

NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY AGARTALA



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Minutes of the 46th Meeting of the Board of Governors held on February 13, 2019

The 46th meeting of Board of Governors of National Institute of Technology Agartala was held on February 13, 2019 at 03:30 pm in the Conference Room of NIT Transit House, New Delhi.

The following members were present in the meeting:

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| (1) | Prof. (Dr.) H. K. Sharma | : | Chairperson of BoG and Director, NIT Agartala. |
| (2) | Prof. Sanghamitra Bandyopadhyay | : | Director, Indian Statistical Institute, Kolkata |
| (3) | Shri Madan Mohan | : | DDG (HE), MHRD, Govt. of India
(Representative of the Special Secretary /
Additional Secretary / Joint Secretary dealing
with Technical Education, Dept. of Higher
Education, MHRD) |
| (4) | Shri D. K. Singh | : | Dy. Secretary, IFD, MHRD, Govt. of India
(Representative of JS&FA, IFD, MHRD) |
| (5) | Prof. Sharad Gokhle | : | Dean of Infrastructure, Planning &
Management, IIT Guwahati (nominee of the
Director, IITG) |
| (6) | Prof. (Dr.) S. C. Saha | : | Member, Professor, M. E. Dept., NIT
Agartala. |
| (7) | Dr. Subhadeep Bhattacharjee | : | Member, Asstt. Professor, E.E. Dept., NIT
Agartala. |
| (8) | Dr. Govind Bhargava | : | Secretary, Registrar, NIT, Agartala |

Prof. Vijayalakshmi Ravindranath, IISc, Bangalore and The Principal Secretary to the Govt. of Tripura, Dept. of Higher Education, Agartala could not attend the meeting.

Prof. (Dr.) H. K. Sharma, Chairperson, Board of Governors and Director of NIT Agartala presided over the meeting and welcomed all members of the Board of Governors.

The Chairperson invited the Registrar to initiate discussions on Agenda items

Item No. 46.1: **Confirmation of the Minutes of 45th Meeting of Board of Governors, NIT Agartala.**

The minutes of 45th Meeting of the Board of Governors held on November 10, 2018 were confirmed, after the deliberations.

Item No. 46.2: Actions taken on decisions of the 42nd, 43rd and 44th BoG meeting of NIT, Agartala held on 27th December 2017, 27th March 2018 and 9th August 2018 respectively.

Actions taken on the decisions of the 42nd, 43rd and 44th BoG meetings were noted by the Board of Governors.

Item No. 46.3: To consider publishing a Standing Advertisement for recruitment of Academic Staff (Professor, Associate Professor and Assistant Professor) in different positions and in various department of NIT Agartala.

The Board approved the proposal and authorised the Director of NITA for taking necessary decisions.

Item No. 46.4: To consider appointment of Dr. Bidyut Kr. Bhattacharyya in the post of Professor of ECE Dept. on contract basis.

The contractual appointment of Dr. Bidyut Kr. Bhattacharya with a consolidated salary of his last pay drawn for a period of three months in the post of Professor was ratified by the Board.

The Board approved and confirmed to give appointment to Dr. Bhattacharya for the period of one year in the post of Professor at a consolidated salary of his last pay.

Item No. 46.5: To consider the decision of temporary engagement of different Teaching and Non-Teaching employees at NIT, Agartala on contractual basis.

The Board noted the decision and suggested that the sanctioned positions are to defined henceforth.

Item No. 46.6: Plagiarism detected in the journal paper entitled, "Preparation of Carbon Nanosphere From Bambo And Its Use In Water Purification" (Current Trends in Technology and Science, Volume 2, Issue 1, pg. 174-177).

The Board expressed the serious concern about the matter and authorized the Director, NIT Agartala to take the actions as per the UGC guidelines. The action taken may be informed in the forthcoming BoG meeting.

Item No. 46.7: To receive information regarding the role of BOG/ its Chairperson and Director of NITs.

The Board adopted the proposal.

Item No. 46.8: To consider the level of Conferences/ Workshops/ Seminars etc. as Tier-I for attending programme under Cumulative Professional Development Allowance (CPDA) by the regular faculty members of NIT Agartala.

The Board approved and confirmed the recommendations of the committee except the Professional Bodies/ Societies. The Board suggested that the reputed Professional Bodies/ Societies are to be identified by the concerned department and the same can be put up in the forthcoming BoG meeting for necessary approvals.

Item No. 46.9: To consider the Director of NIT Agartala to function as the Chairman/ Co-Chairman/ Member of different Institution's Board/ Committee.

The Board noted the information.

Item No. 46.10: Staying of Registrar at International Guest House (IGH) of NIT Agartala.

The Board approved and confirmed the proposal subject to condition that he has to pay the license fee of Rs. 371.00 per month. In addition, HRA will not be paid.

Item No. 46.11: To consider the recommendation of the Selection Committee meeting held during January 04 – 11, 2019 at Board Room of NIT Agartala for recruitment of Faculty in the posts of Associate Professor and Assistant Professor (AGP Rs. 8000).

The Board approved and confirmed the appointment of 16 nos. of candidates in the post of Associate Professor and 35 nos. of candidates in the post Assistant Professor. The details are given as follows:

Sl. No.	Name of the candidate	Designation Offered	Department	Category	Remarks
01	Dr. John Debbarma	Associate Professor	Mechanical Engineering	--	--
02	Dr. Pritam Das	Associate Professor	Mechanical Engineering	--	--
03	Dr. Manish Bhargava	Associate Professor	Mechanical Engineering	--	--
04	Dr. Sima Ghosh	Associate Professor	Civil Engineering	--	--
05	Dr. Rajib Saha	Associate Professor	Civil Engineering	--	--
06	Dr. Partha Pratim Sarkar	Associate Professor	Civil Engineering	--	--
07	Dr. Deb Dulal Tripura	Associate Professor	Civil Engineering	--	--

08	Dr. Subhadeep Bhattacharjee	Associate Professor	Electrical Engineering	--	--
09	Dr. Arvind Kumar Jain	Associate Professor	Electrical Engineering	--	--
10	Dr. Sambhu Nath Pradhan	Associate Professor	Electronics & Communication Engineering	--	--
11	Dr. Mrinal Kanti Deb Barma	Associate Professor	Computer Sc. & Engineering	--	--
12	Dr. Munesh Chandra	Associate Professor	Computer Sc. & Engineering	--	--
13	Dr. Apu Kumar Saha	Associate Professor	Mathematics	--	--
14	Dr. Baby Bhattacharya	Associate Professor	Mathematics	--	--
15	Dr. Mitali Saha	Associate Professor	Chemistry	--	--
16	Dr. Keisham Surjit Singh	Associate Professor	Chemistry	--	--
17	Dr. Pankaj Kumar Das	Assistant Professor	Mechanical Engineering	SC	--
18	Dr. Subrata Kumar Ghosh	Assistant Professor	Mechanical Engineering	UR	Recommended for one additional increment.
19	Dr. Madhujit Deb	Assistant Professor	Mechanical Engineering	OBC	Recommended for one additional increment.
20	Dr. Ajay Biswas	Assistant Professor	Mechanical Engineering	SC	Recommended for one additional increment.
21	Dr. Barnik Saha Roy	Assistant Professor	Mechanical Engineering	UR	Recommended for one additional increment.
22	Dr. Rahul Banerjee	Assistant Professor	Mechanical Engineering	UR	Recommended for one additional increment.
23	Dr. Jawahar Paulraj	Assistant Professor	Mechanical Engineering	OBC	--
24	Dr. Mrinmoy Majumder	Assistant Professor	Civil Engineering	UR	Recommended for three additional increments.
25	Dr. Sushant Kumar Biswal	Assistant Professor	Civil Engineering	UR	Recommended for two additional increments.
26	Dr. Surajit Das	Assistant Professor	Civil Engineering	UR	Recommended for two additional increments.
27	Dr. Dipankar Sarkar	Assistant Professor	Civil Engineering	SC	Recommended for one additional increment.
28	Dr. Joyanta Pal	Assistant Professor	Civil Engineering	UR	Recommended for one additional increment.
29	Dr. Animesh Debnath	Assistant Professor	Civil Engineering	OBC	--
30	Dr. Tara Sen	Assistant Professor	Civil Engineering	UR	--
31	Dr. Sanjay Paul	Assistant Professor	Civil Engineering	UR	--

32	Dr. Sumita Deb	Assistant Professor	Electrical Engineering	UR	Recommended for two additional increments.
33	Dr. Atanu Chowdhury	Assistant Professor	Electronics & Communication Engineering	UR	--
34	Dr. Tamasi Moyra	Assistant Professor	Electronics & Communication Engineering	UR	Recommended for one additional increment.
35	Dr. Swapan Debbarma	Assistant Professor	Computer Sc. & Engineering	ST	Recommended for two additional increments.
36	Dr. Ashim Saha	Assistant Professor	Computer Sc. & Engineering	UR	--
37	Dr. Jayanta Kumar Rakshit	Assistant Professor	Electronics & Instrumentation Engineering	OBC	Recommended for two additional increments.
38	Dr. Uttam Kumar Mandal	Assistant Professor	Production Engineering	SC	--
39	Dr. Vidyut Dey	Assistant Professor	Production Engineering	UR	--
40	Dr. Swarup Paul	Assistant Professor	Production Engineering	UR	--
41	Dr. Kishan Choudhary	Assistant Professor	Production Engineering	UR	--
42	Dr. Srimanta Ray	Assistant Professor	Chemical Engineering	UR	Recommended for two additional increments.
43	Dr. Kalyan Gayen	Assistant Professor	Chemical Engineering	UR	Recommended for two additional increments.
44	Dr. T. K. Bandopadhyay	Assistant Professor	Chemical Engineering	UR	Recommended for two additional increments.
45	Dr. Soma Nandi Nag	Assistant Professor	Chemical Engineering	UR	Recommended for two additional increments.
46	Dr. Ajay Kumar Manna	Assistant Professor	Chemical Engineering	UR	Recommended for one additional increment.
47	Dr. Anirban Dutta	Assistant Professor	School of Management	OBC	--
48	Dr. Gyanbati Khuraijam	Assistant Professor	Humanities & Social Sc.	OBC	--
49	Dr. Rajesh Kumar Yadav	Assistant Professor	Physics	OBC	Recommended for three additional increments.
50	Dr. Suvra Prakash Mondal	Assistant Professor	Physics	UR	Recommended for two additional increments.
51	Dr. Biswajit Saha	Assistant Professor	Physics	UR	Recommended for two additional increments.

The Board also approved to appoint Dr. Ankuran Saha (UR) for the post of Assistant Professor (On contract) with GP of Rs. 7000/- in Mechanical Engineering Department and advised that the case of Dr. Saha may be kept on hold temporarily till the verdict of the Hon'ble High Court of Tripura.

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Item No. 46.12: To consider the GATE training program organized at NIT Agartala for the final year students under TEQIP-III.

The Board ratified the decision as per TEQIP-III rules.

Item No. 32.13: To consider signing of Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between Department of Higher Education, Ministry of Human Resource Development, Government of India & the National Institute of Technology Agartala for the year 2018-19 as per requirement of GFR 229(xi).

The Board approved and confirmed signing of MoU.

Item No. 46.14: To consider the filing of SLP in Supreme Court against the decisions given by Hon'ble High Court of Tripura.

The Board approved and confirmed the filing of SLPs in the Hon'ble Supreme Court against the decision of Hon'ble High Court of Tripura in connection with CAS of 13 nos. of Associate Professors and GPF related issue of two Assistant Professors.

The charges of Legal Counsel in respect of Mr. Sanjai Kumar Pathak (who is also contesting the case of NIT Hamirpur) were put up to the Board on table, which are given as follows:

For CAS matter:

Drafting and filing of SLPs (a consolidated charges)	Rs. 2,50,000 + 10% clerkage
Charges per appearance (consolidated)	Rs. 1,00,000 + 10% clerkage
Conference Charges	Rs. 11,000 + 10% clerkage

For GPF matter:

Drafting and filing of SLPs (a consolidated charges)	Rs. 1,25,000 + 10% clerkage
Charges per appearance (consolidated)	Rs. 75,000 + 10% clerkage
Conference Charges	Rs. 11,000 + 10% clerkage

- (1) In addition to the aforesaid all expenses, typing, printing, photocopy, court fee and miscellaneous expenses are to be paid by Institute in advance.
- (2) In case of additional services/ engagements according to client's instructions separate charges are liable to be paid by client.

Being an urgent matter, the Board approved and confirmed to hire Mr. Pathak as Legal Counsel and his charges.

Item No. 46.15: To consider the recommendation of the minutes of 31st Finance Committee meeting of NIT Agartala held on August 09, 2018.

The recommendations of 31st Finance Committee were approved and confirmed.



Item No. 46.16: To consider the revised emoluments and guideline on service conditions for research personnel engaged in R&D programme of NIT Agartala.

The Board approved and confirmed the revised emoluments and guidelines for implementation.

Item No. 46.17: To consider various recommendations and decisions taken by the Buildings & Works Committee (BWC) at its 40th Meeting held on 27-03-2017.

The Board approved and confirmed the recommendations of 40th meeting of BWC.

Item No. 46.18: To consider the contractual faculty members of the Institute for submitting applications having 2nd division in preceding degrees against advertisement for regular positions as one time measures.

The agenda was withdrawn.

Item No. 46.19: Any other issue with the permission of the Chair.

Item No. 46.19.1: To consider the Annual Report for the year 2017-18 of the Institute.

The Board approved and confirmed the Annual Report 2017-18 after editing.

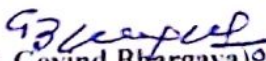
Item No. 46.19.2: To consider engagement of Legal Advisor in the Institute on contractual basis.


The Board ratified the decision.

Item No. 46.19.3: To confirm the decisions taken in 32nd Finance Committee meeting held on 13.02.2019.

The Board confirmed the decisions taken in 32nd Finance Committee meeting held on 13.02.2019 at 11.30 am.

The meeting ended with the vote of thanks to the Chair.


(Dr. Govind Bhargava) 04/07/19
Secretary
Board of Governors
& Registrar, NIT Agartala


(Prof. (Dr.) H. K. Sharma)
Chairperson
Board of Governors
& Director, NIT Agartala