

NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY SIKKIM

**Minutes of the 4th Meeting of the BOG held on 11th June, 2014, in the Room No. 146,
Department of Atomic Energy, South Block, New Delhi 110001.**

The following members of the BOG were present:

- 1) Dr. R. K. Sinha : Chairman
Secretary, Dept of Atomic Energy
Govt. of India, New Delhi
- 2) Dr. A. B. Samaddar : Member
Director, NIT Sikkim,
Ravangla, South Sikkim
- 3) Shri Yogendra Tripathi : Member
Financial Advisor, IFD, MHRD,
Government of India
New Delhi
- 4) Shri. Raju Srinivasan : Representative of the Additional Secretary
Director, MHRD (Member) MHRD, Govt. of India,
Government of India
New Delhi
- 5) Dr. Thomas Chandi : Member
Principal Secretary, HRDD
Government of Sikkim
- 6) Shri Ramesh Sharma : Member
New Delhi

The Chairman welcomed the members of the Board of Governors. The participation of the Representative of the Government of Sikkim was noted with appreciation. Leave of absence was granted to Prof S. K. Bose, Dean, IIT Guwahati and the Director, Technical Education, Government of Sikkim and Ms Swarupa Rani, Bangalore. Further, the following official was requested to be present in the meeting:

Dr. N. Ramamoorthy, Sr. Technical Advisor, DAE, Govt. of India

4.01 To confirm the minutes of the 3rd meeting of the Board of Governors held on 19.12.2013 in Delhi

The Board of Governors confirmed the Minutes of the 3rd meeting of the BOG held in the Room No. 146, Department of Atomic Energy, South Block, New Delhi 110001 on 19th December, 2013.

4.02 To report on action taken on decisions taken in the 2nd meeting of the Board of Governors held on 19.12.2013 and other reports from the Director.

Action Taken Report (ATR) on the items/decisions taken in the 3rd meeting of the BOG

Agenda item	Agenda/Decision	Action
3.1.	Confirmation of Minutes of the 2nd Meeting of the BOG held on 14-03-2013 in Delhi, Dhruva Guest House, DAE, Delhi.	Confirmed.
3.2.	To report action taken on decisions taken in the meeting of the Board of Governors held on 14-03-2013, and other reports from the Director.	No action required
3.3.	To consider adopting the 4-Tier Flexible structure for faculty and recruitment	On receipt of the latest notification from the Ministry, recruitment rule has been modified from what was adopted by the BOG taking into consideration the latest notification from the Ministry. As modified, it is now put up as a Separate Agenda item No. 4.04 for consideration of BOG
3.4.	To consider formation of Senate of NIT Sikkim	A list of academicians has been put up to the Chairman for nomination to the Senate
3.5.	To consider formation of the Finance Committee of NIT Sikkim	Has discussed with the Chairman for formation and resolved.
3.6.	To consider starting B. Tech Mechanical Engineering Programme	Arrangement has been made as per decision. In addition to the IIT Guwahati, arrangement has been made with IIT Kharagpur for laboratory etc. Establishment of workshop etc. also in process in the Institute.
3.7.	To consider the Annual Report including Accounts for 2011-12 & 2012-13 #	AG Sikkim has completed Audit and has sent the report to Delhi. A copy is enclosed. As soon as the final Audit report is available Annual Report will be sent to the Ministry.
3.8.	To consider establishing a Convention Centre in Kolkata jointly with other NITs in N-E Cluster and some Eastern NITs	A house has been identified in Kolkata. For the Convention Centre, BOGs of 3 more N-E NITs has approved, and the survey for land in Kolkata is on for estimating the cost for establishing such a convention centre.
3.9.	Women Grievance Cell	A Cell has been constituted.

While discussing this item, the Financial Adviser, IFD, MHRD, pointed out that NIT-Sikkim could avail the benefit of expertise of sister institutes, as well as consultation with MHRD, to ensure the required compliance in format, classification etc. in submission of the details of accounts.

Director's report

The Director further reported on academic programmes, ICT, R&D, land status, training & placement etc. The Board acknowledged the problem of space and at the same time appreciated that more than 80% students have been placed in the first batch in spite of the constraints.

Item No. 4.03: Procurement of a bus for the students and other utility.

Members from MHRD mentioned that a request letter may be sent to the MHRD mentioning the reasons so that it can be taken up with the Finance Ministry for approval. In the meantime, the Institute may use hired bus services.

Item No. 4.04: To consider recruitment rule and procedure etc. for faculty recruitment

The proposed Recruitment Rules based on MHRD Letter No. F.33-2/2012 – TS.III dated 5th February 2014, along with a provision for considering candidates pursuing PhD at distinguished institutes on contractual appointment, were approved.

Item No. 4.05: To consider rule for Non-Faculty staff Recruitment Rule

The Recruitment Rules as per the MHRD Letter No. F.33-2/2012 – TS.III dated 5th February 2014 were adopted.

Item No. 4.06: Non-availability of land and associated problems

The Principal Secretary, HRDD, Government of Sikkim informed that the process of acquisition of land at Khamdong is in progress.

It was opined that a letter from the Chairman, BOG may be sent to the Government of Sikkim expressing its concern over the land issue. In the meantime, to quicken the construction as soon as the land is handed over the Director was authorized to hire accommodation around Singtam / Khamdong as required for preparation beforehand. Considering the gravity of the land allotment situation, the Principal Secretary, HRDD, Sikkim agreed to show the tentative map of the earmarked land, which may help in making arrangement for hiring Architect for preliminary survey etc.

Item No. 4.07: To consider Budget for 2014-2015

The budget was approved as proposed. Further expenditure planning should be linked to the flow of funds from the Ministry. In this connection, MHRD representative enquired about the delegation of financial power in the Institute. The Director mentioned that as per the NIT Statutes, director may incur expenditure within the budget provisions. However, for delegation of power including for the deans, heads of the departments etc., it was suggested that the Director may furnish specific information in this matter collecting data from some other NITs. It was also suggested that the Registrar, NIT, Allahabad may be contacted for early reference.


Item No. 4.08: AoB with permission from the Chair

The Director informed about the DST sponsored INSPIRE Summer Internship Programme scheduled to be held at NIT Sikkim during 23-27th July 2014, and cordially invited the BOG Members to the event.

The meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Chair.


Director


Chairman, BOG

These minutes are confirmed

Chairman
Board of Governors
NIT Sikkim