



NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY, RAIPUR

Minutes of 29th meeting of Board of Governors of National Institute of Technology, Raipur held on 19/02/2015 at 12:00 Hrs at Conference Hall of NIT Raipur.

Following members were present in the meeting:

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| 1. | Shri. Sudhir Vasudeva | - Chairman |
| 2. | Prof. Sudarshan Tiwari | - Member |
| 3. | Shri. Sanjeev Sharma | - Member |
| 4. | Shri. Satpal Sharma | - Member |
| 5. | Dr. A. S. Thoke | - Member |
| 6. | Dr. N.K. Nagwani | - Member |
| 7. | Shri. P. Y. Dhekne | - Secretary |

Chairman welcomed all the members present in the meeting and after ascertaining the quorum, declared the meeting in order and directed to transact the business.

Thereafter, the Secretary presented the agenda in the meeting with the permission of the Chair.

Item No. 29.1 To confirm the minutes of 28th Meeting of Board of Governors held on 21/10/2014 at NIT Raipur.

Since no comments were received, the minutes of 28th Meeting of Board of Governors held on 21/10/2014 were confirmed

Item No. 29.2 To report action taken on the minutes of 28th meeting of Board of Governors held on 21/10/2014.

The action taken report on the minutes of 28th meeting of Board of Governors held on 21/10/2014 was noted.

Item No. 29.3 Presentation of Director's Report

Director NIT Raipur presented his report and apprised the Board of Governors about the activities of the Institute. The Chairman appreciated Mr. Aditya Om, Student of Electronics & Telecommunication Engineering, who is the winner of Intel India Embedded Challenge 2014 and the prestigious "The jury Popular Choice Award" (Cheque of Rs. 1 Lac) for the year 2014. Chairman recommended to award him in the "Eclectika" the annual fest of the institute.

Dr. A. S. Thoke informed that the institute is in the process of executing an MOU with Power grid Corporation of India Ltd (PGCIL) on 27th February, 2015 for collaborative research, faculty and students exchange and various other short term training programmes.

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Director (NITs) enquired about the seed money grant to the newly joined Assistant Professors for carrying out research projects. It was informed that the fund has been provided by various agencies viz. CGCOST, SERB and DST for carrying out the research projects.

The Director's report on the activities undertaken by the institute during the period 21/10/2014 to 31/01/2015 was noted by the Board.

Item No. 29.4

To consider the recommendations of 24th meeting of Finance Committee held on 19/02/2015 at NIT Raipur.

Item No. 24.2 (i): To consider construction of 2 nos. of G+6 storey blocks with 24 nos. of residential flats in each block for Group - B and Group - C employees at existing campus of NIT Raipur and Item No. 24.2 (ii) : To consider construction of Water Supply System and Sewer Drainage System along with Sewage Treatment Plant (STP) at existing campus of NIT Raipur :

The members noted that there is a reduction in the revised estimate submitted by CPWD. In this connection, it was informed to the members that the earlier estimate was based on plinth area rate with development of infrastructure for the buildings and the revised estimate has been prepared after taking into account the infrastructural facilities available in the campus and the revised rates are as per the prevailing market rates. Chairman expressed his dissatisfaction on the revised estimate submitted by CPWD stating that due diligence has not been applied by the CPWD in preparing the estimates.

Director (NITs) advised to have the revised estimate vetted in the Building and Works committee because there is a reduction in the revised estimate. The committee after careful examination should recommend the same to FC and BoG for approval. He also suggested re-prioritizing the works on the basis of their priority in view of possible constraints in budget for next financial year.

Item No. 24.4 :To consider the recommendation of 16th meeting of BWC regarding construction of Academic annex Building for Classroom, Faculty Rooms and Library at existing campus of NIT Raipur :

Director (NITs) advised to revise the area of classrooms and other facilities and BWC should reconsider the revised proposal. The Seminar Halls may be developed as smart class rooms. In view of lot of possible constraints in budget for the Financial Year 2015-16, the committee advised to set up the priority of works as per the urgency and vet the revised proposal for construction of Academic Annex Building in Building and Works committee meeting.

The Finance Committee advised to revise the proposal for construction of Academic Annex Building for Classroom, Faculty rooms and Library at existing campus in line with the directions given by the Finance Committee.



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Item No. 24.5: To consider the recommendations of 16th meeting of BWC regarding the development of sports facilities and students activity centre, as per approved master plan at existing campus of NIT Raipur:

The Finance Committee deferred the recommendations of 16th meeting of BWC regarding the development of sports facilities and students activity centre, as per approved master plan at existing campus of NIT Raipur owing to possible constrains in budget for the financial year 2015-16.

Item No. 24.6: To consider the recommendation of 16th meeting of BWC regarding Hostel-C at existing campus of NIT Raipur. :

The committee enquired about the life and quality of structure of Hostel – C and its present cost. It was informed that the building is around 50 years old and in dilapidated condition and its nominal value is Re. 1. FC was requested for directions on the recommendation of BWC so that the steps could be taken to write-off the building before its demolition.

The recommendation of 16th meeting of BWC regarding demolition of Hostel-C at existing campus of NIT Raipur was accepted in principle with the direction that action be initiated to write-off the W.D.V. of Hostel – C building.

Item No. 24.7: To approve the Receipt and Payment A/c of the Financial Year 2013-14 :

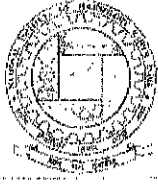
It was informed that the said account is required to be prepared as per the directions received from CAG.

The Receipt and Payment A/c of the Financial Year 2013-14 was approved.

Item No. 24.8: To consider and approve the Budget for the Financial Year 2015-16 :

A detailed progress report of the ongoing construction activities allotted to various construction agencies was presented in meeting. An overview of the expenses for the last two FYs and current FY up to January 31 was also presented. The secretary brought to the kind notice of the FC that almost 80% of the target was achieved in expenditure under various heads except the construction activities, where the payments were delayed due to shortage of funds.

He, further, emphasized on increasing Wi-Fi capacity from 2 GB to 10 GB ascertaining the future requirement. The fund requirements for the construction activities were discussed in detail. It was decided not to allocate the funds for construction of water supply system etc. and the academic annex, at present, as they have not been formally approved. The requested funds for these activities were Rs. 1390 Lacs. Therefore, it was decided to approve the proposed Plan budget barring the amount of Rs. 1390 Lacs. The amount of



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Rs. 1390 Lacs will be allotted after necessary approvals. The non-plan budget was also discussed in detail and was found in order.

The committee approved the Plan budget of Rs. 5081 Lacs and Non-Plan budget of Rs. 5038 Lacs for the Financial Year 2015-16.

Item No. 24.9 : To consider the recommendation of 19th meeting of Senate for financial requirement to start a new M.Tech Programme in the Department of Information Technology from the session 2015-16 :

Director (NITs) informed that the MHRD is in the process of revising the stipend based on the revisions ordered by the Department of Science and Technology and therefore the stipend may be revised.

The recommendation of 19th meeting of Senate for financial requirement of Rs. 19,20,000/- to start a new M.Tech. Programme in the Department of Information Technology from the session 2015-16 was considered and approved with the direction that the stipend be revised as and when notified.

Item No. 24.10 : To consider and approve the creation of Endowment fund:

It was informed that as per directions of 18th Finance Committee meeting held in May, 2013, the detailed guidelines for creation, utilization and management of the fund have been presented. Chairman enquired about the size as well as the short term/long term utilization philosophy of endowment fund and expressed his concern on delay in creation of endowment fund. He advised to interact with the industries in the proximity as well as the Alumni Chapter Network for seeking donation towards the fund.

Director (NITs) advised to communicate with IIT Kanpur for detailed guidelines regarding target of the fund and its utilization.

The creation and management of Endowment Fund was considered and approved by the Finance Committee with the direction to incorporate the suggestion of the Finance Committee.

Item No. 24.11: To consider the appointment and remuneration of Project Management Consultant at NIT Raipur.:

The committee discussed the proposal. It was informed that the Institute tried to seek the services of superintending engineer on deputation from various govt, departments. However, many of them expressed their inability to spare the services of their engineers. Hence, it is now proposed to appoint a project management consultant to oversee various construction activities at NIT Raipur. Chairman advised that the Project Management Consultant should be selected as per norms. He also advised to seek the bids from the individual consultants as well as consultancy firms.



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The Finance Committee approved the proposal for the appointment of project management consultant and advised to initiate necessary action.

Item No. 24.12: Ratification of Separate Audit Report 2013-14 received from the Director General of Audit (Central Receipt) New Delhi, Branch Gwalior :

Director (NITs) invited attention towards the audit paras of NIT Raipur pointed out by Director General of Audit (Central Receipt), New Delhi, Branch - Gwalior and advised to ensure that they are replied on priority basis. It was informed that it may take some time to reply the audit paras as they pertain to early days of NIT Raipur viz. 2005 to 2008. However, Secretary assured that they will be replied within a month.

The Chairman also advised that the physical verification of the assets should be carried out regularly and there should be a rotation policy for the officer in-charge of stores and cash.

Separate Audit Report 2013-14 received from the Director General of Audit (Central Receipt) New Delhi, Branch Gwalior was ratified by the Finance Committee.

The above recommendations of 24th meeting of Finance Committee held on 19/02/2015 were approved by the Board.

Item No. 29.5 To note the minutes of 19th meeting of Senate held on 17/12/2014 at NIT Raipur.

The minutes of the 19th meeting of Senate held on 17/12/2014 were noted by the Board.

Item No. 29.6 To consider and approve the recommendation of 19th meeting of Senate to start a new M.Tech. Programme in the Department of Information Technology from the session 2015-16.

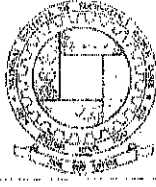
The recommendation of 19th meeting of Senate to start a new M.Tech. Programme in the Department of Information Technology from the session 2015-16 was approved by the Board.

Item No. 29.7 To approve the committee for the external academic review of NIT Raipur as per the directions of the 7th meeting of Council of NITs.

It was informed that as per the directives received from MHRD vide their letter No. F33-1/2014-TS.33 dated 10th October 2014, the following committee is proposed for external academic review of NIT Raipur :

1. Persons from academia:

- a. Dr. S. C. Srivastava, Professor, Electrical Engineering, IIT, Kanpur
- b. Prof S. S Pathak, Professor, Electronics & Telecommunication Engineering, IIT Kharagpur
- c. Prof. A.K. Mittal, Professor, Deptt of Civil Engineering, IIT-Delhi



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2. Experts from the Industry:

- Mr. Ramesh Nair, CEO, BALCO, Korba
- Mr. Kalyan Maity, Director, Raw Material, SAIL, New Delhi
- Mr. P K Sathpati, Director, NMDC, Hyderabad

3. Eminent Citizen : Padma Vibhushan Prof. M. M. Sharma, 2/3 Jaswant Baug (Runwal Park), Behind Akbarally, Chembur, Mumbai – 400 071

4. NIT, Alumni : Mr. K.D. Diwan, CMD, Hindustan Copper Ltd. Kolkata.

The Board suggested to take the consent of the experts for external academic review and advised to include the name of Dr. Baldev Raj, Director, National Institute of Advanced Studies, Bangalore in the panel for eminent citizen. It was also advised to incorporate the name of a Professor of any NIT in the list of experts from academia and the board authorized the Director to take necessary decision in this regard.

The following names were approved by the Board for external academic review of NIT Raipur :

1. Person from academia :

- Dr. S. C. Srivastava, Professor, Electrical Engineering, IIT, Kanpur
- Dr. Rajeev Tripathi, Professor, Department of Electronics & Communication Engineering, MNNIT Allahabad

2. Experts from the Industry:

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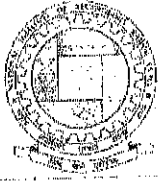
Item No. 29.8 Ratification of the acceptance of resignation of Shri Ravindra Sharma and subsequent appointment of Prof. P.Y Dhekne as Registrar (Officiating) of NIT Raipur.

The acceptance of resignation of Shri. Ravindra Sharma and subsequent appointment of Prof. P.Y. Dhekne as Registrar (Officiating) of NIT Raipur was ratified by the Board.

Supplementary Agenda To discuss and approve the amendments in First Statutes of NITs for the appointment of Deputy Directors in NIT Raipur as per MHRD's letter No. F. No. 33-6/2013-TS.III dated 27/10/2014.

Item No. 29 (i)

The amendments in the First Statutes of NITs for the appointment of Deputy Directors in NIT Raipur as per MHRD's letter No. F. No. 33-6/2013-TS.III dated 27/10/2014 was approved by the Board.



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Supplementary
Agenda
Item No. 29 (II)

To consider and approve the resignation of Dr. Akhilesh Swarnakar, Assistant Professor, Deptt. of Metallurgical Engineering.

It was informed that Dr. Akhilesh Swarnakar joined the institute as Assistant Professor in Dept of Metallurgical Engineering on 11/08/2013 and due to some family problems he tendered his resignation on 02/02/2015 and requested to relieve him from the post.

It was also brought to the notice of the Board that Dr. Akhilesh Swarnakar submitted another letter on 04/02/2015 and enclosed a cheque of Rs. 54,586/- equivalent of his one month's salary and requested to relieve him immediately.

Director (NITs) enquired about the date of completion of his probation period. Secretary informed that his probation period of one year was completed on 08th September 2014 as he has also been granted Extra Ordinary leave of 3 months from (01/01/2014 to 31/03/2014). Further, it was informed that no adverse remarks have been observed against him during probation and thereafter.


The Board considered Dr. Akhilesh Swarnakar as deemed to have been confirmed from 08th September 2014 and accordingly his resignation was accepted by the Board with the direction to instruct him to deposit two months' salary as he has already deposited a cheque of amount equal to his one month's salary.

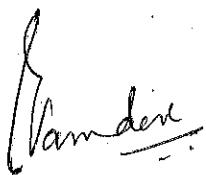
Item No. 29.9 Any other matter with the permission of the Chair.

It was unanimously decided to schedule the upcoming meeting of BoG and FC in the month of May 2015.

Director (NITs) advised to circulate the draft minutes of meeting of BOG and FC before signature of the competent authority.

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


(P. Y. Dhokne)
Registrar l/c and Secretary


(Sudhir Vasudeva)
Chairman

