

## Document of the Month

With the arrival of low-cost computers in early 80s, India witnessed the beginning of the era of personal computers. India, however, started taking her first steps towards computerisation in the early 50s and the first-generation main-frame computer for scientific computations, was commissioned in 1960, at the Tata Institute of Fundamental Research (TIFR), Mumbai. By this time, IBM computers had also entered the Indian scene followed by International Computers and Tabulators (India) Limited (ICT) – an Indian arm of a British Company. Business computer division of ICT that later formed a part of International Computers Limited (ICL) had by this time started exporting computers to different countries all over the world.

Coincidentally, Godrej too made its foray into the computer regime around the same time. Sohrab Godrej, whose eclectic life we celebrate this year, served on the Board of Directors of the ICT which supplied not only ICL computer systems for our in-house computer department but also provided training to our staff.

The Document of the Month for February reveals a different side of the man who took equal interest in the country's heritage and in its technological development. Godrej Archives invites you to take a sneak peek into the Minutes of Meetings of Board of Directors of ICT held in February 1967 while Sohrab Godrej was on Board and also the photograph taken in 1970s of Computer Services Division with installed ICL computers.



Computer Services Department, 1970s

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INTERNATIONAL COMPUTERS AND TABULATORS (INDIA)  
PRIVATE LIMITED.

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Our Ref.No. LCM:RVS:J:4/C207.

18th February, 1967.

S.F. Godrej, Esqr.,  
Godrej & Boyce Mfg. Co. Ltd.,  
Lalbug,  
Patel,  
Bombay, 12(DD).

Dear Sir,

I enclose for your information a copy of the  
Minutes of the Meeting of Directors held on 15th February, 1967.

Yours faithfully,  
For and On Behalf Of,  
INTERNATIONAL COMPUTERS AND TABULATORS (INDIA) PRIVATE LIMITED,

( L. C. MEHTA. )  
SECRETARY AND FINANCIAL ADVISER.

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MINUTES OF THE 180TH MEETING OF THE DIRECTORS OF  
INTERNATIONAL COMPUTERS AND TABULATORS (INDIA) PRIVATE LIMITED  
HELD ON 15TH FEBRUARY, 1967 AT 4.45 P.M. IN MAGNET  
HOUSE, DOUGALL ROAD, BOMBAY- 1- BR.

PRESENT: MR. RAMNIVAS R. ROIA (CHAIRMAN).  
MR. S.P. GODREJ.  
MR. A.M. PICHFORD.  
MR. J.S. BEDWELL.

IN ATTENDANCE: MR. L.C. MEHTA, SECRETARY & FINANCIAL  
ADVISER.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE: MR. MURARJI J. VAIDYA.  
MR. G. A. REDHOUSE.

1668. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING:

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 31st January, 1967 were taken as read and signed as correct.

1669. LEAVE OF ABSENCE:

- a) It was Resolved: "That leave of absence be and is hereby granted to Mr. Murarji J. Vaidya from today's Board Meeting."
- b) It was Resolved: "That leave of absence be and is hereby granted to Mr. G.A. Redhouse from today's Board Meeting."

1670. ACCOUNTS:

The Accounts for Period 4 up to 18th January, 1967 were tabled and noted.

1671. REVENUE FIGURES:

A statement showing the Revenue of the Company, together with that of I.C.T. Burma, for Period 4, was tabled and noted.

1672. CASH POSITION:

The following statements were tabled and noted: -

- a) Statement of Cash Position as at 14th February, 1967.  
b) A Comparative Cash Forecast for Periods 6, 7 & 8.

1673. STAFF APPOINTMENTS:

The following staff appointments made during Period 5 ended 15th February, 1967 were approved and confirmed by the Board:-

Description.	No. of staff.	Replacement.	Additional	
			Budgeted	Non-Budgeted.
Field Engineering-India.	3	-	3	-
Subordinate -India.	1	1	-	-
Operating -India.	1	1	-	-
Total	5	2	3	-