NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY SILCHAR

EIGHTY SIXTH MEETING OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS **MINUTES**

The 86th meeting of the Board of Governors was held on 21st December, 2021 at 1630 hours via video conferencing. The following members were present in the meeting:

- 1. Sri Gautam N Mehra, Chairman & Managing Director, Savita Oil Technologies Limited, Chairperson, BoG
- 2. Prof. Sivaji Bandyopadhyay, Director & Ex - Officio, BoG
- 3. Sri Indrajit Kuri, Under Secretary, TS - III, MoE
- 4. Dr. S. K. Kakoty, Professor, IIT Guwahati
- 5. Prof. P. S Choudhury, NIT Silchar
- 6. Dr. Ripon Patgiri, NIT Silchar
- 7. Prof. Nalin Behari Dev Choudhury, Registrar (i/c) & Secretary, BoG

Sri Gautam N Mehra presided the meeting of the Board of Governors as Chairperson in accordance with Section 16 of the NITSER Act.

At the outset, Prof. N. B. Dev Choudhury welcomed the Chairperson and other members who attended the meeting.

The BoG then initiated the discussion on the Agenda Items one by one: -

To confirm the minutes of the 85th Meeting of Board of Governors. BoG-86/21/01:

Eighty fifth meeting of the Board of Governors was held on 28th October, 2021 via video conferencing. The copies of the Minutes of the 85th meeting of the Board of Governors (Annexure - I) was circulated to all the members of the Board. Comments, if any received from the Honourable Members of the Board will be placed on the table.

The Board is request to confirm the minutes of 85th meeting of the BoG.

DECISION

The Board confirmed the minutes of 85th meeting of Board of Governors

BoG-86/21/02: To discuss on the Action Taken Report on decision of the 85th Meeting of Board of Governors.

The action taken report on the minutes of 85th meeting of BOG is placed at Annexure - II. The Board is requested to take note of the same.

The Board noted the Action Taken Report of 85th meeting of Board of Governors

BoG-86/21/03: To consider the proposal for renewal of MoU between Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan and NIT Silchar.

The matter related to renewal of MoU between Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan and NIT Silchar with modified terms and conditions was placed before the BoG in its 84th meeting scheduled on 11.10.2021. The Board directed the institute to Www. send the draft copy of the MoU to Ministry of Education

The institute has forwarded the draft MoU to Ministry of Education for comments with a request to furnish their comments on the same before 27.10.2021.

The recommendation of the Ministry of Education is placed at Annexure – III₁ and copy of the MoU is placed at Annexure III₂.

The Board is requested to give decision on the same.

DECISION

The Board approved the proposal for renewal of MoU between Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan and NIT Silchar with modified terms & conditions and directed the institute to forward the approved MoU to Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan.

BoG-86/21/04:

To extend the benefit of Family Pension to employee of the institute covered under NPS and expired during service.

Dr. Baban Haridas Sambharkar, Assistant Professor Grade – I, Department of Chemistry expired on 23.04.2021 due to COVID.

The guidelines for granting Benefits available in the case of death of a Central Government Employee covered under National Pension System during service is placed at $Annexue - IV_1$

The DoPT in its OM No. 1/11/P&PW(E) dated 03.06.2021 (Annexue – IV_2) extended the benefits of Family Pension to the family of the deceased employees who expired due to COVID.

The Board is requested to allow the institute to extend the benefit of Old Pension Scheme to the family of Dr. B. H. Sambharkar who expired on 23.04.2021.

DECISION

The Board opined to extend the benefits of Family Pension to the family of Dr. B. H. Sambharkar who was covered under NPS and expired on 23.04.2021 due to COVID by following the guidelines of DoPT.

BoG-86/21/05:

To consider the recommendation of Selection Committee for various Non – Teaching positions.

Institute vide advertisement No. NITS/Estt/Advt/Non-Teaching/21 dated 18.05.2021 advertised for the various Non — Teaching Positions.

The interview for the post various Non - Teaching Positions is scheduled on 14.12.2021 & 15.12.2021. The recommendation of the Selection Committee for various Non - Teaching positions will be placed on the table on the day of meeting.

The Board is requested to approve the same

DECISION

The institute intimated the Board that;

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- The interview for the posts of Deputy Registrar and Medical Officer was conducted during 14.12.2021 & 15.12.2021.
- In the advertisement No. NITS/Estt/Advt/Non-Teaching/21 dated 18.05.2021, 1 (one) post each for Deputy Registrar and Medical Officer was advertised. Both the posts were Un Reserved.
- ➤ In the meantime time the in position Deputy Registrar, Sri Sanjay Srivastava resigned from the institute and the Board of Governors in its 84th meeting scheduled on 11.10.2021 opined to release him from the post w.e.f. 16.12.2021 (A/N).
- In the advertisement under point 2 of General Terms and Conditions it was mentioned that the number of posts advertised are tentative and may vary.
- As such the institute requested to consider the candidate from waitlist 1 (one) of the recommendation sheet of the Deputy Registrar for appointment.

The Board approved the recommendation of Selection Committee for the interview for the posts of Deputy Registrar and Medical Officer scheduled on 14.12.2021 & 15.12.2021. And directed to make appointment to the vacant position of Deputy Registrar occurred due to resignation by following the norms of the Reservation Roster.

BoG-86/21/06:

Allowing institute for signing of MoU with Obuda University Hungary.

Institute is planning to sign MoU with Obuda University Hungary, the purpose of MoU along with the terms and conditions are attached at **Annexure - VI**.

The Board is requested peruse the same and give necessary decision

DECISION

The institute informed the Board that there is no financial involvement of the institute. The Board allowed the institute to sign MoU with Obuda University Hungary and instructed the institute to send the same to MoE for their noting.

BoG-86/21/07:

Formation of Institute Human Ethics Committee.

NIT Silchar is involved in research related to Biomedical Engineering. In this connection as specified in the "National Ethical Guidelines for Biomedical and Health Research Involving Participants – 2017" issued by ICMR it is necessary for all research proposals on biomedical, social and behavioural science research for health involving human participants, their biological material and data to be reviewed and approved by an appropriately constituted EC to safeguard the dignity, right, safety and well – being of all research participants.

For the aforesaid purpose an Institute Human Ethics Committee has been constitute and the same is placed at **Annexure – VII**.

The Board is requested to note the same

DECISION

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The Board noted the same and suggested the institute to keep Institute Retainer as Legal Expert of the Committee

BoG-82/21/08:

To authorise the Director, vide Statute 17 (11) of First Statute of NITs, to assign one faculty from the Institute to function as Registrar(i/c) till the appointment of new Registrar is done

The tenure of Prof. Nalin Behari Dev Choudhury, Professor, Department of Electrical Engineering as Registrar will be over on 31.12.2021.

On the basis of power vested to him vide Statute 17 (11) of First Statute of NITs assign the responsibility of Registrar, NIT Silchar to Prof. Nalin Behari Dev Choudhury, Professor, Department of Electrical Engineering for a period of 1 (one) year w.e.f. 01.01.2021.

In the meantime institute vide notification No. NITS/Estt/Advt/Non-Teaching/21 dated 18.05.2021 (when model code of conduct due to Assam Election was over) advertised the post of Registrar along with other Non – Teaching posts.

The BoG in its 82nd meeting scheduled on 22.06.2021 extend the tenure of Prof. Nalin Behari Dev Choudhury, Professor, Department of Electrical Engineering as Registrar for further period up to 31.12.2021 or till appointment of new Registrar whichever is earlier.

The interview for the post of Registrar was scheduled on 11.10.2021. However, the Selection Committee did not found any candidate suitable for the post. The matter was placed before the BoG in its 84th meeting scheduled on 11.10.2021. The Board approved the recommendation of the Selection Committee.

The institute is now again initiating the process of recruiting regular Registrar by advertisement in newspaper. The complete process is expected to take more than one month.

The Board, vide Statute 17 (11) of First Statute of NITs, is requested to authorize the Director to assign one faculty from the Institute to function as Registrar(i/c) till the appointment of new Registrar is done.

The Board is requested to approve the same.

DECISION

The Board authorised the Director to assign one faculty from the Institute to function as Registrar(i/c) till the appointment of new Registrar is done.

BoG-86/21/09:

To note the ranking of National Institute of Technology Silchar in various platform.

The National Institute of Technology Silchar has participated in following platforms and secured the rank mentioned against the platforms.

- NIT Silchar has been placed in QS Asia University Ranking-2022 in the rank band #401-450
- II. NIT SILCHAR retained its position in the THE EMERGING ECONOMIES Ranking-2022 at the rank band 251-300.

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III. NIT Silchar is ranked at rank band 800-1000, 18th among India in THE World University Rankings 2022.

The Board is requested to note the same.

DECISION

The Institute informed that institute has secured 200th Rank in World and 5th Rank in India in Green Metric Ranking.

The Board noted the ranking of National Institute of Technology Silchar in various platform.

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BoG-86/21/12: To approve the recommendation of 56th and 57th meeting of Finance Committee.

The recommendations of 56th meeting of Finance Committee scheduled on 11.10.2021 and 57th meeting of Finance Committee scheduled on 28.10.2021 placed at Annexure-XIII for approval.

DECISION

The Board approved the recommendation of 56th and 57th meeting of Finance Committee

The Board Confirmed the agenda items No. BoG-86/21/03, No. BoG-86/21/05 & No. BoG-86/21/08 on the table

The meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Chair.

Dr. K. L. Baishnab)

Registrar (i/c) & Secretary

(Sri Gautam N Mehra)

Chairperson, BoG