



MINUTES OF 24th MEETING OF BOARD OF GOVERNORS
OF
NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY, RAIPUR

Minutes of the 24th meeting of Board of Governors of National Institute of Technology, Raipur held on 07th October 2013 at 02:30 PM in the Board Room, ONGC, New Delhi.

Following members were present in the meeting:

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| 1. | Shri Sudhir Vasudeva
Chairman,
CMD ONGC,
New Delhi | Chairman |
| 2. | Dr Sudarshan Tiwari,
Director
National Institute of Technology,
Raipur | Member |
| 3. | Shri Yogendra Tripathi
Joint Secretary & Financial Advisor
Integrated Finance Department
Ministry of Human Resource Development,
New Delhi | Member |
| 4. | Shri Rajesh Singh,
Director (NITs),
Deptt. of Higher Education,
Ministry of Human Resource Development,
New Delhi | Member |
| 5. | Shri A. K. Sharma,
Retd. Chief Engineer (EC)
Government of Chhattisgarh
Raipur | Member |
| 6. | Dr. (Mrs.) Krishna Pramanik
Professor
Department of Bio-technology & Bio-medical Engineering
NIT Rourkela | Member |
| 7. | Dr C.M. Agrawal,
Retd. Professor,
Department of Mechanical Engineering,
M.A.N.I.T, Bhopal | Member |
| 8. | Dr. A.S.Thoke
Professor & Head,
Department of Electrical Engg.,
National Institute of Technology Raipur | Member |
| 9. | Shri N K Nagwani
Assistant Professor and Head,
Department of Computer Science & Engineering,
National Institute of Technology, Raipur | Member |

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9. Dr Ravindra Sharma,
Registrar,
National Institute of Technology,
Raipur

Secretary

Chairman welcomed all the members present in the 24th meeting of Board of Governors especially new members, Dr. A.S.Thoke and Shri N.K.Nagwani nominated by the senate. Secretary commenced the proceedings of the meeting with kind permission of the Chair.

Agenda 24.1 : To confirm the minutes of 23rd meeting of BOG held on 27/05/2013.

Joint Secretary & Financial Advisor (JFA) advised to submit the Directors Report in every meeting of BOG which would highlight the activities of the institute in the interim period between two Board Meetings. It was also suggested that members of BOG may be invited to all the major events of the Institute.

The minutes of 23rd meeting of BOG held on 27/05/2013 was confirmed with suggestion that the names of the official(s) who prepare the Agenda Items and who recommend the same should be always mentioned on the top of the Agenda item. The Agenda should be approved by the Director and the Chairman. The Agenda should be comprehensive and self-explanatory to leave complete audit trail for the future.

Agenda 24.2: Action Taken Report of 23rd meeting of BOG held on 27/05/2013.

While ATR was being discussed, Chairman suggested that the Agenda items should be comprehensive and self-explanatory for adequate audit-trail. Chairman also advised that the names of the official(s) who prepare the Agenda items and who recommend the same should be always mentioned on the top of the Agenda item along with their signature.

Action Taken Report of 23rd meeting of BOG held on 27/05/2013 was noted.

Agenda 24.3: To note the minutes of 18th meeting of Finance Committee held on 27/05/2013

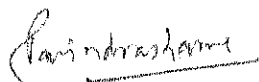
The minutes of 18th meeting of Finance Committee held on 27/05/2013 was noted.

Agenda 24.4: To note the minutes of 14th meeting of Senate held 02/09/2013.

The Board was informed about the proceedings of the 14th meeting of Senate, specially the proposal for three new M.Tech programmes (Agenda 6), Amendment of M.Tech ordinance (Agenda 7 & 8) and the case of two M.Tech students of Civil Engineering Department (Supplementary Agenda 1) who had not completed their M.Tech Degree on time and required extension for the same.

Dr. (Mrs.) Krishna Pramanik suggested the following:

- 1) Meeting of Board of Studies should be held at least once in a year
- 2) Board of Studies must include two external members out of which one must be from Industry.



3) The UG and PG syllabus should be revised every year and the revised syllabus must be based on the inputs from the Industry.

Chairman, BOG and Joint Secretary & Financial Advisor (JFD) enquired about years allocated in the ordinance for completion of M.Tech Course and the exact duration which the two M.Tech. students (Shri Aryak Shori and Ms. Gaurava) of Civil Engg. took to complete their M.Tech Course as per the Supplementary Agenda 1 of the 14th meeting of Senate held on 02/08/2013.

The suggestions of Dr. (Mrs) Krishna Pramanik was noted and the minutes of 14th meeting of Senate held on 02/09/2013 was approved with the direction that the detailed report of the case of these M.Tech students should be submitted in the next BOG.

Agenda 24.5: To consider the recommendation of the 19th Finance Committee.

The recommendation of the 19th Finance Committee held on 07/10/2013 was considered and approved.

Agenda 24.6: To consider the recommendation of Senate to start three new M.Tech programmes for the session 2014-15 in the Department of Civil and Mechanical Engg.

"Resolved that the recommendation of Senate to start two new M.Tech programmes in the Department of Mechanical Engineering and one new M.Tech Programme in the Civil Engineering Department for the session 2014-15 was considered and approved."

Agenda 24.7: To consider the recommendation of Senate for approval of rules and procedure for sponsoring institute faculty under Quality Improvement Program (QIP).

Chairman enquired about the terms and conditions of the bond.

"The recommendation of Senate for rules and procedure for sponsoring institute faculty under QIP was considered and approved. Other terms and conditions will be applicable as per QIP rules."

Agenda 24.8: To consider implementation of 4 – tier flexible faculty structure in NIT Raipur as per the direction of MHRD.

Shri Rajesh Singh informed that the letter F. No. 33-9/2011 – TS II Dated 23rd August, 2013 to be read with the MRR. There is no automatic mapping (no CAS) for Professors in future. They must go through selection procedure.

After deliberation, Board agreed that :

"Implementation of 4 – tier flexible faculty structure in NIT Raipur as per the direction of MHRD was considered and adopted incorporating the above suggestions."

Agenda 24.9: Ratification of Non faculty employees appointment.

Secretary informed that Medical Officer(Lady), Asst. Registrar, Executive Engineer have joined the Institute and the remaining vacant post will be re-advertised shortly.

Appointment of Non faculty employees was ratified.

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Agenda 24.10: Ratification of financial upgradation of non-faculty staff carried out under MACP and Mapping.

Financial upgradation of non-faculty staff carried out under Modified Assured Career Progressive Scheme (MACPS) and Mapping was ratified.

Agenda 24.11: Ratification of SSCI Journal for Humanities and Social Science Department.

Dr. C M Agrawal enquired about the equivalence of SSCI Journals with SCI Journals. The documents showing the equivalence should be sent to the Board members.

SSCI Journal for Humanities and Social Science Department was ratified with the direction to send the documents to the Board Members.

Supplementary Agenda 24(i): Proposal for appointment of Deputy Director in the Institute and amendment in the First Statutes of NITs.

Chairman suggested to study the procedure of appointment of Deputy Director in IITs and the proposal may be submitted in the BOG meeting.

Supplementary Agenda 24(ii): Confirmation of non-faculty staff of the Institute after successful completion of probation period.

Non-faculty staff of the Institute after successful completion of probation period was confirmed.

Supplementary Agenda 24(iii): To discontinue the practice of procuring Laptops/Desktops under CPDA by Faculty members.

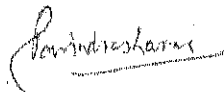
The practice of procuring Laptops/Desktops under Cumulative Professional Development Allowance (CPDA) by Faculty members is discontinued and further it is suggested that atleast 2 to 3 good models & make of laptops may purchased.

After deliberation the Board passed the following resolution :

"The practice of procuring Laptops/Desktops under CPDA by Faculty members was discontinued, and the Board permitted NIT Raipur to procure 60-65 numbers of laptop for faculty members with the above suggestions."

Agenda 24.12: Any other matter with the permission of Chair.

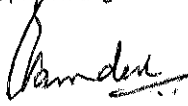
Chairman requested an exclusive meeting with the Board members except members and officials from NIT-Raipur. Chairman stated that as a matter of good corporate governance practice, he would like to share a piece of information pertaining to a complaint against a very senior Professor of the NIT with the Board members which was as follows:



1. On 10th July, 2013, Chairman received a complaint of plagiarism against a very senior Professor of the NIT. On the basis of the complaint, Chairman asked the concerned Professor to submit an explanation. The concerned Professor immediately submitted the same clarifying his position and denying the allegation.
2. However, to uphold the transparency and ethical practices, Chairman instituted a one-man enquiry committee with the Dy. Director & Professor of Electrical Engineering department of a reputed IIT of the country, requesting him to conduct an investigation into the matter.
3. Investigating Professor, after a meticulous and unbiased investigation, submitted a comprehensive report on 20th September, 2013. Chairman kept the report in front of the members. The salient submissions of the reports are:
 - I. The allegation against the Professor of NIT-Raipur is untenable.
 - II. It is suggested to bring out an Institute Policy document on 'Academic Ethics' covering the plagiarism and copyright violation aspects for awareness of all concerned. It has also been suggested to introduce some kind of awareness enhancement programme in this regard for all the postgraduate and senior undergraduate students.

Board took note of the incident and hereby advised the Management of NIT-Raipur to consider implementing the suggestion (3.II).


(Ravindra Sharma)
Registrar & Secretary


(Sudhir Vasudeva)
Chairman