

PROCEEDINGS OF THE 57th GOVERNING BODY MEETING

The meeting of the 57th Governing Body was held on December 20, 2019 at 11 00 hrs in Board Room-QCI, GF, Indian Council for Child Welfare (ICCW) Building, 4, Pandit Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Marg, Mata Sundari Railway Colony, New Delhi at 1100 hrs.

The list of members who attended the meeting is at Annexure – A (page no. 5). Leave of absence was granted to the members who could not attend the meeting.

WELCOME

Secretary General-QCI, welcomed all the members to the newly hired office space in the ICCW building, which has helped consolidation of office space, accessibility, and coordination. A short movie showcasing the recent activities of QCI since last GB meeting was presented to the Board.

Chairman, QCI then informed the members about the joining of new CEOs, the recent being the CEO for NABH and previously for NABCB and NABL. He further added that it would ensure a cohesive and well-coordinated approach in the development of the organisation. He thanked the Chairperson of the Boards and Members for their guidance and support.

He apprised the members about a very important initiative taken by DPIIT w.r.t toys being imported in India, wherein QCI was asked to undertake a mystery shopping exercise of imported Toys. QCI completed the task in 5 weeks by testing 7 different varieties of Toys imported from China and a total of 121 samples were procured and tested. It was found that 66.9% of samples collected randomly from Delhi-NCR markets failed to meet the requirements as prescribed in the DGFT notification dated September, 2017. He also informed that based on the report submitted by QCI, action is being taken by Government to correct such situation and DGFT has already modified its earlier notification and other stringent measures are also being taken.

Mr Darpan Jain, JS, Ministry of Commerce & Industry said that market surveillance is an important pillar of quality ecosystem to ensure that only quality products reach the consumers. He suggested QCI to work in the area of undertaking an evaluation of existing market Surveillance mechanism and come out with recommendations on the strategy needed to strengthen the same in the background of global best practices suitably adapted to Indian context.

Chairman then invited SG to take up the formal agenda.

Adoption of Agenda

The agenda was adopted with permission from the members.

Confirmation of the Proceedings of the 56th Governing Body Meeting.

The MODIFIED proceedings of the 56th Governing Body meeting held on September 13, 2019, based on comments from JS, DPIIT vide letter 18.11.2019, were confirmed and approved by the GB members.

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Action taken on the Proceedings of the 55th Governing Body meeting.

The 'Action Taken Report' on the proceedings of the 56th Governing Body meeting circulated to all Governing Body members on 05.11.2019 were noted by Governing Body.

Items for Approval of Governing Body [ADDITIONAL AGENDA]

Item No 57.3.1

To approve the re-structuring of Technical Cadre posts in NABL.

Governing Body deliberated in the matter and it concurred with the recommendations of the NABL Board regarding restructuring of the technical cadre posts to create a pyramid structure in NABL.

Items for Ratification of Governing Body:

Item No 57.1.1

Extension / Second term of Chairperson-NABH.

Chairperson, QCI expressed his appreciation for the leadership provided by Dr B.K. Rao in accelerating the growth of NABH during his first tenure.

Governing Body ratified the extension / re-nomination of second term of Dr B.K. Rao effective from January 8, 2020 for a period of two years.

Item No. 57.1.2

To note grant of annual increment to QCI employees during the FY 2019-20.

Governing Body after due deliberations, concurred to the recommendations of the Finance Committee regarding grant of performance based Annual Increment (with base increment as 6%) for the FY 2019-2020 to the QCI employees.

Il Items for Information of Governing Body:

Item No. 57.2.1

To receive note on re-nomination of Chairperson, QCI for another term.

The Governing Body members received the information with a great applause. Members expressed that under the able leadership of Shri Adil Zainulbhai during last 5 years, QCI has reached greater heights and has gained recognition both at national and international platforms.

Item No 57.2.2

To note the financial Performance for 2nd Qtr [July 1 to September 30, 2019] and upto November 30, 2019 of QCI and its Boards for the FY 2019-20-reg.

Members noted the financial performance of QCI during the FY 2019-20.

Governing Body members also noted that the financial performance of QCI when evaluated in comparison to

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previous year demonstrates a Healthy growth in the QCI's

financial performance.

Further, Members also noted about slow recovery of dues in the current financial year due to elections. It was seen that budgeted income may soon be recouped by the end of financial year 2019-20.

Item No 57.2.3

To receive note on the Policy to be followed in respect of QCI assessors for settling their claims.

Governing Body after due deliberations, concurred to the recommendations of the Finance Committee regarding the policy to be followed w.r.t settling the claims of assessors engaged by different Boards/Divisions for various activities carried out by them as per their mandate.

Item No. 57.2.4

To note new joining (against the sanctioned posts) in QCI during the period of Report.

Governing Body received the information on the joining of CEO & Director in NABH.

Item No. 57.2.5

To note recruitment against sanctioned positions in QCI.

The Governing Body may kindly receive the information.

Item No. 57.2.6

To receive note on weeding out policy to be followed in QCI.

Governing body received the information.

Item No. 57.2.7

Status of Income Tax Appeals before Commissioner – Appeal, Income Tax Department and before Income Tax Appellate Tribunal.

Governing Body received information as provided by Chairperson, Finance Committee about the status of the QCI's Income Tax Appeals. It was also informed that they have been decided in favour of QCI.

Item No. 57.2.8

Status of QCI's case before Customs, Excise and Service Tax Appellate Tribunal-reg.

GB members received the information.

Item No. 57.2.9

To note the update on the activities of ZED; PADD, PPID [Special Project Group] by HoDs during the reporting period.

Due to paucity of time owing to the ongoing agitations in the capital, the updates could not be presented, however, the same was shared as part of agenda to all members.



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Item No. 57.2.10-14

To note the update on the activities of NABL, NABH, NABET, NABCB & NBQP during the reporting period.

Due to paucity of time owing to the ongoing agitations in the capital, the updates could not be presented, however, the same was shared as part of agenda to all members.

Other Discussions with the permission of the Chair-

- 1. Members desired for DPIIT support in prioritising regulations by mapping of unregulated areas. It was expressed that QCI can undertake a gap analysis objectively and identify what changes that are required in the technical regulations so that the same can be included in the standards made by Govt.
- Ecosystem of healthcare providers There is huge amount of data being collected through accreditation and certification process. NABH may identify few outcome parameters, the data of which may be analysed and shared with the Govt. with specific inputs on how to prioritise policies that can improve the quality of healthcare in India.
- 3. Revision of State Support to Industry Index on Global competitiveness index mandate A revised proposal submitted to DPIIT.
- 4. NITI Aayog a very important work has been desired from QCI for the next three years to establish a certification system for Project/Program Managers and establish a comprehensive system for an independent organization to be established.
- Educational policy QCI to devise methods to help implement NEP in states. A credible third-party assessment mechanism in education to be established and NABET should become the accreditation body for schools in India.
- 6. AS, DPIIT mentioned that a system of authorization for inspection of boilers has been started and it has added lot of efficiency in the system. CEO, NABCB mentioned that there are many inspection bodies accredited by NABCB who are competent to do the boiler inspection and they can be used for a credible third-party mechanism. AS, DPIIT desired that a proposal be sent to him.
- 7. SG desired that CPCB may also be persuaded to use third party bodies for statutory compliances and a system be created so that the accredited bodies inspection report may be used to reduce oversight through statutory bodies.
- 8. Members also discussed that as Online pharmacies is an important concern hence a mechanism needs to be developed to address to health and safety concerns of the citizens to avoid misuse of the online pharmacy platform.
- 9. Chairperson-QCI, desired that JS from M/o HRD for Education; M/o H&FW as well as M/o Rural development should also be a part of the Board.
- 10. Internal and external communication policy may also be put in place by using a common design in emails of QCI with specified font size color etc.
- 11. It was suggested to establish a system for brainstorming and incubation of ideas.

The meeting ended with a Vote of Thanks to the Chair.

(Dr.Ravi. P. Singh) Secretary General

Place - New Delhi Date -

(Adil Zainulbhai) Chairperson

List of Members attended 57th Governing Body Meeting held on 20.12.19

Sl.No	. Name	Designation / Organization
1	Mr Adil Zainulbhai	Chairperson – QCI
2	Mr Shailendra Singh	Addl. Secretary, DPIIT
3	Mr Darpan Jain	Jt. Secy, Deptt of Commerce
4	Prof. Goverdhan Mehta	Chairperson, NABET
5	Mr Shyam Bang	Chairperson, NABCB
6	Dr B.K. Rao	Chairperson, NABH
7	Mr S. K. Sarkar	Chairperson, Finance Committee-QCI
8 9	Sh Anupam Kaul	CII [through video conferencing]
9	Sh Aditya Natraj	CEO – Piramal Foundation for Education Leadership
		Founder and Director of Kaivalya Education
		Foundation (KEF)
10	Sh Bejon Kumar Misra	Founder, Consumer Online Foundation
11	Dr R.P. Singh	Secretary General
Secretariat:-		
1	Mr. Manish Jindal	CEO-NABET
2	Mr. N. Venkateswaran	CEO-NABL
3	Mr. Rajesh Maheshwari	CEO-NABCB
4	Dr. Atul M Kochhar	CEO- NABH
5	Dr. A Raj	Sr Director-ZED
6	Dr. Manish Pande	Director-PADD
7	Sh. Anil Relia	Principal Adviser-PPID
8	Sh H B Chawla	Principal Adviser, Finance
9	Sh Kuldeep	Principal Adviser, F&A
10	Mr A K Jha &	Sr Director, NABET
	Ms Madhu Ahluwalia	Sr Adviser, NABET
11	Ms Sunita Agarwal	Asst. Director, PADD
12	Ms Priyanka &	Asst. Director, NBQP
	Mr Prasoon Misra	

Leave Granted-

- 1-Chairperson, NABL
- 2-Chairperson, NBQP
- 3-President, FICCI
- 4-President, ASSOCHAM
- 5-Chairman, Railway Board
- 6-Director General, CSIR
- 7-Secretary, DST
- 8-National President, NIQR
- 9-Director General, STQC
- 10-President, IIA

