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The following Members were present:

1. C. V. R. Murty, Director, IIT Jodhpur

Chairman

2. Kiran Karnik, Former President, NASSCOM, Mumbai

Member

3. Pankaj Chandra, Former Director, IIM, Bangalore

Member

4. N. S. Vyas, Professor, Department of Mechanical Engineering, IIT Kanpur via Telephone

Member

5. Chief Secretary, Government of Rajasthan, Jaipur Represented by Mrs. Pushpa Satyani, Joint Secretary, Department of TE, GoR Member

6. C. V. R. Murty, Director, IIT Jodhpur

Ex-Officio Member

The following member was unable to attend the meeting:

1. D. R. Mehta, Chief Patron, Bhagwan Mahaveer Viklang Sahayata Samiti, Jaipur

Member

The following are the decisions of the Board on the items of the Agenda:

Part A:

S.No.	Item Decisions					
17.1	WELCOME BY THE CHAIRMAN					
	The Chairman welcomed the Members to the Meeting. He mentioned that in the last 10 years of its existence, the Institute started around 18 Degree Programs, and today has about 850 Students, 61 Faculty Members and 61 Staff Members. And, from July 2018, the Institute is launching four more Degree Programs, and is expected to have about 1,050 Students.					
	The Chairman briefly recalled the items of the Agenda of the meeting. In particular, he drew the attention of the Members to: (a) the MoU that the Institute is required to sign with MHRD, Government of India, (b) the HEFA loan that the Institute is required to seek for the ongoing Phase 2 Development of the Institute, (c) Annual Accounts of FY 2017-18, (d) Annual Budget of FY 2018-19, and (e) critical bottlenecks in the Phase 2 Development of the Permanent Campus.					
	The Members suggested that, in future, the meetings of the Board of Governors of the Institute be held on the Permanent Campus of the Institute. The Director agreed readily and promised to hold the Meetings of the Board on the campus.					
17.1.1	Confirmation of the Minutes of 16 th Meeting of the Board of Governors held on 28 November 2017 at Board Room, IIT Delhi					
	The Board discussed the comment received from one Member on the Minutes of the 16^{th} Meeting of the Board of Governors held on 28 November 2017. After discussion, the Board decided to include the comments as provided, and re-issue the Revised Minutes of the 16^{th} Meeting of the Board of Governors. With the above change, the Board confirmed the Minutes.					
17.1.2	Report on Action Taken					
	The Board noted the <i>Action Taken Report</i> on the various decisions taken in the 16 th <i>Meeting</i> of the <i>Board of Governors</i> held on 28 November 2017.					

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17.2 INSTITUTE REPORT BY THE DIRECTOR

The Director presented some salient aspects of the status of the Institute. To begin with, he presented the statistics of the number of Students, Staff Members and Faculty Members.

Then, he shared the bottlenecks in Phase 2 Development of the Permanent Campus, arising from incomplete works in Phase 1 Development and increased cost of Phase 2 Development owing to a ban on the use of river sand in the State of Rajasthan. These two aspects are now impacting the inventory of buildings & facilities proposed to be built in Phase 2 Development, given below:

S.No.	o. Building Plinth Area (m²)		S.No.	Building	Plinth Ar	rea (m²)	
		Phase 1	Phase 2			Phase 1	Phase 2
1	Department			1	Houses		
	CSE	4,877	0		Туре В	14,428	20,199
	CY	4,877	0		Type C	0	13,962
	EE	4,877	0		Married Students	0	2,003
	ME	4,877	0		Visiting FMs	0	5,752
	BB	0	4,790		Project SMs	0	4,006
	MT	0	5,073	2	House, Camp Office &	0	797
					Outhouses of Director		
	CE	0	5,073	3	Hostels		
2	Basic Lab.	3,250	0		Boys	24,232	31,025
3	Lecture Halls	7,216	0		Girls	0	9,521
4	Library	3,080	0	4	Dining	3,507	7,013
5	CC	0	5,073	5	Security Barracks	0	1,546
6	CW	0	3,111		Total	42,166	95,823
7	CARE	0	4,790	1	Indoor Student Facilities		
8	Infra. Engg.	0	3,200		Jal (Swimming Pool)	0	3,250
9	Institute Bldg.	0	5,896		Akaash(Badminton)	0	4,250
Total 38,950 31,110			2	Prim. Health Center		2,300	
			3	Shopping Center	0	7,200	
1	Infrastructure Facilities	35,	000	4	School	0	5,100
				5	The Jodhpur Club	0	1,875
				6	Community Center	866	0
					Total	866	23,975
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				GRAND TOTAL	2	,32,891	

He clarified that in this current situation, the Institute will be constrained to **not build**: (a) Housing of Married Students, Visiting Faculty Members, and Project Staff Members, (b) Shopping Center, and (c) School. This is a *tentative change* of scope and the clear picture will be known, when CPWD provides the details after final closure of Phase 1 costs; the same will be brought through the BWC and FC in the subsequent meeting of the Board of Governors. The Board expressed deep concern on this new situation, and felt that the scope of Phase 2 development will need to be re-considered in light of the above inputs.

Further, the Director presented a brief overview of the Financial Status of the Institute, including a possible scenario in 2030, by when the overall outlay of the Institute (under the three heads of Salary, Recurring and Non-Recurring) is likely to be around Rs.350 Crores per year. The Director sought that detailed financial planning and appropriate policy changes are necessary to be able to plan the sustainable development of the Institute. After detailed discussion on the various issues related to the subject, the Board agreed to: (1) the preparation of a *Master Plan* on the Finances of the Institute, with a road map giving the needed milestone policy changes, special actions to be taken, and initiatives to be embarked on, and (2) the constitution of a Committee (with subject specialists from academia, Finance and Industry) to guide the preparation of the White Paper through circulation.

Finally, the Board discussed the matter of the organizing of the 4^{th} Convocation of the Institute, during 8-14 July 2018. It suggested names of potential invitees as the *Chief Guest* of the occasion.

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17.3 DISCUSSION ITEMS

17.3.1 Recommendations of 13th Meeting of the Senate held on 25 April 2018 at IIT Jodhpur

The Board discussed the recommendations of the 13th Meeting of the Senate held on 25 April 2018. It noted with concern the starting of the new programs, when the available Faculty Member resource is limited, and when there is unexpected and last minute lateral movement of Faculty Members at the entry level from IIT Jodhpur to other IITs, Institutes and Universities.

After discussing the details of the various recommendations, the Board approved the recommendations, except the Agenda Item 13.2.6 of the *Senate* related to allowing students registered in the B.Tech., M.Sc. and M.Tech. Degree Programs of the Institute to credit the *NPTEL Online Certification Courses* in replacement to elective courses. On this matter, the Board decided to withhold the decision until the quality of NPTEL Courses improves significantly.

17.3.3 Enrollment in Part-time Ph.D. Program of the Institute by Staff Members of the Institute

The Board welcomed the proposal and approved the same. Also, it decided to waive off the Tuition Fee for the Staff Members enrolled in the Ph.D. Program. And, in case the Staff Member wishes to leave the Institute during the bond period after the completion of the Ph.D. Program, she/he has to return all related costs (Tuition Fee, etc.) incurred by the Institute towards the Ph.D. Degree Program of the Staff Member, which will be approved by the Board after examining the documents provided in this regard, if such a need arises.

17.3.4 Joint R&D Activities with AIIMS, Jodhpur, and DRDO Defence Laboratory, Jodhpur

The Board appreciated the proposal and approved the same. It asked the Institute to operate the projects under the *Norms for R&D Projects* of the Institute.

17.4 PROCEDURAL ITEMS

17.4.1 Editorial Policy of the Institute's Newsletter

The Board approved the proposal.

17.4.2 Charges for use of Advance Scientific Equipment

After detailed discussion on the possible impact, the Board approved the proposal with a change in case of charging the use of the said equipment, when the research work is *not funded* by any external R&D Project. In such cases, it was decided that:

- (1) Faculty Members, who have spent less than 5 years after joining the Institute, need not pay the said charges; and
- (2) Students need not pay the said charges. And, in both of these cases,
 - (a) in case the user is a *Faculty Member*, the Faculty Member and the Head of the Department shall certify that the research work is not funded by any external agency, and
 - (b) in case the user is a *Student*, the Faculty Member supervising the work and the Head of the Department shall certify that the research work is not funded by any external agency.

In all cases, including the above two exceptions, the user will bring her/his own consumable(s) or pay due charges for the consumables provided by the *Center for Advanced Scientific Equipment* (when the case so arises).

The matter will be reviewed after three years, when sufficient experience is gained on the same.

17.4.6 Signing of Memorandum of Understanding between the Institute and the MHRD, Government of India

The Board discussed in detail the various facets of the MoU, approved the signing of the same.

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17.5	REPORTING, ADOPTING AND NOTING ITEMS			
17.5.2	Report on Faculty Members and Staff Members joining and leaving the			
	Institute			
	The Board noted the said report.			
17.5.3	Adoption of Circulars of MHRD, Government of India			
	The Board adopted the said 1 circular of the Government of India.			

17.6 RATIFICATION ITEMS 17.6.1 Reports of Selection Committees The Board ratified the said 9 reports as presented. **Reports of Review Committees** The Board ratified the said 22 reports, with one correction of a typographical error at S.No.12, in which the decision was Placed on Probation in place of Probation Extended. **Reports of Standing Committees** The Board ratified the said 9 reports as presented. Other Approvals The Board ratified the said 6 reports as presented.

The Meeting ended with thanks to all Members of the Board of Governors.

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Chairman, Board of Governors, IIT Jodhpur