

**Minutes of the Joint Meeting of the
8th BoG and the Finance Committee
Held on July 20, 2012 at 14:30 hours
(via Conference Call)**

Present:

Dr Ajai Chowdhury
Dr Kiran Majumdar Shaw
Dr Mohandas
Shri Mammen Mathew
Shri Alex Thomas represented FA, MHRD
Prof FA Khan
N Jayaram

Prof V. Eswaran, Shri R.P. Sisodia, Shri M.G. Gopal, Ms Amita Sharma, Shri Ajay Jain and Dr M.V. Panduranga Rao were granted leave of absence.

The Chairman welcomed the Members and requested Prof UB Desai to brief the Board of the Agenda Item.

Prof Desai briefly explained the Vision of the Institute, various facilities like Academic buildings, Hostels, Faculty and Staff housing, campus development works and related infrastructure etc. proposed to be created in Phase 1, the cost estimate, for technical sanction, EIA approval obtained so far, progress of rough grading work, etc.

Shri Mammen Mathew sought clarifications on inclusion of storm water drains and roads in Phase 1. Prof Desai clarified that the two items are included in the proposal for Phase 1.

The Chairman sought details on DSR, cost index, and the deviations in estimated cost. It was clarified that Delhi Schedule of Rates (DSR) and cost index published by Central Public Works Department (CPWD) from time to time form the foundation for preparation of estimates and the procedure is in full conformity with the extant instructions of Government of India and 10% deviation is permissible in the normal course of things. Prof Desai

further clarified that the detailed estimates are thoroughly verified by the team of Engineers of BSNL acting as Project Advisory Committee and that IITH will try to limit the deviations to less than 5%. The Chairman suggested that IITH may intimate MHRD of the details of requirement of funds from time to time to ensure availability of funds.

Shri Alex Thomas clarified that various areas stipulated in the DPR formulated during the year 2008 have been approved by the Cabinet and therefore have to be adhered to by IITH. He further clarified that IITH has to adhere to the overall plinth ceiling. Prof Desai stated that IITH will adhere to the stipulations of overall area and may require some modifications in the areas of various structures arising from the shape and topography of the land and architectural requirements. Moreover, Shri Thomas mentioned that the revised DPR is yet to be formally taken up for appraisal / approval and there was need for the construction cost of the IITH campus remaining within the cost ceiling approved for the purpose. Prof Desai assured that the average cost will be within the approved ceiling.

The Board recommended that the Finance Committee may consider and approve adherence to the total area requirements laid down in DPR 2008. IITH may intimate to MHRD that the overall plinth area is within the limits specified by the DPR of 2008, and mention the variations in the plinth for individual structures.

The Board and the Finance Committee approved the Agenda Item.