

NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY AGARTALA

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Minutes of the Nineteenth Meeting of the Board of Governors held on 12th June 2011

At Conference Room of NIT Agartala

The Nineteenth meeting of the Board of Governors of the Institute was held on 12th June 2011 at 10 am in the Conference Room of NIT, Agartala, Tripura. In the meeting all the members of Finance Committee, who are also the members of Board of Governors were present.

The following members were present in the meeting.

(1)	Prof. P. N. Singh	:	Chairman, BOG of NIT Agartala.
(2)	Prof. P. K. Bose	:	Member, Director of NIT, Agartala and Director (I/C) of NIT Silchar.
(3)	Prof. Alok K. Gupta	i	Member, Representing large, medium and small scale industries, Professor, Allahabad University.
(4)	Mr. Sriram Taranikanti	:	Commissioner & Secretary, Department of Higher Education, Govt. of Tripura. Representative of the Govt. of Tripura.
(5) _.	Mr. R. K. Bandyopadhyay	;	Representative of the Joint Secretary, Ministry of HRD, Govt. of India.
(6)	Mr. Tapash Roy	1	Member, Representing Alumni.
(7)	Prof. A. K. Sarkar	:	Member, Representing Faculty, NIT, Agartala.
(8)	Mr. P. N. Das	:	Member, Representing Faculty, NIT, Agartala.
(9)	Dr. D. Bhattacharya	:	Secretary, Registrar, NIT, Agartala

Shri S. K. Ray, Prof. G. Barua, 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.

At the outset the Chairman welcomed all the members, specially thanked Prof. Alok K. Gupta, Mr. Sriram Taranikanti and Mr. R. K. Bandyopadhyay to have made it possible to attend the meeting.

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Then the Director, Prof. P. K. Bose welcomed all the member. He specially thanked Mr. R. K. Bandyopadhyay, Dy. Secretary of MHRD, Prof. Alok K. Gupta from Allahabad University, Mr. Tapas Roy, DGM of CSE, Kolkata and Mr. Sriram Taranikanti, Commissioner & Secretary, Govt. of Tripura, Department of Higher Education for attending the meeting inspite of their busy schedule.

The Chairman again welcomed all the members present in the meeting and invited the Director and the Registrar to initiate discussion on agenda points.

PART-A

<u>Item No. 1:</u> Confirmation of the Minutes of Seventeenth and Eighteenth Board of Governors meeting.

No comment has been received from any of the members. The Board confirmed the minutes of the Seventeenth and Eighteenth meeting of the BOG held on 13th February 2011 and 27th March 2011 respectively with the following change in its observation against in Item No. 5, regarding formulation of guide lines for essential credentials of the faculties for consideration of being recommended to the Board. The Board decided that it is the sole authority of the Senate to select faculty representative to the Board and the Board has full faith in the wisdom of the Senate.

Item No. 2: Action taken on the decision of the Seventeenth and Eighteenth meeting of the Board of Governors respectively held on 13th February 2011 and 27th March 2011.

The committee noted the action taken report with the following observation/modification.

- (i) In respect of Sl. No. 1, on the observations made by the Board in its 17th meeting regarding formation of a new Board of Governors, it was pointed out that as per the NIT Act "two persons to be nominated by the Government of the State in which the Institute is situated, from amongst persons, who, in the opinion of that Government are technologists or industrialists of repute" [Ref. NIT Act, 2007, Article 11 (d)]. The State Government may be requested to nominate their representative accordingly.
- (ii) In respect of Sl. No. 2, the typographical mistake was corrected. In place of CDPA, it would be CPDA.
- (iii) In respect of Sl. No. 18, the proposal for providing redundant internet connectivity may be changed to proposal for an Additional Internet Connectivity.

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PART - B

<u>Item No. 3:</u> A report on the 3rd Convocation ceremony of the Institute held on 27th March 2007.

The members applauded the conduct of the 3rd Convocation in a very successful way by the Institute and also for the renovation of the old Auditorium in a befitting way.

Item No. 4: To consider the recommendation of the Selection Committee for the recruitment of the Registrar & Dy. Registrar, NIT Agartala.

At first the sealed envelope containing the recommendation of the Selection Committee for the post of Registrar was placed before the Board for its perusal and directives. The Director, Prof. P. K. Bose opened the envelope and read out the recommendation of the Selection Committee. The Board after perusal of the Bio-data of the recommended candidate, approved for the selection of Dr. Nabin Kumar Kole, for the post of Registrar and his pay may be protected as per Govt. rules.

Next, before opening of sealed envelope containing the recommendation of the Selection Committee for the post of Dy. Registrar, the Secretary of Board, informed the Board that after the Interview, in the process of re-checking of the credentials of the persons called for interview it was found that one of the applicants called for interview for the post of Dy. Registrar, crossed the age limit of 45 years as stipulated in the advertisement. The Director supplemented that all the eligible candidates were called for interview and no candidates who fulfilled the essential qualification were left out. The Board asked the Director to place all applications, so that the members of the Board could check qualifications of the candidates, who meet the prescribed qualifications. It was found that all members, who have qualified have been called for the interview. However, one of the three candidates, called for interview by name Mr. Nishit Kumar Mukhopadhyay has crossed the upper age limit of 45 years for the post of Deputy Registrar and as such is not eligible.

Then the sealed envelop was opened. The Director read out the recommendation of the selection committee. The Selection Committee recommended a panel of two candidates for the post of Dy. Registrar:

- (i) Mr. Nishit Kumar mukhopadhyay.
- (ii) Mr. Sumanta Chakraborti.

The Selection Committee recommended that in the event of the First person fail to join after getting appointment within a stipulated period, the second man may be given the appointment letter. The Board however felt that as the candidate recommended at Sl. No. 1 was over aged it unanimously resolved and recommended to offer the appointment of the Deputy Registrar to the second person in the panel viz. Mr. Sumanta Chakraborti.

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It was further resolved to protect his pay at the present post. The Board felt that the selection process was not vitiated as no eligible candidate was left out. Besides, there is a need to appoint the Deputy Registrar as there is acute shortage of the administrative staff.

Item No. 5: To consider for allowing the regular pay scale with other allowances as applicable to the Central Government employees to the Contractual Teaching staff (recruited for term basis of one year each) working in NIT Agartala.

The proposal was withdrawn.

Item No. 6: To consider subsidized 1 Gbps NKN connectivity in the Institute.

The Board approved the recommendation of the Finance Committee in this regard.

Item No. 7: To consider the recommendation of the 20th Building & Works Committee meeting held on 11th June 2011 at 6:00 pm in NIT Transit House, Kunjaban, Agartala.

The committee noted the recommendations of the Building & Works Committee meeting held on 11th June at 6:00 pm in NIT Transit House and approved.

To consider the recommendation of the 15th Finance Committee meeting held on 11th June 2011 at 5:00 pm in the Conference Room of NIT Agartala.

The Committee approved the recommendation of the Finance Committee, taken during discussion on the Finance Committee Agenda at the beginning of the meeting of the Board of Governors.

Item No. 9: To consider the medical reimbursement rule for the regular Teaching employees of the Institute.

The Board after discussion at length, suggested that detailed proposal regarding empanelment of Hospital and Nursing Homes along with empanelment of Doctors,

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Pathological Laboratories in Agartala may be placed in the next Finance Committee meeting for subsequent consideration of the Board.

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The State Government representative further added that simultaneously, in view of the large number of Central Govt. establishments, CGHS may also be requested to empanel some of the local Hospitals at North Eastern Region, specially at Tripura.

Item No. 10: To consider the Leave Rules of permanent teachers of NIT Agartala.

The Committee after thread bare discussion suggested that since it involves financial matters, the same may be placed in the Finance Committee meeting to be held next and subsequent consideration of the Board.

PART - C

Item No. 11: Items approved by the Director or Chairman submitted for noting of the Board.

The Board ratified the action taken by the Chairman / Director.

ADDITIONAL AGENDA (On Table Discussion)

Addl. Item No. 1: To consider enhancement of sitting allowance rate for the Board and other committee members under the Board.

The Board approved the recommendation of the Finance Committee in this regard.

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