

Minutes of the

100th Meeting of the

BOARD OF GOVERNORS

held on

Wednesday, 31st August, 2016

at

02.30 p.m.

Venue: Board Room IIT Delhi



National Institute of Foundry and Forge Technology Hatia, Ranchi – 834 003, Jharkhand



Minutes of the 100th meeting of the Board of Governors of National Institute of Foundry and Forge Technology, Hatia, Ranchi, held at 02.30 p.m. on Wednesday, 31st August, 2016 at Board Room, IIT Delhi

Members present:

1. Shri. Sandeep Gupta

Chairman

48, Morar Enclave Colony Gola Ka Mandir, Gwalior (M.P.)

2. Prof. O.N. Mohanty

Member

Former Professor, IIT Kharagpur & Ex-VC BPUT Orissa Director, Technology & Academic Initiative RSB Metaltech, RSB Group, Plot No. 200, Unit - 3 Kharavela Nagar, Bhubneshwar-751001, Orissa.

3. Prof. M.K. Tiwari

Member

Department of Industrial Engg. and Management Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Kharagpur-721302 (W.B)

4. Prof. P. Talukdar

Member

Dept. of Forge Technology NIFFT, Hatia, Ranchi-3

5. Shri Avijit Ghosh

Spl. Invitee

Chairman cum Managing Director Heavy Engineering Corporation, Dhurwa Ranchi- 834004

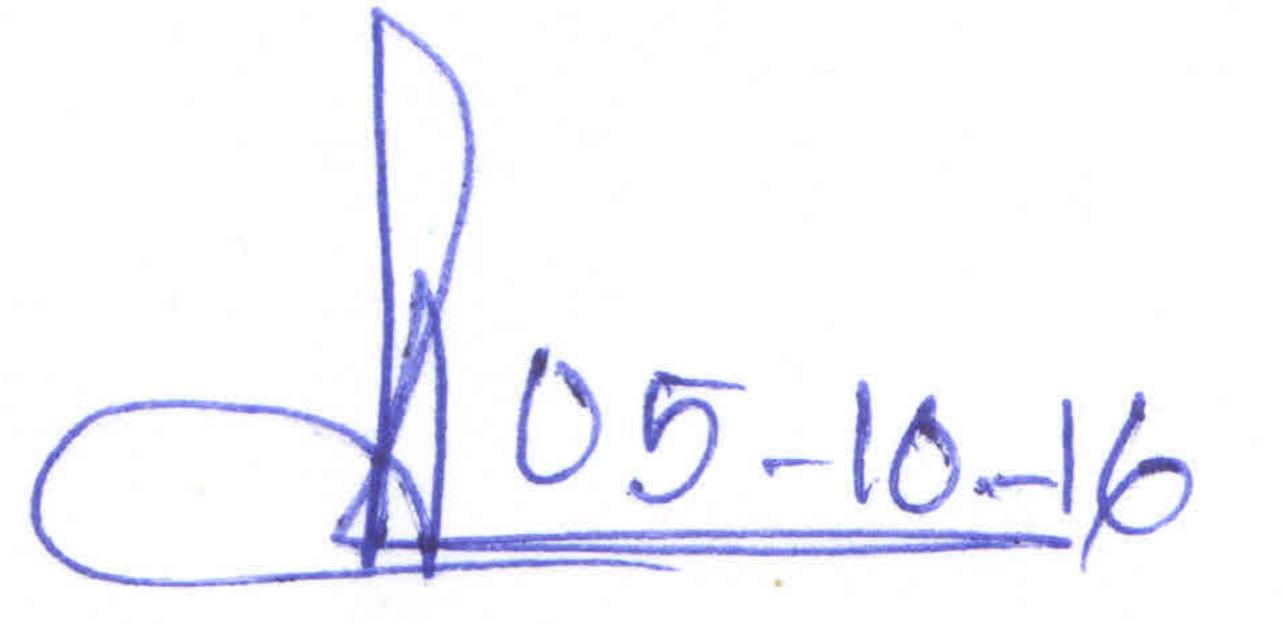
6. Prof. P P Chattopadhyay

Member Secretary

Director NIFFT, Hatia, Ranchi-3

Dr. N.K. Singh, Professor-in-charge of Administration participated as a Special Invitee

Leave of absence was granted to the representatives of Ministries





The meeting commenced with the warm welcome to the members by the Chairman, Board of Governors (BoG). Subsequently, the Chairman entrusted the Member Secretary to continue the proceeding. Accordingly, the Agenda Items were deliberated upon as following: -

Item No. I-1

To confirm the minutes of 99th meeting of the Board of Governors (BoG), held on 14th January, 2016 in the Board Room, NIFFT

The minutes of the 99th meeting of the Board of Governors were confirmed since no comment was received from the members on circulation of the minutes.

Item No. I-2

To report on the action taken on the minutes of 99th meeting of the Board of Governors (BoG) held on 14th January, 2016 in the Board Room, NIFFT

The Board noted the action taken. In the context of Item No.99-III-3, the board recommended to include Head, Civil (Construction and Maintenance), IIT Kharagpur and one expert (Electrical) from Heavy Engineering Corporation Limited, Ranchi in the reconstituted Standing Building Committee (SBC)

Item No. II-1 To report on the activities of the institute since last report submitted to the Board

Noted.

In the context of journal publication, the board advised to report only those publications which have been published in SCI Journals mentioning their impact factors.

Item No. II-2 To report on the activities of the Placement Cell

Noted. The board advised to prepare the placement report in a tabular form indicating the name and address of the company and course wise recruitment.

The Board also suggested to hire an expert, preferably retired from reputed Industry, to provide necessary support in the placement of students.

Item No. II-3 To report on the construction work entrusted to CPWD

Noted.

Item No. II-4 To report on the status of various court cases

Noted.

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Item No. II-5

To report on the status of filling up of vacant posts since last Board meeting Noted.

Item No. II-6 To report on the review of the functioning of NIFFT

The director presented the report of the Expert Committee on 'Review of the Functioning of the National Institute of Foundry and Forge Technology (NIFFT), Ranchi'. The members discussed on various issues addressed in the report. The members particularly emphasized on the need of repositioning the Institute in the form of Institute of National Importance with complete autonomy. The members felt that such repositioning is essential for the Institute to exert the desired flexibility, in alignment with the similar Institute of National Importance, in the process of introduction of new courses, upgrade of existing courses through modification of curriculum and syllabus, recruitment of faculty members with the required expertise in industrial and/or academic domains to meet the demand of the contemporary and futuristic Manufacturing Technology in general and Foundry and Forge Technology, in particular.

The Board expressed the following views on the recommendation by the Review Committee:

Section	View of the Institute
	To emerge as the International Centre of Advanced Manufacturing with the particular focus on Foundry and Forge technology
Mission and Objective (5.1.2 and 5.1.3)	Agreed as recommended by the review committee.
Upgradation of Technical Infrastructure and Facilities (5.2)	Agreed as recommended by the review committee.
Course curriculum (5.3)	Agreed as recommended by the review committee
(5.4)	The existing Governance Structure of the Institute is aligned with that of the institutes of similar nature under MHRD, GoI. In view of this, the BoG does not find the need for change in the existing Governance Structure. However, regarding the selection of BoG members, one additional member from NML/DRDO may be included.
Brand repositioning	Agreed as recommended by the review committee. The Board strongly recommended the repositioning of NIFFT

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	to Institute of National Importance.
Few Suggestions (5.5)	A. Modification of the current name of the Institute.
	Between the suggested names the Board expressed the view that 'National/Indian Institute of Advanced Manufacturing Technology' is the appropriate name.
	B. Satellite Locations
	Agreed as recommended by the review committee.

Item No. II-7 To report about:

- (i) Status of achievement of different financial targets;
- (ii) Expenditure made in both plan and non-plan heads, since last board meeting; &
- (iii) The release of plan and non plan from the ministry against the allocation.

Noted.

Item No. III-1 To consider and approve the minutes of the 100th meeting of the Administrative and Finance Committee

Approved.

Item No. III-2 Inquiry report in respect of Mr. S.K. Bhattacharya, Ex-Accounts Officer

The Board advised the institute to forward the report to MHRD as per rule.

Item No. III-3

To consider and approve the nomination of One Member in the BoG from amongst the faculty members (HoD & Professor) of the Institute for the One Vacant Position

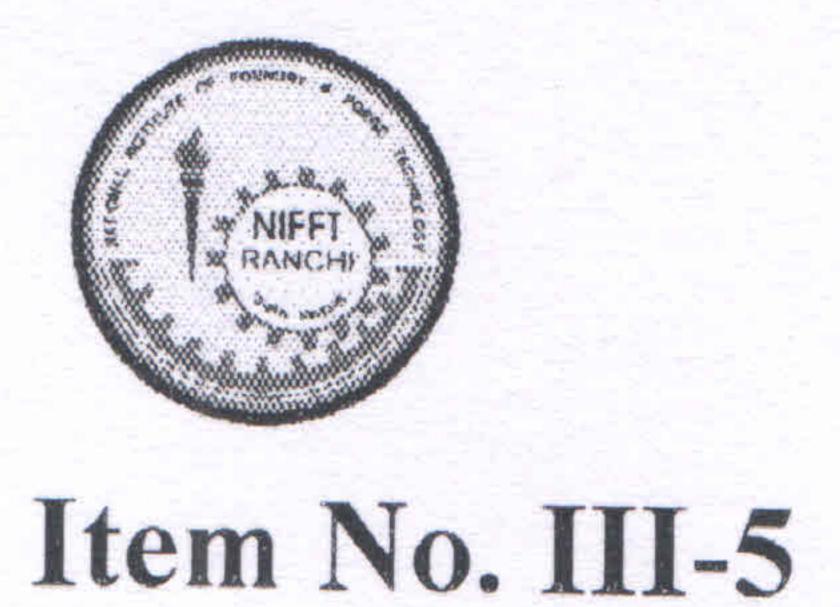
Approved as per precedence and rule.

Item No. III-4

To consider and approve the upgradation and placement of Mrs. Madhu Kumari, Asst. Prof. under Career Advancement Scheme (CAS) from Stage 2 to Stage 3

In view of the recommendation of the Screening cum Evaluation Committee placed before the Board, the implementation of the recommendation was accepted.

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To consider participation of NIFFT in Common Engineering Facility Centre to be established under the aegis of Department of Heavy Industry, GoI

The Board approved participation of NIFFT in the CEFC. NIFFT may obtain necessary support from CEFC in creating the laboratory and workshop infrastructure as and when needed.

Item No. III-6

To consider Establishment of School of Ferrous Technology, under the aegis of Ministry of Steel, at NIFFT, Ranchi

Approved.

Item No. IV

To report about the payment of DA as per the orders of Ministry of Finance, GOI

Noted.

The meeting came to an end at 6.00 p.m. with thanks to the Chair.

(Member Secretary)

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