MINUTES OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING DATED 23\textsuperscript{rd} July, 2021
HELD via ZOOM. (In person meeting not possible because of COVID-19)

Attended by:
1. Pranesh Nagri
2. Shanti Raghavan
3. Dipesh Sutariya
4. Pratibha Nakil
5. Sarbajit Ghose
6. C Babu Joseph (Chair)
7. Vidya Rao

Agenda for Meeting
1. Appointment of the Chair
2. Confirmation of Minutes of last meeting
3. Introduction to new Governing Board Member – Vidya Rao
4. Board Resolution on Board appointment
5. Future projects
   a. Fund of Funds
6. Update on Land acquisition and building fund
7. Organizational update / HR Updates
   a. COVID response at EI
   b. Funding and other operational updates
8. Any other points with the permission of the Chair

A. Mr. Babu Joseph appointed as Chair

B. Minutes of last board meeting and actions were read and approved/ passed. Actions taken were noted.

C. Introduction of Vidya Rao new governing board member.
Shanti introduced Vidya to the board. Vidya’s contribution as an employee of EI was acknowledged.

Formal welcome by Mr. Babu Joseph (chairperson), Dipesh, Pratibha

Board resolution on appointment of Vidya Rao passed unanimously

D. Future projects and Fund of Funds

Update from Dipesh.

Dipesh spoke about the 3 decades and journey of EI. 1st Decade – Entrepreneurial, 2nd – Institution Building and 3rd Decade will be about exponential growth and population scale.

We are platinum certified on GuideStar.

We have a COVID inclusion fund for people affected with COVID and also doing vaccination drives are EI.

Pratibha was appreciative of the 15 + projects going on currently at EI.

Pranesh sir – when COVID happened we had to move from physical to virtual. This was seamless and IT’s contribution recognized. Secondly, we have not had to layoff any employee due to COVID unlike the rest of the sector.

E. Fund of Funds

The constant challenge for the sector is funds. Only 0.4% of the national budget gets into the disability sector.

Social Venture fund is getting very critical. The Social Stock Exchange is getting formed under SEBI. Next 6 months lot of funds are coming up and NGOs will get pushed to this.

Plans to launch EI Social Venture Fund.

F. Organization Development

Succession planning is becoming very important. Thought process has been started. We will start working on those aspects. Societal platform will need to be intergrated. We need to grow as well as induct some senior talent.

Need to ensure PwD are also inducted at the same pace.

G. Any other points

Better understanding for Board Members’ role at EI

Dipesh – We were selected as best NGO at Swiss Re.

Vote of thanks.