

NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY SIKKIM

(An Institute of National Importance, MHRD, Govt. of India)

Minutes of the 16th Meeting of the Board of Governors

The 16th Meeting of the Board of Governors of the Institute was held on 23rd November 2019 at 10:30 AM under the Chairmanship of Prof. Mahesh Chandra Govil, Director & Chairman (I/c) in the NIT Transit House, New Delhi. The following members were present in the meeting:

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| Prof. Mahesh Chandra Govil Director & Chairman (I/c), NIT Sikkim | Chairperson |
| Shri Madan Mohan Additional Director General (HE), MHRD, GOI | Member |
| Shri D. K. Singh Deputy Secretary (IFD), MHRD, GOI | Member |
| Shri G. P. Upadhyaya Additional Chief Secretary, Govt. of Sikkim | Member |
| Prof. Chandan Mahanta Professor & Dean Students Affairs, IIT Guwahati (Representative of Director, IIT Guwahati) | Member |
| Dr. Achintesh N. Biswas Assistant Professor, NIT Sikkim | Member |
| Dr. Sangram Ray Assistant Professor, NIT Sikkim | Member |
| Dr. Dhananjay Tripathi Assistant Professor, NIT Sikkim | Invitee Member |
| Shri Sahil Minda Internal Auditor, NIT Sikkim | Invitee Member |
| Dr. Md. Nurujjaman Registrar (I/c), NIT Sikkim | Secretary |

The following member was granted leave of absence due to his pre-occupation:

1. Shri Ugyen Chopel, State Nominee, Sikkim

At the outset, the Chairperson extended heartiest welcome to the members present in the 16th Meeting of the Board of Governors for sparing their valuable time and contributions made towards the development of NIT Sikkim. The Director also apprised the Board of Governors with the progress and issues of the Institute. The members appreciated the sincere efforts made by the Director towards the progress of the Institute. Thereafter, with the permission of the Chair, the agenda items were presented and the following decisions were taken after due deliberations:



Item No.16.01: To confirm the minutes of the 15th Meeting of Board of Governors held on 21st August 2019.

The minutes were confirmed after incorporating minor corrections as suggested.

Item No.16.02: To report the action taken on agenda/decisions taken in the 15th Meeting of the Board of Governors.

The actions taken are noted by the members and the report is given below:

| Item No. | Decision | Action |
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| 15.06 | To approve the organization of 3 rd Convocation in the month of October/November 2019. | In Process |
| 15.07 | To consider and approve the payment of higher wages to Ministerial and Technical staffs hired through Manpower Agencies. | In Process |
| 15.08 | To consider and approve the remuneration of the visiting doctors. | Implemented |
| 15.09 | To consider and approve the guidelines/ rules for providing Institute's Medical facilities and reimbursement to students. | Implemented |
| 15.10 | To consider and approve the payment of remuneration for remedial classes and preparatory classes for exams like GATE, etc. to faculty members, laboratory staffs and students. | Implemented |
| 15.13 | To report the present status of the allocation of land for the permanent campus. | Land Not Yet Allotted. Efforts are in progress |
| 15.19 | To consider and approve the Ministry OM vide letter No.: F.No. 33-1/2019-TS.III (Pt.-II) dated 09 th April 2019 to implement the revised rate of employer's contribution in New Pension Scheme (NPS) at NIT Sikkim | Implementation in process |

Item No.16.03: To consider and approve the re-distribution of Group "A" posts as per the requirements of the Institute.

The agenda was discussed in length and the members unanimously agreed to change the sanctioned Group "A" post of 'SAS Officer' to 'Scientific Officer' for effective maintenance of computing and networking facilities. However, considering the upcoming construction of the permanent campus which is envisaged to start after the allotment of land, the BOG decided to keep the earlier sanctioned post of 'Executive Engineer' as it was. The members representing MHRD assured to expedite the sanctioning of additional posts for both faculty and non-faculty.

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Item No.16.04: To consider the teaching experience of TEQIP-Faculties at the time of regular recruitment process (vide letter no.: NPIU/TEQIP-III/FRP/2019/311, Dated: 25.09.2019)

The agenda was not approved.

Item No.16.05: To consider and approve the admission of M.Tech. Students against the vacant seats after the centralized selection procedure (CCMT) through Institute admission test.

The BOG approved the admission of students to M. Tech. programs against the seats remaining vacant after the completion of admissions by CCMT through Institute admission test. However, it was decided that the students without valid GATE score will not be entitled to get any stipend/scholarship and fee waiver from the Institute. Minimum qualification for admission to any M. Tech. program shall be first class in B. Tech./B. E./B. Sc. (Engineering, 4 - year degree) or as decided by the Senate from time to time.

Item No.16.06: To consider and approve the purchase of vehicle for Institute with buyback option against the existing Institute vehicle.

The recommendations of the FC in this regard were approved by the BOG and same are given below:

1. The cost of the vehicle shall be limited to ₹12 Lakhs (excluding taxes and registration charges).
2. The vehicle may be procured through 'Government e-Marketplace' Portal (GeM) or as per the GFR 2017.
3. The proposal submitted by the Department of Mechanical Engineering to provide the existing old vehicle to the department was also considered and after deliberations it was decided that the same may be handed over to Mechanical Engineering Department for performing various experiments as per the curricula.

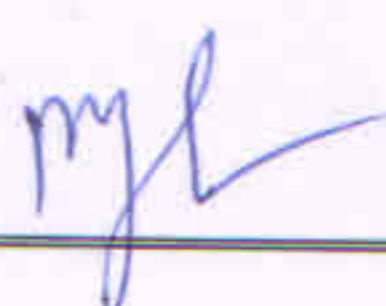
Item No.16.07: To consider and approve the procedure and delegation of power for disposal of scrap/stores items.

The agenda was approved as proposed.

Item No.16.08: To consider and approve the revision of reimbursement of out station accommodation (hotel) charges for Group "B" and Group "C" employees on official duties.

The recommendations of the FC in this regard were approved by the BOG and same are given below:

It was decided that the Group "B" and Group "C" employees of the Institute may be permitted to get the reimbursement of the accommodation charges on actual basis provided they stay in State Govt., Central Govt., CFTIs, PSUs and Autonomous Institutions of State/Central Govt. guest houses. The TA/DA rules for all other purposes shall be applicable as per the Central Govt. norms.



Item No.16.09: To report the adoption of the new rules and regulations for UG and PG courses.

Noted.

Item No.16.10: To report the adoption of the new rules and regulations for the Ph.D. course.

Noted.

Item No.16.11: To report the expenditure under the head 'Procurement' from the TEQIP-III allocation.

The same was noted and efforts made by the Institute were appreciated.

Item No.16.12: To report the extension of Seed grant of ₹2.0 Lakhs to each of the eligible faculty members from TEQIP-III fund.

Noted.

Item No.16.13: To report the resignation of Dr. Pranab Kumar Kundu, Assistant Professor, Department of Mechanical Engineering.

Noted and permission to relieve him from the institute to join the new assignment was granted.

Item No.16.14: To report the present status of the allocation of land for the permanent campus.

The agenda was discussed in detail and Shri G. P. Upadhyaya, Additional Chief Secretary, Govt. of Sikkim informed the BOG that the process of handing over of approx. 105 acres of land to NIT Sikkim at Upper Khamdong will be done by the end of 2019. The BOG appreciated the sincere efforts of Shri Upadhyaya in this regard.

Item No.16.15: To report the implementation of alternate Internet lease line from Powergrid Corporation of India Ltd.


Noted.

Item No.16.16: To note the expenditure of the Institute as on 31st October 2019.

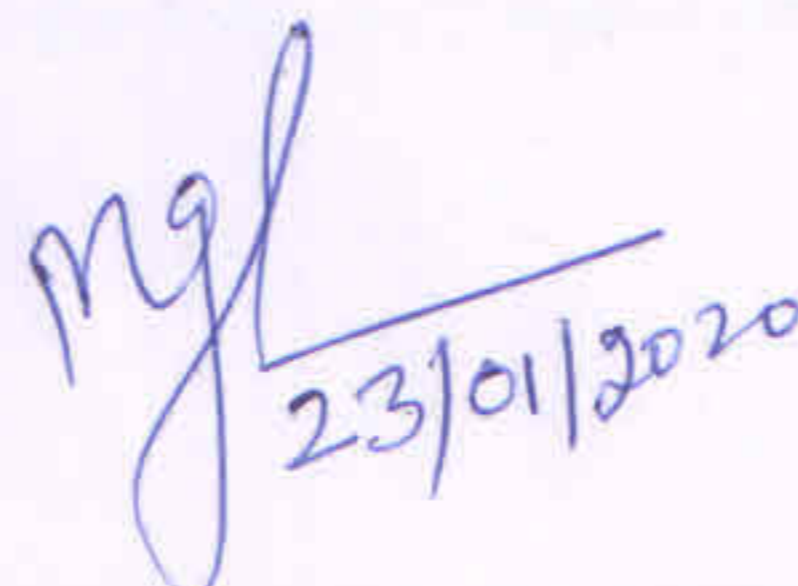
Noted.

Item No.16.17: To report the Minutes of the 10th Meeting of the Finance Committee.

Noted.


Registrar (I/c)

Director & Chairperson (I/c)


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