

Board Meeting  
July 23, 2015

APPOINT AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF  
THE UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS FOR THE UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS LIAISON  
OFFICE IN NEW DELHI, INDIA

**Action:** Appoint Authorized Representative of the Board of Trustees of the University of Illinois for the University of Illinois Liaison Office in New Delhi, India

**Funding:** No New Funding Required

By letter dated April 24, 2015, the Reserve Bank of India ("RBI") granted the Board permission to establish a University of Illinois Liaison Office ("LO") in New Delhi, India. The LO must be established within six months of the approval date. Once established, the LO will have authority to represent the University in India, promote export/import from/to India, promote technical/financial collaborations between the University of Illinois and entities in India and act as a communication channel between the University and Indian entities.

In order to establish the LO, the Board is required to appoint, by resolution, a resident of India to serve as its Authorized Representative in India. The Authorized Representative must have the authority to sign various documents required to be filed with the Indian government and to accept service of process on behalf of the University.

The Office of Public Engagement on the Urbana-Champaign campus has arranged for Dr. Vivek Damle, who resides in Mumbai, India, to serve as the Board's

Authorized Representative in India. Dr. Damle is an alumnus of the University and has assisted the Office of Public Engagement in the past in making relevant contacts in India and suggesting opportunities to engage with higher education institutions, corporations, and other organizations.

The Chancellor, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, and Vice President, University of Illinois recommends that the Board approve the proposed resolution appointing Dr. Vivek Damle to serve as the Authorized Representative for the Liaison Office in India. The resolution was reviewed by outside legal counsel in India.

The Board action recommended in this item complies in all material respects with applicable state and federal laws, University of Illinois *Statutes, The General Rules Concerning University Organization and Procedure*, and Board of Trustees policies and directives.

The President of the University concurs.

(A biosketch follows.)

## VIVEK M. DAMLE

## Education

College of Agriculture, Nagpur, Panjabrao Deshmukh Krishi Vidyapeeth, Akola, India,  
B.Sc., 1984; M.Sc., 1988  
Nagpur University, India, D.B.M. Diploma, 1989  
University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Ph.D., 2000

## Professional and Other Experience

Marman Engineering and Shipbuilding Pvt. Ltd., Goa, India, 1998-date, Advisor  
Marine Management Services Pvt. Ltd., Mumbai, India, 1998-date, Advisor  
Savida Agri-Com Private Limited, Mumbai, India, 1998-date, Chairman  
SkillNet Solutions, Inc., Cupertino, California, 2000-date, Advisor to the Board  
SkillNet Solutions India Private Limited, Mumbai, 2001-date, Chairman and Managing  
Director  
Parjanya Biotech, Nagpur, India, 2006-date, Advisor  
Trimiti Technologies Inc., California, and Trimiti Technologies Pvt. Ltd., Mumbai,  
India, 2007-date, President; 2008-date, Chairman  
AgriConcepts, Nagpur, India, 2012-date, Advisor