



**NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY AGARTALA**

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*Minutes of the sixteenth Meeting of the  
Board of Governors  
held on 26<sup>th</sup> September 2010*

At Conference Room of NIT Agartala

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The sixteenth meeting of the Board of Governors of the Institute was held on 26<sup>th</sup> September 2010 at 2:00 pm in the Conference Room of NIT Agartala, Tripura.

The following members were present in the meeting.

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| ❖ Prof. P. N. Singh      | Chairman, BOG of NIT Agartala.  |
| ❖ Prof. P. K. Bose       | Member, Director of NIT, Agartala and Director (I/C) of NIT Silchar.                            |
| ❖ Prof. Alok K. Gupta    | Member, Representing large, medium and small scale industries, Professor, Allahabad University. |
| ❖ Shri K. Ambuly         | Representative of the Principal Secretary, Department of Higher Education, Govt. of Tripura.    |
| ❖ Dr. Prasun Chakraborti | Member, Representing Faculty, NIT, Agartala.  |
| ❖ Dr. Swapan Bhaumik     | Member, Representing Faculty, NIT, Agartala.  |
| ❖ Dr. D. Bhattacharya    | Secretary, Registrar, NIT, Agartala   |

Shri N. K. Sinha, Shri S. K. Ray, Prof. G. Barua, Shri. Tapas Roy and representatives from the AICTE, UGC could not attend the meeting due to their prior engagements and were granted leave of absence.

Prof. P. N. Singh, Chairman, BOG of NIT Agartala presided over the meeting.

The Chairman welcomed all the members present in the meeting and invited their active participation in the deliberation.

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The Chairman specially thanked Prof. Alok K. Gupta and Shri K. Ambuly to have made it possible to attend the meeting despite bad weather.

At the outset the Director, NIT Agartala welcomed all the members and requested the Registrar to initiate discussion on the Agenda as circulated earlier or placed on table.

**PART - A**

Item No. 1: *Confirmation of the Minutes of Fifteenth Board of Governors meeting.*

No comment has been received from any of the members. The Board confirmed the minutes of the 15<sup>th</sup> meeting of the BOG held on 30<sup>th</sup> June 2010 at Conference Hall of NITA Transit House, Kunjaban Qtr. Complex, Agartala, Tripura.

Item No. 2: *Action taken on the decision of the Fifteenth meeting of the Board of Governors held on 30<sup>th</sup> June 2010.*

The Board noted the action taken report with the following observations:

Regarding Item No. 4, the Board suggested that the Institute may arrange wide publicity specially in the State of Tripura and North-Eastern region about the various courses, in particular M. Sc. and MCA, being run in the Institute and scopes of studies available here.

Further the Board suggested that a letter be addressed to Ministry of HRD for the sanction of additional Faculty and Non-Faculty staff based on the approved Student and Teacher ratio 12:1:1.1 of Ministry of HRD based on the letter No. F. 23-18/ 2008-TS.III, dated: 17<sup>th</sup> March 2010 of the Ministry of HRD.

**PART - B**

Item No. 3: *To consider the recommendations of 13<sup>th</sup> Finance Committee meeting held on 26<sup>th</sup> September 2010 at 11 am in NIT Transit House, Kunjaban, Agartala.*

The Chairman elaborated the various issues considered in the 13<sup>th</sup> Finance Committee meeting held just before this meeting of the BOG on 26<sup>th</sup> September 2010 at 11 am.

The Board noted and approved the recommendations of the Finance Committee.

Items placed before the 13<sup>th</sup> Finance Committee meeting held on 26-09-2010, its recommendation and decision of the Board on the item are placed in tabular form:

Item No.	Agenda	Recommendation of the 13 <sup>th</sup> Finance Committee	Decision of the Board.
1/ 13 <sup>th</sup> FC meeting	Confirmation of the Minutes of the Twelfth Meeting of the Finance Committee held on 30 <sup>th</sup> June 2010 at NIT Transit House, Agartala.	<p>The Member Secretary did not receive any comments from any of the members. The Finance Committee confirmed and approved the minutes of the Twelfth Meeting of the Finance Committee held on 30<sup>th</sup> June 2010 at Conference Room, NITA Transit House, Kunjaban, Agartala with the following observation:</p> <p>The decision regarding Item No. 4 of 12<sup>th</sup> Finance Committee meeting is hereby corrected as follows:</p> <p>The Committee approved the Annual <b>Accounts</b> submitted by the Internal Auditor of the Institute and suggested that the Institute should take immediate remedial measure (s) regarding the observations made by the <b>Internal Auditor</b>.</p>	<i>The Board approved the recommendation of Item No. 1 of 13<sup>th</sup> Finance Committee meeting.</i>
2/ 13 <sup>th</sup> FC meeting	Actions taken on the decisions of the Twelfth meeting of the Finance Committee held on 30 <sup>th</sup> June 2010 at NIT Transit House, Agartala.	<p>The Committee noted the action taken report with the following observation:</p> <p>Against Sl. No. 3, Action taken report could be modified as: queries of AG Audit for the year 2009-2010, known as Separate Audit Report (SAR), has been sent to AG Tripura for further necessary action.</p>	<i>The Board approved the recommendation of Item No. 2 of 13<sup>th</sup> Finance Committee meeting.</i>

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*J. K. Chatterjee*

3/ 13 <sup>th</sup> FC meeting	To consider the Financial Status of the Institute as on 15 <sup>th</sup> September 2010.	<p>The Committee suggested that the Director may write a letter addressed to Joint Secretary and Financial Advisor, MHRD for release of Plan fund as per requirement submitted, so that the work of the ongoing constructions should not get retarded due to paucity of fund. Still for want of sufficient accommodation 60% of the students and 90% of Faculties and Staff are not able to stay in the campus, though NITs are called residential Institutions.</p> <p>The Board observed that the number of students admitted to MCA and M.Sc. courses is very low. The Board suggested that the publicity of running such courses be made to entire North Eastern region taking help of the State Government agencies.</p>	<i>The Board approved the recommendation of Item No. 3 of 13<sup>th</sup> Finance Committee meeting.</i>
4/ 13 <sup>th</sup> FC meeting	To consider the revised Budget of the Institute for the year 2010-2011.	<p>The Committee suggested that the revised Budget, after necessary modifications mainly in respect of Non-Plan Head be prepared as per requirement. Projected figures should be commensurate to the needs of the Institute during the present fiscal year, the same may be forwarded to the Ministry under the signature of Director.</p> <p>The committee further suggested that in future the budget should also indicate the budget estimate for the next fiscal year.</p>	<i>The Board approved the recommendation of Item No. 4 of 13<sup>th</sup> Finance Committee meeting.</i>
5/ 13 <sup>th</sup> FC meeting	To consider augmentation of Library with Radio Frequency Identification (RFID) system.	The Board approved the proposal and suggested that the Institute may negotiate with the firm to reduce the operating cost if possible. Also the Institute should judiciously select books to be installed with Turtle Tag and Security Tag for RFID system.	<i>The Board approved the recommendation of Item No. 5 of 13<sup>th</sup> Finance Committee meeting.</i>

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6/ 13 <sup>th</sup> FC meeting	To consider the recommendation of the 18 <sup>th</sup> Building and Works Committee meeting held on 21 <sup>st</sup> September 2010 at 7:00 pm at NIT Transit House, Kunjaban, Agartala.	The minutes of the 18 <sup>th</sup> Building and Works Committee held on 21 <sup>st</sup> September 2010 at 6:00 pm at NIT Transit House, Kunjaban, Agartala were noted by the Committee.	<i>The Board approved the recommendation of Item No. 6 of 13<sup>th</sup> Finance Committee meeting.</i>
<b>Additional Agenda Placed on Table</b>			
Addl. 1/ 13 <sup>th</sup> FC meeting	To consider the proposal of opening a School of Hydro-Informatics Engineering.	The Committee after discussion at length recommended the proposal of opening of School of Hydro-Informatics Engineering in NIT Agartala.	<i>The Board approved the recommendation of Addl. Item No. 1 of 13<sup>th</sup> Finance Committee meeting.</i>
Addl. 2/ 13 <sup>th</sup> FC meeting	To consider installation of 100 kW <sub>p</sub> off grid Solar Photo Voltaic (SPV) Plant under SPV 2010-11 Programme of Govt. of India in NIT Agartala.	The Committee recommended to the proposal of installation of 100 kW <sub>p</sub> off grid Solar Photo Voltaic (SPV) plant under SPV 2010-11 programme of Govt. of India should be taken up. The committee also suggested that before issuing work order feedback from the Institutes where it has been already installed and after installation maintenance service provided by the agency may be taken into consideration.	<i>The Board approved the recommendation of Addl. Item No. 2 of 13<sup>th</sup> Finance Committee meeting.</i>
Addl. 3/ 13 <sup>th</sup> FC meeting	To consider the construction of a Lecture Theatre and Drawing (LTD) Hall at NIT, Agartala.	The Committee recommended the timely proposal for construction of Lecture Theatre and Drawing Hall with an estimated cost of Rs. 15.70 crores.	<i>The Board approved the recommendation of Addl. Item No. 3 of 13<sup>th</sup> Finance Committee meeting.</i>
Addl. 4/ 13 <sup>th</sup> FC meeting	To consider the construction of two Fountain at NIT Agartala.	The Committee recommended the proposal of construction of two fountains at NIT Agartala, one in front of Guest House and another in front of the Auditorium with a total cost of Rs. 8.51 lakhs.	<i>The Board approved the recommendation of Addl. Item No. 4 of 13<sup>th</sup> Finance Committee meeting.</i>

PART – C

Item No. 4: *To consider the norms for the Cumulative Professional Development Allowance for Teaching staff of NIT Agartala.*

After discussion at length the Board opined that a small committee under the chairmanship of the Director and a few faculty members may be constituted for suggesting the norms to be followed for making smooth functioning of the scheme of CPDA at NIT Agartala. Then the same may be notified and implemented with the approval of the Chairman of the BOG.

Item No. 5: *To consider the issue of providing Central Health Scheme facility to the pensioners of NIT Agartala.*

The Board approved the proposal. The Institute should address a letter to the Ministry of HRD requesting to provide Central Health Scheme facility to the pensioners and their family members of NIT Agartala.

Item No. 6: *To consider the proposal of opening a School of Hydro-Informatics Engineering.*

The Board approved the resolution taken by the Finance Committee in this regard.

Item No. 7: *To consider the proposal of introduction of Medical Insurance for students.*

The Board approved the proposal in principle and suggested that the Institute, should work out the details of amount of insurance for each student, accident coverage amount and premium to be paid annually to Insurance agency. The decision be taken without any further delay. The decision may be implemented in the Institute after taking the approval of the Chairman and may be placed for ratification in the next BOG meeting.

Item No. 8: *To consider the minutes of the Eighteenth Building & Works Committee meeting of NIT Agartala.*

The Member Secretary of the Building & Works Committee, the Registrar, one by one discussed all the items considered in the Eighteenth Building & Works Committee meeting of NIT Agartala held on 21<sup>st</sup> September 2010 and the decisions taken on the respective items.

The Board noted the decisions of the Building & Works Committee meeting (Minutes of the 18<sup>th</sup> Building & Works Committee is enclosed herewith in Annexure - I).

**PART - D**

**Item No. 9:** *Items approved by the Director or Chairman submitted for noting of the Board.*

The Board ratified the action taken by Chairman/ Director (i) visit of Mr. S. Paul to France for presenting paper and (ii) engagement of the contractual employees to run the Institute smoothly.

The Board further suggested that in future list of contractual appointees be attached in the agenda.

**ADDITIONAL AGENDA  
(On Table Discussion)**

**Addl. Item No. 1:** *To consider payment of enhanced Dearness Allowance to the employees of NIT Agartala w.e.f. 01-07-2010.*

The Board approved the proposal of payment of enhanced DA to the employees of NIT Agartala and further opined that henceforth on notification of such enhancement of DA by the Central Govt., the same could be implemented in the Institute

**Addl. Item No. 2:** *To consider installation of 100 kW<sub>p</sub> off grid Solar Photo Volatic (SPV) Plant under SPV 2010-11 Programme of Govt. of India in NIT Agartala.*

The Committee approved the recommendation of the Finance Committee in this regard as listed Part - B, Item No. 3.

**Addl. Item No. 3:** *To consider introduction of Post-Doctoral Fellowships in Science and Engineering at NIT Agartala.*

The Board approved the proposal of introduction of Post-Doctoral Fellowships in Science and Engineering in the Institutes as proposed.

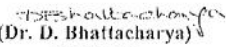
Addl. Item No. 4: *To consider educational qualification and experience of the sanctioned Non-Teaching post for NIT Agartala by the Ministry of HRD.*

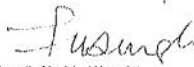
The Board after discussion at length approved the educational qualification and experience for recruitment against the sanctioned Non-Teaching posts of NIT Agartala, with the one-time relaxation of age for the internal candidates as notified.

Addl. Item No. 5: *To consider Integrated Ph. D. Scheme for Non-Gate students.*

The Board suggested that in matters concerning to academic issues of the Institute, views of the Senate is to be considered first and then only be brought for consideration of the Board and hence the matter is deferred.

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

  
(Dr. D. Bhattacharya)  
Secretary  
Board of Governors  
& Registrar  
NIT Agartala

  
(Prof. P. N. Singh)  
Chairman  
Board of Governors  
NIT Agartala