



Minutes of the

28th MEETING OF THE BOARD OF MANAGEMENT (BOM)

Held on: 16-09-2023 (Saturday)

Time: 9.30 am.

Venue: Conference Hall, Ground Floor, MGR Auditorium, HITS.

Members Present:

S.No.	Name of the Members	Designation	Position
1.	Dr. Anand Jacob Verghese	Chancellor, HITS	Patron
2.	Mr. Ashok Verghese	Pro Chancellor, HITS	Patron
3.	Dr. Aby Sam	Executive Director, HITS	Member
4.	Dr. S. N. Sridhara	Vice-Chancellor, HITS	Chairperson
5.	Dr. R.W. Alexander Jesudasan	Pro Vice Chancellor, HITS	Member
6.	Dr. S. N. Hegde	Former Vice-Chancellor University of Mysuru	External Expert Member
7.	Dr. Rajeev Ahuja (Attended Online)	Director, IIT Ropar, Nangal Road, Rupnagar, Punjab.	External Expert Member
8.	Dr. C. Emmanuel	Director, Academic and Research, Gleneagles Global Health City, Chennai.	External Expert Member
9.	Dr. Annie Jacob	Director, KCG College of Technology, Karapakkam, Chennai.	Member
10.	Dr. Susan Verghese	Director, Hindustan College of Arts and Science, Padur, Chennai.	Member
11.	Mr. Enid Verghese Jacob	Director, HITS	Special Invitee
12.	Dr. Sheeba Chander	Dean - SPADE	Member
13.	Dr. R. Asokan	Dean - School of Aeronautical Sciences	Member
14.	Dr. V. Preethi	Prof. and Head / Civil Engg.	Member
15.	Dr. Muthukumar Subramanian	Registrar	Ex officio Member and Secretary

Leave of absence granted to Dr. S. P. Thyagarajan, Former VC of University of Madras and Chancellor of Avinashilingam University, Coimbatore.



1. Welcome Address

Dr. S. N. Sridhara, Vice Chancellor welcomed the esteemed members of the Board of Management (BOM) who were present physically and Dr. Rajeev Ahuja, Director, IIT Ropar, who joined the meeting through online and briefed the agenda of the meeting.

2. Address by the Chancellor

Hon'ble Chancellor welcomed the members. He recollected the contribution of the great visionary and philanthropist late Dr. K. C. G. Verghese in establishing the Hindustan Group of Institutions and sustained growth in the past years under the leadership of Founder Chancellor Dr. Elizabeth Verghese.

The Chancellor briefed about the 14th Convocation ceremony held on 16th September 2023 at HITS premises.

- **Gen (Dr.) V. K. Singh** (Retd.,) Hon'ble Union Minister of State, Civil Aviation and Road Transport & Highways was the Chief Guest.
- The Guests of Honor were **Dr. Peter Koenig**, Professor and Head, Automotive Technology, Trier University, Germany and **Mr. Pablo Gandara**, Team Leader, IURC, Project of Europe and Asia / Australia.
- Honoris Causa Doctorate was awarded to two eminent personalities **Mr. Pablo Gandara** and **Mr. Sudhanshu Mani**, General Manager (Rtd.), Integral Coach Factory, Chennai.

He also highlighted the achievements of HITS in the recent days such as IET accreditation for nine B.Tech. Programmes, NBA accreditations for five B.Tech programmes, successful submission of SSR for NAAC peer team visit etc. He ascertained that all efforts have been taken to make HITS as an Institution of Excellence.

3. **Minutes of the 27th Meeting of the Board of Management held on 28-04-2023.**

The Registrar placed the Minutes of the 27th Meeting of the Board of Management held on 28-04-2023 for confirmation.

The minutes was confirmed by the members.



4. Action Taken Report on the 27th Meeting of the Board of Management held on 28-04-2023.

The Registrar placed the Action Taken Report on the Minutes of the 27th Meeting of the Board of Management held on 28-04-2023 for confirmation.

The Action Taken Report was confirmed by the members.

5. Items for Ratification: Recruitment of Faculty members.

The Registrar placed the list of 95 additional Faculty members appointed during the period June to August of AY 2023-24 before the Board of Management for ratification.

This additional recruitment was ratified by the members of Board of Management.

6. Items for approval:

(a). The issuance of degree certificates.

The Vice Chancellor presented the list of 1457 candidates to be awarded with U.G. / P.G. / Ph.D. Degrees and Diplomas Certificates during the 14th Convocation ceremony scheduled on 16-09-2023 (Sat) at HITS premises.

S.No.	Programme	No. of candidates
1.	U.G. Engineering (B.Tech. / B.Arch./ B.Des.)	740
2.	P.G. Engineering (M.Tech. / M.Arch.)	274
3.	U.G. Arts & Science	333
4.	Ph.D	56
5.	Supplementary (E&T / SLAAS / LAW)	54
Total		1457

The list of candidates was approved by the Board of Management.

(b) Award of Honoris Causa to the eminent personalities.

The Vice Chancellor moved the following:



- By virtue of the authority vested with our Hon'ble Chancellor, Hindustan Institute of Technology and Science, the Board of Management is requested to consider,

(i) The award of Doctor of Letters (*Honoris Causa*) to **Mr. Pablo Gandara**, Team Leader, International Urban Regional Cooperation(IURC) Project of Europe, Asia and Australia.

(ii) The award of Doctor of Science (*Honoris Causa*) to **Mr. Sudhanshu Mani**, Rtd. General Manager, Integral Coach Factory.

The Board of Management unanimously approved the award Doctor of Letters / Science (Honoris Causa) to Mr. Pablo Gandara and Mr. Sudhanshu Mani.

(c) Minutes of the 38th Meeting of the Academic Council held on 13-05-2023.

The Registrar placed the Minutes of the 38th Meeting of the Academic Council before the Board of Management for approval.

The Minutes was approved by the members with the following suggestions:

- Dr. Rajeev Ahuja, enquired about the new programme proposed in the previous BOM meeting ie. M.Sc. Nano Science and Technology. He insisted to include Quantum Technology in the nomenclature, as this emerging technology has great scope in the future.
- The Pro Chancellor, Vice Chancellor and Pro Vice Chancellor explained the difficulties of getting experts in the field of Quantum Technology. Hence, Dr. Rajeev assured to extend the support in identifying the experts for framing the curriculum and syllabus and to be the members of BOS meetings.
- Dr. Rajeev also informed that few of the IITs have introduced M.Tech programme with specialization in Engineering Education to cater the need of expertise in Engineering Education.
- The Executive Director suggested to introduce Non-CGPA courses on Engineering



Education and also to introduce many multi-disciplinary programmes in line with the NEP.

- The Vice Chancellor informed that as per the directions of Founder Chancellor and Chancellor, coaching classes have been planned for skill development and placements.
- The Pro Vice Chancellor added that already Hindustan Professional Coaching Academy has been initiated and around 500 students attended the awareness program organized by the academy.

(d) Minutes of 15th Meeting of the Planning and Monitoring Board held on 23-06-2023.

The Registrar placed the Minutes of the 15th Meeting of the Planning and Monitoring Board held on 23-06-2023 before the Board of Management for approval.

The minutes was approved by the Board of Management.

7. Any other items with the permission of the Chair.

The Vice Chancellor informed that the NAAC Peer Team visit for the second cycle of accreditations is expected in the last week of September 2023. Already three mock visits were conducted to ensure the preparation and availability of the required documents

8. Vote of thanks.

The Pro Vice Chancellor thanked the Chancellor, Pro Chancellor, Executive Director and other Management members, External members, Vice Chancellor, Registrar, Deans and HoDs for attending the meeting and offering valuable suggestions towards the development of this institution.

Prof. Dr. Muthukumar Subramanian

Registrar

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