



**MINUTES OF THE 28<sup>TH</sup> MEETING OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE OF NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY TIRUCHIRAPPALLI HELD ON 23<sup>RD</sup> MARCH 2016 AT 2.00 PM IN THE CONFERENCE HALL, INDIAN INSTITUTE OF SCIENCE, BANGALORE**

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**PRESENT:**

<b>1. Ms. Kumud M. Srinivasan</b>	<b>Chairperson</b>
<b>2. Dr. S. Sundarrajan</b>	<b>Member</b>
<b>3. Dr. T.K. Radhakrishnan</b>	<b>Member</b>
<b>4. Shri. Sanjeev Kumar Sharma</b>	<b>MHRD Representative</b>
<b>5. Shri. Satpal Sharma</b>	<b>MHRD Representative</b>
<b>6. Shri. Ravi Vishwanathan</b>	<b>Special Invitee</b>
<b>7. Dr. K.N. Sheeba</b>	<b>Special Invitee</b>
<b>8. Dr. D. Deivamoney Selvam</b>	<b>Special Invitee</b>
<b>6. Shri A. Palanivel</b>	<b>Member Secretary</b>

Shri.Karumuttu T Kannan expressed his inability to attend the Meeting.

With the permission of the Chairperson, Shri. Ravi Vishwanathan, BoG Member, Dr. K. N. Sheeba, BoG Member and Dr. D. Deivamoney Selvam attended the meeting as Special Invitees.

## GENERAL MATTERS

**ITEM NO. 1            WELCOME ADDRESS BY THE CHAIRPERSON.**

The Chairperson welcomed all the members of the Finance Committee.

With the permission of the Chairperson, the Member Secretary began deliberations on the Agenda Items.

**ITEM NO. 2            TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE 27<sup>TH</sup> MEETING OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE (FC) HELD ON 1<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER, 2015.**

The Member Secretary read out the Minutes of the 27<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the FC. The FC suggested to place only those items of Building and Works Committee (BWC) Minutes which have financial implications in the FC and not to place the entire Minutes of the BWC Meeting as per the 27<sup>th</sup> FC Meeting Resolution No 27/FC/2015/1.

**RESOLUTION  
28/FC/2016/1**

**RESOLVED THAT the Minutes of the 27<sup>th</sup> Meeting of Finance Committee held on 1<sup>st</sup> December, 2015 be confirmed.**

**RESOLVED FURTHER THAT only those items of Building and Works Committee Minutes which have financial implications be placed in the Finance Committee as per 27<sup>th</sup> Finance Committee Meeting Resolution No 27/FC/2015/1**



## ACTION TAKEN REPORT

### ITEMNO. 3      **ACTION TAKEN ON THE DECISIONS OF THE 27<sup>TH</sup> MEETING OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.**

The 'Action Taken' on the decisions of the 27<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Finance Committee was discussed.

Resolution No 27/FC/2015/5 of the 27 <sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Finance Committee	No The FC advised NITT to include the financial implications for starting the Post-Graduate Programmes and place the proposal in the next meeting of the FC.
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<b>RESOLUTION 28/FC/2016/2</b>	<b>RESOLVED THAT the 'Action Taken' on the decisions of the 27<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Finance Committee be noted with the above mentioned observation of the Finance Committee.</b>
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### DISCUSSION ITEMS AND DECISIONS

### ITEM NO. 4      **TO CONSIDER AND RECOMMEND THE REVISED PROPOSAL TO START M.TECH. PROGRAMME IN DATA ANALYTICS.**

A proposal to start new M.Tech. Programme in Information Science and Engineering as recommended by the Senate in its 25<sup>th</sup> meeting held on 19<sup>th</sup> December 2012 was considered in the 27<sup>th</sup> Finance Committee meeting held on 01.12.2015. The FC advised the Institute to review the relevance of the proposed programme and place it in the next FC. Accordingly a revised proposal for starting M.Tech. Programme on Data Analytics was considered and recommended by the FC.

<b>RESOLUTION 28/FC/2016/3</b>	<b>RESOLVED THAT the proposal of starting M.Tech programme in Data Analytics be agreed in Principle and recommended to the BoG.</b>
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**RESOLVED FURTHER THAT The financial implications of the programme, along with recommendations of the Senate be brought out separately for approval by BoG.**

**ITEM NO. 5 TO CONSIDER AND RECOMMEND THE DISBURSEMENT OF HONORARIUM / REMUNERATION FOR FACULTY MEMBERS OF NITT HANDLING M.TECH. PROGRAMME IN CONSTRUCTION TECHNOLOGY & MANAGEMENT SPONSORED BY LARSEN AND TOUBRO (L & T) LTD.**

The M.Tech. Programme in Construction Technology & Management is sponsored by L & T without financial liability to the Institute. NITT faculty deliver lectures in this programme in addition to the prescribed workload. As there is no precedence of existing norms of payment to the faculty for taking extra lectures beyond the regular work load, the FC suggested to compensate the faculty members for any additional teaching responsibility beyond the prescribed work load, as per the norms followed for Guest Faculty of NITT, which is Rs 2000 + tax/ hour.

**RESOLUTION 28/FC/2016/4 RESOLVED THAT the Faculty Members teaching beyond the regular work load be compensated as per the prevailing rates paid to the guest faculty, which is Rs 2000 + tax/ hour**

**ITEM NO. 6 TO CONSIDER AND RECOMMEND THE REMUNERATION PAYABLE FOR GUEST LECTURES FROM ABROAD.**

The Finance Committee discussed in detail the proposal of paying remuneration of US \$ 100 per hour to the faculty offering live courses through Video Conferencing (VC) mode from overseas countries. In order to justify the proposed honorarium, the proposal was compared with the Global Initiative for



Academic Network (GIAN) programme. As per GIAN programme approved by Union Cabinet in Higher Education, in which a lump-sum amount of up to US\$ 8000 for 12 to 14 hours of contact and up to US\$ 12000 for 20 to 28 hours of contact can be paid to the foreign experts covering their travel and honorarium. Although the modalities of implementation is different from the GIAN programme, the proposed amount of US \$ 100 is much lower than the guidelines suggested in the GIAN programme. Considering the interest of the students the FC recommended the proposal to the Board of Governors.

**RESOLUTION**      **RESOLVED THAT** paying honorarium  
**28/FC/2016/5**      of US \$ 100 per hour to overseas faculty  
who are offering live courses through  
Video Conferencing mode be  
recommended to Board of Governors.

**ITEM NO. 7      TO CONSIDER AND RECOMMEND THE MINUTES OF THE  
15<sup>TH</sup> BUILDING AND WORKS COMMITTEE MEETING**

The Finance Committee discussed the Civil and Electrical Works proposed for execution in the Institute with an estimated cost of Rs. 58.35 Crores as per details in the 27<sup>th</sup> Finance Committee Agenda item no. E12 and noted that these items were already considered in the previous Finance Committee Meeting. So this item will be considered by the Board of Governors.

**RESOLUTION**      **RESOLVED THAT** the Civil and Electrical  
**28/FC/2016/6**      Works proposed for execution in the  
Institute with an estimated budget of Rs.  
58.35 Crores be considered in the Board of  
Governors Meeting as these items were  
discussed in the previous Finance  
Committee Meeting.



**ITEM NO. 8****TO CONSIDER AND RECOMMEND THE CREATION OF SIEMENS CENTRE OF EXCELLENCE FOR MANUFACTURING AT NIT TIRUCHIRAPPALLI.**

The proposed Siemens Centre of Excellence an interdisciplinary, and collaborative effort focusing on developing "Skill Excellence" for industry was considered. The funding of the proposed Centre is to come primarily from Siemens as a grant of 90% including absorption of costs by Amar Tech (Siemens partner) and rest by NIT Trichy (10%), estimated to be close to Rs. 18 Crores.

The proposal was submitted to the 40<sup>th</sup> BoG and the Board advised to place it in the Finance Committee before it is submitted to the BoG. Hence, the proposal was considered for discussion.

**RESOLUTION  
28/FC/2016/7**

**RESOLVED THAT procurement policy of the Centre of Excellence for Manufacturing be worked out by the Institute and be placed in the next Finance Committee Meeting.**

**REPORTING ITEMS****ITEM NO.9****REPORTING ITEMS**

- (a) Grants received from Ministry of Human Resource Development (MHRD) under Plan and Non-Plan Funds for the year 2015-16.**

The Finance Committee noted the Grants received from the MHRD under Plan and Non-Plan funds for the year 2015-16.

- (b) Instructions from MHRD regarding the utilization of Cumulative Professional Development Allowance (CPDA).**



The Finance Committee suggested to abide by the norms of MHRD.

**(c) TEQIP- Performance Report.**

Prof T.K. Radhakrishnan, TEQIP Coordinator presented the TEQIP Performance Report and the Finance Committee noted it.

**RESOLUTION  
28/FC/2016/8**

**RESOLVED THAT the reporting items be noted along with suggestions for item (b).**

**RATIFICATION ITEMS**

**ITEM NO. 10**

**PROCUREMENT OF EQUIPMENT / SOFTWARE - TEQIP - II**

The Finance Committee considered and agreed to recommend to BoG the ratification of the decision of the Chairperson for procurement of equipment/ Software worth Rs 2.25 Crores under TEQIP-II for various departments in the Institute as given in the annexure XII of the Agenda items. The Institute should follow strictly the CVC guidelines and instructions of GOI issued from time to time in respect of the procurement.

**RESOLUTION  
28/FC/2016/9**

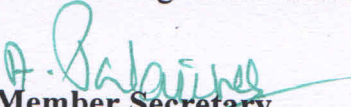
**RESOLVED THAT the decision taken by the Chairperson for approving the procurement of equipment/ software worth of Rs 2.25 Crores as per details given in the Annexure XII of the 28<sup>th</sup> Finance Committee Meeting Agenda item be ratified.**

**RESOLVED FURTHER THAT the CVC guidelines and instructions of NPIU, GoI issued from time to time in respect of procurement be followed strictly.**

The Chairperson of FC indicated that she had submitted her resignation to MHRD due to her official relocation to U.S.A. The Chairperson thanked FC Members for their excellent support during her tenure. FC Members felicitated the Chairperson of FC for her excellent leadership and initiatives.

FC also felicitated the services rendered by Dr. S. Sundarrajan, Director of NITT

The meeting ended with a note of thanks.

  
Member Secretary

Approval is taken  
through E mail.  
Chairperson