

**MINUTES OF THE SEVENTH MEETING OF THE  
BOARD OF GOVERNORS HELD ON 02<sup>nd</sup> MAY 2012**

The Seventh Meeting of the Board of Governors of the Indian Institute of technology, Hyderabad was held at 11.00 hours on Wednesday the 02<sup>nd</sup> May 2012, in the Conference Room of the Institute at its Temporary Campus in the Ordnance Factory Estate, Yeddumailaram. The following were present:

Shri Ajay Chowdhry, Chairman

Dr K Mohandas

Shri M Mathew

Prof UB Desai, Director

Prof V Eswaran

Prof FA Khan

Shri N Jayaram, Registrar

The Chairman welcomed the BoG members.

Leave of absence was granted to Dr Kiran Mazumdar Shaw, Shri (Principal Secretary to Government of AP) and Shri Sunil Kumar.

**a) CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE SIXTH MEETING OF THE BOARD  
OF GOVERNORS HELD ON 11<sup>th</sup> January 2012.**

The Board considered the Minutes of the Sixth Meeting of the Board held on 11<sup>th</sup> January 2012 that has already been circulated to the members and CONFIRMED the minutes as circulated.

**b) CONSIDERATION OF THE REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN ON THE MINUTES OF THE SIXTH MEETING HELD ON 11th January 2012.**

The Board considered the 'Report of Action' taken on the minutes of the Sixth Meeting held on 11<sup>th</sup> January 2012.

**3. APPROVAL OF THE ACTION TAKEN ON THE MINUTES OF THE SIXTH MEETING OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS HELD ON 11th JANUARY 2012.**

The Board noted the 'Report of Action' taken on various observations/suggestions and decisions as recorded in the Minutes of the Sixth Meeting held on 11<sup>th</sup> January 2012 and approved the 'Report'.

**4. Director's Progress Report (Bi-annual review of the performance of the Director by the Chairman of the Board of Governors).**

Prof UB Desai made a presentation on the progress made by IITH during the last 3 years under the following broad categories:

- a. Academics and Teaching.
- b. Research and Development including papers published, projects undertaken consultancy, Laboratory developments, Research Centres, etc.
- c. Governance – various committees, Senate, Accounting and Automation, etc.
- d. Performance of Faculty, student appraisal of faculty performance, etc.
- e. Industry interaction.
- f. Progress on new campus.

The Chairman suggested the following:

The activities of IITH have to result in development of technology necessary for the surrounding rural community in the areas of sanitation, Solar energy usage, etc.

- a. IITH may strive to study the requirements, develop suitable technology, and commercialise it. Adding to this suggestion, Dr Mohandas informed that Cochin University has developed a Survey Model after extensive study and such a model could be of help to IITH. The Chairman suggested that IITH may have a MoU with Cochin University.
- b. The syllabi may be expanded to include Fine Arts and such other subjects so that students may develop proper perspective of life as better human beings.
- c. There is increased need to have more consultancy projects so that IITH can develop Corpus. Each Faculty may have at least one Consultancy project. IITH may constitute a Group that will identify the area of specialisation of each Faculty, identify industries that relate to the area of specialisation, and develop marketing strategies to have consultancy projects in the area of specialisation. This will augment industry interaction as also provide more opportunities to students to get internship. While Faculty may take up Consultancy projects, their basic responsibilities towards teaching, publications, guiding Ph D/M Phil students, R&D activities shall not be affected.
- d. In relation to Cognitive Radio, the Chairman suggested that IITH may develop technology and present it to Government of India so that the Government may pursue the matter to legalise fuller usage of the precious bandwidth.
- e. A Faculty In-charge may be identified for Consultancy projects, Internship, and Industrial Interaction and reflected in the organisation chart.
- f. The placement report may include the type of job offered.

The Chairman will tender a report of bi-annual review to MHRD.

## 5. Progress Report

The Board noted the progress made by the Institute in various spheres. The Chairman and the Board members expressed their satisfaction on the detailed report.

## 6. Presentation of Vision & Strategy for Departments at IITH.

It was decided by the Board to have the presentation in the next meeting due to time factors.

## 7. Any other item with the permission of the Chair.

- a) **Recruitment of Faculty in areas like Fine Arts, Performing Arts, Industrial Design, etc.:** Prof UB Desai, Director stated that in the areas of Fine Arts, Performing Arts, Industrial Design, etc. there are no Ph D completed candidates. IIT Bombay recruits Post Graduates with 4 years experience as Assistant Professor. Considering the need for appointment of Faculty in these areas, the Board approved recruitment of Faculty with Post Graduate Degree in the relevant field with 4 years experience after the Post Graduate Degree.
  
- b) **Appointment of Consultants for developing Incubation Centre:** Prof UB Desai, Director stated that development of incubation centre requires expertise and this involves payment of fees. The Board, after due consideration approved the concept. The Board authorised the Director to work out a methodology to set-up incubation centre in a professional manner, implement it.

The meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Chair.