

# NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY SILCHAR

## SEVENTY FIRST MEETING OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS

### MINUTES

The 71<sup>st</sup> meeting of the Board of Governors was held in NIT Silchar on 1<sup>st</sup> November, 2019 at 1700 hours. The following members were present in the meeting:

1. Prof. Sivaji Bandyopadhyay, Director & Chairperson, BoG (Officiating)
2. Sri Madan Mohan, DDG, Department of Higher Education, MHRD (Over skype)
3. Smt. Darshana M Dabral, Joint Secretary (IFD), Department of Higher Education, MHRD (Over skype)
4. Sri Abhijit Barooah, Managing Director, Premier Cryogenics Ltd, Assam (Over skype)
5. Prof. F. A. Talukdar, Professor, ECE Department, NIT Silchar
6. Dr. S. K. Kakoty, Professor, ME Department, IIT Guwahati (Over Skype)
7. Prof. A. K. Barbhuiya, Registrar & Secretary, BoG

*As per Statute No. 17(15) of the first Statutes of NITs, Prof. Sivaji Bandyopadhyay, Director, NIT, Silchar presided over the meeting of the Board of Governors as Chairperson in accordance with Section 16 of the NITSER Act.*

At the outset, Prof. Sivaji Bandyopadhyay welcomed all the members of the Board of Governors.

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

**BoG-71/19/01: To confirm the minutes of 70<sup>th</sup> Meeting of Board of Governors**

Seventieth meeting of the Board of Governors was held on 30<sup>th</sup> September, 2019 at NIT Transit House, New Delhi. The copies of the Minutes of the 70<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Board of Governors (**Annexure – I**) was circulated to all the members of the Board. No comments has been received from any members.

The Board is request to confirm the minutes of 70<sup>th</sup> meeting of the BoG.

#### DECISION

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*The Board confirmed the minutes of 70<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Board of Governors*

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**BoG-71/19/02: To discuss on the Action Taken Report on decision of the 70<sup>th</sup> Meeting of Board of Governors**

The action taken report on the minutes of 70<sup>th</sup> meeting of BOG is placed at **Annexure – II**. The Board is requested to take note of the same

#### DECISION

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*The Board noted the action taken on the minutes of the 70<sup>th</sup> meeting of BoG*

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**BoG-71/19/03: To approve awarding degrees to all the graduating students (B.Tech., M.Tech., M.Sc., MBA, and Ph.D.) who have qualified for the same after the last convocation.**

After appearing the recently concluded end semester exams, re-exams, and special exams during May-August, 2019, the list of students in various programs who have qualified for the degree after fulfilling the requirements for the award of the degree are as follows:

- (a) 553 B.Tech. students of 2015 Batch & 26 B.Tech. students of prior batches (**Annexure III<sub>1</sub>**)
- (b) 185 M.Tech. students (**Annexure III<sub>2</sub>**)
- (c) 19 M.Sc. students (**Annexure III<sub>3</sub>**)

- (d) 33 MBA students (Annexure III<sub>4</sub>)  
 (e) List of Ph.D. students to be placed on the table.

It may be mentioned that on demands from the concerned students, in some cases the provisional certificates were issued with approval of the Chairman, Senate as immediately no meeting of the Senate was scheduled.

The Board is requested to approve the award of said degrees.

#### DECISION

*The Board approved the recommendation of the 61<sup>st</sup> Senate to award degrees to all the graduating students (B.Tech., M.Tech., M.Sc., MBA, and Ph.D. as per Annexure III<sub>1</sub> to III<sub>5</sub>) who have completed their courses as per the Academic regulations of the Institute and qualified for the same after the last convocation*

**BoG-71/19/04: To approve awarding various medals at the XVII convocation to the graduating students (B.Tech., M.Tech., M.Sc., and MBA) who have been found eligible for the same.**

- a) Based on the results of the final B.Tech. examinations 2019, the following students have topped the list in various branches of engineering, and accordingly, qualified for the award of the UG Gold and Silver Medals being overall topper and branch toppers, respectively.

Dept.	Reg. No.	Names	Medals	CPI	Remarks
ME	15-1-2-061	Chanchal Gupta	Gold	9.76	Overall Topper
CE	15-1-1-001	Samujjal Aich	Silver	9.45	Branch Topper
CSE	15-1-5-046	Rohan Deb	Silver	9.38	Branch Topper
EE	15-1-3-099	Anand Kumar	Silver	9.30	Branch Topper
ECE	15-1-4-041	Monoj Kumar Nandy	Silver	9.08	Branch Topper
EIE	15-1-6-032	Tushar Vatsa	Silver	9.36	Branch Topper

- b) Regarding the criteria to award PG Silver medals, the Senate constituted a committee to look into it. The committee submitted its interim report for the award during the last convocation. The final report is still awaited. Accordingly, the following list of such medallist for 2019 is prepared on the basis the interim report, which was approved by the Senate for 2018.

List of eligible Silver medallist in M.Tech.					
Dept.	Specialization	Reg. No.	Names	Overall CPI	CPI excluding project
CE	Structural	17-21-503	Rangish. A	9.82	9.72
	Structural Dynamics & Earthquake	17-21-208	Charla Venkatesh	9.82	9.72
	Transportation Engg.	17-21-303	Soumik Sarkar	9.86	9.78
EE	Control & Industrial Automation	17-23-202	Maitreyee Dutta	9.76	9.65
Chemistry	Applied Chemistry	17-48-106	Simita Das	9.71	9.64

The Board is requested to approve the award of the said medals to be awarded at XVII Convocation.

#### DECISION

*The Board approved the recommendation of the 61<sup>st</sup> Senate for awarding of various medals at the XVII convocation to the graduating students (B.Tech., M.Tech., M.Sc., and MBA) who have been found eligible for the same.*

**BoG-71/19/05: To consider introduction of Best All Round Graduate Award.**

Till now, the Institute of its own does not offer any all-round graduate award, even though a sponsored gold plated Best Engineering Graduate award (Kalikrishna-Mrinalini Krori Award) is offered during the convocation. In view of this, it is proposed to introduce a Best All Round Graduate award in the form of gold medal with effect from the 17th convocation, with the following selection criteria:

S. No.	Performance Criteria	Marks
1.	Academic performance (CPI/CGPA) (Final CPI/CGPA to be provided by the academic section)	20
2.	Research publications	10 per international publication 5 per national publication
3.	Sports/Hackathon/debate/quiz/other events represented state/India/NIT Silchar	2 per event
4.	Member of winning team representing state/India/NIT Silchar	1 <sup>st</sup> position: 5 2 <sup>nd</sup> position: 4 3 <sup>rd</sup> position: 3
5.	Selected in any exchange program by the NIT Silchar/selected in competitive foreign exchange programs like DAAD, MITACS, CHARPAK, SNBOSE, Google GSOC etc.	10 per program

The proposed minimum CPI/CGPA is required to become eligible for the award is 8.5, without any F/W grade & without any disciplinary action taken during the entire study period (B.Tech.).

The Board is requested to consider and approve the same.

#### DECISION

*The Board approved the recommendation of the 61<sup>st</sup> Senate for introduction of Best All Round Graduate Award.*

**BoG-71/19/06: To consider introduction of Best Doctoral Award for PhD degree recipients.**

It is proposed to introduce a Best Doctoral Award in the form of gold medal with effect from the 17th convocation, with the following selection criteria.

S. No.	Item	Marks
1.	Patent	20 for Granted
		10 for Filed
2.	Number of Citations	Web of Science 0.5 X Number of Citation
		Scopus 0.4 X Number of Citation
		Goggle Scholar 0.3 X Number of Citation
3.	h-index	Web of Science 12 X h-index
		Scopus 10 X h-index

S. No.	Item		Marks
		Goggle Scholar	08 X h-index
4.	Publication	SCI / SCIE	5 per paper for first author
			3 per paper for remaining authorship
		Web of Science	4 per paper for first author
			2 per paper for remaining authorship
		Scopus	3 per paper for first author
1 per paper for remaining authorship			
5.	Total impact factor		1 X Total impact factor

***“All the provisional degree holders after the last Convocation and till 30.09.2019 will be eligible for the said award”***

The Board is requested to consider and approve the same.

#### DECISION

*The Board approved the recommendation of the 61<sup>st</sup> Senate for introduction of Best Doctoral Award for PhD degree recipients.*

**BoG-71/19/07: To consider introduction of Distinguished Faculty Award.**

The institute has proposed to introduce Distinguished Faculty Award starting from Seventeenth Convocation.

The following procedure has been proposed for the said award:

- a) 50% weightage will be from the credit point based on Teaching & Research and will be evaluated as per the Credit Points Table of Faculty Recruitment Rule at Schedule – E of NIT Statute
- b) Remaining 50% will be based on Students Feedback scores.

Every year application will be invited from all the Faculty Members of the Institute. Top 20 Faculty will be shortlisted based on the criteria (a) and final selection will be done combining criteria (b).

The above procedure is approved by the Chairman (Officiating), BoG and accordingly the process of selection has been started. The name of Distinguished Faculty for the year 2018 – 19 will be placed on the day of the BoG Meeting.

Board is requested to ratify the action taken by the Chairman (Officiating), BoG regarding procedure adopted for selection of Distinguished Faculty and also approve the selected faculty for the said award.

#### DECISION

*The Board ratified the action taken by the Chairman (Officiating), BoG regarding procedure adopted for selection of Distinguished Faculty.*

*The Board also approved the name of Dr. T R Lenka, Assistant Professor Grade-I for presentation of Distinguished Faculty Award*

**BoG-71/19/08A: Supplementary Agenda, if any.**

**BoG-71/19/08A: To consider the winners of the (a) Best All Round Graduate Award, (b) Best Doctoral Award, (c) Kalikrishna-Mrinalini Krori Award, and (d) Saswata Purkayastha Memorial Award.**

Based on the reports of the respective committees constituted for selection of winners of the (a) Best All Round Graduate Award, (b) Best Doctoral Award, (c) Kalikrishna-Mrinalini Krori Award, and (d) Saswata Purkayastha Memorial Award,

the Senate in its 61<sup>st</sup> meeting held on 25.10.2019 recommends the following names to the BOG for approval:

S. No	Name	Regn no	Awards
(a)	Bhattacharyya Trisha Prasenjit	1515097	Best All Round Graduate Award
(b)	Dr. Jay Prakash Singh	14303103	Best Doctoral Award
(c)	Diixita Gulgulia	1511006	Kalikrishna-Mrinalini Krori Memorial
(d)	Anirban Roy	1514012	Saswata Purkayastha Memorial

The Board is requested to consider the recommendation of Senate and approved the award to the selected winners.

#### DECISION

*The Board considered the recommendation of Senate and approved the award to the selected winners.*

The meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Chair.



(Prof. A. K. Barbhuiya)  
Registrar & Secretary



(Prof. Sivaji Bandyopadhyay)  
Chairperson, BoG (Officiating)