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MINUTES OF THE FIFTIETH (GOLDEN JUBILEE) MEETING OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS

The 50th meeting of the Board of Governors was held in Hotel Bhargav Grand on 21st July, 2016 at 1230 hours. The following members were present in the meeting:

- 1. Prof. N. V. Deshpande, Director & Chairman BoG, NIT Silchar.
- 2. Prof. S. L. Bapat, Professor, Department of Mechanical Engineering, IIT Bombay.
- 3. Dr. S. K. Kakoty, Dean of Infrastructure, Planning and Management, IIT Guwahati.
- 4. Prof. K.M Pandey, Mechanical Engineering Department, NIT Silchar.
- Sri. Gokul Mohan Hazarika, Secretary, Deptt of Higher Education, Govt. of Assam, Guwahati.
- Dr.Atul Bora, Director, Technical Education, Deptt of Higher Education, Guwahati, Assam.
- 7. Dr. L C Saikia, Assistant Professor, Deptt of Electrical Engineering, NIT Silchar.
- 8. Prof. N C Shivaprakash, Mentor TEQIP-II, NIT Silchar& Professor IISc Bangalore, Special Invitee.
- 9. Prof. A. K. Barbhuiya, Registrar & Secretary.

Due to expiry of the term of the Chairman BoG and as per Statutes-17(15) of the first Statutes of NITs, Prof. N V Deshpande, Director NIT Silchar presided over the BoG meeting as Chairperson under Section-16 of the Act.

At the outset, Chairman BoG and Director welcomed all the members. The BoG then initiated the discussion on the following agenda.

BoG-50/16/01: To confirm the minutes of 49th meeting of BOG.

The Board discussed the minutes of the Forty Ninth meeting of the Board of Governors, circulated to all the members. The comments of MHRD received on item No. BOG-49/16/17 of the minutes were also noted and as advised, BoG did not confirm the additional estimates of (i) New Administration Building (CPWD) - 4,87,45,342.00 and (ii) New Type III Qtr. (CPWD) -Rs. 2,23,61,600.00 {recommended by 35th FC vide FC-35/16/09 (a) & (b) (BWC-44/16/02)}.

The Board then confirmed the minutes of the Forty Ninth meeting including confidential minutes (BoG-49/16/04 to BoG-49/16/07 and BoG-49/16/10) of the Board of Governors.

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BOG 50/16/02: Action taken Report on decision of the 49th Meeting of Board of Governors.

The Board perused the action taken report on the minutes of the 49th meeting of the BoG and advised that action with respect to item no BOG – 49/16/07 may be completed at the earliest.

BoG -50/16/03: Issuance of work order for installation of 800 kWp Solar Roof Top to L-1 agency, M/S Agni Power Ltd. - Rs. 5,59,65,000.00 (MNRE's share Rs. 3,91,75,500.00 & Institute's share Rs. 1,67,89,500.00).

MHRD in its comments on the item, vide letter no F.No.15-6/2016 TS.III dated August 24, 2016, advised that the work order issued to M/S Agni Power Ltd may be withheld. It was also advised that the reasonableness of rates needs to be ascertained by the Technical Evaluation Committee and re-put-up before BoG through Finance Committee for further consideration.

BoG-50/16/04: Issue of appointment letter to the candidates selected against Advertisement No. 01/16, 02/16, 03/16 and 04/16

Ministry of HRD in its comments vide letter no F.No.15-6/2016 TS.III dated August 24, 2016 advised that the appointments should not be carried out as the tenure of the Director NIT Silchar was getting over on 8th September, 2016 and therefore, any decision taken two months before the expiry of the term is in contravention of the guidelines of MHRD vide letter dated 13.08.2015.

BoG-50/16/05: To consider Dean (FW) as a Member (in place of HOD of concerned department) of the Selection Committee constituted for Basic Sciences, HSS & Management Studies

Ministry of HRD in its comments vide letter No F.No.15-6/2016 TS.III dated August 24, 2016 advised that the appointments should not be carried out as the tenure of the Director NIT Silchar was getting over on 8th September, 2016 and therefore, any decision taken two months before the expiry of the term is in contravention of the guidelines of MHRD vide letter dated 13.08.2015.

BOG-50/16/06: Resignation of Dr.Ayon Bhattacharjee, Assistant Professor, of Physics Department.

Board ratified the action taken by the Chairman BoG with regard to acceptance of resignation of Dr.Ayon Bhattacharjee, Assistant Professor of Physics Department of NIT Silchar. Board also noted that Dr. Bhattacharjee

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had deposited Rs. 4,51,407.00/- being dues against him as Warden, Hostel-4 NITS.

BOG-50/16/07: Outsourcing of staff of KIDS NITS.

The matter is discussed and based on the comments of MHRD, the issue is referred to MHRD for final decision.

BoG-50/16/08: Seniority of Faculty.

The original agenda item was related to in-charge Director. However, during the meeting, it was discussed and decided that the agenda item should be read as "Seniority of faculty". The Board then approved the criteria of the seniority of faculty as per the circular No.F-33-7/2011-TS.III dated 14.03.2012 issued by MHRD. The Board also noted the comments of MHRD that apart from circular, other guidelines/directives issued by the MHRD should be adhered to.

BoG-50/16/09: To consider to allow Prof. A.K Barbhuiya, present Registrar for guiding M.Tech and PhD students.

The Board approved that Prof. A K Barbhuiya will continue to (a) guide the scholars (M.Tech and PhD) under him; and (b) apply/carry out sponsored research project/consultancy for the benefit of the Institute.

BoG-50/16/10: To consider regularization of service of Dr.NiteshAhir, Asstt. Professor, Civil

Ministry of HRD in its comments, on the resolution of the meeting, vide letter No F.No.15-6/2016 TS.III dated August 24, 2016 advised that the case may be referred to MHRD with details.

BoG-50/16/11: To consider Regularization of daily waged M R Workers with Temporary Status (CL-TS).

The Board recommended the proposal that M. R. Workers can be awarded Temporary Status Casual Labours (TSCL) as per DOP&T guidelines dated 10.09.1993 subject to clearance from Finance Committee/MHRD as it involves financial implication.

Ministry of HRD vide letter F.No.15-6/2016 TS.III via email dated August 24, 2016 directed that the matter may be deferred and referred to MHRD.

BoG-50/16/12: Presentation on report of TEQIP-II by Prof. N C Shivaprakash mentor of TEQIP – II.

The Board appreciated the progress of TEQIP—II, NITS and congratulated the Institute for excellent performance. The Board also expresses its gratitude to Prof. N C Shivaprakash for mentoring TEQIP—II, NIT Silchar and constant support in the success of the TEQIP-II implementation.

BoG-50/16/13: To consider the Selection of Students of NIT Silchar by IIT Guwahati under Teachers Trainee Scheme.

The Board approved the proposal.

BoG-50/16/14: To approve the Annual Report for the year 2015-16.

The Board approved the Annual Report of the Institute for the year 2015-16.

BoG-50/16/15: To take a note of the Draft Separate Audit Report (SAR) on the Accounts of NIT Silchar for the year 2015-16.

The Board perused the draft Separate Audit Report (SAR) on the Annual Accounts of the Institute and noted the same and also advised to comply with the observations.

Meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

(Prof. A K Barbhulya) Registrar & Secretary

(Prof. R. Gupta) Chairperson (Acting)