

# NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY SIKKIM

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

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## Minutes of the 36<sup>th</sup> Emergent Meeting of the Board of Governors

The 36<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Board of Governors of the Institute was held on 18<sup>th</sup> September 2023 at 03:30 PM under the Chairmanship of Shri Ramesh Kumar Saraogi, Chairperson, Board of Governors, NIT Sikkim in hybrid mode. The following members were present in the meeting:

<b>Shri Ramesh Kumar Saraogi</b> Director, SUPL, Kolkata, West Bengal	<b>Chairperson</b>
<b>Prof. Mahesh Chandra Govil</b> Director, NIT Sikkim	<b>Ex-officio Member</b>
<b>Shri G. P. Upadhyaya</b> Advisor, Mines & Geology Dept., Govt. of Sikkim	<b>Member</b>
<b>Mrs. Saumya Gupta</b> Joint Secretary (TE), Ministry of Education, Govt. of India	<b>Member</b>
<b>Shri Anil Kumar</b> Director (Finance), IFD, Ministry of Education, Govt. of India	<b>Member</b>
<b>Shri Ugyen Chopel</b> Director, Yuksom Breweries, Melli, Sikkim	<b>Member</b>
<b>Dr. Sourav Mallick</b> Associate Professor, NIT Sikkim	<b>Member</b>
<b>Dr. Aurobindo Panda</b> Assistant Professor, NIT Sikkim	<b>Member</b>
<b>Dr. V. K. Paul</b> Professor, School of Planning & Architecture, New Delhi	<b>Special Invitee</b>
<b>Dr. Ranjan Basak</b> Registrar (I/c), NIT Sikkim	<b>Secretary</b>

Prof. Parameswar K. Iyer, Director, IIT Guwahati and Member on the BoG was granted leave of absence due to his pre-occupation.

At the outset, the Director extended heartiest welcome to the Chairperson, BoG. The other board members also welcomed and congratulated him on his appointment as the Chairperson BoG NIT Sikkim. The Chairperson and the Director welcomed all the members present in the 36<sup>th</sup> 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.36.01: To confirm the Minutes of the 35<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Board of Governors held on 24<sup>th</sup> August 2023.**

The minutes were confirmed.

**Item No.36.02: To report the action taken on the decisions taken in the 35<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Board of Governors.**

The BoG noted the actions taken by the Institute and appreciated.

**Item No.36.03: To consider and approve the publishing of the 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 and to make the selection/ appointment of the PMC.**

The detailed discussion was made with respect to the construction of the permanent campus of NIT Sikkim. The members showed their serious concern about the delay in the allotment of land and the scarcity of the resources in the temporary campus which is impacting the quality of education. Therefore, to minimize the delay in starting the construction activities, the Board convened this special meeting and permitted the Institute to publish the EOI-cum-RFP for selection and appointment of the PMC. The agenda was approved with the following suggestions to be included in the EOI cum RFP for selection and appointment of the PMC agency:

- (i) As the approval of the DPR is in process, the EOI-cum-RFP will be published with the estimated cost of construction of Rs. 562.39 Crores (Prime Cost Excluding Bulk Development Items not taken under EPC Contract). However, appointment of the PMC shall be done with the approval of the FC and the BoG. The following committee for evaluating the bids and recommending the PMC to FC and BoG was also approved:
  - (a) Dr. Aurobinda Panda, Dean P&D - NIT Sikkim (Convenor)
  - (b) Prof. V. K. Paul, SPA, New Delhi
  - (c) Shri. R. K. Mittal, Joint DG (Retd.) MES & Member BWC - NIT Sikkim
  - (d) Prof. Rajan Chaudhary, Dept of Civil Engineering, IIT Guwahati
  - (e) Mr. Rewa Nath Sharma, Executive Engineer - NIT Sikkim
  - (f) Mr. Sahil Minda, Assistant Registrar Finance and Accounts (Secretary)
- (ii) An undertaking as given at Annexure – I, shall be taken from the bidders:
  - (a) If there is downscaling of the project cost in the final approved

DPR, restricting the availability of funds, the PMC will undertake to uphold the same. The conditions described in the EoI cum RFP document herein under shall be agreed and complied in all circumstances. Further, if there is any change in the statutory provisions as applicable in the project, the PMC shall comply with the same and shall not charge any extra amount.

- (b) The bidders also undertake that the EOI-cum-RFP can be cancelled by the Institute at any stage/time (including final stage) without assigning any reason and no claim of any kind shall be made by the agency/firm/organization.
- (c) The selected PMC also undertakes that it shall accept the total project cost approved by the Ministry and for which the financial and administrative approval is granted by the Institute.

**Item No.36.04: To consider and approve the list of the candidates to be conferred with the Ph.D. degree of the Institute in the 6<sup>th</sup> Convocation scheduled on 25<sup>th</sup> November 2023.**

The agenda was approved as proposed.

**Item No.36.05: To consider and approve the names of medal recipients of B.Tech., M.Tech. and M.Sc. who will be honored in the 6<sup>th</sup> Convocation scheduled on 25<sup>th</sup> November 2023.**

The agenda was approved as proposed.

**Item No.33.06: To consider and approve the list of candidates of B.Tech., M.Tech. and M.Sc. who will be honored in the 6<sup>th</sup> Convocation scheduled on 25<sup>th</sup> November 2023.**

The agenda was approved as proposed.

**Item No.33.07: Agenda Items with the permission of the Chair.**

- (a) **To consider and approve the proposal for submission of the requisition to the Forest and Environment Department, Govt. of Sikkim for tree felling/cutting within the allotted land of the permanent campus of the Institute.**

Prof. V. K. Paul, SPA, New Delhi (Special Invitee) proposed the above agenda to the Board. The members of the Board realizing the importance of this time taking activities agreed and approved the agenda. The Board empowered the Director to prepare and send the requisition to the Forest and Environment Department, Govt. of Sikkim to submit the estimate for tree felling/cutting. The Board also empowered the Director to take the necessary decision in this regard.

The matters regarding the status and pending issues of the land allotted for the construction of permanent campus were also discussed and the State Nominees were requested to help in early resolution of the pending issues. The Director was also requested to pursue the matters with the Chief Secretary/Concern Secretaries to expedite the pending matters.

The Director also apprised the Board with the recent visit of the Hon'ble Chairperson, BoG to the Institute and various discussions and directions received. The request for early sanction of the faculty positions was also made to the representatives of MoE and IFD.

As per the direction of the Hon'ble Chairperson. BoG, the next meeting of the FC and BoG of NIT Sikkim is scheduled to be held on 24<sup>th</sup> November 2023 at the Institute.

*The Meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Chair.*

Director

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*29/9/23*

*Ramesh Singh*  
Chairperson

*RBA*  
*29-09-23*  
Registrar (I/c)

(Annexure-I)

## **UNDERTAKING**

**(To be submitted on Non-Judicial Stamp Paper of ₹100/-)**

To,

**The Director  
National Institute of Technology Sikkim  
Ravangla, Dist. Namchi  
South Sikkim - 737139**

**Subject: 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.**

Dear Sir,

I/We undertake that:

- (a) The EOI-cum-RFP can be cancelled by the Institute at any stage/time (including final stage) without assigning any reason and no claim of any kind shall be made by the agency/firm/organization.
- (b) If there is downscaling of the project cost in the final approved DPR, restricting the availability of funds, the PMC will undertake to uphold the same. The conditions described in the EoI cum RFP document herein under shall be agreed and complied in all circumstances. Further, if there is any change in the statutory provisions as applicable in the project, the PMC shall comply with the same and shall not charge any extra amount.
- (c) The selected PMC shall accept the total project cost approved by the Ministry and for which the financial and administrative approval is granted by the Institute.

It is certified that the above undertaking is given on behalf of the agency/firm/organization and shall be fully complied.

**(Seal & Sign by Authorized Signatory)**

