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NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY RAIPUR
(An Institute of National Importance)
Under Ministry of Education, Govt. of India

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69thmeeting of Board of Governors

MINUTES

The 69th meeting of the Board of Governors of NIT Raipur was held on 29.05.2026 from 12:00 PM onwards in the Mini Conference Hall of the Institute.

Following officials were present at the meeting:

1	Dr. Suresh Haware	Chairman, BoG
2	Prof. N.V. Ramana Rao	Director, NIT Raipur-Member Ex Officio
3	Shri Heeralal	Deputy Secretary, Technical Education (NITs), Representative, JS-MoE [*attended through online mode*]
4	Shri Narayan Singh Bisht	[Representative of Joint Secretary and Financial Advisor, NITs, MoE] [*attended through online mode*]
5	Dr. Rajiv Prakash	Director, IIT Bhilai-Member
6	Dr. Sanjay Kumar Singhai	Principal–Govt. Engg. College Bilaspur Member
7	Mrs. Anita Verma	Member
8	Dr. Samir Bajpai	Professor (HAG) Deptt. of Civil Engg.- Member
9	Dr. Dilip Singh Sisodia	Associate Professor, Deptt. of CSE- Member
10	Dr. Narendra D. Londhe	Secretary-BoG& Registrar (I/C), NIT Raipur

The Chairman welcomed all the members present in the meeting. After ascertaining the quorum, the Chairman permitted the Secretary, BoG, to present the agenda items for discussion.

The following resolutions were considered and adopted by the Board of Governors of NIT Raipur:

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<tr><th>Sr. No</th><th>Particulars</th></tr>
<tr><td>Agenda 69.1</td><td>To confirm the minutes of 68th meeting of Board of Governors held on 18.02.2026</td></tr>
<tr><td>Resolution</td><td>The minutes of 68th meeting of the BoG held on 18.02.2026 were circulated to all members vide mail dated 25.02.2026. Comments from the Ministry on Agenda Item No. 68.09 were received and have been duly incorporated into the revised minutes.

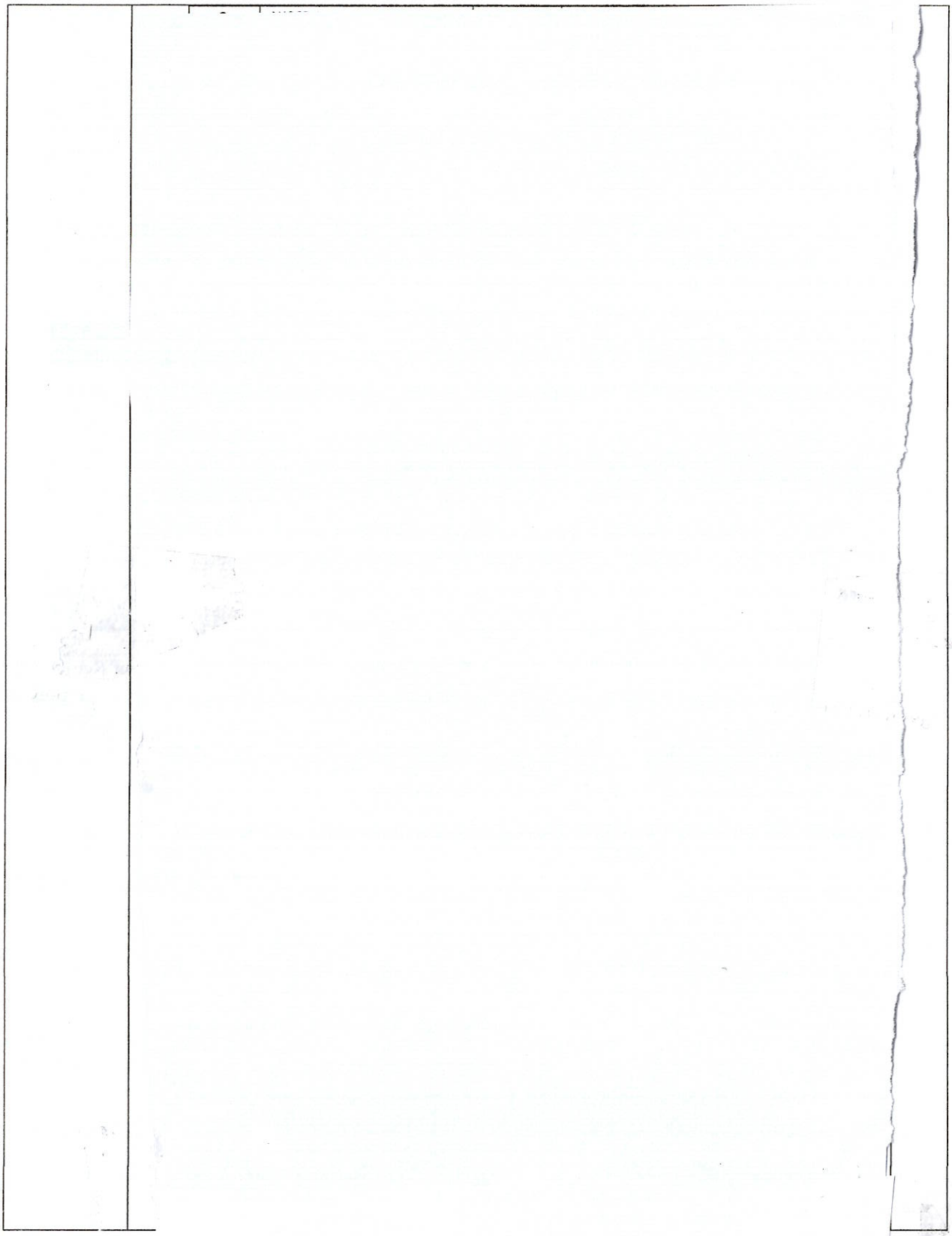
The Board confirmed the minutes of the 68th Meeting of the Board of Governors held on 18.02.2026.</td></tr>
<tr><td>Agenda 69.2</td><td>To note the Action Taken Report on the minutes of 68th meeting of Board of Governors held on 18.02.2026.</td></tr>
<tr><td>Resolution</td><td>The Action Taken Report on the minutes of 68th meeting of Board of Governors held on 18.02.2026 were noted by the Board.</td></tr>
<tr><td>Agenda 69.3</td><td>To note the Directors Report</td></tr>
<tr><td>Resolution</td><td>The Director's report comprising the major milestone of the Institute since the date of last meeting of the Board i.e. 18.02.2026 was noted by the Board. The efforts of the Institute in context of infrastructure development, new smart classrooms being under CSR funding were well appreciated by the august members of the Board.</td></tr>
<tr><td>Agenda 69.4</td><td>To approve the recommendations of 60th Finance committee meeting to be held on 29.05.2026</td></tr>
<tr><td>Resolution</td><td>The Board approved the following recommendations of the 60th meeting of Finance Committee held on 29.05.2026.
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<tr><td>Agenda 60.3</td><td>To consider and approve the proposals of 43rd meeting of BWC of NIT Raipur held on 25.05.2026</td></tr>
<tr><td>Resolution</td><td>The Finance Committee recommended the resolutions of the 43rd meeting of the BWC of NIT Raipur held on 25.05.2026.</td></tr>
<tr><td>Agenda 60.4</td><td>To consider and approve the mechanism for utilization of Institute funds and reimbursement arrangement under the M.Tech. Programme in Medical Devices sanctioned by the Department of Pharmaceuticals, Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilizers, Government of India.</td></tr>
<tr><td>Resolution</td><td>The Finance Committee recommended the utilization of 75% of the program cost amounting Rs. 13,06,87,697 under the Sponsored M.Tech Program in Medical Devices from the Institute fund which shall be reimbursed from the Ministry of Pharmaceutical as per</td></tr>
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	the signed MoU terms and conditions.
Agenda 60.5	**To consider and recommend proposals for empaneling hospitals/clinics to provide cashless healthcare services to NIT Raipur regular employees at CGHS rates**
Resolution	**The Finance Committee recommended the empanelment of following Hospitals for treatment of Regular Employees of the Institute in cashless mode as per CGHS rates.** 1. Gayatri Hospital, Rohinipuram, Raipur 2. ITSA Hospitals, Banjarpara Saddu, Raipur 3. Medihealth Hospital, Amanaka, Raipur
Agenda 60.6	**To consider and recommend the annual accounts of the institute for the FY 2025-26**
Resolution	**The Finance Committee recommended the Annual Accounts of the Institute for the F.Y. 2025-26 for further approval of the Board.**
Agenda 60.7	**To consider and recommend procurement and implementation of the e-Office System in the Institute**
Resolution	**E-Office in the Institute the rates are reasonable, and the FC recommended the implementation of E-Office. The Committee resolved that a comparative analysis of the proposed rates with those prevailing in other Centrally Funded Technical Institutions (CFTIs) shall be carried out to ascertain their reasonableness before implementation. The findings of the comparative study shall be placed before the Chairman, Board of Governors (BoG), for consideration and approval.** **The Committee further resolved that, upon completion of one year of operation, the Institute shall undertake the development of its own Data Centre infrastructure to support its long-term technological and operational requirements.**
Agenda 60.8	**To consider and recommend the contract of cleaning services of NIT Raipur to Atithi Hospitality and Event Associates Raipur for ₹2,31,21,228**
Resolution	**The Finance Committee recommended the award of the contract for providing cleaning services at NIT Raipur to Atithi Hospitality and Event Associates, Raipur at an estimated contract value of ₹2,31,21,228 per annum. The contract shall initially be valid for a period of one year and may be extended for up to two additional terms, subject to satisfactory performance and compliance with the terms and conditions of the contract.** **The Finance Committee further recommended that, in view of the urgency of the matter and the expiry of the existing cleaning services contract on 31.05.2026, the work order be issued immediately upon approval of the**

			proposal by the Board in its present meeting. The Committee observed that timely issuance of the work order is essential to ensure continuity and uninterrupted provision of cleaning, housekeeping, and sanitation services across the Institute campus, thereby avoiding any disruption to the Institute's day-to-day operations.
		Agenda 60.9	**To consider and recommend the purchase of computers from the institute grant OH-35 of amount ₹13.2 crores**
		Resolution	**The Finance Committee accordingly recommended the proposal for procurement of computers under the Institute Grant (OH-35) amounting to approximately ₹13.20 crore for consideration and approval of the Board of Governors as per availability of the funds.**
Agenda 69.5	**To consider and approve the recommendations of DPC held on 11.05.2026 and 19.05.2026 for the promotion of non-teaching staff of NIT Raipur**		
	The Board considered the recommendations of the **Departmental Promotion Committee (DPC)** meeting held on **11.05.2026** and **19.05.2026** and **approved the recommendations pertaining to Group 'A' officers.** The Board further **noted the approvals accorded by the Director, NIT Raipur, in respect of promotions/upgradations of Group 'B' and Group 'C' officers**, as per the provisions of the applicable rules and regulations. **The board approved the Departmental Promotions/Financial Upgradations/MACPS – 2025 & 2026 following Group A officials:**		

	Promotion from Group B to Group A Post

	The Board further approved the placement of the second eligible candidate (Merit-2), as per the order of merit recommended by the Departmental Promotion Committee (DPC), against any available vacant ministerial higher-cadre post carrying the same Pay Level–9, for promotion as Superintendent (SG-I).
Agenda 69.6	**To consider and approve the extension of engagement of Dr. Prem Sagar Mishra as Professor of Practice in the Department of Mining Engineering.**
Resolution	The Board has approved the extension of engagement of Dr. Prem Sagar Mishra as Professor of Practice for a further period of one more year w.e.f. 01.05.2026.
Agenda 69.7	**To consider and approve the Selection Committee recommendations for the backlog Faculty Positions for Assistant Professor, Associate Professor and Professor in Various Departments of the Institute vide Recruitment Advertisement No./NITRR/R-1/Advt./2026/732, Dated 09/01/2026.**
Resolution	**The Board approved the recommendations of the Selection Committees for appointment to the posts of Professor, Associate Professor, and Assistant Professor under Recruitment Advertisement No. NITRR/R-1/Advt./2026/732 dated 09.01.2026.** The Board recorded its satisfaction regarding compliance with the prescribed recruitment procedures, including scrutiny of applications, communication to ineligible candidates, constitution of Selection Committees as per the NIT Statutes, and adherence to the guidelines and checklists prescribed by the Ministry. The Board further resolved that internal candidates shall retain the category under which they were initially recruited in the Institute for the purpose of recruitment and appointment. The Board also authorized the Director, NIT Raipur, to issue offer letters immediately to the selected candidates so as to facilitate their joining before the commencement of the upcoming academic session scheduled to begin in the first week of July 2026. The list of selected candidates is placed below:



Agenda 69.8	**To consider and approve the correction in the Essential Criteria for the post of Registrar in the Non-Teaching Recruitment Rules, 2019, for the purpose of recruitment of post of Registrar as per the ministry direction F.No.35 – 1/ 2026 – TS.III dated 18th May, 2026**
Resolution	**The Board approved the proposed minor correction in the Experience criteria for the post of Registrar under the Non-Teaching Recruitment Rules, 2019, in line with the practices followed by other NITs, including NIT Goa, NIT Allahabad, and NIT Nagpur.** The Board noted that the proposed change is clarificatory in nature and is intended to remove ambiguity in the interpretation of the eligibility conditions. The Board further authorized the Institute to incorporate the corrected Experience criteria, as detailed below, and proceed with the recruitment process accordingly. **Experience:** i. Holding analogous post, **or** ii. At least 15 year's experience as Assistant Professor in the AGP of 7000/- and above or with 8 years of service in the AGP of 8000/- and above including as Associate Professor along with 3 years experience in educational administration, or iii. Comparable experience in research establishment and /or other institutions of higher education, or iv. 15 years of administrative experience, of which 8 years shall be as Deputy Registrar or an

	equivalent post in the GP of Rs.7600/- or above.
Agenda 69.9	**To consider and approve the recommendations of the Selection Committee meeting held on 25/05/2026 for recruitment to the post of Principal Technical Officer.**
Resolution	The Board approved the recommendations of the Selection Committee for the recruitment to the post of Principal Technical Officer (Pay Level–14, 7th CPC). The Board noted that two candidates were interviewed for the post, and the recommendations of the Selection Committee are as under:
Agenda 69.10	**Extension of tenure of Assistant Professors (on contract) Grade-II joined in 2021 in the Department of Architecture and Planning**
Resolution	The Board considered the request of Ms. Shailoneil Sahu for extension of contractual services and noted that the tenure of her engagement is nearing the maximum permissible limit. Accordingly, the Board directed the Institute to refer the matter to the Ministry, along with a detailed justification and the recommendations of the competent authority, for obtaining appropriate guidance and approval, and to take further action in accordance with the directions received from the Ministry. The Board also noted the expiry of the extended contractual tenure of Shri Mayank Tenguriya and observed that no further extension of his contractual engagement is contemplated.
Agenda 69.11	**To consider and approve the Faculty-Led Startups under IISP-2021 and Adoption of Operational Framework for Faculty Startups at NIT Raipur**
Resolution	**The Board considered the proposal regarding Faculty-Led Startups under the Institute Innovation and Startup Policy (IISP)-2021 and the adoption of an operational framework for Faculty Startups at NIT Raipur. After detailed deliberations, the Board approved the following:** 1. **The Procedure for Startups by NIT Raipur Faculty Members**, along with the prescribed **Undertaking Format**, as the standard operational framework for processing and managing faculty-led startups in the Institute. 2. **The registration of the following faculty startups under IISP-2021:** o **Silky Heal** promoted by Dr. Arindam Bit; o **LifeCure Innovation** promoted by Dr. Sudip Paul; and o **Nextorbit** promoted by Dr. Saurabh Gupta. 3. Authorization to **NITRR Foundation for Innovation and Entrepreneurship (NITRR-FIE)** to admit the approved startups for incubation, based on the recommendations of the Institute Startup Committee (ISC), execute the necessary incubation agreements, and hold equity on behalf of the Institute in accordance with the provisions of IISP-2021.

	4. Authorization to the **Director, NIT Raipur**, to execute incubation agreements and equity-related arrangements on behalf of the Institute, and authorization to the **Institute Startup Committee (ISC)** to examine and process future faculty startup proposals under the approved framework, with periodic reporting of such cases to the Board of Governors. **The Board accordingly approved the above proposals and authorized the Institute to take all necessary consequential actions for their implementation in accordance with IISP-2021 and other applicable rules and regulations.**
Agenda 69.12	**To consider and approve the recruitment for the post of Dy. Director as per the ministry direction F.No.35 - 1/ 2026 - TS.III dated 18th May 2026**
Resolution	The Board considered the Ministry's directions vide letter No. **F. No. 35-1/2026-TS.III dated 18.05.2026** regarding the appointment of Deputy Director and deliberated upon the eligibility criteria approved by the Council of NITSER. The Board noted that, based on the existing eligibility criteria approved by the Council of NITSER, only one faculty member of the Institute is presently eligible for consideration for the post of Deputy Director. The Board observed that such limited eligibility may restrict adequate competition and wider participation in the selection process. After detailed deliberations, the Board approved the following modifications in the eligibility criteria for the post of Deputy Director: 1. **Age:** Not more than **62 years** as on the closing date of application, considering that the initial appointment to the post of Deputy Director is for a period of three years. 2. **Experience:** Not less than **five years as Professor or experience in holding the charge of an administrative post carrying Pay Level-14 or Level-14A or equivalent in the same Institute.** The Board further resolved that **all other eligibility criteria approved by the Council of NITSER shall remain unchanged.** The Board thereafter approved the initiation of the recruitment process for the post of Deputy Director based on the above eligibility criteria. The Board also approved the draft advertisement and application format and authorized the Director, NIT Raipur, to take necessary action for issuance of the advertisement and completion of the recruitment process in accordance with the applicable statutory provisions and Ministry directions.
Agenda 69.13	**To consider and approve the release of the withheld Higher Administrative Grade (HAG) Scale (Pay Level-15) to Dr. M. K. Verma consequent upon the disposal of the pending enquiry against him.**
Resolution	The Board was apprised that **Dr. M. K. Verma, Professor, Department of Civil Engineering**, had been recommended for upgradation to the **Higher Administrative Grade (HAG) Scale (Pay Level-15)** by the duly constituted Selection Committee, and the same was approved by the Board under **Agenda Item No. 64.5** of the **64th Meeting of the Board of Governors held on 14.11.2024**. However, the issuance of the order was withheld in view of the enquiry pending against him at that time.

	The Board further noted the communication issued by the Office of the Hon'ble Governor of Chhattisgarh vide letter No. **2012/6075/2024/राम/U5 dated 15.05.2026**, wherein it was recorded that the Inquiry Committee had examined the complaint and the related documents and concluded that the allegations were baseless. Accordingly, the complaint was ordered to be closed as unsubstantiated. After considering the matter and noting that the enquiry pending against Dr. M. K. Verma has since been disposed of, the Board approved the release of the withheld grant of the **Higher Administrative Grade (HAG) Scale (Pay Level–15)** to **Dr. M. K. Verma**, as recommended by the duly constituted Selection Committee and approved by the Board earlier. The Board further approved that the grant of the HAG Scale shall take effect **from 14.11.2024**, being the date of approval by the Board under Agenda Item No. 64.5 of the 64th BoG meeting, along with all consequential benefits, subject to submission of an affidavit by Dr. M. K. Verma declaring that no disciplinary, vigilance, criminal, or other proceedings are pending against him as on the date of issuance of the order. The Board further approved that the grant of the HAG Scale shall take effect from 14.11.2024, being the date of approval by the Board under Agenda Item No. 64.5 of the 64th BoG meeting, along with all consequential benefits, subject to submission of an affidavit by Dr. M. K. Verma declaring that no further similar enquiries are pending against him as on the date of issuance of the order.
Agenda 69.14	**To consider the Matter of departmental promotion of Shri D K Soni and Shri J L Dhruv (Promotion to the post of Technical Officer)**
Discussion	The Board deliberated the matter in detail. The Board considered the recommendations of the Committee and noted that, in terms of Point 8 of the Recruitment Rules for the post of Technical Officer under the Non-Teaching Recruitment Rules, 2019 (RR-2019), although the educational qualifications prescribed for direct recruits are not applicable to promotees, a promotee is required to possess at least a B.E./B.Tech./M.Sc. or equivalent degree in the relevant field, or an MCA degree from a recognized University/Institute. The Board observed that the said minimum educational qualification is mandatory for consideration for promotion under the applicable Recruitment Rules. The Board noted that both officials considered by the Departmental Promotion Committee (DPC) do not fulfil the prescribed minimum educational qualification. The Board also noted that more than one year has elapsed since the meeting of the DPC.
Resolution	After detailed deliberation and consideration of all relevant facts and circumstances, the Board resolved as follows: 1. The board did not agree to the applicability of the following in this matter and;

	"For the promotion of Non-Teaching employees who were recruited before the implementation of above mentioned RRs issued on 5th February, 2014 and 20th December, 2017, respectively, will continue to be governed by the same educational qualifications, which were prevalent before the respective RRs. However, such employees will have to undergo requisite skill test / trade test for future promotion(s) and upgradation. Those who have been recruited as per the RRs issued on 5th February, 2014 and 20th December, 2017, respectively, will continue to be governed by the same." ...contd./- that the Non-Teaching Recruitment Rules, 2019 (RR-2019) shall be applicable for consideration of promotion in the present matter. 2. That the recommendations of the Departmental Promotion Committee (DPC) in respect of the said officials are not accepted, as the officials do not fulfil the prescribed minimum educational qualification under RR-2019. 3. That the recommendations of the said DPC have ceased to remain operative and shall not be acted upon. 4. The Institute Administration shall place the aforesaid decision before the Hon'ble Court(s) in all pending cases pertaining to the matter and take necessary steps for their appropriate disposal and conclusion in accordance with law.
Agenda 69.15	**Any other matter with the approval of the Chairman BoG:** Following special requests were placed by Dr. Suresh Haware, Chairman BoG to the Ministry officials 1. to expedite the proposal of the Institute for development of Phase- 1 of the existing campus of the Institute and; 2. also requested to sanction the additional faculty positions submitted to the Ministry at the earliest as there is acute shortage of faculty in the Institute as per the STR mandate of the Ministry.

Since there were no other matter for discussion in the Board, the meeting ended with vote of thanks to the chair.

Dr. Narendra Londhe
Registrar (I/C) and Secretary-BoG

Dr Suresh Haware
Chairman BoG