

MINUTES OF THE 18th BOARD OF MANAGEMENT MEETING

DATE: 7.10.2017 (Saturday)

TIME: 10 a.m.

VENUE: Padur Hall 1, Founder's Block

MEMBERS PRESENT:

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| 1. | Dr. Mrs. Elizabeth Verghese, Chancellor | Patron |
| 2. | Dr. Anand Jacob Verghese, Pro Chancellor | Patron |
| 3. | Dr. S. Ramachandran, Vice Chancellor | Chairperson |
| 4. | Dr. S.N.Hegde, Former Vice-Chancellor
University of Mysuru. | Member |
| 5. | Dr.V.Ramakrishnan, Director, IISER Thiruvananthapuram | Member |
| 6. | Mr. Ashok Verghese, Director, HITS. | Member |
| 7. | Dr. Aby Sam, Director, HITS | Member |
| 8. | Dr. Annie Jacob, Director, KCG College of Technology, | Member |
| 9. | Dr. Ilavazhagan, Director (Research) | |
| 10. | Dr. N. Vasudevan, Dean (Academics), HITS. | Member |
| 11. | Dr. Dilip A Shah, HOD (Aero). | Member |
| 12. | Dr. Jessy Rooby, HOD (Civil). | Member |
| 13. | Mr. Shyam R Nair, Asst. Prof. Centre for Robotics &
Automation. | Member |
| 14. | Dr. A. Udhaya Kumar, CoE i/c | Permanent
Invitee |
| 15. | Mr. C. Robin, Legal Advisor. | Special Invitee |
| 16. | Dr. Pon. Ramalingam, Registrar, HITS. | Non-Member
Secretary |

Prof. P.J. Kurien, Hon'ble Deputy Chairman / Rajya Sabha; Prof. Amitabh Mattoo, former Vice Chancellor of University of Jammu, Dr.Susan Marthandan, Director, HCAS, Padur had expressed their inability to attend the meeting.

1. Opening remarks by the Chancellor.

The Chancellor welcomed the Members and expressed happiness over the second meeting of the members of the reconstituted Board of Management. She said that the following eminent personalities are recommended for the award of the Honorary Causa degree for their significant contributions to the progress and development of our country in their respective fields through their continued and concerted efforts.

- (a) Dr. S. Christopher, Secretary, Department of Defence Research & Development and Chairman, Defence Research and Development Organisation;
- (b) Mr. Mecca Rafique Ahmed, Chairperson, FARIDA Group of Companies;
- (c) Mr. Alex Jacob, Managing Director and Senior Structural Engineer, United Consultants and
- (d) Mr. Narain Karthikeyan, International F1 Racing Driver.

In addition to this, 1265 graduands receiving their respective degrees during this Convocation. She also informed that, the UGC / AICTE Expert Committee visited HITS from 14th to 16th September 2017. The University is preparing for the NBA Accreditation and participating in the current year NIRF ranking. The Vice-Chancellor's medical leave was approved in the last meeting and the Institution is looking for a new Vice-Chancellor as the present incumbent has submitted his resignation on health grounds. She thanked the Vice-Chancellor for having agreed to continue till the new Vice-Chancellor is appointed.

2. Confirmation of Minutes of the 17th Board of Management Meeting held on 29.4.2017.

The comments received from the Pro Chancellor and Dr. S.N. Hegde were incorporated in the minutes. The Minutes of the 17th Board of Management Meeting held on 29.4.2017 was confirmed.

3. Action Taken Report on the 17th Board of Management Meeting held on 29.4.2017.

Action Taken report on the Minutes of the 17th Board of Management meeting held on 29.4.2017 was approved.

4. Items for Ratification:

Item	Decision
Minutes of the 22 nd Academic Council Meeting held on 17.06.2017	Ratified

5. Award of Honoris Causa to eminent personalities.

The Vice-Chancellor moved the following:

- By virtue of authority vested with our Honourable Chancellor, Hindustan Institute of Technology and Science, I am placing to the Board of Management to consider awarding of Doctor of Science (Honoris Causa) to **Dr. S. Christopher**, Secretary, Department of Defence (R&D) and Chairman, DRDO.
- By virtue of authority vested with our Honourable Chancellor, Hindustan Institute of Technology and Science, I am placing to the Board of Management to consider awarding of Doctor of Science (Honoris Causa) to **Mr. Mecca Rafeeqe Ahmed**, Chairperson, FARIDA Group of Companies, Tamil Nadu.
- By virtue of authority vested with our Honourable Chancellor, Hindustan Institute of Technology and Science, I am placing to the Board of Management to consider awarding of Doctor of Science (Honoris Causa) to **Mr. Alex Jacob**, Managing Director and Senior Structural Consultant, United Consultants, Chennai.
- By virtue of authority vested with our Honourable Chancellor, Hindustan Institute of Technology and Science, I am placing to the Board of Management to consider awarding of Doctor of Science (Honoris Causa) to **Mr. Narain Karthikeyan**, International F1 Racing Driver.

The Board of Management, unanimously, approved the award of Doctor of Science (Honoris Causa) to (i) Dr. S. Christopher, Secretary Department of Defence (R&D) and Chairman DRDO; (ii) Mr. Mecca Rafeeqe Ahmed, Chairperson, FARIDA Group of Companies; (iii) Mr. Alex Jacob, Managing Director and Senior Structural Consultant, United Consultants and (iv) Mr. Narain Karthikeyan, International F1 Racing Driver.

6. Award of degrees of Ph.D., M.S. (By Research), P.G. and U.G. during the 8th Convocation.

S.No.	Course	No. of Graduands
1.	U.G. (B.Tech. / B.Arch.)	760
2.	U.G. (Arts / Science)	218
3.	P.G. (M.Tech. / M.Plan. / MBA / MCA)	213
4.	M.S. (By Research)	1
5.	Ph.D.	25
	Total	1217
6.	Arrear: UG 47 + PG - 1	48
	Total	1265

The Board of Management approved the award of 1217 U.G / P.G. / M.S. (By Research) / Ph.D. degrees and 48 UG and PG degrees for arrear batch students.

7. Item for Approval

Considered the nomination of an expert member by the Board of Management in the Search-cum-Selection Committee to identify and recommend a panel of three candidates to the Chancellor for appointment of Vice-Chancellor, Hindustan Institute of Technology and Science, as the present Vice-Chancellor has submitted his resignation on health grounds. [The 5-year tenure as Vice-Chancellor ends on 15th August 2018].

The Board of Management, unanimously, nominated Prof. S.P. Thyagarajan, Former Vice-Chancellor of University of Madras and Professor of Eminence and Dean (Research), Sri Ramachandra University, Porur, Chennai 600 116 as a member in the Search-cum-Selection Committee for appointment of the Vice-Chancellor, Hindustan Institute of Technology and Science.

8. Any other item with the permission of the Chair.

- (a) The Chancellor informed that HGI Golden Jubilee is being celebrated. Many programmes were already conducted by HITS as a part of HGI Golden Jubilee Celebrations. To commemorate the Golden Jubilee Year, The Dr. K.C.G. Verghese Excellence Awards programme was organized wherein eminent dignitaries from varied fields were felicitated for their outstanding contributions to the society. Valedictory Programme of the HGI Golden Jubilee Celebrations is scheduled to be held on 2nd & 3rd of December 2017. Global Alumni Meet of HGI will be organized on 2nd December 2017 as a part of the HGI Golden Jubilee Celebrations. She extended invitation all the members of the Board of Management to attend the valedictory programme.
- (b) The Vice-Chancellor acknowledged the excellent services rendered by the Chancellor Madam in guiding the Hindustan Institute of Technology and Science for its progress and growth. In addition, on behalf of the Board of Management, he also wished her, for a long, happy and healthy life on her 75th Birth Anniversary.

The meeting concluded with vote of thanks by the Chairperson of the meeting.


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