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**MALAVIYA NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY JAIPUR
(Deemed University)**

**Minutes of the 7th meeting of Board of Governors of Malaviya National
Institute of Technology, Jaipur held on 24th June, 2006.**

Seventh meeting of the Board of Governors started at 4.00 P.M. on 24th June, 2006 in the Conference Hall of administrative block of MNIT. The following were present:

1	Shri Mukul Kasliwal	Chairman
2	Prof. V. Venugopal Vice Chancellor, Andhra University Waltair	Member
3	Prof. Ranjit Singh Director, Netaji Subhash Institute of Technology, New Delhi	Member
4	Shri A.K. Chhatwani Senior Vice President M/s. Larsen & Tourbo Limited, Powai Bombay	Member
5	Shri Abhay Jain Director M/s. Ambika Petro Chemicals (P) Ltd., Bangalore	Member
6	Shri S. Mohan Director (Finance), MHRD, New Delhi (on behalf of Shri S.K. Ray, F.A., MHRD)	Special Invitee
7	Shri R.K. Bharti MHRD representative	Member
8	Prof. S.C. Pathak MNIT, Jaipur	Member
9	Dr. R.K. Yadava Reader, MNIT, Jaipur.	Member
10	Prof. R.P. Dahiya Director, MNIT, Jaipur	Member Secretary

Prof. Surendra Prasad, Director, IIT Delhi, Prof. S.C. Saxena, Director IIT Roorkee, Shri G.S. Sandhu, IAS, Principal Secretary, Higher & Technical Education, Government of Rajasthan, Shri Hari Shankar Singhania, Chairman & Managing Director, J.K. Corporation Limited and Special Invitees – Shri Mohan Guruswami and Dr. Rajeev Sharma could not attend the meeting.

All the members present in the meeting were welcomed by the Chairman. The Board appreciated the excellent contribution made by the outgoing members - Dr. C.P. Srivastava (UGC nominee) and Dr. U.S. Tandon (AICTE nominee).

The letter No.F.6-4/2006-TS.III dated 21.6.2006 received by Fax from the Ministry of Human Resource Development was placed before the Board. After receipt of the letter the Director contacted Shri Ravi Mathur, Joint Secretary (T) requesting to depute someone for the meeting so that the balance sheet and other issues could be finalized before the end of June 2006. In view of the urgency, the Joint Secretary (T) deputed Mr. R.K. Bharti from MHRD to participate in the meeting.

The Director made a Power Point presentation of different academic programmes, student intake, number of UG and PG students graduated in the academic session 2005-06 and student placement record. Almost all the B.Tech. students have been offered jobs in the campus interviews. The Board appreciated the good placement record and expressed satisfaction on the highest pay package of Rs. 7.40 lakhs per annum offered by M/s. Microsoft, Hyderabad. The Chairman suggested that we should also invite Birla Group of companies, manufacturing companies and the companies recruiting persons for research programmes. Shri Chhatwani was of the opinion that the Professor of Training and Placement should do a survey and concentrate on benchmarking and branding, which could be helpful for bridging the gap of pay packages offered in other prestigious technological institutions such as IITs.

The fees charged from the students was discussed and Shri Kasliwal, the Chairman, Shri S. Mohan, Director Finance, MHRD, Shri Abhay Jain and other members felt that there is a need to revise the student fees. A committee should be constituted to go into the details of the fee structure and to get details about the fees charged from the students in other NITs. There can be fee waiver for students coming from economically weaker sections, merit-cum-means scholarships can be awarded. Moreover, the Institute should assist the students to take educational loans from the banks, if required.

The agenda items were taken up and the decisions made are as follows:

1.0 To confirm the minutes of the 6th meeting of the Board of Governors held on 11.3.2006.

The minutes were circulated to all the members of the Board and no comments were received. The Board confirmed the minutes of the meeting.

2.0 To note the action taken on the decisions made in 6th meeting of the Board of Governors held on 11.3.2006.

The Board was satisfied with the action taken on various items. The Chairman suggested to entrust the responsibility of the Centres of Excellence to experts in the fields; also in the Centre for Energy and Environment, renewable energy be a thrust area.

3.0 Items for consideration

3.1 To consider for approval the recommendations of the 6th meeting of the Finance Committee including the Balance Sheet for financial year 2005-06.

The sixth meeting of the Finance Committee was held on 24.6.2006 at 2.00 P.M. in the Conference Hall of the Institute. The Chairman Board of Governors, who is also the Chairman of the Finance Committee, apprised the members of the Board about the deliberations and decisions made in the Finance Committee. The balance sheet for the financial year 2005-06 cleared by the Finance Committee was placed before the Board. After detailed discussions the Board approved the Balance Sheets for the financial year 2005-06.

It was resolved that the complete minutes of the Finance Committee shall be circulated to the members of the Board of Governors. .

3.2 To consider the programme for Second Convocation of the Institute.

The Board appreciated the proposal to hold the 2nd Convocation of the Institute in October, 2006. In this second convocation degrees will be awarded to the students passed out in the year 2005-06.

The Director presented the names of some eminent persons to have a Chief Guest for the 2nd convocation. The members of the Board also suggested some names and authorized the Chairman to decide about the Chief Guest.

3.3 To consider the ratification of the creation of four funds for the Institute.

As per legal covenants of TEQIP, one of the reforms to be implemented is to create four funds, i.e. corpus fund, staff development fund, depreciation fund and maintenance fund. Creation of these funds is mandatory in TEQIP. The Board of Governors ratified the Chairman's decision.

3.4 To consider the progress of TEQIP

The Director made presentation of the progress made under the TEQIP till date and highlighted the accelerated growth achieved after the present Chairman has taken over. The Chairman asked for the names of the faculty members who were sponsored for trainings/ workshops/ conferences/ seminars in India and abroad under TEQIP programme. A list of the faculty members was made available. The Board was satisfied with the accelerated progress under the TEQIP and felt that the civil works will get further boost after the appointment of an Architect in the Institute.

3.5 To consider for approval creation of administrative posts

There were detailed discussions about the need for senior administrative posts in the Institute as it is now an Institute of national importance. The Assistant Registrars will be required for academic affairs, research and development, student affairs, establishment and administration. The Financed Committee in its 6th meeting has given clearance for the creation of these posts. Security Officer and Horticulture Officer are also essential in connection with hiring of persons on contract for security and horticulture on the campus spread over nearly 325 acres. The Board approved the creation of the following posts: one Dy. Registrar (Academics) five Assistant Registrars, one Assistant Accounts Officer, one Security Officer and one Horticulture officer. The qualifications of different posts will be worked out by the Director. A request for sanction of these posts will be sent to the Ministry.

3.6 To consider the minutes of the 7th meeting of the Senate held on 2nd May, 2006

The Board considered the minutes of the meeting of the Senate held on 2nd May, 2006. The Director informed the BOG that the Senate has resolved to have a Board nominee, one nominee of alumni and two representatives of students as members of the Senate. The student representatives will be one from UG and one from PG. Prof. Venugopal Reddy suggested that academic merit should be one of the criteria for nomination of the students. The Chairman mentioned that the Board would like to meet the senators during one of its forthcoming meetings.

3.7 To consider the representation of Dr. (Mrs.) Suman Rathore, Lady Superintendent, Girls Hostel addressed to the Chairman, BOG.

Mrs. Suman Rathore has made a representation and attached the judgment of the Hon'ble Rajasthan High Court wherein the Court has decided that it will be appropriate to make a representation to the Board of Governors. The Board examined the case in detail and resolved that no change is possible and the status quo should be maintained as per initial appointment order.

- 3.8 To consider to seek fresh mandate in the case of Dr. M. Raisinghani, Retired Professor of Training & Placement for counting the period of extraordinary leave, i.e. from 13.8.1998 to 12.11.2002 spent as Principal, Engineering College, Ajmer for grant of Pension.

Based on the facts and figures presented before the Board it was decided that the services rendered by Prof. M. Raisinghani in Engineering College, Ajmer as Principal be counted for the grant of pensionary benefit under the CCS pension rules 1972 applicable w.e.f. 1.4.2004.

- 3.9 To consider the Annual Report of the Institute for the year 2004-05

A draft of the Annual Report for the year 2004-05 was placed before the Board for consideration and approval. The Chairman pointed out that a few changes need to be made. Prof. H.C. Pande was Chairman BOG during the period covered in the 39th Annual Report and his name should appear in the report. He also referred to the Institute area mentioned in the report should be as per actual. The draft of the annual report with these changes was approved.

4.0 Reporting Items

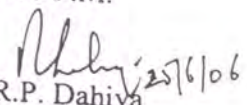
The Director highlighted the salient features of the various reporting items. The Board took note of the items reported under point 4.1 and 4.2.

The Board in particular appreciated the computer training programmes conducted for the non-teaching staff members of the Institute and also the summer jobs offered the students. The Board members suggested that students can also be involved in training the staff members.

5.0 Any other item

The Chairman and other members examined in details the balance sheet and break up of the accounts given for the year 2004-05. The accountants were called to explain the queries raised by the Chairman, Shri Chhatwani and other members. It was decided that the balance available in the Institute should be kept in nationalized banks and tenure of the deposit should be decided so as to get maximum rate of interest.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair at about 8.00 P.M.


R.P. Dahiya
Director