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**MINUTES OF THE 2ND (2015-16) MEETING OF THE BOARD OF RECOGNITION OF
EXCELLENCE HELD ON THURSDAY, THE 07 APRIL 2016, AT 1700 HOURS AT
CHANDIGARH**

The following were present:

Lt Gen (Dr) Rajesh Pant, PVSM, AVSM, VSM (Retd)

Chairman

Prof (Dr) V Guna Sekhar Reddy

Co-Chairman

Prof S K Khedkar

Dr D C Pande

Shri D Rajagopal

Shri K Subbi Reddy

The following were unable to attend:

Wg Cdr K C Bhardwaj (Retd)

Prof R K Shevgaonkar

Secretariat:

Mrs Sandeep Kaur Mangat

Asstt Secretary

**ITEM-1 CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE 1ST (2015-16) MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF RECOGNITION OF EXCELLENCE HELD ON THE 12TH DEC 2015 AT
HYDERABAD**

1.1 As no comments were received the minutes of the previous meeting were confirmed.

ITEM-2 "CALL FOR NOMINATIONS" FOR IETE MAIN AWARDS AND IETE CORPORATE AWARDS-2016

2.1 The Chairman apprised the Board members that the "Call for Nominations" for IETE Main Awards & IETE Corporate Awards-2016 had been published in IETE JR and IETE TR (Jan-Feb 2016) issues; individual letters had been sent to relevant organizations under the signature of President IETE along with Awards proforma; emails are continuously being sent to Organizations /Industry /Associations / Corp Members /Universities and around 25,000 e-mails have already been sent including DRDO/CSIO/CSIR/Armed forces seeking nominations for IETE Awards.

2.2 The Board recommended that each member of the Board would make further efforts to bring in more nominations and all IETE Centres would be approached to send in the nominations for eligible nominees.

2.3 This is for the information of the Governing Council.

ITEM-3 REVIEW OF IETE AWARDS CORPUS FUND & THEIR TIME LIMIT

3.1 In view of negative corpus balance in the case of IETE-Bimal Bose Award, the Chairman informed the Board Members that an extra donation of approx Rs 5 lacs has been received from Prof Bimal Bose, University of Tennessee, Knoxville, USA, vide a cheque of US\$ 7353. He further said that this amount is yet to be encashed, because such type of transaction goes through its normal process of cooling period. He further informed the members that IETE Bimal Bose awards hereafter will carry the increased cash award worth Rs 30,000/- which was Rs 10,000/- earlier and the Travel Grant of Rs 5,000/- which was Rs 2,000/-earlier , as per the desire of the donor, Prof Bimal Bose himself who wished its upgradation.

3.2 The Chairman also informed that an e-mail was sent to the son of Prof S N Mitra in the case of IETE-Prof S N Mitra Memorial Award, seeking extra corpus of Rs 1 lac from him, whose response is still awaited.

3.3 The Board talked about various other ways to ensure that expenditure on awards activities is self sustained. They were also of the view that the extra money borne out of interest after taking out the annual expenditure on all awards activities may be utilized in adding suitable cash value to some of the prestigious IETE Awards like Life Time Achievement Award or to consider replacing the existing plaque given for the Award with more impressive one.

3.4 This is for the approval of the Governing Council.

ITEM-4 REVIEW OF THE LIST OF "EXTERNAL JURY OF EXPERTS" FOR IETE AWARDS-2015

4.1 The Board members collectively reviewed the responses of the jury members of past three years. It was decided that those jury members who have not responded lately, need to be changed. It was, therefore, recommended that a list of Jury members showing vacancies against non-responsive jury members be circulated to the Board members and their inputs be sought for the alternative expert names within a week. It was suggested that the efforts be made to ensure that there are five members in each panel for a particular award.

4.2 This is for the information of the Governing Council.

ITEM-5 IETE-NATIONAL TECHNICAL PAPER CONTEST(NTPC)-2016

5.1 The Chairman apprised the members that as per the cyclic rotation, NTPC was due in North and West Zones and the Centres/Sub-Centres from these zones who have shown their interest in the conduct of 2016 NTPC contest were:-

1. IETE Ahmedabad Centre
2. IETE Yavatmal Sub-Centre
3. IETE Amravati Centre
4. IETE Navi Mumbai Centre
5. IETE PAC, Sarigam

5.2 Considering the activities already conducted by some Centres, it was decided that IETE-Yavatmal Sub-Centre may be allowed to conduct this contest for the year 2016.

5.3 This is for the approval of the Governing Council.

ITEM-6 ANY OTHER MATTER WITH THE PERMISSION OF THE CHAIR

6.1 The process of sending and receiving of "Call for Nominations" for IETE Awards (Main and Corporate) was discussed in detail with a view to make the process more user friendly and efficient. After due deliberations the Chairman, BoRE offered his help to simplify existing process and share his views with the members in next Board meeting.

6.2 The Chairman, BoRE, also proposed that the name of the Board of Recognition of Excellence (BoRE) be changed to either Committee for Awards (CA) or Board of Awards (BoA). The members chose this Board to be renamed as Board of Awards (BoA).

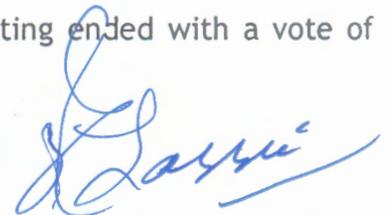
6.3 This is for the approval of the Governing Council.

VOTE OF THANKS

7 There being no other point to discuss, the meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

Ref: IETE/J-216/2nd (2015-16)/BoRE

Date: 24 May 2016



Maj Gen P K Jaggia, VSM (Retd)
Secretary General

Distribution:

Chairman and Members of the Board of Recognition of Excellence
President and Members of the Governing Council