

THE XXVI MEETING

OF THE

Board of Governors

NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY
MEGHALAYA

MINUTES

DAY	: TUESDAY
DATE	: 12.05.2020
TIME	: 3.30 PM
VENUE	: Through Video Conferencing

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NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY MEGHALAYA
An Institute of National Importance

Minutes of XXVI Meeting of the Board of Governors held on 12.05.2020

The XXVI Meeting of the Board of Governors of National Institute of Technology Meghalaya was held on Tuesday, the 12th May 2020 at 03:30 pm through Video Conference and the following members attended the meeting.

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| 1. Shri Sajjan Bhajanka
Founder & Chairman
Century Ply Boards (India) Ltd. | Chairman |
| 2. Prof. T. G Sitharam
Director, IIT Guwahati | Member |
| 3. Prof. Bibhuti Bhusan Biswal
Director, NIT Meghalaya | Member |
| 4. Smt. Darshana M. Dabral
JS & FA, Department of Higher Education (TE),
MHRD | Member |
| 5. Shri Madan Mohan
Addl. Director General (HE)
Department of Higher Education (TE),
MHRD | Member |
| 6. Shri. Wallamphang Roy
MD, Meghalaya Power Carriers (Pvt.) Ltd | Member |
| 7. Shri Medrickson Tariang,
Retired, Chief Engineer, PWD (Roads)
Shillong, Meghalaya | Member |
| 8. Prof. (Dr.) Gayadhar Panda
Dept. of Electrical Engg.
NIT Meghalaya | Member |
| 9. Dr. C. Marthong
Assoc. Professor, Dept. of CE.
NIT Meghalaya | Member |
| 10. Shri B. N. Choudhury
Registrar, NIT Meghalaya | Secretary |

At the outset, the Chairman, BoG, NIT Meghalaya welcomed the members to the XXVI meeting of the Board of Governors. Thereafter, the agenda items of the day were taken up.

BoG-XXVI (2020)-1: Confirmation of the minutes of the XXV meeting of the Board of Governors of NIT Meghalaya held on 09.12.2019

The XXV meeting of the Board of Governors of the Institute was held on 09.12.2019 in the Conference room of NIT Transit House, New Delhi. The minutes of the meeting were circulated amongst the members of the Board for their comments/observations. The comment received from Shri D. K. Singh, Deputy Secretary (Finance), IFD, MHRD on Agenda Item No. BoG-XXV (2019)-4: Appointment of faculty kept on waiting list, wherein the term "in case of vacancies arising in the Departments in future" is replaced by "in case of vacancies arising till validity of the selection panel for the Departments due to non-joining of the selected candidate" and has been incorporated in Item No. 4 of the minutes of the XXV meeting of BoG. No further comments have been received from TS.III, MHRD and also from any other distinguished member of the Board. After discussions, the Board resolved to confirm the Minutes of XXV meeting of BoG.

BOG-XXVI (2020)-R1: The Board RESOLVED to CONFIRM the Minutes of the XXV Meeting of the Board of Governors of NIT Meghalaya held on 09th December 2019.

BoG-XXVI(2020)-2: ATR of the decisions of the XXV Meeting of the Board of Governors (BoG), NIT Meghalaya held on 09.12.2019

The actions taken on the resolutions of the Board of its XXV meeting were circulated as part of the agenda items. During the meeting, the actions taken by issuing suitable orders/notifications on each of the agenda item were elaborately explained to the Board members.

Further, with regard to implementation of Central Educational Institutions (Reservation in Teachers' Cadre) Act, 2019, it was informed that the Institute has issued notification for adoption and implementation of the same and that the Institute shall follow appropriate roster at each entry grade/level as per the Act.

The Board agreed and noted all the decisions taken by the Institute.

BOG-XXVI (2020)-R2: The Board NOTED and CONFIRMED the ACTIONS TAKEN on the resolutions of its XXV Meeting held on 09.12.2019.

BoG-XXVI (2020)-3: Revision of Allotted Seats for Admission 2020.

The matter for revision of allotted seats for admission to the Academic Year 2020 was discussed by the Board members keeping in view the Union Cabinet approval for increasing the student's strength. As per the DPR the projected student strength for the Academic year 2020-21 is 1085. The Senate in its XXI meeting held on 20.03.2020 has recommended to increase the number of seats from 150 to 210 (60) in the B. Tech programmes. However, after discussion, in view of the pandemic situation due to COVID-19 and also to keep in mind that distance is to be maintained, the Board did not agree to increase the number of seats. The Board suggested for placing the matter before the Board to increase the number of seats as per the DPR in the forthcoming Academic Year.

As regards increasing the seats for M.Tech by adding 5 each from Sponsored Full Time and Part Time category, the Board after deliberation agreed upon to enhance the proposed Sponsored Full Time and Part Time seats with a cap that the total number of M.Tech seats, including regular students admitted in an Academic Year, should not be more than 20 in each discipline at present. However, the Board suggested for placing the matter before the Board to increase the number of seats as per the DPR in the forthcoming Academic Year.

It was informed to the Board that the fee for Sponsored Full Time and Part Time M.Tech students will be higher than that for the regular students and it will help in enhancing the IRG of the Institute. There shall not be any payment towards scholarship to the Sponsored Full Time and Part Time M.Tech candidates.

BoG-XXVI (2020)-R3: The Board RESOLVED NOT to APPROVE increasing of present sanction seats of B.Tech programme this year. The Board suggested for placing the matter before the Board to increase the number of B.Tech seats as per the DPR in the forthcoming Academic Year.

The Board RESOLVED to APPROVE enhancing the M.Tech Sponsored Full Time and Part Time seats with a cap that the total number of M.Tech seats, including regular students admitted in an Academic Year, should not be more than 20 in each discipline at present. The Board also suggested for placing the matter before the Board to increase the number of M.Tech seats as per the DPR in the forthcoming Academic Year.

BoG-XXVI (2020)-4:Revision of Fee Structure for new Admissions from Autumn 2020.

The matter regarding the recommendation of the Senate in its XXI meeting held on 20.03.2020 to revise the Fee Structure for the newly admitted students of the forthcoming Academic Year, Autumn 2020 was discussed by the Board.

The Board, after deliberation and after going through the proposed Fee Structure, agreed with the recommendation of the Senate and approved the revised Fee Structure as mentioned in the table below which shall be applicable only to the newly admitted students. The senior batches of students will continue to pay the existing fees they have been paying till date. The Board also suggested to constitute a Committee and to submit a report to the Director to recommend the revision of Fee Structure every year which may be placed before the Senate and Board for consideration/ approval each year.

Approved Fee Structure to be effective from Autumn 2020 Admission

Sl. No.	Particulars	Periodicity	Existing	Proposed	Difference
Institutional Fees					
1	Identity Card Fee	One Time	150	150	-
2	Provisional Certificate Fee	One Time	100	1,000	900
3	Students Welfare Fund	One Time	1,000	2,000	1,000
4	Alumni Fee	One Time	2,000	2,000	-
Sub Total 1-4			3,250	5,150	1,900
5	Tuition Fee (Waived for SC/ST/PH students**)	Per Semester	Varies as per programme		
6	Examination Fee & Grade Card	Per Semester	600	1,000	400
7	Admission/Enrolment Fee	Per Semester	600	1,000	400
8	Library Fees	Per Semester	300	1,500	1200
9	Book Purchase	Per Semester	1,000	-	-1000
10	Laboratory and Internet fees	Per Semester	2,000	2,500	500
11	Student Activity Fees	Per Semester	1,500	2,000	500
12	Hostel Establishment Fees	Per Semester	1,500	2,000	500
13	Transportation Fees	Per Semester	1,500	4,000 (to be paid by all)	2,500
Sub Total 5-13			9,000	14,000	5,000
Caution Deposits: Refundable					
14	Institute	One Time	5,000	5,000	-
15	Hostel (for Hostellers Only)	One Time	5,000	5,000	-
Sub Total of Caution Deposits 14-15			10,000	10,000	-
Hostel Fees (For Hostellers only)					
16	Admission Fee	One Time	500	500	-
17	Hostel Seat Rent	Per Semester	5,000	7,500	2,500
18	Electricity & Water Charges	Per Semester	1,500	2,500	1,000
19	Mess Advance (To be adjusted/refunded with the actual bill amount at semester end.)	Per Semester	16,000	16,000	-
Sub Total of Hostel Fees 16-19			23,000	26,500	3,500

BoG-XXVI (2020)-R4: The Board RESOLVED to APPROVE the proposal for revision of above mentioned Fee Structure applicable only to the newly admitted students of this Academic Year, Autumn 2020 and thereafter. The Board also suggested to constitute a Committee and to submit a report to the Director to recommend the revision of Fee Structure every year which may be placed before the Senate and Board for consideration/ approval each year.

BoG-XXVI(2020)-5:Application of Dr. Nur Alom, Trainee Teacher, Dept. of Mechanical Engineering for absorption as Assistant Professor at appropriate regular pay scale as per the NIT-IIT Trainee Teacher Scheme of MHRD, Govt. of India.

The application dated 21.01.2020 along with enclosure received from Dr. Nur Alom, Trainee Teacher, Dept. of Mechanical Engineering regarding consideration of an Agenda about his absorption as Assistant Professor at appropriate regular pay scale as per the NIT-IIT Trainee Teacher Scheme was elaborately discussed by the members. It was discussed that as per the scheme of Trainee Teacher, number of Trainee Teachers at any time to be within the vacancy position at the end of the training period of the given NIT(s). According to this scheme, as recommended by NITSER Council, the Trainee Teachers were to be appointed against the vacancies in a particular department. However, in NITs it was not scrupulously followed. As on date there are 07 such Trainee Teachers working across various departments of this Institute where hardly any vacancy available. As pointed out by the Director, the recommendation of NITSER Council regarding absorption of Trainee Teachers in the regular cadre may not possible as it violates the Statute 23(1) of the First Statutes of the NITs. As per the same “The post at the Institute shall be filled by advertisement on all India basis. When appointing a candidate to a regular post without having gone through the notified recruitment process and also not recommended by a duly constituted selection committee, it may be in contravention with the Statues of the NITs. It may also be prudent to mention here that no amendment in the Statues has yet been made in this regard.”

In view of the above and also keeping in view the guidelines mentioned in the Trainee Teacher Scheme vis-à-vis the provision of the Statues, the Board decided that the Institute may obtain the legal opinion and along with the recommendations, the same may be placed before the BoG in the next meetings for appropriate guidance/decision.

BoG-XXVI (2020)-R5: The Board RESOLVED to recommend that the Institute may obtain the legal opinion in the matter for absorption of Dr. Nur Alom, Trainee Teacher, Dept. of Mechanical Engineering as Asst. Professor at appropriate regular pay scale keeping in view the scheme as well as the provisions of the Statues. The legal opinion along with the recommendations may be placed before the BoG in the next meetings for appropriate guidance/decision.

BoG-XXVI (2020)-6: Signing of Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between Department of Higher Education, Ministry of Human Resource Development, Govt. of India and National Institute of Technology Meghalaya, Shillong for 2020-21 in pursuance of the Rule 229 (xi) of the GFR, 2017

The Signing of Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between Department of Higher Education, Ministry of Human Resource Development, Govt. of India and National Institute of Technology Meghalaya, Shillong for 2020-21 in pursuance of the Rule 229 (xi) of the GFR, 2017 had been forwarded to MHRD with the approval of the Chairman, BoG.

It was informed to the Board that the MoU is sent to MHRD every year in compliance of the Rule 229 (xi) of the GFR, 2017. The Board noted and ratified to the action taken by the Institute.

BoG-XXVI (2020)-R6: The Board RESOLVED to ratify the Signing of Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between Department of Higher Education, Ministry of Human Resource Development, Govt. of India and National Institute of Technology Meghalaya, Shillong for 2020-21 in pursuance of the Rule 229 (xi) of the GFR, 2017.

BoG-XXVI (2020)-7: Re-advertisement of non-teaching technical posts due to change in Recruitment Rules

It was informed to the Board that the Institute had re-advertised 30 numbers of the non-teaching technical posts due to change in the Recruitment Rules of NIT. The Board was also apprised of the progress of the recruitment process and the Board appreciates the efforts made by the Institute to fill up the vacant posts.

BoG-XXVI (2020)-R7: The Board RESOLVED to note the action taken by the Institute in filling up the non-technical post and appreciated the actions taken by the Institute.

BoG-XXVI(2020)-8:Submission of Self Appraisal Report (SAR) for accreditation by the National Board of Accreditation (NBA).

The Board was informed that the B.Tech programmes of Electrical Engineering and Mechanical Engineering departments of the Institute have submitted the Self Appraisal Report (SAR) for accreditation by the National Board of Accreditation (NBA), India. The Board appreciated the efforts put in by the team members.

BoG-XXVI (2020)-R8: The Board NOTED and appreciate the efforts of the team members inSubmission of Self Appraisal Report (SAR) of the B.Tech programmes of Electrical Engineering and Mechanical Engineering departments of the Institutefor accreditation by the National Board of Accreditation (NBA).

BoG-XXVI (2020)-9: Any other item with permission of the Chair.

(B. N. Choudhury)
Registrar

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