

NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY SILCHAR

Minutes of the Sixth Meeting of the Finance Committee held on 9th September 2006

Sixth Meeting of the Finance Committee of the National Institute of Technology, Silchar was held on 9th September 2006 at the Conference Hall of NIT Transit House, Safdarjung Enclave, New Delhi. Following members were present-

1. Prof. Gautam Barua, Chairman, Board of Governors
2. Prof. P.K. Banik, Director, NIT Silchar
3. Dr. G.L. Jambhulkar, Deputy Educational Adviser (NIT), MHRD, New Delhi
4. Prof. A.K. Sil, Professor of Chemistry, NIT Silchar
5. Dr. Nidul Sinha, Asst Professor, NIT Silchar
6. Sri R.C. Ghildiyal, Section Officer, TS-III, MHRD, New Delhi- Invitee
7. Prof. Fazal A. Talukdar, Registrar and Member-Secretary

Following items were taken up for discussion-

FC-6/06/1: TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

Committee confirmed the Minutes of its Fifth Meeting held on 28th May 2006 at Silchar

FC-6/06/2: TO TAKE A NOTE ON THE ACTION TAKEN ON THE RESOLUTIONS OF THE 5th MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE

Secretary apprised the Members about the action taken on the resolutions of the Committee in its 5th Meeting held on 28th May 2006. While taking a note on the resolutions, Committee members desired that exact amount available in the four funds (viz., Corpus Fund, Depreciation Fund, Maintenance Fund and Staff Development Fund) created recently, as part of reform process under TEQIP, should be placed before it in its next meeting. Committee further decided that detailed modalities regarding utilization of the above four funds should be worked out and place before it for recommendation to the Board.

FC-6/06/3: TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE THE RESERVATION POLICY FOR NON-TEACHING EMPLOYEES and TO CONSIDER FILLING UP THE VACANCIES UNDER SPECIAL SC/ST DRIVE

Committee examined the grouping of non-teaching posts for application of reservation for SC/ST as placed before it. Committee noted that there are more than 100 daily wage workers in the Institute. Committee further noted that most of these daily wage workers do not satisfy the minimum qualification as well as age criterion. Recruitment of fresh candidates against the resultant vacancies at Group-D may jeopardize the chance of the daily-wage workers. After a threadbare discussion, Committee resolved to recommend the grouping of non-teaching posts for application of reservation for SC/ST to the Board. Committee further resolved that

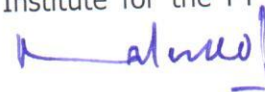
if the Government of India and the National Commission for SC/STs permit relaxation of age and qualification for existing SC/ST daily wagers, they may be considered for absorption against the resultant vacancies at Group-D level arising out of grouping. A summary of the posts to be reserved for SC/ST is given below-

Sl. No	Group	Cadre Group Nos	Sanctioned Strength	Post reserved as per sanctioned strength		In position		Vacancies				Remarks
				SC	ST	SC	ST	SC		ST		
								DR	P	DR	P	
A	Admn Staff	1	3	Reservation policy is not applicable								
	Admn. Staff	2	1	Reservation policy is not applicable								
	Tech. Staff	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	13 point roster is followed
B	Admn. Staff	4	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	13 point roster is followed
	Technical Support Staff	5	1	Reservation policy is not applicable								
			6	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
C	Admn Staff	7	5	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	Promotional post 16 point roster is followed
		8	23	1	2	3	0	0	0	0	2	Promotional post
		9	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	16 point roster is followed
		10	25	1	2	0	1	1	0	1	0	
	Technical Support Staff	11	4	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	16 point roster is followed
		12	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	16 point roster is followed
		13	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	16 point roster is followed
		14	22	1	2	2	1	0	0	1	0	
		15	11	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	16 point roster is followed
		16	15	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	Promotional post 16 point roster is followed
	Total	138	3	6	9	5	1	0	2	2		
D	Technical Support											
	Admn. Staff	17	180	11	20	33	7	0	0	13	0	
	Sweeper	18	13	--	--	6	2	--	--	--	--	Reservation policy is not applicable

FC-6/06/4:

TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE THE AUDIT REPORT ON THE ACCOUNTS OF THE INSTITUTE FOR THE FY 2004-05

Committee examined the Audit Report on the accounts of the Institute from AG (Audit), Assam for the financial year 2004-05. Committee further examined the comments of the Institute on the Audit Report. Committee approved the Audit Report for FY 2004-05 alongwith the Accounts of the Institute for the FY 2004-05.

Committee further resolved to recommend it to the Board for approval.

FC-11/06/5:

TO CONSIDER UPGRADATION OF 64 Kbps SCPC V-SAT LINK to 1 Mbps

Committee examined the agenda item as put up before it and observed that there is need for greater bandwidth for Internet connectivity in the Institute. Committee approved the upgradation of the existing 64 kbps SCPC VSAT to 1 Mbps DAMA VSAT at an annual tariff of Rs. 17.00 lakhs/year with a one time installation cost of Rs. 11.35 lakhs. Committee observed that ERNET India may be requested to reduce the annual rental for the link in view of the budgetary constraint.

Committee resolved to recommend the upgradation of the VSAT link to the Board for approval.

FC-6/06/6:

TO CONSIDER THE MATTER OF REIMBURSEMENT OF TELEPHONE EXPENSES OF FACULTY

Committee observed that a comprehensive policy for reimbursement of telephone expenses upto a certain limit in line with that prevalent in IITs/ISM etc. is a need of the hour for faculty as an incentive. However, such a policy is needed to be formulated by the Government of India for the faculty of all NITs due to its wider ramification. Due to budgetary constraint, Committee felt that key officials like Wardens/Security/Network-in-charge(s) may be reimbursed telephone expenses upto a monthly ceiling of Rs. 500.00. Institute may explore the possibility of absorbing the extra expenditure from internal sources. Committee recommended the same to the Board for approval.

FC-6/06/7:

TO TAKE A NOTE ON THE STATUS OF THE PROGRESS OF THE MODROB, TAPTEC AND R&DP Projects

Committee noted the progress of the ongoing projects under MODROB/TAPTEC and R&DP.

FC-6/06/8:

TO CONSIDER THE MATTER OF BOOKGRANT AND CONTINGENCY ETC. TO THE FACULTY MEMBERS

Committee examined the matter as placed before it and resolved that the Institute should approach the MHRD for comprehensive guidelines in this matter.

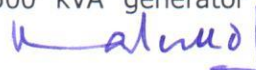
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ANY OTHER ITEM WITH THE PERMISSION OF THE CHAIR

FC-6/06/9A:

TO CONSIDER PURCHASING OF A 1000 KVA GENERATOR FOR THE INSTITUTE

Committee was concerned with the bad power situation in the Institute and observed that the academic activities are hampered due to prolong power cuts. Committee resolved to accord its approval for installation of 2x500 kVA generator sets in the



campus together with accessories. Committee noted that there is no budget provision for this additional capital expenditure during the current fiscal year. Committee directed the Institute to submit a comprehensive proposal containing capital cost, running expenditures etc to the MHRD for approval. Committee resolved to recommend the purchase of 2x500 kVA generator sets to Board for its approval.

FC-6/06/9B:

TO TAKE A NOTE ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF REVISED TARRIF OF ELECTRICITY CONSUMED BY CAMPUS EMPLOYEES

Committee noted that revision of tariff by the AERC is a routine exercise. Committee resolved that such revision should be immediately implemented once notified by the AERC and the Institute is empowered to implement the revision of tariff without referring to the Finance Committee in future.

Meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.



Prof. Gautam Barua
Chairman, Board of Governors



Prof. Fazal A. Talukdar
Registrar & Member Secretary