

National Institute of Technology Rourkela

MINUTES

57TH MEETING OF BOARD OF GOVERNORS



DATE : 28th November, 2017 (Tuesday)
Time : 11:30 – 15:30 Hours.
Venue : Conference Hall, Aditya Birla Group
Training Centre, Navi Mumbai



राष्ट्रीय प्रौद्योगिकी संस्थान, राउरकेला

National Institute of Technology, Rourkela

MINUTES OF THE 57th MEETING OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS, NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY, ROURKELA HELD DURING 11.30 AM - 04.30 PM ON 28.11.2017 (TUESDAY) IN THE CONFERENCE HALL OF ADITYA BIRLA GROUP TRAINING CENTRE, PLOT NO.50A, SECTOR-15, CDB BELAPUR, NAVI MUMBAI.

Members Present:

Sl. No	Name	Contact No.
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Members Absent:

10	Prof. R V Raja Kumar Director Indian Institute of Technology Bhubaneswar, Toshali Bhawan, satyanagar, Bhubaneswar-751 013	Tel : 0674-2570334) Fax : 0674-2576004 Email : director.office@iitbbs.ac.in
11	Mr. Sanjay Kumar Singh, IAS Commissioner-cum-Secretary Skill Development & Technical Education Dept. Government of Odisha Bhubaneswar-751001	Tel : 0674-2391319(O) Fax : 0674-2391324 Email : etet.od@nic.in
12	Prof. Shobhana Narasimhan Professor Theoretical Sciences Unit JNCASR, Bangalore-560064	Tel : 080-22082833(O)/22082707(Secy) Fax : 080-22082766 Mob : 9880641962 Email: shobhana@jncasr.ac.in

Leave of absence was granted for the above members.

A. GENERAL AND PROCEDURAL MATTERS.

BOG-57(2017)-01: Welcome to all members to the meeting by the Chairman.

The Chairman welcomed all the members to the meeting.

BOG-57(2017)-02: Confirmation of the minutes of the 56th Meeting of the BOG held on 15.11.2017 at Bhubaneswar.

The minutes of the 56th BOG Meeting held on 15th September, 2017 at Bhubaneswar was sent to all the members for their comments regarding correctness of recording of the minutes. Comments received from the members have been incorporated. A copy of the minutes was given in Annexure for confirmation by the Board.

The Board confirmed the minutes.

[Annexure - A1, Page 18 - 34]

BOG-57(2017)-03: To report on the action taken on the decisions made in the 56th Meeting of BOG held on 15.11.2017 and to discuss matters arising out of the minutes.

The report on the action taken on the decisions made in the 56th Meeting held on 15.11.2017 was given in the Annexure for consideration of the Board.

The Board noted the action taken report and directed the following:

- 1) Item No.BOG-46(2017)-07: The Board approved the final annual report for the year 2016-17 and directed that both English and Hindi version of the report should be sent to MHRD at the earliest.***
- 2) Item No.BOG-46(2017)-15: The Board directed that the confirmation of the faculty members should be implemented after receiving clarification from MHRD. Mr A.K. Singh, Under Secretary assured that the letter of clarification will be sent within a week.***
- 3) Item No.BOG-46(2017)-08: The Board reviewed the case of disciplinary proceeding against Mr. H. Satpathy and Mrs. A. Dutta, Estate Maintenance and directed that case should be referred to the legal advisor for opinion.***
- 4) Item No.BOG-46(2017)-09: The Board reviewed the case of disciplinary proceeding against Prof. K. Pramanik, BM and Prof. S.S. Mahapatra, ME. It was reported that Prof. K. Pramanik has filed a case in the Hon'ble High Court of Odisha challenging the formation of the committee and action taken by the Institute. The Board directed the administration to refer the case to the legal advisor for opinion.***

[Annexure- A2, Page 35 -36]

BOG-57(2017)-04: Financial Status of the Institute.

The financial status of the Institute as on 31.10.2017 was given in the Annexure for information of the Board.

The Board noted the above. The Board directed that the report on financial status should be presented on capital and revenue expenditure separately. It was clarified that the ongoing projects should be completed on priority in the current financial year. The new projects will be taken up in the next year.

[Annexure- A3, Page 37 -38]

BOG-57(2017)-05 Status of Pending Court Cases.

The status of pending court cases in various Courts in Odisha was given in the Annexure for information of the Board.

The Board noted the above.

[Annexure- A4, Page 39 - 40]

BOG-57(2017)-06: Discussion on the Final CAG Audit Certificate cum Audit Report on the Accounts of the Institute for the year 2016-2017.

The Final CAG Audit Certificate-cum-Audit Report on the Accounts of the Institute for the year 2016-2017 was given in the Annexure for consideration by BOG.

The Board appreciated the administration in completing the CAG audit in time and following the proper accounting procedure. Further, the Board approved the reply sent by the Institute to the CAG and directed the following:

- 1) The Registrar should discuss with concerned officials regarding proper accounting to avoid the remarks such as under statement and over statement etc. given by CAG.*
- 2) The Training programme for the employees should be organized regularly on accounting.*
- 3) The administration should ensure that the avoidable comments should be minimized in the future.*

[Annexure- A5, Page 41- 50]

BOG-57(2017)-07: To consider the Minutes of 41st FC meeting held on 15.09.2017(Friday).

The minutes of 41st FC meeting held on 15.09.2017 (Friday) was enclosed.

The Board approved the proposal.

[Annexure- A6, Page 51 – 58]

BOG-57(2017)-08: To approve the Minutes of 29th BWC meeting held on 08.11.2017.

The minutes of 29th Meeting of the Building & Works Committee held on 08.11.2017 was given in the Annexure for consideration of the Board.

The Board directed that the Minutes of the BWC meeting should be presented in the finance committee and specific proposals should be put up to BOG for approval. However, the Board approved the following proposals to be taken up in the next year. The Board also approved the proposal in principle to award the following contracts to CPWD in the next financial year.

- 1) The construction of outreach centre at Bhubaneswar at an estimated cost of Rs. 21.6 crores.*
- 2) The construction of Indoor Stadium at an estimated cost Rs. 31 crores.*
- 3) The above should be considered during the next financial year subject to availability of fund. The ongoing projects should be prioritized and completed in the current financial year. The new projects will be taken up in the next financial year. However, the decision regarding design and appointment of Architect etc. may be processed so that the same can be scheduled in the next financial year. The Institute was also advised to place before the BOG, details of the ongoing projects with financial liabilities in the next meeting.*

[Annexure- A7, page 59 - 80]

BOG-57(2017)-09 Presentation on Executive Summary of the Annual Report for the year 2016-2017.

The executive summary of the Annual Report for the year 2016 - 2017 of the Institute was given in the Annexure for information of the Board.

The Board noted the above and directed that the Institute should take up with social media for enhancing public perception of NIT Rourkela.

BOG-57(2017)-10: Approval of Policy on implementation of HAG.

Policy on implementation of HAG was enclosed in the Annexure for consideration of the Board. The same will be advertised after approval by the BOG.

The Board approved the proposal.

[Annexure- A8, Page 81 - 84]

B. POLICY AND IMPORTANT ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS.

BOG-57(2017)-11: Revision of Pay of Faculty and Scientific/Design Staff in Centrally Funded Technical Institutions (CFTIs) following the pay revision of the Central Govt. employees on the recommendation of 7th Central Pay Commission (7th CPC).

MHRD vide letter No.F.No.15-4/2017-TC, dated 27th October, 2017 has directed to implement the Revision of Pay of Faculty and Scientific/Design Staff in Centrally Funded Technical Institutions (CFTIs) following the pay revision of the Central Govt. employees on the recommendation of 7th Central Pay Commission (7th CPC) w.e.f. 1st January, 2016. The total financial implication was given in the Annexure.

The Board approved the proposal and directed that the current revised salary may be released in December, 2017/ Jan, 2018.

[Annexure- A9, Page 85 - 91]

BOG-57(2017)-12: Policy on Corpus Fund of the Institute.

The policy on Corpus Fund of the Institute was given in the Annexure for consideration of the Board.

The Board approved the proposal in principle and suggested the following:

- 1) The Registrar should visit other Institutes such as IITs and study the source of the corpus fund and the expenditure policy of the same.***
- 2) The revised policy on corpus fund should be presented before the Board in the next meeting.***

[Annexure- A10, Page 92 -93]

BOG-57(2017)-13: Amendment of House Allotment Rule.

Board of Governors vide resolution No.BOG-30(2012)-09: dt. 29.06.2012 & and some changes modified vide No.BOG-31(2012)-09: dt.04.10.2012 and BOG-36(2013)-21(3): dt.20.09.2013 approved the House Allotment Rules for the Institute. In view of the changes in the system, it was proposed to bring amendments to the House Allotment rules reflecting new pay structures and enhanced plinth areas. The revised "House Allotment Rule" was put up on the table.

The draft house allotment rule was presented before the Board. The Board decided to constitute a committee consisting of the following members to look into the report of the committee and present the report before the Board in the next meeting for approval:

- a) Prof. C.R. Patra, CE***
- b) Prof. H.K. Naik, MN and***
- c) Registrar***

[Annexure- A11, Page 94 - 114]

BOG-57(2017)-14: Proposal for Tribunal of Arbitration as per NITs Act, 2007 vide Clause No.29.

Under Section-29 of the NITs Act, 2007, a Tribunal of Arbitration is required to be constituted as given below:

- 1) Any dispute arising out of a contract between an Institute and any of its employees shall, at the request of the employee concerned or at the instance of the Institute, be referred to a Tribunal of Arbitration consisting of one member appointed by the employee, and an umpire appointed by the Visitor.
- 2) The decision of the Tribunal shall be final and shall not be questioned in any court,
- 3) No suit or proceeding shall lie in any court in respect of any matter, which is required by sub-section (1) to be referred to the Tribunal of Arbitration.
- 4) The Tribunal of Arbitration shall have power to regulate its own procedure.
- 5) Nothing in any law for the time being in force relating to arbitration shall apply to arbitrations under this section.

According to the above, the following committee was proposed:

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| 1) One member appointed by the Institute | ... | Member |
| 2) One member nominated by the employee | ... | Member |
| 3) Umpire appointed by the Visitor | ... | Member |

We may write to the Visitor for nomination.

The Board approved the proposal and directed the administration to send the proposal to MHRD for nomination of the member by the Visitor.

[Annexure- A12, Page 115]

BOG-57(2017)-15: Restructuring of the Organisation Structure (Administrative and Financial Power) of the Institute.

The Board vide resolution No. BOG-42(2014)-10: dt.26.09.2014 has approved the amendment of Delegation of Administrative and Financial Power of the Institute.

The Board vide resolution No. BOG-21(2009)-09: dt.19.06.2009, BOG-32(2012)-11: dt.15.12.2012 and BOG-42(2014)-10: dt.26.09.2014 respectively had approved the Organisation Structure and delegation of financial and administrative powers of the Institute which was given in the Annexure.

The following amendments were proposed:

- a) As per the organization structure, Dy. Registrar(s) and Asst. Registrar(s) report to Registrar both administratively and functionally. In case of Asst. Registrar (AC) and Asst. Registrar(SR), they report functionally to Dean(AC) and Dean (SR) respectively.



- 1) It is proposed that their CL will be approved by Registrar and other Leaves (EL and Medical etc.) will be recommended by Registrar as HOD but the same will be approved by respective Deans/HODs. One new post for Asst. Registrar (SW) will be made within the approved sanction strength. The functional and administrative reporting will be as above.
- 2) As per the Statutes Schedule and adopted by the Board vide resolution No. BOG-21(2009)-08: dt.19.06.2019, there are Six Deans positions approved as tabulated below:

Sl. No.	Name of the Deans
1.	Dean(Academic)
2.	Dean (Student Welfare)
3.	Dean (Research & Consultancy)
4.	Dean (Faculty Welfare)
5.	Dean (Planning & Development)
6.	Dean (Alumni Relations & Resource Generation)

Six Associate Deans with their assigned duty will be appointed to assist the Deans in their day to day work. Asst. Registrar (SW) will functionally report to Dean (SW).

As per GFR-2017 Rule:229 (viii), "Financial advice for autonomous Bodies: Every autonomous organization should designate an officer at appropriate level to render financial advice whose concurrence should be obtained for sanction and incurring of expenditure. The financial limits up to which such concurrence is mandatory may be drawn up by each organization. The Chief Executive Officer of the Autonomous body will be responsible for overall financial management of the autonomous bodies."

Registrar is the custodian of the funds of the Institute under Section - 18(1) of the NIT Act and he is the Head of the Finance and Accounts Section. Therefore, The Board may nominate an officer at the appropriate level, who will act as Financial Advisor as per Rule:229 (viii) of GFR-2017.

The New Organization Structure and Delegation of Administrative and Financial Power of the Institute were given in the Annexure approval.

The Board approved the proposal and directed the administration to implement the same after confirmation of the minutes by the members.

[Annexure A13, Page 116 -122]

BOG-57(2017)-16: MoA between Alumni Association and NIT, Rourkela regarding Chair Professor in the name of Late Prof. Ajaya Kumar Mohanty in Electrical Engineering.

An MoA between Alumni and NIT Rourkela has been signed to create an endowment chair professor position in Electrical Engineering Department as "Prof Ajay Kumar Mohanty Chair Professor" with specialization in any area of Electrical Sciences with the following terms and conditions subject to ratification by Board of Governors.

The position aims at attracting an outstanding researcher as Chair Professor to enhance the research output, reputation and ranking of the institute.

The MoA was put up in the 56th BOG meeting vide resolution No. BOG-56(2017)-24(4): 15.09.2017. The Board accepted in principle and appreciated the efforts made by Alumni Association and directed the administration to put up a detailed proposal of the scheme in the next meeting.

The alumni groups have deposited Rs.1 crore (approximately) and have expressed their intent that the institute shall invest this endowment fund judiciously in various investment schemes in consultation with Mr. S P Rao (1972 Batch Alumnus).

As given in the MoA, the post of Chair Professor will be advertised within the sanctioned strength of the Institute. In addition to the normal salary, an honorarium of 25,000 p.m. will be given as top up from the earnings. In addition, Rs.3 lakhs from earnings will be given annually as a research grant. The balance amount from the earning will be added to the principal fund for its growth to compensate future inflation as far as feasible.

The institute will advertise and solicit applications exclusively for the Chair Professor. For the first five years three alumni: Prof. L. N. Bhuyan (1972 EE Alumnus), Prof. D. K. Das (1972 ME Alumnus) and Prof. D. Acharya (1970 ME Alumnus) will be the members of the search-cum-screening committee and recommend suitable names which will be taken up by selection committee of the institute. The selection committee will comprise the members as per the statute of the institute.

The selection of Chair Professor will normally be for a period of three years, which may be extended by two more years by the Director. Thus, a fresh selection process for this position will start every 3-5 years. However, an incumbent chair professor may also compete for subsequent appointment as long as he continues as a professor in the institute.

The Board approved the proposal.

[Annexure- A14, Page 123- 130]

BOG-57(2017)-17: Amendment of Purchase Procedure.

Autonomous Institutes have been directed to follow Purchase Procedure such as Government e-Market Place(GeM), e-Procurement and other features as mentioned in GFR-2017 to make the system efficient and transparent. A committee has been constituted for amendment of Purchase Procedure which will be put up in the next BOG meeting. However, the



administration has decided to procure through GeM and e-Procurement w.e.f. 1st September, 2017.

As an interim measure, BOG may consider the Purchase Procedure to procurement through GeM/e-Procurement as given in the Annexure.

The Board approved the proposal. The Board directed the administration to review the implementation of GeM and E-Procurement after one year.

[Annexure-A15, Page 131 - 139]

C. ACADEMIC MATTERS:

BOG-57(2017)-18: Approval of final list of students to be awarded degrees in the 15th Convocation to be held on 20.01.2018.

The 15th Convocation is scheduled to be held on January 20, 2018. The list of Candidates to be awarded degrees in the 15th Convocation is given in the Annexure for approval of the Board. The list has been examined and recommended by the Senate and provisional certificates have been issued. The list of B. Tech, M. Tech, M.Sc. students is exhaustive. Due to continuous nature of admission in M. Tech (R) and Ph.D., the results are published throughout the year. It is suggested that those who will qualify for M. Tech(R) and Ph.D. degrees before the Convocation they will also be included in the list for award of degrees.

The Board approved the proposal.

[Annexure- A16, Page 140 - 167]

BOG-57(2010)-19: Chief Guest for the 15th Convocation:

The 15th Convocation is scheduled to be held on January 20, 2018. Shri P.K. Mishra, IAS (Retd.), Additional Principal Secretary to the Prime Minister, New Delhi has given his consent to be the Chief Guest for the Convocation.

The Board noted the above.

ROUTINE ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS:

BOG57(2017)-20: Adoption of the recommendation of the Anomaly Committee on New Recruitment Rules for Faculty in NITs and IIST.

The MHRD vide letter F.No.33-9/2011-TS.III dated: 6th October, 2017 approved the Recommendation of the Anomaly Committee on New Recruitment Rules for Faculty in NITs and IIST – reg. (copy attached in the Annexure). The Institute has already advertised for faculty positions vide advertisement No.NITR/ES/04/2017 after getting approval from BOG.

The above proposal of MHRD would be included for the faculty members who applied for the current advertisement after approval of BOG.

This was sent to all the BOG members vide letter No.NITR/RG/2017/3566, dated. 9th October, 2017 by email. They were requested to send their comments on or before 16th Oct. 2016. No comments have been received from the members.

The Board approved the proposal.

[Annexure A17, Page 168 - 173]

BOG-57(2017)-21: Proposal for Recruitment for the post of Secretary to Director.

The post of Secretary to Director is lying vacant since November, 2014. Since, the post is very important, urgent and confidential in nature, it is proposed to fill up the post of Secretary to Director in the PB:2 (Rs. 9300-34800) with Grade Pay of Rs.4200/Rs.4600/Rs.4800 with Minimum speed of 100 w.p.m. in Stenography as per the approved structure and recruitment rule from amongst the eligible internal employees of the Institute, failing which, the post will be filled up through external advertisement.

The Board advised the Director to fill up the post of Secretary at appropriate scale within the sanctioned strength and existing recruitment rules.

[Annexure A18, Page 174]

BOG-57(2017)-22: Personnel issues [EOL/Lien/Extension of Contract]:

RESIGNATION:

The following faculty member has been detached from this Institute service on Technical Resignation to join another Institute of the Government.

Sl. No	Name	EC	Dept.	Designation	Date of Relieve on Technical Resignation	To Join
1.	Prof. Soumya Gangopadhyay	1090935	ME	Asst. Prof.	07/09/2017(AN)	IIT Bhilai

He was relieved from the Institute service with effect from the last working hours on 07/09/2017 pending approval of the BOG.

The Board approved the proposal.

BOG-57(2017)-23: PARTICIPATION IN CONFERENCE AND WORKSHOPS IN FOREIGN COUNTRIES:

The following faculty members were permitted to participate in conferences and workshops in foreign countries on approval of Director as per the Institute policy. The list is presented for information of the Board.

Sl. No.	Name & Designation	Department	Duration	Training/Conference	Place of Training / Conference	Country
1.	Prof. Kasturi Dutta, Assistant Professor	BM	11/11/17 to 15/11/17	Challenges in Environmental Science & Engineering 2017	Kunming	China
2.	Prof. Angana Sarkar, Assistant Professor	BM	11/11/17 to 15/11/17	Challenges in Environmental Science & Engineering 2017	Kunming	China
3.	Prof. Sukadev Meher, Professor	EC	23/09/17 to 24/09/17	Seventh International Conference on Advances in Computing, Control and Networking – ACCN 2017	Bangkok	Thailand
4.	Prof. Bidyadhar Subudhi, Professor	EE	05/11/17 to 08/11/17	IEEE TENCON 2017	Penang	Malaysia

5.	Prof. Dipti Patra, Associate Professor	EE	05/11/17 to 08/11/17	IEEE TENCON 2017	Penang	Malaysia
6.	Prof. Pabitra Mohan Khillar, Assistant Professor	CS	05/11/17 to 08/11/17	IEEE TENCON 2017	Penang	Malaysia
7.	Prof. Shrishailayya M Hiremath, Assistant Professor	EC	05/11/17 to 08/11/17	IEEE TENCON 2017	Penang	Malaysia
8.	Prof. Monalisa Pattnaik, Assistant Professor	EE	05/11/17 to 08/11/17	IEEE TENCON 2017	Penang	Malaysia

The Board noted the above.

D. MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS:

BOG-57(2017)-24: International Conference.

The Board vide resolution No. BOG-56(2017)-24(2), dt.15.09.2017 approved the "International Conference on Bioprocess for Sustainable Environment and Energy ICBSEE-India-2018" as requested by BM Department during 15th - 16th February, 2018. Due to some circumstances, the Department wants to organize the Conference during 6th - 7th December, 2018 instead of 15th to 16th February, 2018.

Sl. No.	Name & Designation	Dept.	Duration	International Conference	Place of training/ conference	Country
1.	Dr. Angana Sarkar & Dr. Kasturi Dutta	BM	6th - 7th December, 2018	International Conference on Bioprocess for Sustainable Environment and Energy ICBSEE-India-2018	NIT Rourkela	India

The Board approved the proposal.

[Annexure A19, Page 175]

BOG-57(2017)-25: Vision for NIT Rourkela.

The Chairman, BOG made a presentation on preparing Vision for NIT, Rourkela. He advised the Director that the vision document should be prepared and it should be presented in the next BOG meeting vide resolution No. BOG-56(2017)-24(5) dt.15.09.2017.

The vision document was presented before the Board. Dr. P. Sinha, the education consultant interacted with the Board members on the vision of the Institute. It was decided to have interaction with faculty and other staff members of the Institute before preparing the final vision statement.

BOG-57(2017)-26: Application for Institute of Eminence.

The MHRD circulated a circular of UGC for Application for Institute of Eminence. The same were reviewed by MHRD through video conferencing on 23rd and 25th October, 2017. 10 Institutes under Govt. and 10 Private Institutes will be selected by Empowered Committee constituted by MHRD. The Govt. will provide Rupees one thousand crore to the selected Institutes for up-gradation of the curriculum, infrastructure and other facilities, so that they can improve and become World Class Institutes. Initially they have

selected 17 IITs, 10 NITs, 13 IIMs and 3 IISERS to apply for the above. NIT, Rourkela is among 10 NITs eligible to apply. Each Institute is required to submit 15 years strategic plan and 10 years short term plan for consideration. An amount of Rupees one crore is required to be deposited for the same. If not selected, Rs.75 lakhs will be refunded.

The Board approved the proposal.

[Annexure A20, Page 176-190]

BOG-57(2017)-27: Policy for reimbursement of remuneration of CCMN (Centralized Counselling for M. Sc./M. Sc.(Tech) Admissions to NITs & CFTIs).

NIT Rourkela was admitting students who were qualified through Joint Admission Test for M. Sc. (JAM) exam conducted by IIT for the year 2013-14 (50% admissions through JAM and 50% admissions through entrance test conducted by NIT Rourkela). In the academic year 2014-15 all admissions were done with JAM qualified candidates only. Both the years, NIT Rourkela had to pay heavy money to participate in the counselling conducted by IITs.

Therefore, CCMN (Centralized Counselling for M. Sc./M. Sc.(Tech) Admissions to NITs & CFTIs) was conceived and formed by the then Director, NIT Rourkela during the academic year 2015-16. The idea sprung due to the inconvenience faced by the fraternities of Science Aspirants and Science faculty across the country in pooling to form a better Science academia.

The idea was communicated to all NITs and a consent was obtained from the Directors' of all Participating Institutions (PIs) who were willing to join CCMN, 2015 to take candidates for admission into their M. Sc. /M. Sc. (Tech) [02/03 years programmes].

NIT Council nominated NIT Surathkal as the host Institution for all PG admissions. However, NIT Surathkal agreed to conduct CCMT 2016 (M. Tech admissions) and refused to conduct CCMN, 2016 (M. Sc two years programme admissions). However, Chairman, CCMN, 2015 (Director, NIT Rourkela) volunteered to conduct CCMN, 2016. Therefore CCMN, 2016 was organized by NIT Rourkela.

CCMN, 2017 was proposed to all PIs of CCMN, 2016 and it was decided during the All Director's meet at Transit House, New Delhi to offer it to NIT Rourkela. This proved to be a scope for optimizing various procedures involved in the Counselling process.

Since then, NIT Rourkela has been coordinating the Common Counselling process for M. Sc. (two years programme) to most NITs and few CFTIs (IEST Shibpur & SLIET Punjab) for the past 3 years successfully. The list of Institutions participated in CCMN for last 3 years is given below:

CCMN, 2015:

(NITs – Agartala, Arunachal Pradesh, Durgapur, Jaipur, Jalandhar, Jamshedpur, Manipur, Meghalaya, Nagaland, Nagpur, Rourkela, Srinagar, Warangal, IEST Shibpur & SLIET Punjab) – 15 Participating Institutions.

CCMN, 2016:

(NITs – Agartala, Allahabad, Arunachal Pradesh, Calicut, Durgapur, Jaipur, Jalandhar, Jamshedpur, Manipur, Nagaland, Nagpur, Rourkela, Silchar,

Srinagar, Warangal, IEST Shibpur & SLIET Punjab) – 17 Participating Institutions.

CCMN, 2017:

(NITs – Agartala, Allahabad, Arunachal Pradesh, Calicut, Durgapur, Hamirpur, Jaipur, Jalandhar, Jamshedpur, Manipur, Nagpur, Rourkela, Silchar, Sikkim, Srinagar, Warangal, IEST Shibpur & SLIET Punjab) – 18 Participating Institutions.

The software solution, which plays a key role in the efficient, hassle-free online counselling process was developed in-house at NIT Rourkela for the year 2016. Unlike, the first year the progress in the software and management of the counselling process during the previous year was highly appreciated by the Participating Institutions (PIs). The overall results of CCMN, 2016 have been highly satisfactory. We have got more students with higher academic standard than previous years.

During CCMN, 2016, IIT Madras consented to share IIT-JAM scores and the same gesture was extended by IIT Delhi for CCMN, 2017 and it continues. The agreement of IIT Bombay to share JAM 2018 scores with CCMN, 2018 has been agreed to.

The Memorandum vide no. NITR/CCMN/2016/L/MU/01 dt. 31.05.2016 says that, "The remuneration paid to the committee is to be decided by the Chairman, CCMN, and to be reported to the Director nominees' of the Participating Institutes in the next meeting. Accordingly, this was decided by the Chairman CCMN, 2016 and was reported during the 1st Coordinators Meeting of PIs of CCMN, 2017 held at NIT Rourkela on 27.03.2017, which was approved. Similarly, the remuneration for CCMN, 2017 was decided by Chairman, CCMN, 2017 and was put up to the Director Nominees' of the participating Institutions during the EXIT Meeting of CCMN, 2017 held at SLIET Punjab on 13.10.2017 which was approved.

However, it is felt that BOG to be informed about this activity of the Institute. It is also to mention that the Director shall be paid a remuneration of Rs.5,50,000/- as Chairman CCMN, 2017, which is in line with remuneration paid to Chairman, CCMT which was approved by NIT Council. The remuneration for other officials will be decided by the Director.

It is proposed that all the financial transactions of CCMN and similar cases will be done through Finance & Accounts as per Institute rule.

The Board noted the above activities with compliments. The Board directed the administration to streamline the future CCMN activities and in particular about payment of Remuneration to the Director as the Chairman of CCMN. The matter may be referred to Bureau, MHRD with complete details. While referring the matter, financial details of the counseling handled by the Institute during the year 2015 and 2016 are also required to be furnished.

[Annexure A21, Page 191 - 211]

BOG-57(2017)-28: Proposal for extension of Contractual Services Mr. S. Dutta, OSD, Safety and Security Services.

The Board vide resolution No.BOG-50(2017)-16, dt.29.09.2016 had approved for appointment of Officer on Special Duty (O.S.D.) for Safety and Security Services on Contract Basis. Accordingly interview was held among three retired Police Officers and Mr. Suman Dutta, was appointed as O.S.D. for Safety and Security Services from 05.01.2017 up to 31.12.2017. Since the service of OSD Security is very essential and his performance in the last one year is satisfactory, the service of Mr. Dutta may be extended for another one year from 01.01.2018 to 31.12.2018 with a remuneration of Rs.35,000/- P.M. (consolidated).

The Board approved the proposal.

BOG-57(2017)-29: Proposal for extension of Contractual Services Advocate A.K.Panda, Legal Advisor.

Mr Adwita Kumar Panda was appointed as legal advisor vide office order No.NITR/ES/2017/M/1243, dt.25.01.2017. His tenure shall expire on 31.01.2018. In view of his satisfactory performance in the last one year, it is proposed that his contract may be extended for one year with the existing terms and conditions from 01/02/2018 to 31/01/2019.

The Board approved the proposal.

BOG-57(2017)-30: Policy on Best Non-Academic Staff Award.

The Board vide resolution No. BOG-56(2017)-16(2): dated 15.09.2017 decided to give Best Non-academic Staff Award to Non-Faculty staff members one each from the Administrative Higher Cadre & Technical Higher Cadre and Administrative Lower & Technical Lower Cadre staff and officer every year. The policy for award of Best Non-Academic Staff Award is attached in the Annexure.

The Board approved the proposal.

[Annexure A22, Page 212-213]

BOG-57(2017)-31: Proposal for Appointment of Public Relation Officer on contract .

In NIRF ranking conducted by MHRD, NIT, Rourkela secured 12th position among all Technical Institutions including all IITs and NITs. Marks secured in Public perception was less than other 11 institutions, who are above NIT, Rourkela. It was discussed in the 56th BOG meeting and it was decided by the Board that Institute may appoint a PRO on contract. The details of appointment criteria was given in the annexure.

The Board approved the proposal.

[Annexure A23, Page 214]

BOG-57(2017)-32: Any other item with the permission of the Chair.

- 1) Attending interview of faculty through Skype by the Visitors Nominee.

The faculty recruitment for all the Departments has been scheduled between 3rd - 23rd December, 2017. The interview schedule is enclosed in the Annexure. As per the provision of the Statutes under Clause -23 and Sub-clause-5(a), the Visitor's Nominee is a member of the Selection Committee. Some Visitor's Nominees nominated by the Visitor have expressed their desire to attend the interview through Skype.

The Board approved the proposal and further clarified that the expert can attend the selection committee through Skype and video conferencing and any other electronic visual media.

[Annexure A24, Page 215]

- 2) Technical Quality Improvement Program – Phase III (TEQIP-III)

A) Technical Quality Improvement Program – Phase III (TEQIP-III) was launched by the National Project Implementation Unit (NPIU) of the MHRD on 1st April 2017. The specific focus of the TEQIP-III is mentoring of engineering institutions in Low Income States (LIS), Hill states, states of the North East and Andaman & Nicobar Islands and help them catching up with their more advanced neighboring engineering institutions of National standard (Annexure – I). Our Institute had applied to TEQIP-III and submitted a proposal and Action Plan (Annexure – II) by which we can mentor our neighbor engineering institute. In addition, an Institutional Development Plans (IDPs) indicating areas where support is required for our own institute was submitted (Annexure – III).

We are glad to inform that TEQIP-III has accepted our proposal and an MoU has been signed for twinning arrangement with Government Engineering College, Bilaspur (Mentee Institution) for knowledge transfer, exchange of experience, optimizing the use of resources and developing long-term strategic partnerships (Annexure – IV). A grant of Rs. 7.0 Crores, out of which 2 Crores are for mentoring, has been allocated by the TEQIP-III. The detailed permissible and non-permissible activities are enclosed as Annexure-V. A brief of activities planned under the TEQIP-III indicating its overall components and broad activities is attached as Annexure – VI.

The proposed action plan (Annexure – VII) and procurement plan (Annexure – VIII) for the first year of the project which was submitted to the NPIU are also enclosed.

The Board directed that all procedures should be followed as per the TEQIP-III guide lines and Institute procedure.

[Annexure A25, Page 216-308]

B) Procurement Process and Delegation of Financial Powers of TEQIP-III.

The Procurement Process and Delegation of Financial Powers of TEQIP-III as per the existing Institute practice and NPIU- MHRD Guidelines are attached for ratification of the Board.

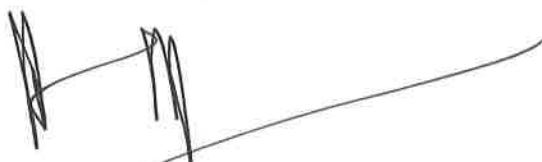
The Board directed to follow the TEQIP-III guide lines.

[Annexure A26, Page 309-314]

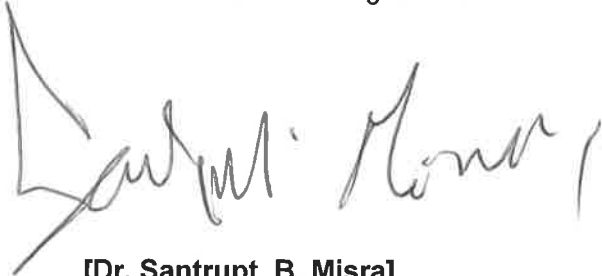
3) Amendment of Statutes:

The Board directed that the provision of Statutes should be reviewed for amendment and a consolidated list may be put up to the Board for further action.

The meeting ended with thanks to the Chair. The date of next meeting will be decided in consultation with Chairman, BOG.



[S.K. Upadhyay]
Registrar and Secretary, BOG



[Dr. Santrupt B. Misra]
Chairman, BOG

