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Minutes of proceedings of52ndmeeting (Special meeting) of the BOARD OF GOVERNORSof National Institute of Technology Karnataka, Surathkal held on June 14, 2018 (Thursday) at 10:00AM in the Board Room 1, Radisson BLU, Hotel Atria, Bengaluru.

Members Present:

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- Prof. K Umamaheshwara Rao Director, NITK, Surathkal.
 - Shri K Rajan, Under Secretary to Govt. of India, Dept. of Higher Education, Ministry of Human Resource Development Govt. of India, ShastriBhavan, New Delhi-110 001
 - Representative of: **Shri S S Sandhu, IAS** Additional Secretary (TE) & CVO, Ministry of Human Resource Development, Govt. of India, Dept. of Higher Education, T E Bureau, 107-C, ShastriBhavan, New Delhi-110 001
 - Dr. (Ms.) Anju Chadha Professor, Laboratory of Bioorganic Chemistry, Department of Biotechnology & NCCR, Indian Institute of Technology Madras, CHENNAI - 600 036.
 - Shri MuddaKedarnath Advisor – Aditya Birla Group #17, Shankar Nilaya, 8th Main , 18th Cross Upper Palace Orchard, Sadashivnagar BENGALURU-560080.
 - Dr.ShanthAverahallyThimmaiah Managing Director, M/s. METAMORPHOSIS Group of Companies "PRAKRUTI BHAVAN", #200, 1st& 2nd Floor, 1st Cross, 40th Main, Behind Central Silk Board BTM Layout 2nd Stage, BENGALURU – 560068.
 - Dr. M K Nagaraj Professor, Department of Applied Mechanics, NITK, Surathkal.

Member

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Chairman

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 Dr. Udaya Bhat K Professor, Department of Metallurgical & Materials Engg, NITK, Surathkal.

 Prof. M S Chouhan Dean (P&D), MANIT, Bhopal Director, MANIT, Bhopal – 462003. Member

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Special Invitee

9. Shri K Ravindranath Registrar, NITK, Surathkal. Secretary

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Prof. K Umamaheshwara Rao, Director of the Institute informed the Committee that, considering the vacancy in the Office of the Chairperson, he is chairing the meeting under the provisions of 1st statutes notified under NIT Act. Then he welcomed all the members to the 52ndmeeting of the Board of Governors. The necessity of calling this special meeting was briefed the Hon'ble members of the BOG. Invitation to Prof. N S Raghuvanshi, Director of MANIT, Bhopal for attending the meeting as Special Invitee was also informed to the Committee. The comments dated 13-06-2018 of the IFD, MHRD was also placed before the Board. After a brief discussion, with the permission of the Chair, the Secretary, began deliberations on Agenda item.

Item No. 52.1: Reading and confirmation of the Minutes of the 51stmeeting of the Board of Governors held on Monday, May 14, 2018 at Conference hall, NIT Transit House, New Delhi - Reg.

The BOG noted the circulation of Minutes of 51stmeeting of the Board of Governors among the members. The BOG resolved to discuss the matter and confirm the minutes in its next meeting.

Item No.52.2: To consider the report on actions taken on the resolutions of 51stMeeting of BoGheld on Monday, May 14, 2018 - Reg.

The BOG resolved to take up this matter in its next meeting.

- Item No. 52.3: To consider the Items placed before the 52ndMeeting (Special meeting) of Board of Governors (BoG) held on Thursday, June 14, 2018 at Boar Room 1, Radisson BLU, Hotel Atria, Bengaluru.
- Item No. 52.3.1: Allegations levelled against Dr. AppuKuttan, the then Director of MANIT, Bhopal – Reg.

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After detailed deliberations, the Board resolved the following with majority view:

- The BOG resolved that the Director of MANIT be requested to furnish the Charge sheet implicating Dr. Appu Kuttan duly approved by the Board of the MANIT. The same may be forwarded to NITK, Surathkal for further necessary action from the institute for placing before the BOG of NITK, Surathkal.
- 2. MHRD representative did not agree with the resolution & was of the view that since Dr Appu Kuttan is retiring on 30/06/2018, the Board should take a decision for initiating disciplinary proceedings for major penalty under RDA and to withhold the terminal benefits and provisional pension may be given as per applicable rules in cases where the disciplinary proceedings have been initiated/ contemplated. He also asked the NITK, Surathkal to immediately take action for taking first stage advice from CVC as per the procedure preferably by next week.
- Board of NITK sought the explanation from MANIT for delay in initiating the fact finding process and inadequate representation from MANIT during the emergency BOG meeting held at Bengaluru on 14/06/2018.
- The BOG further resolved that the charge sheet received from MANIT, shall be placed before Board of NITK & may be forwarded to CVC seeking First Stage Advice at the earliest.

Action owner : Director and the Registrar Timeframe : Immediately.

Item No. 52.3.2: Any other item with the permission of the Chair

No other matter was discussed

The meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Chair.

Signature of members:

Prof. N S Raghuvanshi, Special Invitee

: DZ MS Chanhan for Disector MONIT



Dr. Udaya Bhat K, Member

Dr. M K Nagaraj, Member

Dr. Shanth Averahally Thimmaiah, Member

Shri. Mudda Kedarnath, Member

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Dr. (Ms.) Anju Chadha, Member

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Shri. K. Ravindranath, Secretary

Prof. K. Umamaheshwara Rao, Chairman