NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY SILCHAR

Minutes of the Fifty Third Meeting of the Board of Governors

The 53rd meeting of the Board of Governors was held in NIT Transit House, New Delhi on 28th March, 2017 at 1130 hours. The following members were present in the meeting:

- Prof. Rajat Gupta, I/C Director & Chairperson (Acting)
- 2. Sri S. P. Goyal, Joint Secretary (NITs & DL), Department of Higher Education, MHRD
- 3. Ms. Darshana M Dabral JS & FA, Integrated Finance Division, MHRD
- 4. Prof. Atul Bora, DTE, Government of Assam
- 5. Prof. S. L. Bapat, IIT Bombay
- 6. Prof. K.M. Pandey, NIT Silchar
- 7. Dr. L. C. Saikia, NIT Silchar
- 8. Prof. A. K. Barbhuiya, Registrar & Secretary, BoG

Due to expiry of the term of the Chairperson, BoG and as per Statute No. 17(15) of the first Statutes of NITs, Prof. Rajat Gupta, I/C Director, NIT, Silchar presided over the meeting of the Board of Governors as Chairperson in accordance with Section 16 of the NITSER Act, 2007.

At the outset, Prof. Rajat Gupta welcomed all the members of the Board of Governors.

The BoG then initiated the discussion on the Agenda Items one by one: -BOG-53/17/01: To confirm the minutes of the 51st Meeting of the Board.

The Fifty First meeting of the Board of Governors was held on 12th January, 2017 at NIT Transit House, New Delhi. The copies of the minutes of the 51st meeting of the Board of Governors were circulated to all the members of the Board. The comments of one member Dr. L. C. Saikia have been received. The Board discussed the comments of Dr. L. C. Saikia and confirmed the minutes of the 51st meeting of the Board with a note to correct the date in Agenda Item No. BoG-51/18 with 28.02.2017 in place of 28.02.2016 at the following place: -

The Board further allowed the Institute to: -

 Float tender notice and finalise the agencies for outsourcing servicing of Campus Cleaning / House Keeping etc. whose tenure will be over on 28.02.2016.

The Board further decided to place the issue raised by one member Dr. L. C. Saikia regarding Agenda Item No. BoG-50/16/04 with full details in the next meeting of the Board.

BOG-53/17/02: Action Taken Report on the decisions of the 51st Meeting of Board of Governors.

The Board took note of the 'Action Taken' Report on the minutes of the 51st meeting of the Board of Governors with the following observations: -

BoG-51/02 (BoG-50/16/08): The report of the Committee of External Members regarding seniority which is still awaited be expedited and placed before the Board in its next meeting.

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BoG-51/05: Smt. Ranjana Jha be informed that she has ceased to retain a lien to her post at NIT, Silchar upon the acceptance of her resignation which was not a technical resignation.

BoG-53/17/03: To confirm the minutes of 52nd meeting of Board of Governors (Special)

The Fifty Second meeting of the Board of Governors (Special) was held on 28th February, 2017 at NIT Transit House, New Delhi. The copies of the minutes of the 52nd meeting of the Board of Governors (Special) were circulated to all the members of the Board. No comments have been received from any members.

The Board confirmed the minutes of the 52nd meeting of the BOG (Special).

BoG-53/17/05: Discontinuation and closure of Gratuity Fund Account and transfer of accumulated fund to Corpus Fund Account.

The Board discussed this Item and desired that the details of the pension scheme implemented at NIT Silchar be placed before the Board in its next meeting for the Board to take a view in the matter.

BoG-53/17/06: Appointment of Prof. A K Barbhuiya, Registrar, NIT Silchar on deputation.

The Board observed that the Office Memorandum F. No. 2/6/2016-Estt. (Pay - II) dated 17th February, 2016 of the Department of Personnel and Training (DoPT) is not applicable in this case and accordingly advised the Institute to refer the matter to the MHRD for seeking guidance of the DoPT in this regard.

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BoG-53/17/07: Resignation of Smt. Ranjana Jha from the post of Assistant Registrar (Accounts)

The Board accepted the resignation of Smt. Ranjana Jha and ratified the action taken by the Acting Chairperson, BoG. The Board further advised the Institute to inform Smt. Jha that her resignation does not fall in the category of technical resignation.

BoG-53/17/08: High Court Judgement in WP (C) No. 1969/2014 (Dr. Arup Bhattacharjee Vs NIT Silchar & Others)

The Board constituted a Committee to review the issue of considering the period of service rendered by Dr. A. Bhattacharjee as System Programmer for his placement as Lecturer (Sr. Scale) with the following members:

- 1. Prof. S. L. Bapat, BoG Member Chairman
- 2. Prof. K. M. Pandey, BoG Member Member
- 3. Prof. A. I. Laskar, Dean, FW Member
- 4. Prof. A. K. Barbhuiya, Registrar Secretary

The Committee is required to submit its report within 15 days to the Board for further necessary action.

BoG-53/17/09: Regularisation of service of Dr. D. M. Thounaojam, Assistant Professor, (on contract) Department of Computer Science & Engineering

The Board decided to refer the matter to the MHRD.

BoG-53/17/10: Resignation of Dr. Jishan Mehedi, Assistant Professor, Department of Electronics & Communication Engineering

The Board accepted the resignation of Dr. Jishan Mehedi and in view of the facts and circumstances of the matter, decided to consider his resignation as technical resignation.

BoG-53/17/11: Report of Internal Complaints Committee (ICC)

The Board was informed that, the ICC has conducted the enquiry and submitted its report as per provisions of the Sexual Harassment of Women at Workplace (Prevention, Prohibition & Redressal) Act, 2013 and a copy of the report was furnished to both the Complainant and the Accused and that they have formally received the same.

The Board was further informed that the guidelines of the Department of Personnel and Training (DoPT) have been adhered to in letter and spirit in the matter.

The Board noted the information furnished by the Institute.

BoG-53/17/12: Confirmation of service of Sri Sanjay Srivastava, Dy. Registrar (Admin)

The Board decided that the matter of confirmation of service of Sri Sanjay Srivastava will be taken up by the Board in its next meeting.

BoG-53/17/13: Appointment of Temporary Faculty for shortfall against sanctioned posts

The Board was informed that the total number of regular faculty members and the temporary faculty members on contract including the temporary faculty members under consideration is less than the number of posts of faculty members sanctioned for the Institute. The Board was further informed that the temporary faculty

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members on contract have been appointed as per the prescribed procedure.

The Board ratified the same.

BoG-53/17/14: To record report of sending Faculty Members abroad for research purpose

The Board noted the same.

BoG-53/17/15: To consider floating of Ph.D. advertisement for 120 MHRD Fellowship for July 2017

The Board approved the proposal and re-emphasised that no Non Gate / Non NET qualified students be admitted for the Ph.D. Programmes.

On account of the paucity of time, the remaining Agenda Items could not be taken up for consideration.

The Board decided that these Agenda Items be placed before the Board in its next meeting.

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

(Prof. A. K. Barbhuiya)

Registrar & Secretary

(Prof. R. Gupta)
Chairperson (Acting)