

MALAVIYA NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY JAIPUR

Minutes of the 41st Meeting of the Board of Governors held on 26th September, 2018 at 11:00 AM in Board Room, MNIT, Jaipur

The 41st Meeting of the Board of Governors held on 26th September, 2018 at 11:00 AM in Board Room, MNIT, Jaipur with Ms. Chitra Ramkrishna as Chairperson Board of Governors MNIT Jaipur. Following were present:

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| 1. Prof. Udaykumar R Yaragatti | Member (Director, MNIT Jaipur) |
| 2. Dr. ShashiBala Singh | Member (Nominee, NIT Council) |
| 3. Prof. N. S. Vyas | Member (Nominee, Government of Rajasthan) |
| 4. Prof. A. B. Gupta | Member (Nominee, Senate) |
| 5. Dr. Sanjay Bhattar | Member (Nominee, Senate) |
| 6. Mr. Jai Narain | Secretary (Registrar (I/C), MNIT Jaipur) |

At the outset, the Chairperson welcomed all present in the meeting, Additional Secretary (TE), MHRD, Joint Secretary & Financial Advisor, MHRD, Director, IIT Delhi and Dr. Vidita Vaidya were not present due to their prior engagements and leave of absence was granted to them.

Subsequently agenda items were taken one by one: -

Item No. 41-1.0: *To confirm the minutes of the 40th meeting of the Board of Governors held on 12th May, 2018.*

The minutes of the 40th meeting of the Board were confirmed with following amendment in Item No. 40-3.1, "Dr. Urmila Brighu was an applicant to the post of Professor in the Civil Engineering Department. Hence she recused herself when this Agenda item was discussed."

Item No. 41-2.0: *To note the action taken on the decisions made in the 40th meeting of the Board of Governors.*

The Action Taken was noted.

Regarding Point 40-3.8, the Board asked to put on record the appreciation for the committed efforts made by the institute in supporting a research project despite of funding constraints from the government. Board opined that since the construction of Earthquake Engineering Lab is funded under loan from HEFA which is a returnable commitment by the Institute, all austerity measures are to be taken both for execution of civil work as well as research progress and feasibility of the project. The Board constituted a Committee of following members:

1. Prof A.B. Gupta
2. Dr. Sanjay Bhattar
3. Prof. N.S. Vyas (External Member)

And few more members from Dept. of civil Engineering may also be opted.

The above committee will monitor the expenses to be made under the project, it will ensure research being conducted is worthy for pursuing and facilitate the repayment of loan under HEFA. The Institute share from the project will be utilized under the direction of the committee.

Regarding Item No. 40-3.14, the Board was appraised that the High Level Committee proposed by the Institute has been approved by the MHRD and the Ministry has directed to submit report within a month.

Regarding Item No. 40-3.15, the Board directed to frame the guidelines at par with IITs for receiving and utilizing the funds.

Regarding Item No. 40-4.4, the letter received from the Ex-Board member was placed at the meeting, the Director and Registrar confirmed that all supporting documents as well as the personal file of Dr. Solanki were available at the said Board meeting. Initially the agenda was brought to the board for ratification, but on the advice of the Ministry, it was deliberated as agenda for consideration and the matter was discussed in detail and on consensus of all the members, it was approved.

Accordingly the board directed that a response may be made to the e-mail confirming the factual positions to the ex-member of Board.

The Board was appraised that Hon'ble Court vide order dated 29.05.2018 disposed (allowed) the Writ petition SBCWP no. 3498/2016 with a Judgment "*selection of respondent no. 5 (i.e. Dr. Solanki) is declared to be illegal for want of his eligibility in terms of the advertisement and relevant recruitment rules so also in view of illegality committed in constitution of Selection Committee in total violation of NITs Act and Statutes for NITs*".

The Judgment of Hon'ble Court was sent to Sh. R. D. Rastogi, ASG to seek legal opinion and vide letter dated: 08.06.2018 ASG informed the Institute to file an Appeal immediately before Division Bench of Hon'ble Rajasthan High Court, Jaipur against the decision of court dated 29.05.2018. In view of the opinion of ASG, Institute preferred to go for an appeal (i.e. Special Appeal Writ (SAW) no. 1002/2018) in Division Bench of Hon'ble Rajasthan High Court on 07.08.2018 which is pending before Court.

Recently, petitioner's defending counsel Mr. Ajatshatru Mina on behalf of petitioner i.e. Dr. P. S. Dhaka, served a Notice for Contempt of Court in non-compliance of the order dated 29.05.2018 passed by the Hon'ble Court in SBCWP no. 3498/2016, the same was sent to retainer counsel of Institute to give opinion for taking necessary action in this regard as the action of Institute has not been in contradiction to the aforesaid court order. The Institute counsel and ASG are looking the case in Double bench and suggested verbally that at this stage Institute shall not reply the notice, if he moves to court for contempt, then we file the reply in the court. The further update on the matter shall be placed in the board.

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Item No. 41-3.0: *Items for consideration.*

Item No. 41-3.1: *To consider and adopt the amendments in the guidelines for utilization of CPDA.*

The Board adopted the following amendments in the guidelines for utilization of CPDA approved by Council of NITSER in its 11th meeting held on 18th July, 2018:

- i. The visit outside the Institution should not be restricted to vacation period only.
- ii. Extend the CPDA grant to the faculty appointed in regular scale on probation / contract basis in NITs and IEST.

Item No. 41-3.2: *To consider and adopt criteria / norms for appointment of Deputy Director in NITs.*

The Board adopted the following eligibility criteria approved by Council of NITSER in its 11th meeting held on 18th July, 2018 for appointment of Deputy Director:-

- i. The appointment of the Deputy Director shall be made from amongst the senior faculty members of the Institute on the recommendations of the Selection Committee as per provisions under Statute 23 (5) (a) of the respective Statutes.
- ii. Minimum 5 years of experience as Professor.
- iii. The candidate applying for the post should not be exceeding 60 years of age at the time of applying.
- iv. should have done at least 2 years as HoD / Dean.
- v. Sufficient contribution in academics, administration and outreach activities.
- vi. In addition, the candidate shall be an eminent person in his / her field of specialization with an outstanding academic record throughout.

Item No. 41-3.3: *To consider and adopt the guidelines for Higher Administrative Grade (HAG) scale to the Professors of NITs.*

The Board adopted the consequential amendments approved by the Council of NITSER in its 11th meeting held on 18th July, 2018 as per following details:-

- i. A maximum of 40% of the sanctioned post of Professors who fulfill the eligibility criteria as prescribed in Schedule E of the Statutes notified on 24th July, 2017 can be awarded HAG scales on the basis of the recommendations of Selection Committee as prescribed in Statute 23 (5)(a) of the Statutes of NITs and IEST, Shibpur, respectively.

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- ii. Chairman Advisory Committee for Faculty Recruitment (ACoFaR) should invite, from all eligible and interested Professors, the Bio-data incorporating their scholastic and administrative contributions since their appointment as regular Professor. It should prepare the list of candidates fulfilling all the minimum requisite conditions as prescribed by the Board.
- iii. In case of up-gradation of AGP of Professors to HAG scale, personal interview shall be dispensed with.
- iv. The exercise will be carried out by the Institute once in an academic year with a cut off as 30th June.”

Item No. 41-3.4: To consider the Balance Sheet of the year 2017-18.

The Board approved the Balance Sheet for the year 2017-18 of the Institute on the recommendation of Finance Committee.

Item No. 41-3.5: To consider the transferring the unspent amount of CCMT to Institute Corpus Fund.

The Board deferred the item and suggested to place the agenda with details in next meeting.

Item No. 41-3.6: To Advise on investment policy being followed at the Institute.

The Board deferred the item and suggested to bring it in next meeting.

Item No. 41-3.7: To consider the case of Prof. S. L. Soni serving as Director on deputation in NIT Uttarakhand for granting the HAG Scale.

The Board directed to place the case of grant of HAG to Prof.S.L.Soni with the recommendations of the Committee which ensure that the prescribed guidelines have been followed.

Item No. 41-3.8: To consider the condemnation of Baleno car No.RJ 14 CD8200 of institute and to purchase new vehicle in lieu of condemned car.

The Board approved the following recommendations of the Finance Committee:

- a. Transfer the Baleno Car No. RJ 14 CD 8200 to Mechanical Engineering Department for the practical use of B.Tech students.
- b. Purchase one new vehicle against the condemnation of Rs. 20 Lakhs approximately.

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Item No. 41-3.9 *To consider the case of Mr. Deepak Atolia engaged in the erstwhile NTMIS, Nodal Centre in the then MREC and working in MNIT for suitable absorption / regularization at Institute.*

The matter of absorption of Sh. Deepak Atolia and the recommendation of internal grievance committee were discussed. The Board discussed that the case was already brought for consideration to Board in its 37th meeting and on the comments of MHRD it was referred to MHRD for their consideration and issuing further directions, therefore as deliberated by MHRD nominee on video call, the matter was again referred to MHRD as it is still under examination of the Ministry.

Item No. 41-3.10 *To Adopt Central Civil Services (Recognition of Service Associations) Rules 1993 & Establishment of Joint Consultative Machinery (JCM).*

The Board directed to send a letter to the Ministry on the matter for their concurrence and approval.

Item No. 41-3.11 *To consider the nomination of one member for Building & Works Committee.*

As per NIT Statutes 12 (iii), The Board nominated Prof. A. B. Gupta as Member, Building & Works Committee as Nominee, BoG.

Item No. 41-3.12 *To consider the re-appropriation of sanctioned non-teaching posts of Officer Cadre.*

The Board directed that the matter be considered at the Institute level administrative reform committee, and then be send to the MHRD for the re-appropriation as the posts are sanctioned by MHRD.

Item No. 41-3.13 *To consider to extend appointment to Prof. V. Sinha for one more term till project duration on the terms of reference as earlier. This has no financial implication for either MNIT Jaipur or MHRD, Govt. of India as this is purely a temporary post under aforesaid project duration or till 2019 only, whichever is later.*

The Board not approved the extension of term of Prof. V. Sinha as Academic Chair, Electronics & ICT Academy and on opinion that the services of Prof. Sinha may be taken as Distinguished Prof.(Advisor/mentor). The Board directed to follow the procedure of appointment of Academic Chair of EICT Academy as per the provisions in the MOU of EICT academy.

V. Sinha

Item No. 41-3.14 *To consider the time extension for Construction of Vivekanand Lecture Theatre Complex (VLTC) approved in 32nd meeting of BWC.*

The Board directed to review the project properly and bring it again to the Board with detailed review of the Project.

Item No. 41-4.0: *Items for ratification.*

Item No. 41-4.1: *To ratify the nomination of two faculty members on the Board of Governors of MNIT Jaipur by the Senate.*

The Board ratified the nomination of following as Member, BoG:

1. **Prof. A. B. Gupta**, Professor, Department of Civil Engineering
2. **Dr. Sanjay Bhattar**, Assistant Professor, Department of Mathematics

The Board directed that the nomination for next cycle may be placed before the Senate.

Item No. 41-4.2: *To ratify the adoption of the revision of pension of pensioners / family pensioners of Pre-01.01.2016 and Post-01.01.2016 retired faculty and non-faculty of CFTIs as per letter F.No.15-7/2017-TC dated 14/06/2018.*

The Board adopted the revision of pay for pensioners / family pensioners of pre-01.01.2016 and post-01.01.2016 retired faculty and non-faculty of Centrally Funded Technical Institutions on recommendations of 7th Central Pay Commission.

Item No. 41-5.0: *Reporting items.*

Item No. 41-5.1: *To note the minutes of 11th meeting of Council of NITSER held on 18th July, 2018.*

Noted.

Item No. 41-5.2: *To note the minutes of the meeting of the President with the Directors of NITs, IEST, SPAs, IIITs (PPP) held on 19th July, 2018.*

Noted.

Item No. 41-5.3: *To note the performance report of Electronics & ICT Academy.*

Noted.

Item No. 41-5.4: To note the Audit paragraph on “Irregularities in Works Contract and Estate Management”.

Noted.

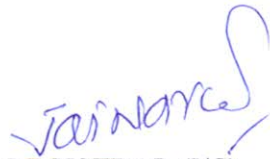
Item No. 41-6.0: Any other item(s) with the permission of the Chair.

All the grievances / complaints received by the Institute in last six months were placed on table; the Board discussed and suggested that the grievances of employees should be taken care by an Internal Grievance Committee.

General observations:

To have a healthy constructive debate in BOG it would be appreciated if the agendas placed in the Board be first be deliberated in the statutory bodies (FC/BWC/Senate) / standing committees / departmental committees and the recommendations are presented to the Board for their concurrence/decision.

The meeting ended with thanks to the Chair.


REGISTRAR (I/C)
Secretary, BoG