Minutes of 72<sup>nd</sup> Annual General Body Meeting of IIT Roorkee Alumni Association Held At 3:00 pm on March 25, 2023, in the Auditorium of National Institute of Hydrology, IIT Roorkee, Roorkee.

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The following were present:

- 1. Lt. Gen. Vishwambhar Singh President, IITRAA
- 2. Dr. Achal Mittal Vice-President, IITRAA
- 3. Er. Dinesh Singh Pawar Honorary Secretary
- 4. Er. Nikhil Pant Treasurer

And 54 other members - from India and abroad

In addition to the members present in the meeting, more than 100 members attended the meeting on a live telecast on Facebook.

Er. Dinesh Singh Pawar, Honorary Secretary, IITRAA started the meeting by welcoming the members present and requested Lt. Gen. Vishwambhar Singh, President, IITRAA to preside over the 72<sup>nd</sup> AGBM.

The meeting was adjourned for 15 minutes for want of quorum and was resumed after the prescribed 15 minutes. Er. Dinesh Singh Pawar, Honorary Secretary, welcomed all the participants and invited all the dignitaries to be seated on the dais.

Honorary Secretary requested all the members to stand up for the KULGEET.

Thereafter, Honorary Secretary informed with great sorrow about the following members who have left for their heavenly abode:

- 1. Mr. Rakesh Mohan Gupta, (B Arch.), 1977
- 2. Mr. Jai P Agarwal, B.E. (Civil) 1969
- 3. Mr. Maheshwar P. Varshney, B.E. (Electrical Engg.),1949
- 4. Mr. Dinesh C. Chaturvedi, Diploma (Civil Engg.), 1945
- 5. Mr. Ramesh C. Agarwal, B.E. (Civil Engg.),1955
- 6. Mr. Raj Kumar Kapur, B.E. (Civil Engg.), 1960
- 7. Mr. Vijay Kumar Jain, B.E. (Civil Engg.), 1976
- 8. Mr. Gordhan Das Goyal, B.E. (Chemical), 1974
- 9. Mr. A. K. Garg, B.E. 1979
- 10. Er. A. K. Jindal, B.E.1971
- 11. Er. R. P. Yadav, 1992
- 12. Er. Harish Gurnani, B.E. (Electrical),1973
- 13. Er. A. K. Chaturvedi, B.E. (Electrical), 1973

As a gesture of respect for the departed souls, Honorary Secretary again requested the audience to stand in silence for two minutes.

The meeting was adjourned again for two minutes and called in order to take up the agenda items.

Thereafter, Honorary Secretary Er. Dinesh Singh Pawar requested Vice President, Dr. Achal Mittal for a welcome speech.

Dr. Achal Mittal Vice-President welcomed the members to the 72<sup>nd</sup> Annual General Meeting of the association. He informed the house that IITRAA is working on three major activities under the guidance of our President: 1. working for our Alma Mater, 2. working for our alumni's welfare and 3. working for students' welfare. He expressed his delight over the participation of members of AGBM. He shared the overwhelming support of alumni across the globe in celebrations of the 175<sup>th</sup> year of Alma Mater.

After the Welcome speech, Honorary Secretary requested Er. Vikas Goyal to read the brief introduction of the President, IITRAA. Er. Vikas Goyal introduced Lt. Gen. Vishwambhar Singh, President of IIT Roorkee Alumni Association to the house and requested him to give the presidential address.

The President, Lt. Gen Vishwambhar Singh delivered his presidential address. A few salient points of the Presidential address are as follows:

- He informed the house about the Celebrations of the 175-year legacy of IIT Roorkee through our 83-year affiliation has been a matter of great pride and honor for all of us. The celebrations spanned across the globe and were organized by various local chapters of IITRAA. The Lucknow Chapter was the flag-bearer by organizing "Ullas," beginning of the year-long festivities. It was gratifying to attend high-quality events successfully organized by Dehradun, North America, Meerut, Mumbai, Bengaluru, and Jaipur chapters. The Global Alumni Meet "Pratishtha," hosted by the Delhi and NCR Chapters in New Delhi, served as the perfect culmination. He appreciated the participation of all the alumni from different batches ranging from 1954 to 2022.
- He informed the house about the huge support from valuable sponsors such as Vision IAS, ONGC, EIL, Gail, and many other big names. The successful conduct of Pratishtha at Delhi and events by local chapters were mainly due to generous contributions by these sponsors and their Alumni. Donations have also been made to the central body making our financial status a little better.
- He also informed the gathering that IITRAA helped the students of IIT Roorkee by donating them instruments for the music section and supported their activities by sponsoring **Thomso-22**, **E-summit**, **NSS**, **and Cognizance** in the past one year. These initiatives have helped us to make a positive impact on their hearts.
- He informed us that as alumni, we are fortunate to have received an education from this unique and globally respected institution that has helped us become the best versions of ourselves. These events provided an excellent platform to achieve

IITRAA's objectives, including strengthening alumni networks, expanding knowledge, promoting student innovation, improving communication with alumni families, and raising awareness about the importance of environmental conservation and innovative solutions for societal welfare.

- He also shared that overall aim of IITRAA is to exploit the combined potential of our vast Alumni community to help each other and the Alma mater through a responsive network. Today, if the potential and experience of more than 40000 Alumni are synergized properly we can make a huge contribution to shaping the destiny of our Alma Mater
- He was pleased to inform us that many of our alumni had come out to generously support our alma mater, fostering a sentiment of giving back to town Alma mater and the students.
- Towards the conclusion, he made an earnest appeal, to work together and strive towards creating a better future for ourselves and for those around us and to give back to our Alma mater, society, and the country.

His appeal was met with a loud and up-roaring positive response from the audience.

The Agenda for the AGBM was then taken up by the Honorary Secretary, Dinesh Singh Pawar, as follows:

- 72.1 The minutes of the 71<sup>st</sup> Annual General Body meeting held on October 03, 2021, were approved and confirmed.
- Annual Report for the period from **October 01, 2021 to February 28, 2023** as presented by Er. Dinesh Singh Pawar, Honorary Secretary was accepted and approved.
- 72.3 Er. Nikhil Kumar Pant, Treasurer, IITRAA presented the Annual accounts of the Association, audited by M/s Vikas Khanna & Associates, Roorkee for the financial year from April 01, 2021 to March 31, 2022.

The House considered the Audited accounts and approved them.

- 72.4 Considered the appointment of auditors to audit accounts of the association from the period April 01, 2022 to March 31, 2023 and resolved that M/s Vikas Khanna & Associates Roorkee be re-appointed as Auditors to audit the accounts of the association for the period from April 01, 2022 to March 31, 2023.
- 72.5 Er. Nikhil Kumar Pant informed the house about the present financial condition of IITRAA. He told that IITRAA has left only one source of income i.e. interest on FDR's. The second source of income from Membership fees that were collected by the IIT Roorkee from the passing out students is closed due to the disassociation of IITRAA. As our major source of income is closed therefore it

was decided by the Executive Committee that we have to make collective efforts to generate the resources. Under the guidance of our president and the collective efforts, we were able to collect approx. Rs. 90 lakhs and saved Rs. 45 lakhs in the successful organization of Pratishtha.

He presented the budget estimates (income & expenditure of the Association) for the year 2023- 24 before the house. The House considered the budget estimates and approved.

- 72.6 Honorary Secretary reported to the house about the successful Implementation of Newly amended bye-laws of the IITR Alumni Association.
- 72.7 Honorary Secretary informed the house about the need for an extension of the term of the current Executive Committee as per the recommendation of the Executive Committee in its meeting held on March 25, 2023.

"It was decided by the house that new Executive Committee elections would be held after the reconciliation between IITR and IITRAA and this will be placed in GBM for approval."

There was long deliberation on this matter and the following alumni participated:

Er. S. K. Sinha, B.E. (Civil), 1974 Dr. A. K. Gupta, B.E. (Chem.), 1971 and many others

All were of the opinion that the current EC will continue till the reconciliation process is complete.

The House approved the resolution for the extension of the Current Executive committee till the completion of reconciliation. Also, the house authorizes Executive Committee to take appropriate decisions to resolve the issues in the interest of the Institute & Alumni.

Honorary Secretary appraised the house about the three meetings of the committee held on 7th February, 14th March, and 23rd March 2023 in the office of the Deputy Director. The members of IITRAA did not agree on the Agenda of shifting of IITRAA office to the Noida campus, IITR. IITRAA Secretary objected to the IITR proposal to shift the IITRAA office to the Noida campus.

And the same was placed for discussion in the house.

The house had long deliberations and the following members participated in the discussion:

Er. N. K. Yadav, B.E. (Mech.), 1983 Er. Malvinder Singh, M. E. (Mech.), 1980 Ar. R. K. Jain, B. Arch., 1973 and many others Finally, it was concluded that the Head / registered office will remain at IITR campus and IITRAA can have an extension office in the Noida campus which will aid in the mobilization of resources for the Alma Mater and reach out more alumni.

72.9 Under the point any other item,:- No point was raised.

Er. Dinesh Singh Pawar concluded with information to the house that Vision IAS donated 25 Lakhs to IITRAA and our past President Er. V.K. Agnihotri donates Rs. One Lakh every year.

He also shared that Vision IAS & ONGC sponsored 25 Lakhs each, GAIL sponsored 10 Lakhs and Tata AIA sponsored Rs. 8 Lakhs for organising the "Pratishta".

He thanked our sponsors and donors.

In the end Er. Dinesh Singh Pawar, Honorary Secretary thanked all members and other guests for participating in the meeting and taking part in the deliberations.

He especially thanked Director, NIH, Roorkee for providing the venue, great facilities, and supportive staff for conducting the AGBM.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair and recitation of National Anthem.

Er. Dinesh Singh Honorary Secretary