



राष्ट्रीय प्रौद्योगिकी संस्थान, राउरकेला
National Institute of Technology, Rourkela

MINUTES OF THE 81st MEETING OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS, NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY, ROURKELA HELD AT 11.30 A.M. TO 1.30 P.M. ON 09.02.2022 (WEDNESDAY) IN THE BOARD ROOM, NIT, ROURKELA THROUGH VC.

Members Present:

Sl. No	Name	Contact No.
1.	Prof. Simanchal Panigrahi Director I/C & Acting Chairperson National Institute of Technology Rourkela -769 008 (Odisha)	Tel : 0661- 2462001(0)/2472050(0)/2463723(R) Mob : 9437145313/ 7978929549 Fax : 2472926/ 2462022 Email : director@nitrl.ac.in / spanigrahi@nitrl.ac.in
2.	Mr. Indrajit Kuri [through VC] Under Secretary Department of Higher Education Ministry of Education New Delhi-110 115	Tel: 011-23073687 Email: saumya.gupta@ias.nic.in M:
3.	Mr. Anil Kumar [through VC] Director, Finance Ministry of Education (Shiksha Mantralaya), Government of India Dept. of Secondary & Higher Education Shastri Bhavan, New Delhi- 110001	Tel : 011-23382696 Fax : 011-23070668 Mob : 9996990426 Email : jsfa.edu@gov.in / anil.k35@gov.in
4.	Prof. R V Raja Kumar Director Indian Institute of Technology, Bhubaneswar, Argul, Khordha PIN - 752050, Odisha	Tel : 0674 7134448, 0674 7134449 (O) Fax : 0674 7134450 Email : director@iitbbs.ac.in rkumar@iitbbs.ac.in
5.	Padmashree N. R. Mohanty Ex-Chairman, HAL Flat No.620 B4 Yamuna Block, National Games Village (NGV) Koramangala Bangalore-560047 (Karnataka)	Mob : 9845038631 Email : nalinirmohanty@yahoo.co.in
6.	Prof. S. K. Pratihar Professor, CR National Institute of Technology Rourkela-769008 (Odisha)	Tel : 0661-2462206 (O), 2463206(R) Mob : 9437391103 Email : skpratihar@nitrl.ac.in
7.	Prof. N. R. Mishra Associate Professor, HS National Institute of Technology Rourkela-769008 (Odisha)	Tel : 0661-2462695(O)/ 2463698(R) Mob : 9437462037 Email : mishran@nitrl.ac.in
8.	Prof. P. K. Das Registrar & Secretary, BOG National Institute of Technology Rourkela – 769 008(Orissa)	Tel : 0661-2462021/ 2462516/2476773 (O) Mob : 7008581227 Email : registrar@nitrl.ac.in

Members absent:

Shri Hemant Sharma, IAS Principal Secretary Skill Development & Technical Education Dept. Government of Odisha, Bhubaneswar, Odisha 751001	Tel : 0674-2391319(O) Fax : 0674-2391324 Email : etet.od@nic.in
---	---

A) GENERAL AND PROCEDURAL MATTERS.

BOG-81(2022)-01: Welcome to all members along with new BOG member Prof. S. K. Pratihari, Professor, Department of Ceramic Engg, NIT Rourkela nominated from Senate to the meeting by the Chairman.

"As per the Statutes vide Clause No.17(15) – In the event of the occurrence of any vacancy in the office of the Chairperson by reason of his death, resignation or otherwise or in the event of Chairperson being unable to discharge his functions owing to absence, illness or any other cause, till Director may discharge the functions assigned to the Chairperson under 16 of the Act."

The Chairman welcomed all the members including the new member to the meeting.

BOG-81(2022)-02: Confirmation of the Minutes of the 78th meeting of the BOG held on 16.07.2021 through VC.

The minutes of the 78th meeting of the BOG held on 16.07.2021 through VC were sent to all the members for their comments regarding correctness of recording of the minutes. Comments received from the members have been incorporated. The copy of the minutes and comments received from members are given in the Annexure for confirmation by the Board.

The comments received from the BOG members under agenda item No BOG-78(2021)-10:

Views of Five Board Members: -

(i) **Padmashree N. R. Mohanty, Ex-Chairman, HAL & Member BOG (mail dated 27 July 2021).**

Following facts may be brought to the Board for review and final decision on the subject. Prof. Das was appointed as the Registrar of the institute after due approval of the then BOG for a period of 5 years or up to the age of 62 years whichever is earlier. Accordingly, he joined the institute on 07.05.2019. BOG had earlier, accorded approval taking into account the "Recruitment Rule (2019) for the post of Registrar in NITs. This Rule clearly defines at Para (10) that Deputation (including Short Term Contract) for a period of 5 years or till attaining the age of 62 years whichever is earlier or as fixed by Govt. of India.

"Taking into account the above, my recommendation is the followings:

(a) *Prof Das has to retire from his parent organisation on 28.02.2022 after attaining the age of 60 years.*

(b) *He should continue on contract as Registrar at NIT, Rourkela w. e. f. 01.03.2022 till 28.02.2024 when he completes 62 years of age i.e. before completion of 5 years period which is due on 06.05.2024".*

(ii) Dr. Ajay Kumar Nayak, Joint Secretary, Skill Development and Technical Education, Govt of Odisha & attended the BOG meeting on behalf of Mr Sanjay Kumar Singh, IAS, Commissioner –cum- Secretary to Govt , Skill Development & Technical Education ,Dept., Govt of Odisha and Member, BOG (Mail dated 03 August 2021).

*"My observation on the matter related to the continuance of Prof . P.K. Das as Registrar, NIT is as follows :
Prof. P.K. Das was appointed as Registrar of NIT, Rourkela for a period of 5 years or up to the age of 62 years which is as per the Recruitment Rule -2019, circulated by MHRD / MoE, Gol. The Rule says, the appointment of Registrar for NITs shall be through deputation (short term contract basis) for a period of 5 years or till attaining the age of 62 years, whichever is earlier and his appointment is approved by the BOG of the institute accordingly.*

In view of the said facts and the Rule, the BOG may consider as follows:

- (a) *Prof Das should get superannuated from his parent organisation VSSUT on 28th February 2022 after attaining the age of 60 years, being relieved from NIT, Rourkela on 27.02.2022.*
- (b) *He should join back on 01.03.2022 as Registrar of the Institute and continue on contract basis till he attains the age of 62 years, with the stipulated terms & conditions with usual allowance and facilities as per his appointment order".*

(iii) Prof R.V. Raja Kumar, Director, IIT, Bhubaneswar & Member BOG (Mail received on 25th July 2021).

*It is mentioned in the minutes as "the BOG is advised".
It is not advised, but "it was decided"*

(iv) Prof. Nihar Ranjan Mishra, Member, BOG (Mail received on 27th July 2021).

"In the light of Recruitment Rule 2019 for the appointment of Registrars of NITS, circulated by MHRD / MOE (No. F.35 -5 I 2018 – TS. III dated 4th April, 2019) it is clearly mentioned that the mode of appointment of Registrar should be on deputation or

on a contract basis for a tenure of 5 years or one reaches at the age of 62 years, whichever is earlier. Based on this the appointment letter was issued to the present Registrar, which was approved by the BOG. Hence, this case may be discussed in the next BOG to avoid any legal issues”.

- (v) **Prof. G. K. Panda, Member, BOG (Mail received on 26th July 2021).**

“Kindly refer to the attached Recruitment Rules for the Non-Teaching posts in the National Institutes of Technology (NITs) – 2019. On page 3, items 10 and 11, it has been clearly mentioned that the deputation is for a period of 5 years or till attaining the age of 62 years whichever is earlier. In case of deputation, if necessary, one needs to retire from his parent institute, this is natural. The Agenda No. BOG -78 (2021) should be reviewed in the next BOG meeting and a suitable decision should be taken so as to avoid unnecessary legal complications”.

- (vi) **Shri Mrutyunjay Behera, Economic Advisor (HE), MoE, Govt. of India through tele-conference conveyed Prof Animesh Biswas, Director & Chairman acting , BOG NIT, Rourkela, on 18th July and on 25th July 2022.**

“That the possibility of converting deputation to contract appointment, till Prof. P. K. Das reaches the age of 62 years can be considered, keeping in view his appointment order and the Recruitment Rule-2019 of Gol for Registrar of NITs and this is to be discussed in next BoG meeting”.

Registrar before the discussion on the agenda asked for the permission of the Chairman to be absent during the discussion of this agenda which was pertaining to his case. The Chairman permitted to do so.

Director & Chairman presented the matter to the Board to the Board and the members deliberated on it.

The BOG felt to bring this matter as an agenda item by calling an urgent BOG meeting within a week, looking into its urgency.

[Annexure-A1, Page 17-46]

BOG-81(2022)-03: Confirmation of the Minutes of the 79th and 80th meeting of the BOG held on through Circulation dated 26.07.2021 & 16.12.2021 respectively.

The minutes of the 79th and 80th meeting of the BOG through Circulation dated 26.07.2021 & 16.12.2021 respectively were sent to all the members for their comments regarding correctness of recording of the minutes. Comments received from the members have been incorporated. The copy of the minutes and comments received from members are given in the Annexure (Pg.47-55 & 56-68) respectively for confirmation by the Board.

The comments received from the BOG members under agenda item No BOG-79(2021)-01:

Views of Five Board Members: -

- i) **Padmashree N. R. Mohanty, Ex-Chairman, HAL & Member BOG (mail dated 27 July 2021).**

"It is suggested that MoE may be requested to issue suitable guidelines to avoid delay in such payment to the employees/ pensioners".

- ii) **Prof R.V. Raja Kumar, Director, IIT, Bhubaneswar & Member BOG (mail received on 27th July 2021).**

"I agree and recommend payment of DA at the enhanced rate as per Govt. of India notification to the regular staff of the institute. I am not knowledgeable about the MoE rules related to DA for pensioners".

- iii) **Prof. G. K. Panda, Member, BOG (Mail received on 26th July 2021).**

"Payment of DA to employees and DR to pensioners is a regular process. I fully agree with payment of an additional 11% DA and DR".

- iv) **Prof. Nihar Ranjan Mishra, Member, BOG (Mail received on 27th July 2021).**

"I fully agree with Prof. G. K. Panda. As it is a regular Process, DA and DR should be released as per the Govt. of India notification"

Henceforth, the BOG may empower the Institute to implement the DA and DR in future which are declared by Govt. of India from time to time along with subsequent amendments, if any, without waiting for communication from Ministry of Education.

BOG suggested that it will be better to bring the proposal on modalities for empowering institute for implementation of DA and DR in the next FC/BOG meeting when the regular Director will takes the charge.

[Annexure-A2, Page 47-68]

Page 5 of 19

BOG-81(2022)-04: To report the action taken on the decisions made in the 78th Meeting of BOG held on 16.07.2019 through VC.

The report on the action taken on the decisions made in the 78th Meeting of BOG held on 16.07.2021 is given in the Annexure for consideration of the Board.

The Board noted the above

[Annexure-A3, Page 69-71]

BOG-81(2022)-05: To report on the action taken on the decisions made in the 79th and 80th BOG meeting respectively held through Circulation.

The report on the action taken on the decisions made in the 79th Meeting of BOG held through circulation respectively are given in the Annexure for consideration of the Board.

The Board approved the proposal.

[Annexure-A4, Page 72]

BOG-81(2022)-06: Approval of the Draft Annual Report for the year 2020 -21.

The draft Annual Report for the year 2020- 2021 of the Institute shall be put up on the table for consideration by BOG. The Abstract of the Annual Report FY 2022-21 is enclosed as Annexure to be presented.

The Board approved the proposal.

Further, it was advised that the number of projects & consultancy work and their respective amount received last year explicitly also need to be mentioned along with overlapping projects and consultancy work from previous year which shall bring more clarity. On the Annual Report from next year onward, those data should reflect explicitly.

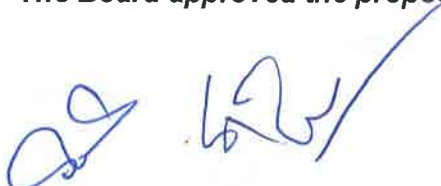
[Annexure- A5, Page 73-88]

BOG-81(2022)-07: Discussion on the Draft Separate Audit Report (DSAR) on the Accounts of the Institute for the year 2020 - 2021 and reply of the DSAR for FY 2020-2021 on the audit observation.

The Draft Separate Audit Report on the Accounts (DSAR) of the Institute for the year 2020 - 2021 and reply of the audit observation on the DSAR for FY 2020-2021 are given in the Annexure for consideration by BOG.

The Board approved the proposal.

[Annexure- A6, Page 89-100]



BOG-81(2022)-08: To consider the Minutes of the 60th FC meeting held on 09.2022 at 10.00 AM.

The 60th FC Meeting was held at 10.00 am on 09.02.2022. The following agenda were discussed and recommended to the BOG for their approval.

FC-60(2022)-02: Confirmation of the minutes of the 59th Meeting of the Finance Committee held on 16.07.2021 at NIT, Rourkela.

FC-60(2022)-03: Proposal to reconsider for restoring of Financial Power of Director and Delegation of Financial Power by Director to the Deans, HODs and Registrar which was approved in 56th FC and 72nd BOG meetings, dated 13.01.2021.

- A) For Procurement of Goods and Services:
- B) For Works Contract:

FC-60 (2022)-04: Discussion on Fund Booking and Fund utilization from 01.04.2021 to 25.01.2022 under OH-31 (excluding Pension, Scholarship/Fellowships and out sourcing activities etc.) and OH-35 head for Post-Facto approval.

FC-60(2022)-05: Reporting about AMC/Spare parts & Consumables of the High end equipments (72 in number) under CIF.

FC-60 (2022)-06: Proposal for approval of recommendation of 43rd Minutes of the BWC held on 18.01.2022.

BWC: 43 (2022)-04(2): Budget Provision for Civil & Electrical maintenance.

- A) Details of the payment recommended after 13.01.2021.

FC-60(2022)-07: Proposal for administrative approval for procurement of goods and services by Computer Centre as listed in the following table:

FC-60(2022)-08: Modification of General Procurement Rule for Goods/ Services through Single Tender Enquiry method.

FC-60 (2022)-09: Proposal to go for tender processing for Engaging a new firm to provide Security Services at NIT, Rourkela.

FC-60 (2022)-10: Proposal to go for tender processing for engagement of firm for the purpose of House keeping and cleaning of Administrative and Academic Building of the Institute.

FC-60 (2022)-11: Laying of new CI Line from Campus Pump house to Puspa Pond.

FC-60 (2022)-12: Construction of EWS Hostel.

FC-60 (2022)-13: Remuneration to Question setter for Online written test for regular recruitment of Non-Teaching staff.

FC-60 (2022)-14: Proposal for revised budget for various activities for the Diamond Jubilee at NIT, Rourkela of Rs.115.00 lakhs.

FC-60 (2022)-15: Any other item with the permission of the Chair.

- 1) The 43th BWC, vide agenda item No.BWC; 43(2022)-04(3-ii), dated 11.01.2022 has approved the following amount of Civil/ Electrical work, under OH-31

The Board approve the 60th minutes of the FC.

[Annexure- A6, Page]

A. POLICY AND IMPORTANT ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS.

BOG-81(2022)-09: For the perusal of BOG & removal of ambiguity in the matter of selection/ recruitment of Guest faculty on hourly contract basis in accordance with Clause-28 of the first statutes of NITs.

This agenda was circulated among the members of BOG dated 16.12.2021. The members suggested to bring it to the regular BOG meeting for discussion.

With a view to hire Guest faculty in English under HS department, as necessity arose after resignation of concerned faculty teaching English and at the beginning of the spring semester, advertisement was issued [Annexure-A7, Pg.101] Candidates found suitable were interviewed and a final select list has been made by a **Standing Selection Committee** constituted with approval of BOG vide resolution No.**BOG-68(2020)-02**, in confirmation with Clause-28 of the first statute of NITs [Annexure-A7, Pg.103].

Query has been made by an internal board member on the inclusion of Registrar as member secretary of this standing selection committee on the ground that Registrar is not made a member for selection of regular faculty.

The resolution/ confirmation of the Board dated 11.02.2020 on the subject was based on Clause -28 of the first statute of NITs to simplify the procedure and avoid frequent reference to the BoG on each occasion.

Clause-28 of the Statute deals with appointment on contract basis and it is a standalone clause on the subject by which the BOG is empowered to constitute such ad-hoc selection committee as the circumstances of each case may require and such constitution of the committee is to be reported to the Board for conformation [Annexure-7, Pg. Pg.102].

Accordingly, the committee has been constituted was referred to BOG for conformation and the same has been confirmed vide BOG-68, dated 11.02.2020 (Annexure - II).

Since, a point has been raised by one of the internal Board member, it is considered appropriate to refer to the Board for revalidation of its confirmed resolution as mentioned above so as to avoid ambiguity or any question on its propriety.

Board may kindly confirm the constitution of the committee in terms of Clause-28 of the Statutes and the selection of the candidate for Teaching English as Guest Faculty on contractual basis, for one Semester and on hourly basis as per the terms & condition mentioned in advertisement dated 22.11.2021 (Annexure-I).

The Board Deliberating on the above said agenda BOG approve the selection panel and selection procedure as a special case with reference to the Clause-28 of the Statute (as it is hourly basis for limited period (40) classes per semester. However, it suggested in future in any kind of faculty recruitment, the selection committee should follow the norms as per Statutes Clause-23 .

[Annexure-A7, Page 101-103]

BOG-81(2022)-10: Proposal for PG Programme on Urban and Regional Planning.

The Senate vide resolution No.Senate-101[2021]-10, dated 19.05.2021 approved the recommendation for Introduction of Master's course on "Urban and Regional Planning" and its corresponding curricula w.e.f. the Academic year 2021-22 under Deptt. of Planning and Architecture. The Preamble, Vision, Mission and Programme Curriculum are attached in the Annexure.

"The same proposal was put in the 78th BOG, vide resolution No.BOG-78(2021)-07, dt.16.07.2021. After discussion, BOG postponed this new proposal keeping in view the financial constraints and suggested the institute may present the same to Board before the onset of next academic year, 2022-23".

The HOD, Planning and Architecture, NIT Rourkela again has requested for the commencement of the said programme from the Academic Year 2022-23 with the existing faculty members of the Department of Planning & Architecture.

The Board deferred the proposal and suggested to bring it once the regular Director takes over the charge.

[Annexure-A8, Page 104-143]

B. ROUTINE ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS:

BOG-81(2022)-11: Personnel issues [EOL/Lien/Extension of Contract]:

EOL:

Prof. **Tirthankar Sarkar** [EC-1181286], Assistant Professor Grade-II, Department of Planning & Architecture has requested to obtain a "No Objection Certificate" (NOC) to appear interview for Ph. D selection at Jadavpur University on distance mode. If selected, he will avail EOL for one semester (maximum period of 6 months) to complete his Course Work.

The Board ratified the proposal.

Resignation:

- 1) **Dr. Barnita Banerjee** [EC-1201359], Assistant Professor Grade-II, Department of Earth and Atmospheric Sciences, has been relieved from the Institute Service due to personal reasons on 26/02/2021 vide letter no. NITR/ES/2021/M/0609, dated 26/02/2021.

The Board ratified the proposal.

Technical Resignation:

- 1) **Dr. Korra Sathya Babu** [EC-1080883], Assistant Professor Grade-I, Department of Computer Science and Engineering, has been relieved from the Institute Service vide letter dated 08/09/2021 to join the Indian Institute of Information Technology Design & Manufacturing, Kurnool. In terms of extant guidelines of DOPT, he was relieved on Technical Resignation w.e.f. 08/09/2021 (AN) on approval of Chairman, BOG.

The Board ratified the proposal.

- 2) **Dr. Anindita Debata** [EC-2121058], Medical Officer, Health Centre, has been relieved from the Institute Service vide letter dated 05/02/2021 to join Ispat General Hospital, RSP Rourkela. In terms of extant guidelines of DOPT, she was relieved on Technical Resignation w.e.f. 05/02/2021 (AN) on approval of Chairman, BOG.

The Board ratified the proposal.

- 3) **Mr. Kshiroda Kumar Sahoo**, [EC-2121038], Assistant Registrar, Purchase & Works Section, has been relieved from the Institute Service vide letter dated 01/06/2021 to join the National Institute of Technology, Raipur. In terms of extant guidelines of DOPT, he was relieved on Technical Resignation w.e.f. 01/06/2021 (AN) on approval of Chairman, BOG.

The Board ratified the proposal.

- 4) **Dr. Upender Gundala** [EC-1181287], Assistant Professor Grade-II, Department of Humanities and Social Sciences, has been relieved from the Institute Service vide letter dated 04/10/2021 to join The English and Foreign Languages University, Hyderabad. In terms of extant guidelines of DOPT, he was relieved on Technical Resignation w.e.f. 04/10/2021 (AN) on approval of Chairman, BOG.

The Board ratified the proposal.

- 5) **Prof. Binita Tiwari** [EC-1181305], Assistant Professor Grade-II, Department of School of Management [SM], has been relieved from the Institute Service vide letter dated 20/12/2021 to join Indian Institute of Technology Kharagpur. In terms of extant guidelines of DOPT, he was relieved on Technical Resignation w.e.f. 20/12/2021 (AN) on approval of Chairman, BOG.

The Board ratified the proposal.

- 6) **Prof. Vidya Devi Negi** [EC-1141142], Assistant Professor Grade-I, Department of Life Sciences [LS], has been relieved from the Institute Service vide letter dated 19/01/2022 to join Indian Institute of Science Education and Research (IISER), Mohali. In terms of extant guidelines of DOPT, he was relieved on Technical Resignation w.e.f. 19/01/2022 (AN) on approval of Chairman, BOG.

The Board ratified the proposal.

Superannuation:

1. **Dr. Nagendra Roy**, [EC: 1830450], Professor, Department of Civil Engineering relieved on superannuation from Institute Service on attaining the age of 65 years w.e.f. 28/02/2021 (AN).
2. **Dr. Manoranjan Barik**, [EC: 1840459], Professor, Department of Civil Engineering relieved on superannuation from Institute Service on attaining the age of 65 years w.e.f. 30/09/2021 (AN).
3. **Dr. Ranjit Kumar Sahoo**, [EC: 1840458], Professor, Department of Mechanical Engineering relieved on superannuation from Institute Service on attaining the age of 65 years w.e.f. 31/12/2021 (AN).

The Board noted the above.

Lien:

1. Earlier, **Prof. Banshidhar Majhi**, [EC-1910604], Professor HAG, Department of Computer Science and Engineering, was granted Lien for five (5) years, i.e., from



26/07/2017 to 25/07/2022, to enable him to join as Director at IIITD&M, Kancheepuram. During the above Lien period, Prof. Majhi was issued NOC for his personal interview on 25/01/2018 for the post of Vice-Chancellor, VSSUT Burla, Sambalpur vide letter no. NITR/ES/2018/L/0175, dated 23/01/2018.

In pursuance of Notification No. 6698/SG(HE), Dated 28/06/2021, Hon'ble Governor of Odisha, and Chancellor, VSSUT Burla has appointed Prof. Majhi as Vice-Chancellor, VSSUT Burla for three (3) years. Accordingly, he was relieved from IITD&M, Kancheepuram w.e.f. 04/08/2021 (AN) to report back to his parent Institute, NIT Rourkela, to enable him to join the post of Vice-Chancellor at VSSUT Burla.

In the event of his selection, Prof. Majhi resumed his duties on 05/08/2021 (FN) by submitting a joining letter dated 05/08/2021 with a request to relieve him on Lien w.e.f. 05/08/2021 (AN) to join the new assignment at VSSUT Burla.

Based on the above, Prof. Majhi was granted Lien for three (3) years, i.e., from 06/08/2021 to 05/08/2024 vide Office Order No. NITR/ES/2021/M/1464, dated 05/08/2021. Accordingly, he has been relieved from NIT Rourkela w.e.f. 05/08/2021 (AN) to enable him to join as Vice-Chancellor at VSSUT Burla vide relieve order no. NITR/ES/2021/M/1465, dated 05/08/2021.

The Board ratified the proposal.

Deputation:

- 1) On the event of his selection, **Mr. Pradeep Kumar Panda**, was granted Deputation for a period of three (3) years i.e. from 26/11/2021 to 26/11/2024 vide Office Order No. NITR/ES/2021/M/1464, dated 05/08/2021. Accordingly, he has relieved from NIT Rourkela w.e.f. 05/08/2021 (AN) to enable him to join as Finance Officer, NISER Bhubaneswar vide Relieve Order No. NITR/ES/2021/M/2063, dated 25/11/2021.

The Board ratified the proposal.

Study Leave:

Sanction of Study Leave in respect of Dr. Sameer Patnaik – Regarding.

Dr. Sameer Patnaik joined the Institute as Medical Officer w.e.f. 31/07/2014. On being qualified in the NEET-PG 2021, he was issued with NOC to participate in the Centralized Merit Based online counseling process for admission to Sponsored DNB seats

(Post MBBS and Post Diploma). Accordingly, he has requested for Study Leave for 03 years to pursue the same. In this regard, as per Institute Leave Rules, Study Leave will be governed as per provisions of Government of India notified from time to time.

Hence, as per Rule 50 of CCS (Leave) Rules, 1972, Medical Officers may be granted study leave for prosecuting a course of postgraduate study in Medical Sciences subject to completion of probation period and he/she must have rendered not less than five years' regular continuous service including the period of probation under the government.

Further, in terms of Rule 51 read with Rule 54(2) of CCS (Leave) Rules, 1972, the maximum amount of study leave may be granted to a Government servant shall be 24 months during the entire service period which can be combined with other kinds of leave, except EOL, involving a total absence of not more than 28 months.

In view of the above, the leave to be sanctioned to Dr. Patnaik may be proposed as below:

- A. First 24 Months : Study Leave
- B. Next 04 Months : Personal Leave, out of which
 - a. First 03 Months : Commuted Leave [as per clause 10(2) of Institute Leave Rule]
 - b. Rest 01 Month : Personal Leave other than Commuted Leave
- C. Balance Period : EOL [as per clause 21 of Institute Leave Rule]

The Board approved the proposal.

[Annexure-A9, Page 144-151]

BOG-81(2022)-12: Confirmation of Faculty members.

A) Confirmation of Faculty members:

1. **Prof. Shrishailayya Mallikarjunayya Hiremath**, Assistant Professor Grade-II, Department of Electronics and Communication Engineering, has submitted the request letter to institute authorities regarding his pending confirmation for consideration.

Prof. Hiremath joined Institute service on 28.12.2011 on contract for 3 years or till award of Ph.D. degree whichever is earlier.

Subsequently, on various occasions Prof. Hiremath has been granted extension of contract period till 14.05.2018.

Vide O/o No. NITR/ES/2018/M/2391, dated 03/10/2018, prof. Hiremath has been granted extension for submission of Ph.D. Thesis till 31/10/2018. Subsequently, Prof. Hiremath was awarded with his Ph.D. Degree on 31/12/2019

As per office order no. NITR/ES/2020/M/1023, dated 05/06/2020 (**Annex-10, Pg.152-155**), the probation period of Prof. Hiremath was of one year from 31/12/2019 to 30/12/2020.

Hence, the confirmation of service in favour of Prof. Hiremath w.e.f. 31/12/2020 may be considered.

2. **Prof. Dhananjay Singh Bisht**, Assistant Professor Grade-II, Department of Industrial Design, has submitted the request letter to institute authorities regarding his pending confirmation for consideration.

Prof. Bisht joined Institute service on 26.12.2011 on contract for 3 years or till award of Ph.D. degree whichever is earlier.

Subsequently, on various occasions Prof. Bisht has been granted extension of contract period till 31.03.2018.

Further, vide O/o No. NTIR/ES/2018/M/1075, dated 06/04/2018, extension of contact period to Prof. Bisht has been sanctioned w.e.f. 01/04/2018 till award of Ph.D. degree. Meanwhile, Prof. Bisht was awarded with his Ph.D. degree on 14/02/2019.

As per office order no. NITR/ES/2019/M/1091, dated 29/05/2019 [**Annex.10, Pg.156-160**], the probation period of Prof. Bisht was of one year from 14/02/2019 to 13/02/2020.

Hence, the confirmation of service in favour of Prof. Bisht w.e.f. 14/02/2020 may be considered.

3. **Prof. Rasmita Kar**, [EC-1151239], joined the Institute as Assistant Professor (on contract) [now Assistant Professor Grade-II] in the Department of Mathematics on August 3, 2015. In reference to order no. NITR/ES/2019/M/1371 dated July 8, 2019 [**Annex. A10, Pg.161**], due to periodic unauthorized absence from the Institute between 09-05-2018 to 20-02-2019, her service from 09.05.2017 to 07.05.2018 and 04.11.2018 to 20.02.2019 was declared to be treated as "dies non" with sanctioned maternity leave from 08.05.2018 to 03.11.2018. Prof. Kar has submitted the request letter to institute authorities to clear her case of pending confirmation.

The Board deferred the proposal and suggested to bring it once the regular Director takes over the charge.

[Annexure-A10, Page 152-161]

C. ACADEMIC MATTERS

BOG-81(2022)-13: Proposal for Prof. Dr Amrit Kumar Paul memorial Award & Siladitya Pattnaik Memorial Award.

1. "Prof. Dr Amrit Kumar Paul memorial Award" has been instituted in our Institute from July 2019. Previously this award was for Best Student Research Scholar of **Mechanical and Industrial Engineering Discipline only** and awarded during Convocation. After the request of first party and subsequent recommendations of the Dean (AIIR) and the Director, the award selection has been extended to **all engineering disciplines** of the Institute. The Board may allow the award may be awarded in the forthcoming Convocations.

The Board approved the proposal.

2. "Siladitya Pattnaik Memorial Award" has been instituted in our Institute by family and friends of Late Siladitya Pattnaik (2008-Electrical Engineering Batch.) This award is awarded to a student doing excellence in **second year of B. Tech in Electrical Engineering**. It may not be feasible to give the award to only the 2nd year continuing student during 15th of August, so it is proposed that the award may be given either during pre-convocation function or Directly be given by the AIIR office though any other Alumni functions.

The Board approved the proposal.

However, for all endowment award with gold medal needs further discussion in the Senate on the contents of gold in the gold medal as the gold price increases and bank interest rate decreases with time and a situation may come when the bank interest amount generated from the fund shall not meet the expenditure for the gold medal with pure gold.

[Annexure- A11, Page 162]

D. MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS:

BOG-81(2022)-14: Proposal for approval of draft MoU with NGO named M/s Peoples Association for Rural Reconstruction (PARR) a society registered under the society registration Act 1860 with registration No.10041/1044 of 1991-1992 ana having its office at Antei, PS. Patakura, Odisha, PIN-754 162 represented by Shri Dr. Mrutyunjay Maharana, Executive Director, PARR (herein after referred to as 1st Party Vrs. NIT, Rourkela as 2nd Party).

Dr. B. Kiran Naik, Asst. Professor, Dr. K. S. Patel, Mechanical Engg. Department, Dr. W Routray, FP, Dr. S, Rao Kunja, SM and Dr. Sanjeev Patel, CS, Departments, NIT Rourkela has given a proposal to sign MoU between NIT, Rourkela and "M/s People's

Association for Rural Reconstruction (PARR)" a society registered under the society registration Act 1860 with registration No.10041/1044 of 1991-1992 and having its office at Antei, PS. Patakura, Odisha, PIN-754 162 represented by Shri Dr. Mrutyunjay Maharana, Executive Director, PARR.

The purpose of the MoU is to help the Village Bhaluka, Kasabajaypur (Mandal), Balasore, Odisha for improving the Socioeconomic Standards of SC/ST community.

The MoU will help for applying funding from DST through "STI Hub for SC/ST Community".

There will be no financial obligation on the institute (NIT Rourkela) for this purpose. The draft MoU is attached herewith for your ready reference.

The Board deferred the proposal and suggested to bring it once the regular Director takes over the charge.

[Annexure-A12, Page 163-195]

BOG-81(2022)-15: Proposal for MoU between NIT, Rourkela and Mississippi State University, Mississippi State, MS 39762, USA.

The draft proposal for signing of MoU between NIT, Rourkela and Mississippi State University, Mississippi State, MS 39762, USA, which is put up by HOD, MA is given in the Annexure. The object of the MoU is to establish and facilitate mutual cooperation education and research activities and exchange of faculty, students technical and scientific information, expertise and other personnel.

The Board deferred the proposal and suggested to bring it once the regular Director takes over the charge.

[Annexure A13, Page 196-201]

BOG-81(2022)-16: Proposal for MoU between NIT, Rourkela and SAIL, Bokaro Steel Plant.

The draft proposal for signing of MoU between NIT, Rourkela and SAIL, Bokaro Steel Plant, which is put up by HOD, MA is given in the Annexure.

The object of the MoU is as follows:

- a) To pursue joint research & development projects including those related to innovation and creativity, between NIT Rourkela and SAIL-BSL leading to publications, patents, copy rights etc.

- b) To identify and pursue joint research projects in the areas of Come and Sinter Production, Raw Material Handling and Processing, Steel Production, New Process Development, Safety, Improvement in the Quality, Energy Conservation, Environment Control, trouble shoot technical problems and Digital Transformation relevance to SAIL-BSL.
- c) Mentor Graduate/Post-Graduate/Research Scholars of NIT Rourkela for successful completion of their internship/ project/ thesis work at SAIL-BSL.
- d) To utilize facilities and expertise as per the requirements of respective parties on mutually agreed terms and conditions on case to case basis.
- e) To jointly organize seminars, conferences, or workshops on topics of mutual interest and to invite each other's faculty/employee/experts to participate therein.

SAIL-BSL, and NIT Rourkela agree that detailed terms and conditions that guide each activity identified above will be separately determined and agreed upon by the two parties. This MoU has no financial implication on each other.

The Board deferred the proposal and suggested to bring it once the regular Director takes over the charge.

[Annexure A14, Page 202-215]

BOG-81(2022)-17: (A) Proposal for MoA between NIT, Rourkela and 1969 Batch, Alumni, REC, Rourkela (NITR).

The Board vide resolution No. BOG-78(2021)-13, dated 16.07.2021 was approved the The above MoA between between NIT, Rourkela and Alumni 1969 Batch (Alumni, REC, Rourkela) on "Distress Fund Management" to provide financial assistance to students for security of study at NIT, Rourkela.

The main purpose of the proposal is to provide financial assistance to the students for security of study fro the interest money of the contribution.

It is placed for kind approval of the BOG in principle. The detail modalities for its implementation to be decided by the Office of the Dean(AIRR) with due approval of the head of the authority of the Institute.

The Board deferred the proposal and suggested to bring it once the regular Director takes over the charge.

[Annexure A15, Page 216-224]

(B) Proposal for the Instituting a Gold Medal (for Best Research Work in Civil Engineering Department)

Dean (AIRR) has given the proposal to instituting a Gold Medal as follows: This proposal to be funded by Mr. B. B. Mohanty, Alumni

(1969) and ex-President (NITRAA), in sacred memory of his natural Parents. Mr. Mohanty has requested for Instituting the “**Sarala and Janannath Pattanayak Gold Medal**” for best research work in Civil Engineering Department. He has committed to contribute Rs.20 lakhs for the purpose.

It is placed for kind approval of the BOG in principle. The detail modalities for its implementation to be decided by the Office of the Dean(AIIR) with the due consultation with the head of the Institute.

The Board approved the proposal.

[Annexure A16, Page 225-226]

BOG-81(2022)-18: Permission for organizing the International Conference.

The Department of Electrical Engineering is proposed to organize an International Conference on “Wireless, Antenna Microwave Symposium (WAMS-2022)” in the Institute as per the schedule mentioned below:

Department	Title of the Conference	Date	Venue
Department of Electrical Engineering	“Wireless, Antenna Microwave Symposium (WAMS-2022)”	5th – 8th June, 2022	NIT Rourkela

The details of the conference are given in the Annexure.

The Board approved the above international conference and suggested to follow the COVID Guidelines.

[Annexure- A17, Page 227-230]

BOG-81(2022)-19: Any other item with the permission of the Chair.

- 1) Instruction for Heads/Chairman of Autonomous Bodies reg. initiating action to make selections at least two months before concluding their tenure-reg.**

In accordance with the provision of “The NITs Non-Teaching Recruitment Rule, 2019”, the Departmental Promotion process started vide letter No.NITR/RG/2021/M/0735, dated 08.09.2021 and No.NITR/RG/2021/M/0775, dated 20.09.2021 for Officers and Non-Teaching employees respectively, in line with the approval of BOG held on 16th July, 2021 were kept on hold as per the communication received from the Ministry of Education vide letter F.No.14.15/2021-TS-III, dated 5th October, 2021 as the completion date of the tenure of the then Director (Prof. A. Biswas) was on 10.10.2021.

Further, the communication received from the Ministry of Education vide letter F.No.14.15/2021-TS-III, dated 3rd February, 2022, says that “the Departmental Promotion process initiated by the Institute is a routine

administrative matter of the Institute. It is therefore, that an appropriate decision may be taken at the Institute level as per extant rules and regulations" to the reply of the letter from the present Director I/C. vide letter No.NITR/DR/2021/L/0235, dated 28.12.2021, on the .

The chronological events of the DPC is give in the Annexure.

The Board deferred the proposal and suggested to bring it once the regular Director takes over the charge.

[Annexure- A18]

2) Discussion on the uploading of BOG & FC Minutes in the Institute Website.

Most of the times some important confidential and individual personal issues discussed in the agenda, accordingly decisions are taken by the Board, which are recorded in the Minutes, such as DPC result, disciplinary actions and personal issues etc. The minutes of FC/BOG were circulated in the Institute Website.

Referring the minutes from the Website, most of the times faculty and staff members were directly written to the Chairman, BOG with unnecessary questions and quarries with regards to the decisions taken. Few of them have also filed case against the Institute on their personal issue referring BOG minutes.

During the Chairmanship of Dr. Santrupt B. Misra, he has shown his displeasure and, asked the Director, how the employees of the Institute knows the tit bits of the discussion/decisions taken by the Board. He advised the Director to stop this type of uploading of the minutes.

This agenda was placed in the 78th BOG vide resolution No. BOG-78(2021)-18, dated 16.07.2021, and it was decided to maintain the status quo..

This may be discussed.

The Board deferred the proposal and suggested to bring it once the regular Director takes over the charge.

The meeting ended with thanks to the Chair.



[Prof. P.K. Das]
Registrar and Secretary
BOG, NIT, Rourkela



[Prof. Simanchalo Panigrahi]
Director & Chairman
BOG, NIT, Rourkela

