

### INDIAN INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY BOMBAY

MINUTES OF

THE 270<sup>TH</sup> MEETING

OF THE

### **BOARD OF GOVERNORS**

**HELD ON** 

AUGUST 23, 2024 (FRIDAY)

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AT

## BOARD ROOM, FIRST FLOOR, MAIN BUILDING INDIAN INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY BOMBAY

The Meeting Number 270 of the Board of Governors of the Indian Institute of Technology Bombay was held on August 23, 2024 (Friday) at 2.30 pm through Hybrid Mode.

#### MEMBER PRESENT AT THE MEETING

1. Dr. Sharad Kumar Saraf Chairperson 2. Prof. Shireesh Kedare Member 3. Prof. A.B. Pandit Member 4. Prof. Paresh K. Joshi Member 5. Shri Vikas Chandra Rastogi Member 6. Prof. Swati Patankar Member 7. Prof. B.G. Fernandes Member 8. Shri Ganesh Bhorkade Secretary

#### Invitee

1. Prof. Milind Atrey

Deputy Director (Academic, Research and Translation)

#### **LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

1. Administrator,

Member

U.T. of Dadra and Nagar Haveli

2. Ms. Saumya Gupta

Member

3. Prof. K.V. Krishna Rao

Invitee

Deputy Director (Finance, Infrastructure and

Administration)

At the outset, the Chairperson extended a warm welcome to all members and the invitees present in the meeting.

The Board **NOTED** that no comments were received from the Ministry of Education (MoE) on the agenda items of the 269th BoG meeting.

#### Item No. 1:

## CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE TWO HUNDRED AND SIXTY-NINTH (269<sup>TH</sup>) MEETING OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS HELD ON 21<sup>ST</sup> JUNE, 2024

i) The Board **NOTED** that the Minutes of the Two Hundred and Sixty-Ninth (269th) meeting were circulated.

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ii) The Board **RESOLVED to CONFIRM** the minutes of the Two Hundred and Sixty-Ninth (269<sup>th</sup>) meeting of the Board of Governors held on 21<sup>st</sup> June. 2024.

#### Item No. 2:

## REPORT OF ACTIONS TAKEN ON THE ITEMS OF MINUTES OF THE TWO HUNDRED AND SIXTY-NINTH MEETING OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS

i) The Board **NOTED** the actions taken on the Minutes of the Two Hundred and Sixty-Ninth (269<sup>th</sup>) Meeting of the Board of Governors.

#### Item No. 3:

## TO NOTE THE SUMMARY OF THE INSTITUTE PROGRESS (DASHBOARD AS ON 30.06.2024)

- i) The Board **PERUSED** the Progress of the Institute during the period 1<sup>ot</sup> April, 2024 to 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2024.
- ii) The Professor-in-charge, Placement Office made a presentation on the Placement report for the year 2023-24.
- iii) The Chairperson, BoG **SUGGESTED** to focus on the development of soft skills of students like Communication.
- The Head, Application Software Center made a presentation on placement statistics for 2024 graduates of the Institute obtained from the exit survey.
- v) The Board **noted** the detailed placement statistics and exit survey summaries and appreciated the same.
- vi) The Board also **SUGGESTED** that the final Placement report should include the Exit Survey data.

#### Item No. 4:

## APPROVAL TO THE AWARD OF DEGREES / DIPLOMAS TO BE CONFERRED AT SIXTY-SECOND ( $62^{ND}$ ) ANNUAL CONVOCATION OF THE INSTITUTE

i) The Board CONSIDERED the list of recipients of the award of degrees/ diplomas, medals and prizes as recommended by the Senate.

R. 31/2024 4/270 ii) The Board ACCORDED its APPROVAL to the award of degrees/ diplomas, medals and prizes as recommended by the Senate as follows:

A. Degrees to be awarded in 62<sup>nd</sup> Convocation on 23-08-2024 (as on 20-08-2024)

Sr. No.	Name of Degree/Diploma	No. of Recipients	No. of Degrees
1,:	Degree of Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) Including one Cotutelle	250	250
2.	Joint Degree of Doctor of Philosophy (Jt. Ph.D.) of IITB-Monash	20	20
3.	Joint Degree of Doctor of Philosophy (Jt. Ph.D.) of IITB-Monash Reciprocal	4	4
4.	Joint Degree of Doctor of Philosophy (Jt. Ph.D.) of IITB-NTU	1	1
5.	Dual Degrees (M.Tech./M.Phil. +Ph.D.) * (M.Tech.+Ph.D10 & M.Phil.+Ph.D1)	11	22
5.	Dual Degrees (M.Sc.+Ph.D.) *	3	6
	Total Ph.D. degrees (209 degrees in Interim + 289 degrees in	Main) = 498]	289
7.	Degree of Master of Science by Research (M.S. by Research)	36	36
8.	Dual Degrees (M.Sc./M.Tech.+M.S. by Research) * (1 each in M.Sc.+M.S. by Research & M.Tech.+M.S. by Research)	2	4
9.	Degree of Master of Arts by Research (M.A. by Research)	14	14
10.	Degree of Master of Technology (M.Tech.)	601	601
11.	Degree of Master of Design (M.Des.)	67	67
12.	Degree of Master of Business Administration (M.B.A)	110	110
13.	Master of Business Administration for Executives (E-MBA)  Jt. Degree of IIT Bombay and Washington University, St. Louis,  USA	0	0
14.	Degree of Master in Public Policy (MPP)	12	12
15.	Degree of Master of Science (M.Sc.)	268	268
16.	Degree of Master of Arts (M.A.)	1	1
	Dual Degrees (B.Tech.+M.Tech.) *	177	354
18.	Interdisciplinary Dual Degrees (B.Tech./B.S.+M.Tech./MBA) #	50	100
19.	Dual Degrees (B. Des. +M.Des.) *	9	18
	Dual Degrees (B.S.+M.Sc.) *	5	10
21.	Postgraduate Diploma of IIT (PGDIIT)	16	16
22.	Degree of Bachelor of Technology (B.Tech.)	935	935
	Degree of Bachelor of Design (B.Des.)	19	19
	Degree of Bachelor of Science (B.S.) - 4 years	64	64
25.	Degree of Bachelor of Science (B.Sc.) - 3 years	19	19
	Total (A)	2694	2951

<sup>\*:</sup> Award of two separate degrees of respective programmes in the same academic unit to each recipient.

<sup>#:</sup> Interdisciplinary Dual Degree Programme (award of two separate degrees in two separate academic units to each recipient – B.Tech./BS in parent dept. and M.Tech./MBA in host dept.)

Programme wise no. of Degrees to be awarded and no. Of Degree recipients in the Interim Session of the 62<sup>nd</sup> Convocation held on 24<sup>th</sup> February, 2024 (as on 23-02-2024)

Name of Programme / Degree	No. of Recipients	No. of Degrees
Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.)	184	184
Dual Degrees (M.Tech.+Ph.D.) *	11	22
Dual Degrees (M.Sc.+Ph.D.) *	14	28
TOTAL Ph.D.	209	
Master of Science by Research (M.S. by Research)	10	10
Master of Arts by Research (M.A. by Research)	1	1
Master of Technology (M.Tech.)	13	13
Master of Design (M.Des.)	2	2
Master of Philosophy (M.Phil.)	1	1
Dual Degrees (B.Tech. + M.Tech.) *	2	4
Master of Business Administration for Executives (E-MBA) Joint degree of IIT Bombay and Washington University, St. Louis, USA	44	44
Master of Science (M.Sc.) - 2 years	5	5
Postgraduate Diploma of IIT (PGDIIT)	9	9
Bachelor of Technology (B.Tech.)	16	16
Bachelor of Design (B.Des.)	1	1
Bachelor of Science (B.Sc.) - 3 years	12	12
TOTAL	325	352

<sup>\* :</sup> Award of two separate degrees of respective programmes to each recipient.

iii) The Board congratulated the recipients of the award of degrees/ diplomas, medals, and prizes.

#### Item No. 5:

### TO CONSIDER THE PROPOSAL FOR REVISED MODES OF ENGAGEMENT OF IITB RESEARCHER WITH A STARTUP

- The Deputy Director (ART) briefed the Board on the Item.
- ii) The Board **CONSIDERED** the proposal for Revised Modes of Engagement of IITB Researcher with a Startup.

R. 32/2024 5/270 iii) The Board **DELIBERATED** and **RESOLVED** to **APPROVE** the report, along with the Revised IITB Start-Up Policy (2024) and Modified Framework of Association of IITB Researcher with a Startup (August 2024).

#### Item No. 6:

## TO CONSIDER THE PROPOSAL FOR ESTABLISHMENT OF A NEW CENTRE: "CENTRE FOR SOPHISTICATED INSTRUMENTS AND FACILITIES"

- i) The Deputy Director (ART) briefed the Board on the Item.
- ii) The Board **CONSIDERED** the proposal for the Establishment of a New Centre: Centre for Sophisticated Instruments and Facilities.
- iii) The Board **SUGGESTED** to appoint full-time Liaison Officers for different industry sectors who will reach out to showcase the high-end facilities and research capacity of the Institute. The Board also **SUGGESTED** to continue with the current payment rule i.e. 1:2:4 (1-IIT Bombay: 2-Other Institutes: 4-Industry).

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- iv) The Board **DELIBERATED** and **RESOLVED** to **APPROVE** the following:
  - Establishment of a Centre for Sophisticated Instruments and Facilities (CSIF) for efficient management and operation of existing Central facilities, IoE funded facilities, SAIF and CRNTS facilities.
  - Creation of the position of Head (CSIF), COO, Technical officers, OSDs, facility operators and a structure for administrative and accounting support staff.
  - Establish a separate building to house all central facilities in the near future.

#### Item No. 7:

## TO CONSIDER THE REVISED RECORDS RETENTION SCHEDULE (RRS) FOR IIT BOMBAY

 The Board CONSIDERED the Revised Record Retention Schedule (RRS) for IIT Bombay.

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- ii) The Board **DELIBERATED** and **RESOLVED** to **APPROVE** the Revised Record Retention Schedule for IIT Bombay.
- iii) The Board **SUGGESTED** to review the period of retention of records in consultation with the Internal Audit Section.

- iv) The Board **AUTHORIZED** the Director to approve the amendments from time to time and report to the Board.
- v) The Board also **SUGGESTED** the digitization of records.

#### Item No. 8:

## TO CONSIDER THE AGENDA ITEMS OF IIT BOMBAY FOR THE 56<sup>TH</sup> IIT COUNCIL MEETING

- The Board NOTED the agenda items of IIT Bombay for the 56th IIT Counci Meeting.
- ii) The Board **RECOMMENDED** to discuss following agenda items of IIT Bombay in the upcoming 56th IIT Council Meeting:
  - Item 1 Initial Pay of Assistant Professor Gr. II
  - Item 2 A Disparity in Salary and Tax Benefits between the Government and IIT (Autonomous Body) Employees.
  - Item 3 Revision of Tuition Fees
  - Item 4 GST Concession for Educational Outreach Programmes
  - Item 5 Need for Blanket Exemption of Income of IIT from Income Tax
  - Item 6 Need for Blanket Exemption from Deduction of TDS on Payments made to IIT

#### Item No. 9:

TO CONSIDER APPEAL PREFERRED BY SHRI HARIDAS P. VIRGHAT, RETD. SENIOR MECHANIC, ELECTRICAL MAINTENANCE DIVISION AGAINST THE PENALTY OF 'DISMISSAL' FROM THE INSTITUTE SERVICE

i) The Board NOTED the Appeal dated 09.07.2024 filed by Shri Haridas P. Virghat, Retd. Senior Mechanic, Electrical Maintenance Division, against the penalty of 'Dismissal' from the Institute service imposed upon him w.e.f. 29.12.2022 by the Disciplinary Authority of the Institute.

- that the Disciplinary Authority on receipt of the Inquiry Peport has raised its concern on compliance of provision of Rule No. 14 (18) of the CCS (CCA) Rules, 1965 and also in order to avoid procedural flaw in the Inquiry proceedings as per provisions of Rule No. 15(1) of CCS (CCA) Rules, 1965 asked the Inquiry Officer to resubmit his Inquiry Report. Accordingly, the Inquiry Officer sought the explanation from Shri Virghat regarding compliance with Rule No. 14(18) of the CCS (CCA) Rules, 1965 as suggested by the Disciplinary Authority.
- iii) The Board **NOTED** that the Inquiry Officer after considering the plea of Shri Virghat stated that the analysis of evidence and final findings of the original Inquiry report does not lead to any change in the report.
- iv) The Board OBSERVED that the Disciplinary Authority has ensured that reasonable opportunity was given by the Inquiry Officer to Shri Virghat to defend his case and addressed all issues/ objections raised by Shri Virghat and the penalty imposed by the Disciplinary Authority is adequate.

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- v) The Board in the capacity of Appellate Authority after careful consideration found no merit in the Appeal preferred by Shri Virghat and RESOLVED to confirm the order of imposition of penalty of 'Dismissal' from the Institute service issued to Shri Virghat by the Disciplinary Authority vide Memorandum No. AO/LU/10000282/2024 dated 24.04.2024 and REJECTED the appeal dated 09.07.2024 preferred by Shri H. P. Virghat, Retd. Sr. Mechanic, Electrical Maintenance Division as the penalty imposed on Shri Virghat is adequate.
- vi) The Board **AUTHORISED** the Director to convey the order of Disposal of Appeal to Shri H. P. Virghat accordingly.

item No. 10:

#### ITEMS APPROVED BY THE CHAIRPERSON

- The Board NOTED and RATIFIED the following actions approved by the Chairperson as given in the Agenda, Item No. 10:
  - a) Selection of Employees
    - i) Faculty Positions
    - ii) Named Chair Professors

- iii) Deputy Registrar
- iv) Deputy Executive Engineer
- v) Assistant Registrar
- b) Re-employment of Faculty Members
- c) Reorganization of the responsibilities of Deputy Directors

#### Item No. 11:

#### ITEMS APPROVED BY THE DIRECTOR

 The Board NOTED and RATIFIED the actions taken by the Director in approving certain matters as authorised by the Board.

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- ii) The Board RESOLVED that the actions taken by the Director relating to the following item, as given in the Agenda Item No. 11, be approved:
  - a) Appointment of
    - i) Visiting Professor
    - ii) Distinguished Visiting Professor
    - iii) Visiting Associate Professor
    - iv) Adjunct Assistant Professor
    - v) CEOGE Visiting Chair Professor
    - vi) Institute Post Doctoral Fellow
    - vii) Research Associate
  - b) Extension of Appointment of
    - i) Adjunct Professor
    - ii) Institute Post Doctoral Fellow
  - c) Regularization as Assistant Professor Grade I
  - d) Appointments of Functionaries
  - e) loE Quarterly (Q1) Review Meeting Report
  - f) Grant of leave and financial assistance for attending International Conferences / Symposiums / Congress abroad and visits related to Project work
  - g) Survey Committee Reports

Item No. 12:

### TO NOTE THE PROGRESS REPORT (DETAILED) FOR THE PERIOD FROM 1st APRIL, 2024 TO 30<sup>TH</sup> JUNE, 2024

i) The Board **PERUSED** Progress Report (Detailed) of the Institute for the period from 1st April, 2024 to 30th June, 2024.

#### Item No. 13:

## TO NOTE THE REPORT OF SIGNING OF MEMORANDA OF UNDERSTANDING (MoUs)

- i) The Board **NOTED** the signing of the following Memoranda of Understanding (MoUs):
  - 1. Monash University, Australia
  - 2. University of Illinois System, USA
  - 3. Tel Aviv University, Israel
  - 4. Saint-Petersburg State University, Russia
  - Higher School of Economics, National Research University, Russia
  - 6. The State University of New York at Binghamton, USA
  - 7. Simon Fraser University, Canada
  - 8. National Institute for Materials Science, Japan
  - 9. National University of Singapore, Singapore
  - 10. University of Agder, Norway
  - 11. Dr Niren Laxmichand Nagda Award
  - 12. Late Bibhuti Kundu Memorial Award
  - 13. Vijay Iyengar Named Scholarship Endowment
  - 14. Ashutosh Joshi- Project Evergreen
  - 15. Doshi & Raghunathan Student Awards
  - Global Energy and Environmental Engineering Services Ltd. (GE3S) for Team Shunya
  - 17. Grauer & Weil (India) Limited/Growel India- R&D Project
  - 18. ESR technology Limited- R&D
  - 19. Microsoft Research India PhD Fellowship
  - 20. Motilal Oswal Research Lab:
  - 21. Fourth Amendment -Tata Consulting Engineers R&D
  - 22. Alphagrep Securities Scholarship

Item No. 14:

TO NOTE THE REPORT OF VARIOUS AWARDS/ DISTINCTIONS AND FELLOWSHIPS RECEIVED BY INSTITUTE / FACULTY MEMBERS

- i) The Board **NOTED** the information relating to various awards/ distinctions and fellowships received by faculty members.
- ii) The Board recorded its APPRECIATION for the work carried out by the faculty members and congratulated them on their achievements. The Board further desired that a "Letter of Appreciation" in this regard by the Director / Dean (Faculty Affairs) may be sent to these faculty members.
- iii) The Board congratulated Prof. Rohit Srivastava for receiving Rastriya Vigyan Puraskar Vigyan Shri award and Prof. Vikram Vishal for receiving National Geoscience Award conferred by the Hon'ble President of India.

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

(SHIREESH B. KEDARE)

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**DIRECTOR** 

(SHARAD KUMAR SARAF)

**CHAIRPERSON**