NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY SILCHAR

SEVENTY FOURTH MEETING OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS

MINUTES

The agenda items of 74th meeting of the Board of Governors was circulated to the members of BoG on 20th May, 2020 with a request to forward comment by 26.05.2020 within 1500 hours:

- Prof. Sivaji Bandyopadhyay, Director & Chairperson, BoG (Officiating)
- Shri Madan Mohan, ADG(HE), Dept. of Higher Education, MHRD, GOI, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi-110 001
- Ms. Darshana M Dabral, JS & FA, Integrated Finance Division, Dept. of Higher Education, MHRD, GOI, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi-110001
- Shri Abhijit Barooah, Managing Director, Premier Cryogenics Ltd., Mairam Dewan Path, Chandmari, Guwahati – 781 003
- 5. Sri Basant Kumar Khetan, Pro Chancellor, Kaziranga University
- 6. Prof. S. K. Kakoty, Professor, IIT Guwahati
- 7. Prof. P. S Choudhury, NIT Silchar
- 8. Dr. Ripon Patgiri, NIT Silchar
- Prof. Asim Roy, Registrar (i/c) & Secretary, BoG

As per Statute No. 17(15) of the first Statutes of NITs, Prof. Sivaji Bandyopadhyay, Director, NIT, Silchar was the Chairperson, Board of Governors.

At the outset, Prof. Sivaji Bondyopadhyay being Chairperson (Officiating), Board of Governors has approved the decision of the 65th meeting of Senate held on 15.05.2020 regarding nominating Prof. P. S. Choudhury and Dr. Ripon Patgiri as Senate nominee to BoG and the same is placed at Agenda item No. BoG-74/20/05 for ratification.

The Comments on the agenda items were received from following members:

- 1. Prof. Sivaji Bandyopadhyay, Director & Chairperson, BoG (Officiating)
- 2. Dr. S. K. Kakoty, Professor, IIT Guwahati
- 3. Sri Abhijit Barooah, Managing Director, Premier Cryogenics Ltd.
- 4. Sri Basant Kumar Khetan, Pro Chancellor, Kaziranga University
- 5. Prof. P. S Choudhury, NIT Silchar
- 6. Dr. Ripon Patgiri, NIT Silchar

Based on the comments received the following minutes have been drawn: -

BoG-74/20/01: To confirm the minutes of the 72nd and 73rd Meeting of Board of Governors.

Seventy Second meeting of the Board of Governors was held on 20^{th} November, 2019 at Shastri Bhwan, New Delhi. The copies of the Minutes of the 72^{nd} meeting of the Board of Governors (Annexure – I_1) were circulated to all the members of the Board. No comments has been received from any members.

Seventy Third meeting of the Board of Governors was held on 29th November, 2019 at Shastri Bhwan, New Delhi. The copies of the Minutes of the 73rd meeting of the Board of Governors (Annexure – I₂) were circulated to all the members of the Board. No comments has been received from any members.

The Board is requested to confirm the minutes of 72nd and 73rd meeting of the BoG

DECISION

The Board confirmed the minutes of 72nd and 73rd meeting of Board of Governors

BoG-74/20/02:

To discuss on the Action Taken Report on decision of the 72^{nd} and 73^{rd} Meeting of Board of Governors.

The action taken report on the minutes of 72^{nd} and 73^{rd} meeting of BOG is placed at **Annexure** – II. The Board is requested to take note of the same.

DECISION

The Board noted the action taken on the minutes of 72nd and 73rd meeting of BoG

BoG-74/20/03:

To ratify the action taken by the Chairperson (Officiating) regarding accepting the resignation of Prof. Abdul Karim Barbhuiya from the post of Registrar.

Prof. Abdul Karim Barbhuiya vide letter dated 13.09.2019 (Annexure – III) requested to release him from the post of Registrar w.e.f. 31.12.2019 (A/N).

The Director, NIT Silchar has forwarded the request of Prof. A. K. Barbhuiya to the Chairperson, BoG.

The Chairperson (Officiating), BoG has accepted the resignation of the Prof. A. K. Barbhuiya w.e.f. 31.12.2019 (A/N). The approval of the Chairperson (Officiating), BoG is placed at Annexure – III.

The Board is requested to ratify the action taken by the Chairperson (Officiating), BoG..

DECISION

The Board ratified the action taken by the Chairperson (Officiating), BoG.

BoG-74/20/04:

Ratify the action taken by the Chairperson regarding appointing Prof. Asim Roy to the post of Registrar, In - Charge.

On resignation of Prof. Abdul Karim Barbhuiya from the post of Registrar, the Direction, NIT Silchar on the basis of power vested to him vide Statute 17 (11) of First Statute of NITs assigned the responsibility of Registrar, NIT Silchar to Prof. Asim Roy, Professor, Department of Physics for a period of 1 (one) year w.e.f. 01.01.2020.

The Chairperson (Officiating), BoG has also accorded approval on the same. The approval of the Chairperson (Officiating), BoG is placed at **Annexure – IV.**

The Board is requested to ratify the action taken by the Chairperson (Officiating), BoG.

DECISION

The Board ratified the action taken by the Chairperson (Officiating), BoG.

BoG-74/20/05:

Ratify the action taken by the Chairperson (Officiating) regarding nomination of BOG members by the senate

The tenure of Board Members nominated by the Senate was over on 02.05.2020. As such the Senate in its 65th meeting held on 15.05.2020 nominated one Professor P. S. Choudhury and one Assistant Professor Dr. Ripon Patgiri as Member of Board as per Section 11(f) NITSER Act. The Chairperson (Officiating), BoG has also approved the nomination of Senate.

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The Senate Nominee to the Board along with the approval of the Chairperson (Officiating), BoG is placed at Annexure – V.

The Board is requested to ratify the action taken by the Chairperson (Officiating), BoG.

DECISION

The Board ratified the action taken by the Chairperson (Officiating), BoG.

BoG-74/20/06:

Board Nominee for Finance Committee

As per Section 10 (1) (iv) of NIT Statute that finance committee should have two persons nominated by Board amongst its member.

Prof. Fazal Ahmed Talukdar, NIT Silchar (nominated by Senate, NIT Silchar as per Section 11(f) of NITSER Act) were nominated by Board as a member of FC in its 61st meeting held on 28.05.2018.

It may be noted that Prof. F. A. Talukdar was member of BoG till 01.02.2020.

In view of above, Board is requested to nominate one of the Members of the Board as a Member Finance Committee as per Section 10 (1) (iv) of NIT Statute.

DECISION

The Board authorised Chairperson (officiating), BoG to nominate Board Nominee for Finance Committee as per Section 10 (1) (iv) of NIT Statute.

Subsequently, Chairperson (officiating), BoG nominated Professor P.S.Choudhury as the Board Nominee for Finance Committee as per Section 10 (1) (iv) of NIT Statute. The Board noted the same.

BoG-74/20/07:

To approve the Annual Report for the year 2018 - 19.

The Annual Report for the year 2018 – 19 is prepared and will be submitted to the MHRD for laying before the Parliament. The Annual Report is placed at **Annexure-VII**.

DECISION

The Board approved the Annual Report for the year 2018 – 19

BoG-74/20/08:

To discuss on the issue related to granting of Temporary Status to the Muster Roll workers of NIT Silchar who joined the institute prior to implementation of Casual Labourers (Grant of Temporary Status and Regularisation) Scheme of Government of India, 1993.

The matter related to grant of Temporary Status was placed before the BoG in its 50th meeting held on 21.07.2016 explaining the issue in detail. BOG after examining the scheme of DOP&T for granting temporary status to Casual Workers (September, 1993) came to conclusion that MR workers can be awarded Temporary Status Casual Labour as per the DoPt guidelines dated 10.09.1993 subject to clearance from Finance Committee / MHRD as it involves financial implication.

The Institute vide letter No. PA/BoG-50/16 dated 10.08.2016 referred the matter to MHRD. In reply MHRD has requested to furnish the details of appointment of all MR Workers.

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The institute again vide letter No. NITS/Estt/MR/TS/18/18376 dated 24.12.2018 furnish the detailed documents in connection with the appointment of the MR Workers.

The MHRD vide letter F. No. 15-12/2016.TS.III dated 18.03.2020 (Annexure – VIII) intimated that institute may consider the case of MR workers for grant of temporary Status as per the Judgement in the case of Uma Devi.

The Board is requested to accord administrative approval to the institute to grant the Muster Roll Workers Temporary Status as per the Judgement in the case of Uma Devi.

DECISION

The Board accorded administrative approval to grant Temporary Status to the eligible Muster Roll Workers as per the Judgement in the case of Uma Devi.

BoG-74/20/09:

To implement discontinuation of Interview at Junior Level Posts - Implementation of instructions issued by DoPT in NITs and IIEST, Shibpur.

The MHRD vide letter F.No.35–4/2016 - TS.III dated 11.12.2019 requested to implement the instructions of the DoPT on discontinuation of interviews for recruitment to all junior level posts.

The Board is requested allow the Institute to adopt the DoPT Guidelines circulated by MHRD vide letter F.No.35–4/2016 - TS.III dated 11.12.2019 (Annexure – IX).

DECISION

The Board approved to adopt the DoPT Guidelines circulated by MHRD vide letter F.No.35-4/2016 - TS.III dated 11.12.2019

BoG-74/20/10:

To adopt the Model Recruitment Rules for various Official Language Cadre.

The institute has one post each of Hindi Officer, Hindi Translator and Hindi Typist. However, due to non – availability of Recruitment Rule for the said posts in the Non – Teaching Recruitment Rule, the institute could not advertise the said posts.

In view of above the Board is requested to allow the Institute to adopt Modal Recruitment Rule for various posts in Official Language Cadre circulated by DoPT vide No. AB-14017/46/2011-Estt(RR) dated 19.09.2013 (Annexure - X)

DECISION

The Board approved to adopt Model Recruitment Rule for various posts in Official Language Cadre circulated by DoPT vide No. AB-14017/46/2011-Estt(RR) dated 19.09.2013

BoG-74/20/11:

Ratifying the decision of Chairperson BoG regarding releasing of Dr. Nitesh Ahir from the post of Assistant Professor Grade – II in the Department of Civil Engineering on lien for 1 (one) year.

Dr. Nitesh Ahir, Assistant Professor Grade – II, Department of Civil Engineering vide letters dated 26.11.2019 and 20.12.2019 requested to release him on Lien for 3 (three) years from the services of this institute to enable him to join the post of Assistant Professor (on contract) at Level – 10 at NIT Delhi.

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Dr. N. Ahir joined the institute on 28.01.2013 to the post of Assistant Professor (on contract) in the Department of Civil Engineering. On completion of PhD his services are regularised from the date of joining this institute vide office order No. NITS/Estt/BoG-57/17/16568-81 dated 10.11.2017. Further vide office order No. NITS/Estt/BoG-64/18/20631-48 dated 23.01.2019 his services are confirmed.

The application of Dr. Nitesh Ahir for the post of Assistant Professor at Level 10 at NIT Delhi was forwarded by this institute vide Letter No. NITS/Estt/0566/13/Pt/16/24531-33.

The Director, NIT Silchar has forwarded the request of Dr. N. Ahir to Chairperson and the Chairperson (Officiating), BoG has granted him Lien for a period of one year w.e.f. $14.01.2020 \, (A/N)$.

The Board is requested to ratify the action taken by the Chairperson (Officiating), BoG.

DECISION

The ratified the action taken by the Chairperson (Officiating), BoG.

BoG-74/20/12:

To note the recommendations of the 61st B&WC meetings.

The recommendations of 61st meeting of Building & Works Committee held on 20.11.2019 is placed at **Annexure – XII** for noting

DECISION

The Board noted the recommendations of 61st meeting of Building & Works Committee.

(Prof. A. Roy)

Registrar (i/c) & Secretary