

**MINUTES OF THE 21st FINANCE & AUDIT COMMITTEE (F&AC) MEETING HELD ON
29th NOVEMBER, 2012 (THURSDAY) AT 11:30 A.M. IN THE OFFICE OF AS&FA,
MINISTRY OF TEXTILES, UDYOG BHAWAN, NEW DELHI**

The following were present:

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| 1. | Smt. Anita Agnihotri, AS&FA, MOT | Chairperson |
| 2. | Smt. Monika S. Garg, JS, MOT | Member |
| 3. | Shri Prem Kumar Gera, IAS, DG-NIFT | Member |
| 4. | Shri Sunil Sethi | Member |
| 5. | Smt. Archana S. Awasthi, Director (F&A), NIFT | Member Secretary |

Smt. Neelam Shami Rao, CVO, Ms. Rajni Shah, Asst. Board Secy and Sh. Dinesh Khosla, Senior Assistant Accounts were also present.

Leave of absence was granted to Smt. Rajshree Pathy.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 2101

**To Confirm Minutes of the 20th Finance & Audit Committee Meeting held on
28th September, 2012**

The minutes of the meeting had been circulated to all the members of the Committee. No changes or modifications were proposed. The minutes were therefore confirmed without any modification.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 2102

Action Taken Report on last minutes of the Finance & Audit Committee Meeting

The Action Taken Report on the decisions of the last meetings of the F&AC was noted.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 2103

Proposal for Revised Estimate 2012-13 & Budget Estimate 2013-14 (Revenue)

The F&AC appreciated that NIFT would be earning a profit of Rs. 9.33 crores despite the fact that no funds are being provided by the Ministry under Block grant scheme from this year.

The F&AC was also informed that the following assumptions had been made while preparing the RE 2012-13 and BE 2013-14 (Revenue):

- I. The State Governments of new NIFT Centres viz. Shillong, Kannur, Patna & Bhopal would bear the deficit till the permanent campus became fully functional and viable.
- II. The interest earned on fixed deposit with Banks which are usually reflected at HO, have partially been credited to Kolkata, Bengaluru, Hyderabad & Chennai Centre so as to make their deficit zero. All these Centres have generated profits before taking into account provision for depreciation of assets.

The AS&FA observed that new Centres could not continue to run if State Government did not support the operating costs. The Centres were opened as the State Governments had desired so. It was advised that such new NIFT Centres which have revenue losses should

be monitored closely. A report on the prospects of each such new Centre may be placed in the next F&AC meeting. Meanwhile State Governments may be followed up to fund the revenue losses till buildings are handed over, especially M.P & Bihar. The Revised Revenue Budget for the Financial Year 2012-13 and Budget Estimate for 2013-14 (Revenue) was considered and approved by the F&AC.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 2104

Proposal for RE 2012-13 & BE 2013-14 (Capital)

The Revised Capital Budget for the financial year 2012-13 and Budget Estimate for the Financial Year 2013-14 (Capital) was considered and approved by the F&AC. The assumption made is that the OBC funding would be extended upto 2015.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 2105

Revised Project Consultancy Policy

CVO made a presentation on the revised Project Consultancy Policy of NIFT and also explained the objective of the revised project Consultancy guidelines and key changes which have been proposed in project Consultancy Policy. The F&AC considered and approved the revised Project Consultancy guidelines with the observation that external consultants should be involved in the projects only on need basis and with prior approval of the DG. Payment to such external consultant should be capped at 1/3rd of the faculty payments. For any relaxation in norms, DG was authorised to relax norms after recording reasons for the same.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 2106

Any other item with the permission of chair

The meeting concluded with vote of thanks to the Chair.