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**MINUTES OF THE 1ST (2019-20) MEETING OF THE BOARD OF AWARDS HELD ON
SATURDAY, THE 21 DECEMBER 2019, AT 1000 HOURS AT HYDERABAD**

The following were present:

Prof S K Khedkar Chairman
Dr (Prof) Sushil Kumar Kaura
Shri Ajay Kumar
Wg Cdr P Prabhakar (Retd)
Shri S Ramaswamy
Shri Kishor R Shende
Prof (Dr) A P Thakare
Prof Sanjay Singh Thakur

The following members were unable to attend:

Prof (Dr) Udhav V Bhosle Co-Chairman
Col M K Pande (Retd)

Secretariat:

Mrs Sandeep Kaur Mangat

**ITEM-1 CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE 3RD (2018-19) MEETING OF
THE BOARD OF AWARDS HELD ON THE 20 JULY 2019 AT SHIRDI**

1.1 The minutes of the previous Board meeting stand approved as there were no comments.

ITEM-2 CONFERRMENT OF 2019 IETE AWARDS

2.1 The Chairman informed the committee members regarding conferment of IETE Awards-2019 during AIC at Ayodhya, UP on 28th Sep 2019. He apprised that the awardees who were absent during the event have all been dispatched their awards at their postal addresses.

2.2 The conferment of IETE-IRSI (83) Main & Young Scientist Awards was held on 12 Dec 2019 at Bengaluru, and it was attended by President IETE, Dr J W Bakal was also informed to the Board Members.

2.3 Apprising the Board Members of previous decision of the Governing Council, the Chairman informed that the categories that received only one nomination in 2019, their nominees have been informed through e-mails about IETE's decision of reconsideration of their nominations, if they send it again in 2020.

2.4 This is for the information of the Governing Council.

ITEM-3 NEW JURY MEMBERS FOR IETE AWARDS

3.1 The Chairman informed that three new names were proposed for Jury members by Shri S Ramaswamy, during 2018-19 Board of Awards meeting, when he was a member of the Board. This matter was deferred then and now has been set off and these members approached for their acceptance for IETE Jury Members. The responses as received from them were as follows:-

- **Dr B Chidambararajan**, Principal, SRM Valliammai Engg College, Kattankulathur - **Agreed**
- **Dr R Nakkeeran**, HoD, Dept of EE, School of Engg & Tech, Pondicherry Central University, Pondicherry- **Agreed**
- **Dr Bharat S Chaudhari**, Prof and Head, Dept of ET, Maharashtra Inst of Technology, Pune- **Wants his name to be considered from 2021 onwards but not this year.**

3.2 The BoA accepted the names of the persons who agreed to be included into the list and recommended that first their names be adjusted in appropriate Awards categories that coordinate with their specialization and shown for consideration of the Board members, by the Awards Section.

3.4 Dr Bharat S Chaudhari's name as a jury member is included in the expert jury list, next year.

3.5 This is for the approval of Governing Council.

ITEM-4 REMOVAL OF NAMES OF THE DECEASED

4.1 The Chairman informed the Board members about passing away of three senior and much respected Jury members. He recommended that their names be now removed from the jury list from following categories:-

S. No	Name of Jury Members	Name of Award
1	Prof B S Sonde	IETE - Ram Lal Wadhwa Award IETE - B R Batra Memorial Award IETE - Biman Behari Sen Memorial Award
2	Dr P B Parikh	IETE - Hari Ramji Toshniwal Award IETE-Corporate Award for Performance in Electronic Instruments and Instrumentation
3	Dr R S Khandpur	IETE - Hari Ramji Toshniwal Award IETE-Corporate Award for Performance in Electronic Instruments and Instrumentation

4.2 The Board after due deliberations recommended that prospective names be requested through e-mails from the Board members and the Governing Council members at the earliest in respective award categories.

4.3 The Board Members also suggested that previous year's awardees may be approached to contribute as the expert IETE jury members, after BoA approves the proposed awardees names. After the Board's approval is received this previous year's awardees will be approached for their acceptance in the categories complementing their specialized areas.

4.4 This is for the information & approval of the Governing Council.

ITEM-5 CALL FOR NOMINATIONS: FOR IETE MAIN AND IETE CORPORATE AWARDS-2020

5.1 Confirming the announcement of "Call for Nominations-2020", the Chairman Board of Awards informed the Members that the information has been published in Nov-Dec 2019 issues of IETE journals (TR & JR) and would also be included in Jan-Feb 2020 issues of IETE TR and JR, as per past practice. He further added that individual letters would go to all relevant organizations under the signature of President IETE, for wider publicity; announcement details are already displayed on the IETE website: www.iete.org and Facebook page.

5.2 The Chairman also enlightened the Members on the decision of reinstating the old practice of seeking six (6) hard copies from the nominees against the previous decision, wherein it was accepted that no hard copies would be asked from the applicants. Clarifying his views, he asserted that hard copies are preferred & required by almost all senior jury members except few and therefore IETE should be making it available to them. IETE in turn should seek these hard copies from applicants instead of providing them on requirement.

5.3 This is for information & approval of the Governing Council.

ITEM-6 ANY OTHER MATTER WITH THE PERMISSION OF CHAIR

6.1 The Board discussed the procedures and measures being adopted presently by IETE in achieving nominations. After due discussions BoA recommended the following for more visibility and publicity of IETE Awards:

- a. Active & vigorous participation from Centres/ ISFs and IETE members.
- b. Awards section to start compiling the nominations received by March end every year with the permission of the Board. The outcome to be shared with BoA for evolving alternates for inviting more nominations, in case of less number of nominations received, so that there is healthier competition in each category.
- c. Whatsapp group be formed for BoA instant communication.

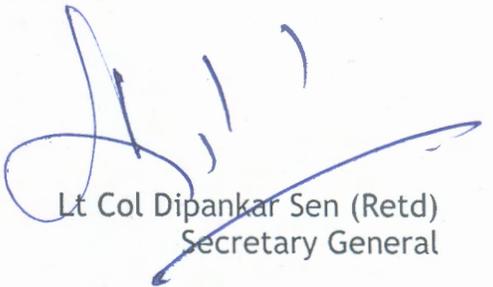
- d. Suitable standees are to be made for publicity of IETE Awards at IETE HQs and Centres with their own expenses. A standard content format will be shared by IETE HQ with IETE Centres, who can give suitable reflection to this announcement through standees or display boards at their end.
- e. Formal letters of appreciation to go to Jury members from IETE after their recommendations are received.
- f. To give proper honour to the awardees their citations would be read during Awards ceremony for making them feel about their awarded work being appreciated by IETE.

6.2 This is for the approval of Governing Council.

ITEM-7 The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

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Date: 3 Dec 2019



Lt Col Dipankar Sen (Retd)
Secretary General

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