

NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY SILCHAR

Minutes of the Twenty Fifth Meeting of the Board of Governors held on 10th October, 2010 at 9 AM in the Conference Hall of NIT Silchar.

Twenty Fifth meeting of the Board of Governors of the Institute scheduled on 10th Oct'10 at 9 AM was adjourned by the Chairman for want of quorum as only five Members including the Chairman were present and it was decided by the Chairman to hold the meeting at 9-30 AM on the same day at the same venue. The meeting was adjourned again for want of quorum and then the Chairman directed that the meeting be held at 10 AM on the same day at the same venue and the Members present at that time shall form the quorum as per the provisions of the First Statutes under the NIT Act, 2007.

The Twenty Fifth meeting of the Board of Governors of the Institute was held on 10th Oct'10 at 10 AM at the Conference Hall of the Institute.

Following members were present.

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| 1. Prof. Gautam Barua | -Chairman. |
| 2. Prof. P.K. Bose, Director | -Member |
| 3. Prof. Sunanda Dhar | -Member |
| 4. Prof. K.M. Pandey. | -Member |
| 5. Dr.(Mrs.) Basana Choudhury | -Member |
| 6. Sri Sushil Kumar, Registrar | -Secretary. |

Following agenda items were taken up for consideration.

BOG:25/10/1 : To confirm the minutes of the 24th Meeting of the Board.

Minutes of the Twenty Fourth meeting of the BOG were confirmed.

BOG:25/10/2: To receive a note on the action taken and progress made on the minutes of the last meeting of the Board.

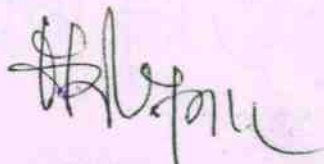
The Board noted the actions taken on the decisions of the last Board meeting held on 17th June'10.

BOG:25/10/3: To consider the recommendations of the Seventeenth meeting of the Finance Committee held on 9th Oct'10.

The Board considered and approved the recommendations of the 17th Meeting of the Finance Committee held on 09 Oct'10 (see Annexure-I) with the following amendments.

FC-17/10/7: To Consider the allotment of available fund under PLAN.

As decided by the Finance Committee, the details of all the major ongoing works including the expenditure already incurred and the balance required for each project were placed before the Board. The Board noted the same and directed for onward transmission to MHRD for further release of PLAN Fund.



FC-17/10/8(B) : To consider Revised Budget against New Projects to be taken up during the Financial Year 2010-11.

The Board accorded the administrative approval to take up the following new Projects with the additional provisions of 10% over and above the revised cost.

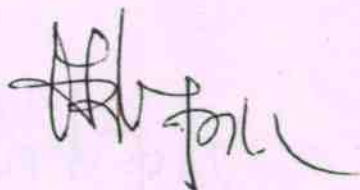
Sl.	Name of Building.	Approved cost.(in lacs)	Revised cost. (in lacs)	Revised administrative approval (in lacs)
1	Production Engineering Laboratory.	1323.38	1536.36	1690.00
2	Water Supply Distribution net work. a) Implementation by the Institute.	1484.88	1118.22	1230.04
	b) Implementation through State PHE Deptt.		803.34	883.67
3	Structural Engineering Laboratory.	39.00	480.60	528.66

FC-17/10/8(C): To consider the matter of Cumulative Professional Development Allowances.

The Board considered the recommendation of the Finance Committee on the above agenda item. After detailed deliberation, the Board approved that the CPDA will be utilized for the activities after observing the norms as below.

Section-I : List of activities

1. Attending National/International Workshop, Symposium, Special training in India/Abroad;
2. Publication charges for referred National / International Journals & conferences.
3. Participation and presentation of papers in National/International Conferences;
4. Acquiring membership of Professional Societies, both National and International;
5. Purchasing of books and subscription of journals;
6. Purchasing Lap-top, Printers, Peripherals, Printing paper, Cartridge;
7. Purchase of different components, accessories, materials and equipment for research work, expenditure for acquiring scientific data;
8. Internet connection;
9. Any other item with prior approval of the Authorities.



Section-II: Norms

1. It is desirable that the faculty shall present the paper in such Conferences. If there is no paper presentation, then attendance in only selected quality Conferences will be allowed;
2. It is mandatory on the part of a faculty member to submit a report of activities carried out and deliver a seminar in the department after attending the activities under item 1 & 3 under Section-I;
3. Prior approval for all expenditure is required. The Institute will maintain the details of past expenditure in the block period, and approvals will be based on reasonableness of the expenditure;
4. Expenditure towards the purchase of books costing more than Rs. 10,000/- in one financial year shall require prior approval of the Authority;
5. Expenditure towards net connectivity should not exceed Rs. 15,000/- in a financial year;
6. Expenditure on the activities listed under Section-I is auditable and the concerned faculty member will be responsible for clarifying audit objections, if any.

BOG:25/10/4: To take note on the minutes of the 24th meeting of the Building and Works Committee held on 22nd Sept'10.

The Board considered and noted the recommendations of the 24th Meeting of the B&WC held on 22nd Sept'10. (See Annexure-II).

BOG:25/10/5: To ratify the action of the Director in appointing some Teaching and Non-teaching staff on contractual basis.

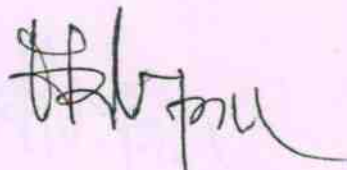
The Board ratified the action of the Director.

BOG:25/10/6: To consider creation of posts of One Hindi Translator and One Hindi Typist in the Institute.

The Board revived the post of Hindi Assistant, created in its 10th meeting but not filled up, and approved the creation of another post of Hindi Translator. Recruitment of these two posts may be done through advertisement and as per the Recruitment Rules.

BOG:25/10/7: To consider the matter of inclusion of Dyslexia/Learning Disability under Persons with Disability Act for 3% Seats under Physically Handicapped/Disabled Quota.

The Board directed the Institute to refer the matter to MHRD/Central Counselling Board.



BOG: 25/10/8: To consider the representations of Prof. Rajat Gupta and Prof. K.M. Pandey to count the block period for the Cumulative Professional Development Allowance.

The Board resolved that for the first year of implementation of this scheme, the following rules will apply : (i) Rupees One lac will be credited to each faculty per year under the CPDA; (ii) however, if any faculty member had already gone on an approved tour and the approved expenditure was more than Rs. One lac, the amount beyond One lac will be borne by the Institute; (iii) If the expenditure in the year is less than one lac, the amount obtained by subtracting the expenditure from Rs. One lac will be carried forward. Since the agenda was pertaining to Dr. K.M. Pandey, the matter was discussed in his absence.

BOG:25/10/9: To consider providing of temporary Broadband connections to the faculty members of the E.C.E. deptt.

The Board directed that the new building should be used immediately for laboratory purposes. The faculty, who do not want to shift to the new building due to lack of net connection, may remain with the existing facilities.

BOG:25/10/10: To consider providing of furnishing facilities at the allotted quarters for the Registrar.

Since the item was pertaining to the Registrar, the Board discussed the item in the absence of the Registrar and approved the furnishing of the Registrar's quarters including the kitchen appliances upto the maximum limit of Rs. One lac. The Board further resolved that the Registrar has to pay back the amount which he has already drawn in lieu of transportation charges of one third his entitled luggage transportation limits.

BOG:25/10/11: Any other item with the permission of the Chair.

BOG:25/10/11(A): To accord Administrative Approval of construction of a building for Earthquake Engineering Laboratory.

The Board accorded the administrative approval for the construction of the building for Earthquake Engineering Laboratory at the cost of Rs. Rs. 5,28,68,141/- including 10% additional cost over and above the estimate.

BOG:25/10/11(B): To Consider Introduction of Saswata Purkayastha Memorial Award.

The Board decided that the Director may form a Committee to look into it.



BOG : 25/10/11(C): To take note on the Vision & Mission-2025 of NIT Silchar.

The Board decided that an outside Expert may be engaged to examine and advise on the Vision & Mission-2025 document. Incorporating the expert's comment, the modified document may be placed before the next Board meeting.

BOG:25/10/11(D) : Constitution of Medical Board for referring the employees for medical treatment outside Silchar.

The Board considered and approved the item and further resolved that the Director may constitute a Medical Board at the Institute level consisting of expert Doctor(s) to decide about referral cases outside Silchar.

BOG:25/10/11(E) : To consider payment of Honorarium to Mentor Director for NIT Nagaland.


This item was taken up in the absence of the Director. The Board noted that the current Director of the Institute has been holding dual charge of NIT Agartala and NIT Silchar without any extra remuneration being paid to him. Now, as Director of NIT Silchar, he is carrying out the duties of Mentor Director of NIT Nagaland. As per Govt. of India norms, extra payment is due when additional charge of responsibilities is held by an officer. In this extra ordinary case, the Director is not having to spent time in travel to Silchar, he also has to visit Nagaland for the new NIT. The Board is of the view that Prof. Bose needs to be compensated financially for the extra responsibilities he is carrying. The Board approves the payment of 25% of his basic pay of Rs. 75,000/- (a pay of Rs. 18,750/-) per month as honorarium for holding the additional charge of NIT Nagaland as Mentor Director. Concurrence of MHRD is to be obtained before implementation.

BOG:25/10/11(F) : To take note on the ongoing horizontal review on the working of "National Institute of Technology Silchar for last five years, i.e. 2005-06 to 2009-10.

The Board noted the same.

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


(Sushil Kumar)
Registrar & Secretary


(Prof. Gautam Barua)
Chairman.