about progress of MoUs from time to time.

49.05 External institute level review and Departmental review.

The Institute has conducted the external institute level review for the year 2014-15 on 23rd November 2015. Prior to this departmental review of all Engineering departments, Architecture, and Science Department for the year 2014-15 has been conducted from 17th October 2015 to 23rd October 2015.

The report of external institute level review and departmental review are enclosed in **Annexure** - **II** for information and perusal.

Resolution: Noted. It was suggested that the Institute should conduct the external departmental and institute level review regularly as per NIT Council resolution.

49.06 Minutes of 9th NIT Council meeting held at NIT, Warangal held on 1st October 2015.

The Minutes of 9th NIT Council meeting held at NIT, Warangal held on 1st October 2015 are enclosed in **Annexure-III**.

This is for the information of BoG and perusal.

Resolution: BoG has gone through the minutes and suggested that the institute should earmark fund of Rs.20 Lakhs for Unnat Bharat Abhiyan. This fund should be used rationally as per the need of the adopted villages. The BoG should be informed accordingly.

49.07 To approve recruitment of sanctioned Officer posts.

It is proposed to recruit officers on various sanctioned posts as per the table given below.

Posts						Remarks
Registrar						Contractual Post for 5
	Open- 1					years.
	SC	ST	OBC	UR	Total	
Librarian				1	1	
Dy. Librarian	1				1	
Sr. Medical Officer				1	1	
Principal Scientific/Technical Officer			1		1	
Assist. Librarian			1		1	
Medical Officer	1				1	
Students Activity & Sports(SAS)Officer				1	1	
Scientific/Technical Officer		1	1	3	5	
Deputy Registrar				1	1	
Assistant Registrar			1	1	2	

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3 % reservation for PWD category will be followed across all the category of candidates.

The above distribution of the post has been approved in special cell meeting.

The BoG is requested to note.

Resolution: Noted.

49.08 To approve increase in intake for B. Tech. Students.

It is proposed to increase the intake of B.Tech. engineering students for producing more technical manpower to meet the engineering education need and industry demand.

Moreover, this will give an access to more JEE qualified students for quality engineering education in VNIT

The following table provides the details:

Bachelor of Technology(B.Tech.)

SN	Branch	Existing Strength	Proposed Increase	Total	Remarks
1	Chemical Engg.	92	108	200	
2	Civil Engg.	92	108	200	
3	Computer Engg.	92	108	200	
4	Electrical Engg.	92	108	200	
5	Electronics Engg.	92	108	200	
6	Mechanical Engg.	92	108	200	
8	Metallurgical Engg.	92	108	200	ä
9	Mining Engg.	40	40	80	
10	Architecture and Planning	62	58	120	

This is commensurate with the institute vision about expansion of institute as per the master plan.

BoG is requested to deliberate and accord approval for the above.

Resolution: The proposal is approved in-principle regarding increase in intake capacity. The institute is directed to prepare a consolidated proposal along with financial and other implications.

49.09 Request of Dr. Rajendra Prasad Pant, Department of Mathematics for extra ordinary leave.

Dr. Rajendra Prasad Pant, Assistant Professor, Department of Mathematics has been offered a faculty position in Department of Mathematics, University of KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa. He has requested for extra ordinary leave without pay of two years from 10th May 2015 to 09 May 2017. This leave has been regretted vide BoG resolution no. 45.07

Dr. Rajendra Prasad Pant, Assistant Professor has once again requested for a extra ordinary leave of two years from January 2016. In his application dated 11th November 2015, he has requested that the application may be considered as resignation notice in case leave is not sanctioned and to relieve him on 25th January 2016.

BoG is requested to deliberate and give suitable direction.

Resolution: The extra ordinary leave is not accepted. The resignation of Dr. Rajendra Prasad Pant is accepted and he will be relieved from the services in January 2016.

49.10 Any other point with the permission of chair.

49.10.01 Temporary campus of IIM Nagpur (Mentor IIM, Ahmadabad) at VNIT premises.

IIM Nagpur temporary campus is started at premises of VNIT Nagpur from 1st July 2015 in accordance with the MOU signed between IIM and VNIT.

Shri Sanjeev Sharma, Director(NITs) has referred the meeting held at MHRD on 18th November 2015 and letter received by Director, VNIT, Nagpur from Director (Management) mentioning the decisions of the meeting regarding the additional infrastructure requirement of IIM, Nagpur. It was suggested to put forward the stand of the institute in the matter.

Resolution: The stand of the institute regarding the matter will be communicated to IIM Nagpur and to MHRD.

49.10.02 To adopt the changes in NIT statutes.

The Minutes of 9th NIT Council meeting held at NIT, Warangal held on 1st October 2015 are enclosed in **Annexure-III**. The NIT Council has suggested changes in NIT statutes.

BoG is requested to go through the changes in NIT statutes and accord the approval for further process.

Resolution: BoG has gone through the changes in NIT statutes. It was suggested that the final corrections in the statutes should be put up in the next BoG meeting for adoption.

The meeting concluded with thanks to hon, members and the chair.

Chairman, BoG