NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY SIKKIM

(An Institute of National Importance, Ministry of Education, Govt. of India)

MINUTES OF THE 33RD MEETING OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS

The 33rd Meeting of the Board of Governors of the Institute was held on 17th May 2023 at 4:00 PM under the chairmanship of Prof. Mahesh Chandra Govil, Director & Chairman (I/c) at NIT Sikkim/Online. The following members were present in the meeting:

Prof. Mahesh Chandra Govil Chairperson

Director & Chairman (I/c), NIT Sikkim

Shri G. P. Upadhyaya Member

Chief/Cabinet Secretary, Govt. of Sikkim

Prof. Parameswar K. Iyer Present Online

Director, IIT Guwahati

Mrs. Veena Dunga Present Online

Deputy Secretary (NIT), MoE, GoI

Mr. Anil Kumar Present Online

Director (Finance), IFD, MoE GoI

Shri Ugyen Chopel Present Online

State Nominee, Sikkim

Dr. Sourav Mallick Member

Associate Professor, NIT Sikkim

Dr. Aurobindo Panda Member

Assistant Professor, NIT Sikkim

Dr. Ranjan Basak Secretary

Registrar (I/c), NIT Sikkim

At the outset, the Chairperson extended heartiest welcome to the members present in the 33rd Meeting of the Board of Governors for sparing their valuable time and contributions made towards the development of NIT Sikkim. Thereafter, with the permission of the Chairperson, the Agenda items were presented, and the following decisions were taken after due deliberations:

Item No.33.01: To confirm the Minutes of the 32nd Meeting of the Board of Governors

held on 01st February 2023.

The minutes were confirmed.

Item No.33.02: To report the action taken on the decisions taken in the 32nd Meetings of

the Board of Governors.

The BoG noted the actions taken by the Institute.

Item No.33.03: To place the Director's Report to apprise of the development and progress of the Institute.

The Director presented the report on the Institute and apprised the members about the recent achievements, academic activities, placement statistics, pending issues related to the construction of the permanent campus, inadequate number of sanctioned faculty and non-teaching positions, etc. The members appreciated the efforts of the Institute towards the overall development of the Institute despite being forced to operate from the temporary campus with limited resources.

The BoG noted the same.

Item No.33.04: To consider and approve the draft bid document for inviting Expression of Interest (EOI) cum Request for Proposals (RFP) for the selection/appointment of the Project Management Consultancy (PMC) for construction of the permanent campus of NIT Sikkim at Dung Dung, Khamdong, East Sikkim.

The recommendations of FC were approved.

Item No.33.05: To consider and approve the CPDA guidelines for faculty members.

The recommendations of FC were approved.

Item No.33.06: To discuss and deliberate on the request of transfer of "cash equivalent of leave salary" and other service benefits to the employees who have resigned from the Institute.

The recommendations of FC were approved.

Item No.33.07: To consider and approve the proposal to provide small accommodation measuring 230 square feet at the campus to the faculty and staff members.

The agenda was not approved.

Item No.33.08: To consider and approve the Transfer of funds from Treasury Single Account (TSA) to commercial bank account of the Institute.

The recommendations of FC were approved.

Item No.33.09: To adopt the order F.No.1/5(3)/2023-LS-II Dated: 03-04-2023 issued by the Ministry of Labour & Employment, Govt. of India regarding the revised rates of Variable Dearness Allowance.

The agenda was approved as proposed.

Item No.33.10: To report the present status of land allocation for the permanent campus.

The Director, NIT Sikkim apprised the BoG about the following facts and the pending issues with the Govt. of Sikkim regarding the land for the permanent campus:

The Government of Sikkim has allotted nearly 99.67 acres of land at Dung

Dung, Khamdong after more than 12 years of continuous efforts made by NIT Sikkim for the establishment of the permanent campus.

- Out of the total land, 89.81 Acres of the land has been mutated in the name of NIT Sikkim as per the letter issued by ADC, East Sikkim (Memo No.: 908/716/G/I/ADC/DC(E) Dated 11th January 2022). The land comprises of 200 plots from 59 individual owners.
- The remaining 9.86 Acres of the land has been handed over to NIT Sikkim vide letter number-GOS/DTE/2010/TEMP/185'A'Vol-II/2158, Dated 23.03.2023.

Pending Issues:

- Diversion of Existing PWD Public Road passing though the proposed permanent campus of NIT Sikkim.
- The Improvisation (broadening) of existing link road (PMGSY/PWD), main approach road to NIT Sikkim campus at Dung Dung, Khamdong connecting Singtam-Dikchu NH to Khamdong Via Ralap.
- The provision of Electric Sub-Station in the new campus of NIT Sikkim at Dung Dung, Khamdong to cater the power requirement of 5 MVA for NIT Sikkim.
- To provide all basic amenities such as water supply, electricity, road connectivity, health facilities, etc. to NIT Sikkim.
- To provide the water supply to the Permanent Campus of NIT Sikkim.
- Demarcation of the boundary of the New Campus Land of NIT Sikkim at Dung Dung, Khamdong, East Sikkim.

Institute's initiative for resolution:

For the early resolution the Institute convened a meeting on 21st April 2023 at BAC Khamdong, wherein the Hon'ble Minister for Rural Development Department Mr. Sonam Lama, the landowners, the Secretaries of various department viz. Roads and Bridges, Forest, Rural Development, Energy and Power and Director NIT Sikkim was present. The State government was requested and reiterated to provide an early resolution to the issues. The Hon'ble Minister has assured NIT Sikkim to resolve all pending issues within 45 days.

Further, the intervention of the Ministry of Education, Govt of India is sought for the resolution of these pending issues. The BoG requested that the pending issues may be taken up with the State Govt. by the MoE at appropriate level for an early resolution.

Item No. 33.11: To report the submission of final DPR for the establishment of the permanent campus of NIT Sikkim at Dung Dung, Khamdong, East Sikkim to the MoE.

The BoG noted the same and appreciated the timely submission of the DPR. The total revised cost of the project is Rs.993.69 Crore. The details are given in the table below:

(Rs in Crore)

ORIGINAL	RCE (As per revised DPR)			
APPROVAL OF CABINET IN 2009	Civil Works (Capital)	Equipment and Furniture	Recurring Expenditure	Total
250 (No Bifurcation Provided)	632.46	103.32	257.91	993.69

Item No. 33.12: To report the joining of Prof M. C. Govil as the Director of the Institute. The BoG noted the same.

Item No. 33.13: To report the extension of lien of Ms. Saheli Saha for one more year. The BoG noted the same.

Item No. 33.14: To report the service confirmation of non-teaching staff on the successful completion of probation and receipt of PVR.

The BoG noted and ratified the confirmation of the following regular nonteaching staff on successful completion of one year probation from the date as mentioned against their names:

S. No.	Name	Designation	DOJ	Date of confirmation
1	Mr. Sahil Minda	Assistant Registrar	11.02.2022 (FN)	11.02.2023
2	Mr. Rewa Nath Sharma	Executive Engineer	11.02.2022 (FN)	11.02.2023
3	Mr. Gajendra Singh Shekhawat	Scientific Officer	11.02.2022 (FN)	11.02.2023
4	Mr. Vishnu Kumar Sharma	Superintendent	28.02.2022 (FN)	28.02.2023
5	Mr. Pawan Kumar Kathaniya	Technical Assistant	28.02.2022 (FN)	28.02.2023
6	Mr. Anil Gurjar	Technical Assistant	28.02.2022 (FN)	28.02.2023
7	Mr. Sumit Kumar	Technical Assistant	28.02.2022 (FN)	28.02.2023
8	Mr. Suneel Kumar Kushawaha	Technical Assistant	28.03.2022 (FN)	28.03.2023
9	Mr. Rajesh Kumar Gupta	Junior Assistant	28.02.2022 (FN)	28.02.2023
10	Mrs. Sonam Choden Tamang	Junior Assistant	28.02.2022 (FN)	28.02.2023

S. No.	Name	Designation	DOJ	Date of confirmation
11	Mr. Mahaveer Gurjar	Technician	28.02.2022 (FN)	28.02.2023
12	Mr. Saikat Mistry	Technician	21.03.2022 (FN)	21.03.2023
13	Mr. Bhaves Chettri	Office Attendant	28.02.2022 (FN)	28.02.2023
14	Mr. Arvind Gupta	Office Attendant	28.02.2022 (FN)	28.02.2023
15	Ms. Dil Kumari Chettri	Lab Attendant	28.02.2022 (FN)	28.02.2023

Item No. 33.15: To report the status of faculty and staff positions at the Institute.

The BoG noted the same.

Item No.33.16: To report the Minutes of the 22nd Meeting of the Building Works Committee held on 08th May 2023.

The BoG noted the same.

Item No.33.17: To report the Minutes of 23rd Senate meeting held on 18th February 2023.

The BoG noted the same.

Item No.33.18: To report the Minutes of the 24th Meeting of the Finance Committee.

The BoG noted the same.

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Item No.33.19: To report the tentative Annual allocation of grants made by the Ministry for the Financial Year 2023-24.

The Ministry vide letter no F.No36-1/2023-TS III, dated: 4th May 2023 has communicated the tentative annual allocation for the FY 2023-24. The allocation made under the different heads of expenditure is tabulated below:

(Rs in lakhs)

Object Head	Amount (in Rs Lakhs)	
31 –General	1,395.00	
35 –Creation of Capital Assets	3,000.00	
36 -Salary	1,010.00	
Total for FY 2023-24	5,405.00	

The BoG noted and approved the same as recommended by the FC.

Item No.33.20: To nominate the BoG nominee on the FC of the Institute.

The BoG nominee on the FC, Dr. Dhananjay Tripathi has completed his tenure of 02 years. Dr. Sourav Mallick, Associate Professor, Dept. of Electrical and Electronics Engineering is the BoG member and nominated on the FC for a period of 02 years as per the Acts and Statutes of NITs.

The Meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Chair.

Registrar (I/c)

Director & Chairperson (I/c)