

15TH MEETING OF BOARD OF GOVERNORS

MINUTES

DATE & TIME : 18.12.2018, 3.30 PM

**VENUE : Conference Hall
NIT Nagaland
Chumukedima, Dimapur**

**National Institute of Technology Nagaland
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MINUTES OF 15TH BOARD OF GOVERNORS MEETING

Date: 18-12-2018 at 03:30 p.m.

(Venue: Conference Hall, NIT Nagaland, Chumukedima, Nagaland)

MEMBERS PRESENT

1. Shri. Suparno Moitra
Chairperson, BOG
2. Prof. P.S. Robi
Professor and Deputy Director
IIT Guwahati
3. Dr. G. Venkatesh,
Director, Sasken Communication Technologies Ltd, Bangalore
4. Dr. Ajay Kalamdhad,
Associate Professor, Dept. of Civil Engineering
IIT Guwahati
5. Shri K.Rajan (Skype)
Under Secretary (NITs), MHRD
6. Dr. S.Venugopal
Director, NIT Nagaland
7. Shri. Binod Doley
Registrar, NIT Nagaland

MHRD has forwarded the written comments of (i) NIT Division, MHRD vide Ref. F.No. 27-2/2018-TS III Dt.13/12/2018 and (ii) IFD, MHRD vide Ref. F.No. 3-26/2013-IFD Dt. 18/12/2018

The following members could not attend the meeting due to prior commitments:

1. Prof. V. Jagadeesh Kumar, Professor and Dean (Academics), IIT Madras
2. Er. Kahuto Sema, Addl Chief Engineer, NPWD, Govt of Nagaland
3. Er. Arjun Singh, Director, Technical Education, Govt of Nagaland
4. MHRD (Financer Advisor)



The Chairman of the BoG welcomed all the members and started the proceedings with the following remarks,

1. The Board shall value the opinions of all members, who are all eminent personalities and stalwarts in their respective fields. Their advices and opinions definitely help in improving the Institute. Board shall consider the views and directions of all the members with due weightage for arriving at conclusion.
2. The Chairman of BoG desires to discuss the status of the Ph.D., work of the contract faculties that was not included in the Agenda.

With the permission of the Chairman, BOG, the Director, NIT Nagaland has requested Registrar to present the agenda items.

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CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE 14TH MEETING OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS, NIT NAGALAND HELD ON 17.09.2018

BOG	Discussion /Comments	Resolution
015.01.01	<p>The 14th meeting of the Board of Governors was held on 17.09.2018 in the Conference Hall, NIT Nagaland, Chumukedima, Dimapur, Nagaland. The minutes of the proceeding were circulated to all the members of the Board of Governors in Pursuance with clause 4(13) of the 1st Statutes of NIT Act 2007.</p> <p>The modifications/comments as suggested by the members were incorporated. In view of the above, it is proposed/recommend that the Board of Governors may consider for confirmation of the minutes of the 14th meeting of the Board of Governors.</p>	<p>Minutes of the 14th meeting of the Board of Governors was circulated among the members. No comments have been received. The minutes were confirmed by the Board.</p>

ACTION TAKEN REPORT

BOG	Discussion /Comments	Resolution
015.01.02	<p>The Action Taken report of the 13th Board of Governors meeting was informed in details to the Board of Governors</p> <p>In Accordance with the written comments of Technical Section of MHRD, the Registrar briefed the BOG on the action taken report.</p> <p>The Official of Technical Section of MHRD expressed that however, it may be ensured that the Revised Cost</p>	<p>The Board of Governors noted the action taken report of 13th Board of Governors meeting.</p>

	<p>Estimates proposal as approved by EFC is to be approved in Cabinet. No new proposal/ addition of work should have approved and payment released without the approval of the proposal in the Cabinet.</p> <p>The Registrar has informed that the written comments from IFD of MHRD on this Agenda point is that "May be noted."</p>	
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TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE THE 10TH MEETING OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

BOG	Discussion /Comments	Resolution
015.01.03	<p>The Action Taken report of the 10th Finance Committee meeting was placed for the perusal and approval of the Board of Governors</p> <p>The Official of Technical Section of MHRD expressed that "The written comments of MHRD may be taken into consideration and approved."</p> <p>The Registrar has informed that the written comments from IFD of MHRD on this Agenda point is that "May be considered on comments provided by FC."</p>	The minutes of the 10 th meeting of the Finance Committee Meeting is approved

TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE THE NOMINATION OF TWO PERSONS ON BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF NIT NAGALAND BY THE COUNCIL OF NITS

BOG	Discussion /Comments	Resolution
015.01.04	The Director, NIT Nagaland has informed that in response to the communication received from MHRD he has suggested a few names for the	The Agenda may be taken-up in the next BoG meeting. The members of BoG may send their recommendations, if any.

	<p>consideration of the Board for recommending as Members of BoG to MHRD. Further, he has requested the Members of BoG to suggest their choices for the consideration of the Board.</p> <p>The Registrar has informed that the written Comments from the Technical Division of MHRD is that “May be considered, the Act/ Statutory provisions should be followed strictly” and from IFD of MHRD is “May be discussed and considered.”</p> <p>The Chairman expressed that the recommendations need to be made with great care. He has requested other members to suggest suitable personalities and we can consider for making recommendations in our next BoG meeting.</p>	
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TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE THE REVISED DETAILED PROJECT REPORT (DPR) FOR CREATION OF FACILITY FOR CONTINUOUS WATER SUPPLY TO THE CAMPUS WITH APPROPRIATE TREATMENT PLANTS THROUGH THE PUBLIC HEALTH ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT, GOVERNMENT OF NAGALAND

BOG	Discussion /Comments	Resolution
015.01.05	<p>Director, NIT Nagaland appraised that the PHED, Govt. of Nagaland has submitted a revised project proposal for the supply of water to NIT Nagaland and the revised Project Proposal was scrutinized by an Expert Committee. The revised Project Proposal and the recommendations of Expert Committee were placed in the 10th BWC for its approval. The 10th BWC considered the Revised Project Proposal and the Recommendations of Expert Committee and accorded its approval for the implementation of Revised Project Proposal. The Finance Committee of</p>	<p>Board considered the revised DPR for supply of continuous drinking water facilities through PHED, Govt. of Nagaland and approved the proposal. The Board informed that work may be commissioned subjected to approval of RCE proposal by the Cabinet.</p> <p>Further, with regard to the condition of Chumukedima</p>

NIT Nagaland has also approved the Minutes of 10th BWC (where in the Revised Project Proposal was approved) in its 10th FC held on 18/12/2018.

The Registrar informed that the proposal of supply of continuous drinking water facilities through PHED, Govt. of Nagaland with an estimated cost of Rs.829.20 lakhs is also included in the RCE of NIT Nagaland under consideration

The Registrar informed that the written Comments of NIT Division of MHRD is that "the agenda may be considered and discussed. The proposal is also included in the RCE on NIT Nagaland. However the same should be taken up only after approval of Cabinet" and the written Comments of IFD of MHRD is "may be discussed with full details financial liability and sustainability of proposal."

All the Members of the BoG has expressed that this project shall be taken-up on priority basis as the institute is facing sever water shortage.

The Registrar and Director informed that MOU shall be signed between the PHED, Chumukedima Village Council and NIT Nagaland prior to the commencement of this project. Further, the Chumukedima Village Council is insisting that at least 4 (four) persons of the Chumukedima Village shall be given employment for the operation and maintenance of the water supply and this condition shall be included in the MOU. The Members of the Board and the Official of MHRD have expressed that this point of providing employment to the persons of the village, where the water is being taken up, shall be discussed with the enlisted Central

Village Council for providing employment for at least 4 (four) persons of the Chumukedima Village for the operation and maintenance of the water supply and incorporating this condition in the MOU, the Registrar shall discuss with the enlisted Central Government Public Pleader in Nagaland and MOU shall be prepared accordingly. The MOU shall be placed in the Board prior to the signing of the Officials of NIT Nagaland and the MOU shall be signed only after the approval of the Board.

	<p>Government Public Pleader in Nagaland and MOU shall be prepared accordingly.</p> <p>The members of the Board expressed that the MOU shall be placed in the Board prior to the signing of the Officials of NIT Nagaland and the MOU shall be signed after the approval of the Board.</p>	
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TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE THE PROPOSAL FOR SIGNING OF VARIOUS MOU

BOG	Discussion /Comments	Resolution
015.01.06	<p>The Director, NIT Nagaland has informed that the institute has received a few requests from Universities, National Laboratories and Organisations for collaborative activities. These requests are placed in this meeting and requested the BoG for according approval in principle for proceeding further towards initiating discussions and preparations of MOU.</p> <p>Registrar has informed that the written comments of Technical Division of MHRD is that “the agenda may be considered and discussed. The institute should follow the Act/ Statutory provisions in this regard meticulously” and the written comments of IFD MHRD is “may be considered. The outcomes of these MoU may be ensured before signing of MoU.”</p> <p>The Chairman has expressed that the collaborations with organizations on skill development under MOU should be done with caution that these Organisations would use NIT’s name for their benefit. Further, he has advised that we should</p>	<p>The Board accorded its token approval for initiating actions towards collecting details, identifying mutual areas of collaborations, chalking out deliverables, and preparing draft MOU. The above details will be submitted for the approval of the BoG for entering into MOU with the listed organizations.</p>

AS, JSFA, Director (Finance) and Director (IITs) MHRD, Chairperson CBSE and Director, IIT Kanpur are the members. NTA has identified NIT Nagaland as a partner institution for facilitating in conducting online examinations in the State of Nagaland at Dimapur without adversely impacting our academic routine. In the above context Shri Madan Mohan, Director, NIT has instructed to undertake this activity in NIT Nagaland by providing space and computers for the examinations conducted by NTA. Based on his direction a proposal for conducting GATE and NEET Exams in NIT Nagaland has been put-up in the 14th BoG Meeting (Agenda item No. 14.01.07) for the consideration and approval of the Board. The BoG has approved the above proposal and the permission has conveyed to the NTA and Tata Consulting Services, the Agency of NTA for conducting the above examinations. The Dept. of Education, Government of Nagaland is also pressing NIT Nagaland to conduct NEET, JEE and GATE Exams for the benefit of the students of the State of Nagaland as only one centre in Kohima is available and majority of students have to travel to Guwahati because of poor road connectivity. It is to be noted that NIT Silchar has also involved in conducting the Exams of NTA. While giving permission to TCS it has been clearly mentioned that any damages to the Institute's properties due to this examination programme the TCS is solely responsible and they shall rectify it at their cost. Thus, the institute

	<p>interest is fully protected. Subsequent to this event, the NTA has requested us to extend the facilities for conducting UGC-NET as the centre at Kohima is fully booked. As the requirement is urgent, the permission has been given to TCS for conducting the UGC-NET Exam on 21 & 22/12/2018 in the anticipation of the BoG approval. The above item is being put-up in this BoG for ratification as well to cover the entire range of Exams conducted by NTA.</p> <p>The written comments submitted by the NIT Division of MHRD on this agenda point indicate that “The agenda may be discussed in detail and suggestions of BoG members taken before moving ahead.” The comments from Integrated Finance Division of MHRD are: “The detailed proposal with total cost may be placed in meeting and considered accordingly.” As the existing facilities are adequate, there is no requirement for any additional fund.</p>	
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TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE THE RECOMMENDATION OF INSTALLATION AND COMMISSIONING OF PNEUMATICS, HYDRAULICS AND MECHATRONICS LABORATORIES IN DEPT OF MECHANICAL ENGINEERING

BOG	Discussion /Comments	Resolution
015.01.08	Board was appraised that the B.Tech Mechanical course started from the academic year 2016. In the 4th FC and 7th BOG Meeting held on 07.03.2016, the FC /BOG approved the establishment of Civil and Mechanical laboratories for an estimated cost of Rs.16,00,00,000/- (Rupees Sixteen Crore only).	Board considered the recommendations of the expert committee. Further Board informed that payment should be released only after the approval of RCE by the Cabinet.

Accordingly, after following full tender process and GFR norms, the Order of Rs 2.84 crores including the service taxes was placed to M/s FESTO India Pvt Ltd, Bangalore

In 14th BoG Meeting (Res No. 014.01.08) dated 17/09/2018, the board recommended to open the packed equipment, carryout inspection and functional test for installation and establishment of Pneumatics, Hydraulics and Mechatronics Lab for the Department of Mechanical Engineering. Further NIT Nagaland shall take necessary action to install and commission the equipment in order to be utilized for the coming semester labs.

Accordingly, Expert committee was constituted for open the packed equipment, carryout inspection and functional test for installation and establishment of Pneumatics, Hydraulics and Mechatronics Lab for the Department of Mechanical Engineering

Registrar has informed that the written comments of NIT Division of MHRD are that "the agenda may be considered. However, the institute is advised that the RCE proposal is to be approved by Cabinet. An amount of Rs 60.00 crores has been projected for equipment for NIT Nagaland from 2010 to 2021-22 (till the institute shall be in project mode). The same may be noted and no deviation/ re-appropriation of funds from other Budget Heads is to be made" and the written comments of IFD of MHRD is "may be discussed with full details including total cost, usability and justification."

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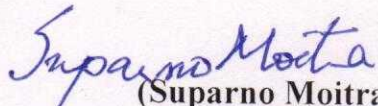
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TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE FOR INTRODUCING BIOMETRIC FOR TEACHING STAFF OF NIT NAGALAND

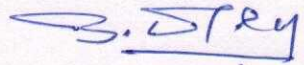
BOG	Discussion /Comments	Resolution
015.01.09	<p>Director informed that ensuring regular attendance by teachers as well as enforcing financial discipline and maintenance of accounts are a few among the major action points identified during the Visitor's Conference of Vice Chancellors of Central Universities and Directors of Central institutes of Higher Learning (CIHLs) during 2018. The resolutions passed in the above conference, were adopted by our Board. MHRD is insisting to initiate necessary steps on the actionable points emanating out of the discussion of the above meeting. Hence, the proposal of extending the Biometric Attendance system to the faculties is placed before the BoG for the considerations.</p> <p>Registrar submitted that, because of less manpower in administration section, it is essential to have Automation Office System in the institute. The Biometric Attendance System for non-teaching staffs is already in place since 2015. Now towards this, it is also proposed to extend the Biometric Attendance System to teaching staff for full automation for personnel matters. It has been planned to extend the biometric attendance for students also in future for academic attendance record.</p> <p>Registrar has informed that the written comments of NIT Division are that "may be considered and discussed before approving the same. However, the</p>	<p>The Board accorded its approval in principle for extending the Biometric attendance marking system to the faculties.</p>

	<p>financial liability towards the same is not given. The financial liability to be incurred in this regard should be brought up in Finance Committee meeting in the first instance” and the written comment of IFD of MHRD is “may be considered.”</p> <p>Dr. G. Venkatesh, Dr. P. S. Robi and Dr. Ajay Kalamdhad have expressed their uneasiness for this proposal.</p> <p>Registrar has clarified to the MHRD Official that there is no need for huge budget for extending the Biometric attendance marking system to the faculties. As already the necessary software which is being used for all other staff is available about two Nos. of Biometric device for about Rs. 40,000/- need to be purchased.</p>	
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The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair


(Suparno Moitra)
Chairman, BOG, NIT Nagaland

Recorded by:


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Registrar, NIT Nagaland