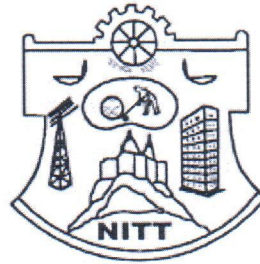


**NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY
TIRUCHIRAPPALLI**



**MINUTES OF THE 31st MEETING OF
BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF NITT**

10th AUGUST 2012
AT
NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY
TIRUCHIRAPPALLI



NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY, TIRUCHIRAPPALLI (NITT)

Minutes of the 31st Meeting of the Board of Governors of NIT, Tiruchirappalli held on 10th August 2012 at 1.00 p.m. in Oom Room at NITT.

Members Present:

Prof. Rajaram Nityananda **Chairperson**
Chairperson, BOG, NITT
Senior Professor
National Centre for Radio Astrophysics,
Tata Institute of Fundamental Research,
Pune 411 007

Dr. S. Sundarrajan **Member**
Director
National Institute of Technology
Tiruchirappalli 620 015

Shri Raja Sankaran **Member**
Managing Director
Infologix Software Solutions Pvt. Ltd.
Old No. 5 / New No. 11, 12th Cross Street, Sastry Nagar, Adayar,
Chennai 600 020

Shri S. Ramanathan **Member**
Chairman & Managing Director
Cethar Foodoil Ltd. "Juman Centre", Promenade Road, Cantonment.
Tiruchirappalli 620 001

Ms. Nandini Rengaswamy **Member**
Chairperson, Confederation of Indian Industry, TN Circle, CEO, Chandra
Textiles & Founder Trustee, GRG Trust, Peelamedu
Coimbatore 641 004

Dr. M. Umopathy **Member**
Professor, Department of Instrumentation and Control Engineering
National Institute of Technology
Tiruchirappalli 620 015

Prof. R. Murugesan
Associate Professor, Humanities,
National Institute of Technology
Tiruchirappalli 620 015

Member

Dr. G. Swaminathan
Registrar (Officiating)
National Institute of Technology
Tiruchirappalli 620 015

Secretary

Members who expressed their inability to attend the Meeting:

Shri Ashok Thakur
Secretary (Technical Education)
Department of Higher Education, Ministry of Human Resource
Development, Shastri Bhavan,
New Delhi 110 001

Member

Shri Navin Soi
Director, Integrated Finance Division (IFD)
Ministry of Human Resource Development, Shastri Bhavan,
New Delhi 110 001

Member

Prof. Ashok Jhunjunwala
Professor, Department of Electrical Engineering
Indian Institute of Technology Madras
Chennai 600036

Member

A. WELCOME AND CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

31st BOG ITEM NO. A1	WELCOME ADDRESS BY THE CHAIRPERSON, BOG
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Prof. Rajaram Nityananda, Chairperson, BOG, welcomed all the members of the Board of Governors of National Institute of Technology, Tiruchirappalli (NITT).

31st BOG ITEM NO. A2	CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE 30th MEETING OF THE BOG HELD ON 26th APRIL 2012
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It was resolved to confirm the Minutes of the 30th Meeting of the Board of Governors held on 26th April 2012 at Bangalore.

With the permission of the Chair, Secretary, BOG began deliberations on the Agenda items.



A. ACTION TAKEN REPORT (ATR)

31st BOG ITEM NO. B3	ACTION TAKEN REPORT ON THE MINUTES OF THE (PREVIOUS) 30th MEETING OF THE BOG HELD ON 26th APRIL 2012
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Item No. 3.1 **TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE SELECTION COMMITTEE FOR THE ACADEMIC GRADE PAY (AGP) MOVEMENT / PROMOTION OF FACULTY MEMBERS UNDER THE CAREER ADVANCEMENT SCHEME (CAS)**

(Item No. D7 of the Minutes of the 30th BOG)

As per the approval of BOG in its 30th Meeting, all the candidates recommended by the Selection Committee for AGP Movement, under CAS, were given the Office Order indicating their AGP Movement and all the candidates recommended by the Selection Committee for Promotion, under CAS, were given the Office Order on Friday, 27th April 2012.

Item No. 3.2 **TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE THE PROPOSAL FROM NIT COUNCIL FOR RAISING THE AGE OF RETIREMENT OF DIRECTORS OF NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF TECHNOLOGY (NITs)**

(Item No. D8 of the Minutes of the 30th BOG)

The resolution of the BOG to approve raising the age limit of the Directors of NITs to 70 years and Board's recommendation to suitably amend the First Statutes of NITs, have been communicated to MHRD.

Item No. 3.3 **TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE THE ESTABLISHMENT OF CENTRE FOR ENTREPRENEURSHIP AND INCUBATION UNDER THE SCHEME TECHNOLOGY INCUBATION AND DEVELOPMENT OF ENTREPRENEURSHIP (TIDE) OF DEPARTMENT OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY, MINISTRY OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY, GOVERNMENT OF INDIA**

(Item No. D9 of the Minutes of the 30th BOG)

Center for Entrepreneurship and Incubation (CEDI) has been set-up under the TIDE scheme, supported by Ministry of Information Technology, Government of India. Efforts are already on to set-up the infrastructure in the Third floor (since the second- floor is fully occupied by the Library) of the New Library Building. Advertisements have been issued for the recruitment of Office staff. The centre is launching its activities with an inauguration function during mid-August 2012.



B. INFORMATION / RATIFICATION ITEMS

31 st BOG ITEM NO. C4	INFORMATION – RELIEVING Mr. THAVASI RAJA, ASSISTANT PROFESSOR, DEPARTMENT OF ELECTRONICS AND COMMUNICATION ENGINEERING TO PURSUE Ph.D. AT IIT, KHARAGPUR, UNDER QUALITY IMPROVEMENT PROGRAMME (QIP), BASED ON APPROVAL OF BOG (27 th MEETING OF BOG, HELD ON 03-09-2011)
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The Board discussed and resolved to ratify the action taken in relieving Mr. Thavasi Raja, Assistant Professor, ECE Department, for pursuing Ph.D. at IIT, Kharagpur, under QIP.

31 st BOG ITEM NO. C5	TO CONSIDER AND RATIFY THE ACCEPTANCE OF THE RESIGNATION AND RELIEVING OF Dr. L.A. KUMARASWAMIDHAS, ASSISTANT PROFESSOR, DEPARTMENT OF MECHANICAL ENGINEERING, AND Dr. M. KAMESHWARA RAO, ASSISTANT PROFESSOR, DEPARTMENT OF MANAGEMENT STUDIES DUE TO THEIR RESIGNATION
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The Board has ratified the acceptance of the resignations submitted by Dr. L.A. Kumaraswamidhas and Dr. M. Kameshwar Rao and resolved to relieve them observing all the procedural formalities in vogue.

31 st BOG ITEM NO. C6	REPORTING ON THE CASE FILED BY Mr. K. SELVADURAI AND 28 OTHERS in the HON'BLE MADURAI BENCH OF HIGH COURT OF MADRAS.
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The Board noted this item.

C. INFORMATION / RATIFICATION ITEMS - BROUGHT FORWARD FROM THE MEETING OF FINANCE COMMITTEE

31 st BOG ITEM NO. C7	REPORTING OF DETAILS OF GRANTS RECEIVED FROM MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (MHRD) UNDER PLAN AND NON-PLAN FUNDS
18 th FC Item No. C4	

The secretary presented salient details of the fund received under Plan (OSC), Plan (General) and Non Plan components.

The BOG recorded the details.



31st BOG ITEM NO. C8	REPORTING ON MHRD COMMUNICATION ON (A) RESTRUCTURING OF FACULTY AND (B) RESTRUCTURING OF NON-TEACHING STAFF
18th FC Item No. C5	

(A) The Finance Committee was informed that a total of 393 faculty members is the entitlement for NITT, based on the total students strength of 4717 in the academic year 2010-2011. FC was informed that the Committee constituted by the Director to work on Faculty Apportionment had taken NITT's entitlement of 393 faculty members for the apportionment and the data from MIS for the academic year 2010-2011 were used in the calculations.

(B) Restructuring of Non-Teaching Staff was taken up for discussion. The three important observations by the Committee constituted to study, analyze and recommend the implementation of Non-Teaching Staff Restructuring at NITT namely; (i) retrospective application of Recruitment Rules (RR) from 01-04-2004, (ii) relaxation of age limit for existing employees and (iii) relaxation of qualification as a one-time measure were explained.

After detailed discussion, the FC suggested that the Committee needs to study in detail case of each individual with reference to the RR and tabulate the findings for all such cases, for further consideration.

The BOG noted the details of (A) Restructuring of Faculty and (B) Restructuring of Non-Teaching Staff.

31st BOG ITEM NO. C9	REPORTING ON THE APPOINTMENT OF CHIEF WARDEN, & ASSOCIATE CHIEF WARDENS AND HOSTEL ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE
18th FC Item No. C6	

The Board of Governors noted the appointment of Chief Warden, Associate Chief Wardens and the Hostel Administration Committee.

31st BOG ITEM NO. C10	REPORTING ON THE ENDOWMENTS CREATED AND FINANCIAL COMMITMENTS
18th FC Item No. C7	

The Finance Committee weighed the sentiments of the philanthropists of the various endowments and appreciated their efforts. It was suggested that in future the funds for any Endowment should be sufficiently large for continued sustenance. For donations of smaller amounts, all such donations can be pooled together and one such endowment can be created.

The BOG noted the observations and suggestions of the FC.





31 st BOG ITEM NO. C11	TO CONSIDER AND RATIFY THE HIKE IN SITTING FEES PAID TO THE MEMBERS OF BOARD OF GOVERNORS
18 th FC Item No. C8	

Recommendation of the Finance Committee (FC):

The Finance Committee resolved to ratify the hike in Sitting Fees paid to the Members of Board of Governors.

Resolution of the Board:

The BOG resolved to approve the recommendations of the Finance Committee.

31 st BOG ITEM NO. C12	TO CONSIDER AND RATIFY THE SITTING FEES PAID TO THE MEMBERS OF THE SELECTION COMMITTEE
18 th FC Item No. C9	

Recommendation of the Finance Committee (FC):

The Finance Committee resolved to ratify the Sitting Fees paid to the Members of the Selection Committee.

Resolution of the Board:

The BOG resolved to approve the recommendations of the Finance Committee.

31 st BOG ITEM NO. C13	TO CONSIDER AND RATIFY THE SELECTION AND APPOINTMENT OF SIXTY ONE (61) NUMBERS OF PURELY TEMPORARY FACULTY MEMBERS FOR A PERIOD OF SIX MONTHS
18 th FC Item No. C10	

Recommendation of the Finance Committee (FC):

The Finance Committee resolved to ratify the process of selection of sixty one (61) temporary faculty members on Contract basis.

A member of the BoG, suggested that, to have a list of names with either (a) 1.2 times the number of vacancies contemplated or (b) the gap between sanctioned strength and available strength of faculty members, whichever is maximum. This list can be operated as and when vacancy arises during the six months time due to resignations/quitting by regular/temporary Faculty members. One time approval would be given by Chairperson for such a list, for overcoming administrative difficulty and such approval of Chairperson would be brought to FC as well as BOG for ratification and approval.

The suggestion given by the member was accepted.

Resolution of the Board:

The BOG resolved to approve the recommendations of the Finance Committee.

31 st BOG ITEM NO. C14	TO CONSIDER AND RATIFY THE TEMPORARY APPOINTMENT OF SECURITY SERVICES FOR INSTITUTE ZONE AS AN EMERGENCY MEASURE
18 th FC Item No. C11	

Recommendation of the Finance Committee (FC):

The Secretary explained the process of appointing the M/s. Naveen Security Service to the Finance Committee and also sought permission of extension of contract for a further period of three months, which otherwise would expire on 21-08-2012.

FC resolved to ratify the temporary appointment of M/s. Naveen Security Services for the institute zone as an emergency measure and further resolved to extend the contract of M/s Naveen Security Service, to provide security services for the Institute zone, until 21-11-2012.

Resolution of the Board:

The Board of Governors resolved to approve the recommendations of the Finance Committee.

31 st BOG ITEM NO. C15	REPORTING ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF HIGH COURT ORDERS ON PAYMENT OF PENSION TO DR. K. A. KUPPUSWAMY
18 th FC Item No. C12	

The Finance Committee was apprised of the action initiated by NITT for compliance of interim order of the Hon'ble Madurai Bench of Madras High Court delivered on 13.06.2012 in MP (MD) No.1 of 2011 in WP (MD) no.6289 of 2011.

The Finance Committee took note of the financial exchequer and advised to expedite legal proceedings / procedures in all cases related with this issue.

The BOG noted the action initiated by NITT in this matter.

31 st BOG ITEM NO. C16	TO CONSIDER AND RATIFY THE IMPLEMENTATION OF REVISED QUARTERS ALLOTMENT RULES
18 th FC Item No. C13	

Recommendation of the Finance Committee (FC):

The Finance Committee was informed that the Under Secretary, Integrated Finance Division (IFD), MHRD (*vide letter No F.No.3-23/2010-IFD dated 09.08.2012*) has communicated that the revised Quarter allotment Rules should conform to the rules /



guidelines for Government Quarters formulated by the Directorate of Estates. This may be referred to.

FC resolved to ratify the Revised Quarters Allotment Rules. FC recommended to ensure that such revised Quarters Allotment Rules are in line with the rules / guidelines for Government Quarters formulated by the Directorate of Estates.

Resolution of the Board:

The Board of Governors resolved to approve the recommendations of the Finance Committee.

31 st BOG ITEM NO. C17	TO CONSIDER AND RATIFY THE APPOINTMENT OF FIVE (5) DEPUTY REGISTRARS ON DEPUTATION
18 th FC Item No. C14	

Recommendation of the Finance Committee (FC):

The Finance Committee resolved to recommend to the Board to ratify the appointment of five (5) Deputy Registrars on deputation at NITT.

Resolution of the Board:

The BOG resolved to approve the recommendations of the Finance Committee.

D. ITEMS PLACED FOR THE 31st MEETING OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS HELD ON 10th AUGUST 2012

DISCUSSION AND DECISION ITEM - BROUGHT FORWARD FROM THE SENATE MEETING

31 st BOG ITEM NO. D18	TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE AWARD OF DEGREES TO GRADUANDS IN THE 8 th CONVOCATION TO BE HELD ON AUGUST 11, 2012
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The Senate has recommended for award of a total of 1324 Degrees in the 8th Convocation to be held on 11-08-2012 and these include 47 Ph.D., 9 MS, 321 M.Tech., 84 MCA, 80 MBA, 61 M.Sc., 689 B.Tech., and 33 B.Arch.

The Board has approved the award Degrees to the Graduands.





D. DISCUSSION AND DECISION ITEM

31st BOG ITEM NO. D19	TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE CORE COMMITTEE – ACADEMIC GRADE PAY (AGP) MOVEMENT FROM Rs.7000 TO Rs.8000, UNDER CAREER ADVANCEMENT SCHEME (CAS)
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The Chairperson invited Prof. Noorul Haq, Prof. G. Kannabiran and Prof. V. Ramprasad to make presentation about the recommendations of the Core Committee of CAS relating to AGP movement from Rs 7000 to Rs.8000. The Board discussed the item in detail and decided not to consider the issues relating to movement of faculty members from AGP movement from Rs.7000 to Rs 8000.

The BOG also decided not to consider any issues / representations received from faculty members relating to the CAS interviews held during 30-03-2012 to 03-04-2012, dealt and detailed in item D7 of the 30th BOG meeting held at Bangalore on 26.04.2012. One board member whose own case would have come under the scope of this discussion withdrew from this part and rejoined the meeting after it was concluded

The BOG has accepted in principle to extend notional benefits to the successful candidates of CAS held recently invoking the provisions of OM No.F.33/7/2011-TSIII Dt.14.03.2012 released by MHRD, Government of India, as a onetime measure.

The financial benefits will be extended to the successful candidates of recently held CAS from 26.04.2012 (The date on which it was approved in the 30th BOG meeting held at Bangalore)

D. DISCUSSION AND DECISION ITEMS - BROUGHT FORWARD FROM THE MEETING OF FINANCE COMMITTEE

31st BOG ITEM NO. D20	TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE THE ANNUAL STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS OF THE INSTITUTE FOR 2011 - 2012
18th FC Item No. D15	

Recommendation of the Finance Committee (FC):

After deliberations, the Finance Committee approved the Annual Accounts of the Institute for the year 2011–2012 and recommended to place the same in meeting of BOG

Resolution of the Board:

The BOG resolved to approve the Annual Accounts of the Institute for the year 2011-2012 and authorized the Director to carry out corrections / modifications / revisions in the

Accounts necessitated by Audit Observations of Comptroller and Audit General (CAG) of India.

31st BOG ITEM NO. D21	TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE THE PROPOSAL FOR ENHANCING THE CHEQUE SIGNING POWERS
18th FC Item No. D16	

Recommendation of the Finance Committee (FC):

After discussion, FC resolved to approve the proposal for enhancing the cheque signing powers as shown below and resolved to recommend to BOG for its consideration.

Cheque drawn for an Amount not exceeding Rupees Three Lakhs.	Cheque to be Signed by the Registrar and any one of the authorized Deputy Registrars
Cheque drawn for an Amount exceeding Rupees Three Lakhs	Cheque to be signed by the Registrar and the Director

Resolution of the Board:

The Board resolved to approve the recommendations of the Finance Committee.

31st BOG ITEM NO. D22	TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE THE PROPOSAL ON FACULTY APPORTIONMENT BASED ON FACULTY RESTRUCTURING
18th FC Item No. D17	

Recommendation of the Finance Committee (FC):

It was resolved by the FC to approve the proposal submitted by the Committee constituted to work on the Faculty Apportionment based on the Faculty Restructuring. The total number of faculty apportioned for each department and the break-up / distribution of Professors, Associate Professors and Assistant Professors for various departments as approved by FC are as follows:

Sl. No.	Department	Professors	Associate Professors	Assistant Professors	Total
1	ARC	3	6	11	20
2	CSE	4	7	15	26
3	CHL	3	6	12	21
4	CHE	2	5	9	16
5	CIV	5	11	22	38
6	DEE *	1	2	3	6



7	ECE	4	10	19	33
8	EEE	4	9	19	32
9	HUM	2	4	8	14
10	ICE	3	5	11	19
11	MME	3	7	13	23
12	MCA	3	6	12	21
13	MBA	3	5	11	19
14	MAT	3	6	12	21
15	MEC	5	9	19	33
16	PHY	3	5	11	19
17	PRO	4	9	18	31
18	T & P	1	---	---	1
TOTAL		56	112	225	393

* New Department of Energy and Environment (DEE)

Resolutions of the Board:

1. The BOG resolved to approve the recommendations of the Finance Committee.
2. The BOG has agreed in principle in setting up of the new Department of Energy and Environment (DEE). The new Department will explore all avenues in the subject areas of Energy and Environment by pooling up all human resources in NITT with an interdisciplinary approach. The BOG has suggested that the services of all the faculty members who underwent training under UK-India REC Project on Energy Theme should be sought and put to use by the new Department of Energy and Environment.
3. The Training and Placement Department should be strengthened by one Associate Professor and one Assistant Professor drawn from other Departments. The two additional manpower will be provided drawing personnel from erstwhile Departments on rotation basis. The period of such rotation may be two years.

31st BOG ITEM NO. D23	TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE THE PROPOSAL FOR STEPPING UP OF PAY OF FACULTY TO REMOVE ANOMALIES
18th FC Item No. D18	

Recommendation of the Finance Committee (FC):

FC was informed of the communication from the Under Secretary, Integrated Finance Division, MHRD (*vide letter No F.No.3-23/2010-IFD dated 09.08.2012*), that the matter





regarding pay anomaly along with the recommendations of the Committee to look into the matter may be forwarded to the MHRD for a decision.

The Finance Committee also decided to refer the matter to MHRD for decision in the subject matter.

Resolution of the Board:

The BOG resolved to approve the recommendations of the Finance Committee.

31st BOG ITEM NO. D24	TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE THE PROPOSAL FOR PAYMENT OF REMUNERATION TO CHIEF WARDEN, ASSOCIATE CHIEF WARDENS AND ASSOCIATE DEANS
18th FC Item No. D19	

Recommendation of the Finance Committee (FC):

It was resolved by FC that as per MHRD communication F.No.33-6/2011-TSIII dated 5.7.2012, the Special Allowances for Deans will be Rs.3500/- per month and Rs.2500/- per month for Wardens.

There is no mention about the Special Allowances for Chief Warden and Additional Chief Wardens in the MHRD Communication F.No.33-6/2011-TSIII dated 5.7.2012. FC resolved to treat the Chief Warden and Additional Chief Wardens on par with Deans and the Special Allowances for Chief Warden and Additional Chief Wardens will be Rs 3500/ per month.

On similar lines, the Finance Committee resolved that the in charge allowance for Officiating Registrar, will be Rs 3500/- per month. There is no mention about special allowances to Hostel Convener in the MHRD Communication F.No.33-6/2011-TSIII dated 5.7.2012. FC resolved that the Special Allowance to Hostel Convener will be Rs 3000/- per month. To strengthen the administrative functions of Deans, the appointment of Associate Deans were contemplated. FC resolved that the Special Allowances for Associate Deans will be Rs 3000/- per month.

Resolution of the Board:

The BoG resolved to accept the recommendations of the Finance Committee

31st BOG ITEM NO. D25	TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE THE PROPOSAL FOR PROVIDING FIRE FIGHTING EQUIPMENT IN VARIOUS BUILDINGS AND DIFFERENT PARTS OF NITT CAMPUS BASED ON ASSESSMENT TO BE CARRIED OUT BY CONCERNED OFFICIALS FROM BHEL, TIRUCHIRAPPALLI
18th FC Item No. D20	

Recommendation of the Finance Committee (FC):

The Secretary apprised the Finance Committee about the steps taken by NITT in assessment and combat strategies in the risk of fire. The Services of BHEL was sought. The Fire

Officer BHEL has made one visit to NITT and had detailed discussion with members of Campus Welfare Committee. The Proposal given by BHEL in fire fighting would be adopted in toto considering the safety aspects involved.

Resolution of the Board:

The Board resolved to accept the recommendations of the Finance Committee.

31 st BOG ITEM NO. D26	TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE THE PROPOSAL FOR INSTALLATION OF 100KWP SOLAR PHOTO VOLTAIC (SPV) POWER PLANT AT NITT
18 th FC Item No. D21	

Recommendation of the Finance Committee (FC):

The Finance Committee has agreed in principle the proposal of installation of 100 KWp Solar Photo Voltaic (SPV) power plant at NITT.

After detailed discussions, FC resolved to exercise Option B of going for open tender inviting all potential suppliers for installation of 100 KWp Solar Photo Voltaic (SPV) power plant at NITT. The Finance Committee advised to be vigilant in execution and suggested to go for pre qualification bid in choosing the right executor of the project.

Resolution of the Board:

The BoG resolved to accept the recommendations of the Finance Committee.

31 st BOG ITEM NO. D27	TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE THE PROPOSAL FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF THE HIKE IN GENERAL PROVIDENT FUND (GPF) INTEREST RATES
18 th FC Item No. D22	

Recommendation of the Finance Committee (FC):

It was resolved by the FC to approve proposal for implementation of the hike in General Provident Fund (GPF) interest rates and to recommend to BOG for its consideration.

Resolution of the Board:

The Board resolved to accept the recommendations of the Finance Committee.



E. ANY OTHER ITEM(S) PERMITTED BY THE CHAIRPERSON

31st BOG ITEM NO. E28	REPRESENTATION GIVEN BY DR. L. CINDRELLA, PROFESSOR OF CHEMISTRY ON REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENDITURE FOR RS 1.04 LAKHS ON UGC PROJECT ENTITLED PREPARATION OF FREE STANDING FILMS OF CONDUCTING POLYANILINE BASED ON STRUCTURE – PROPERTY OPTIMIZATION, FOR USE IN PHOTO ELECTRO CHEMICAL DEVICES
18th FC ITEM NO. E23	

Recommendation of the Finance Committee (FC):

Dr. L. Cindrella requested for reimbursement of bills and vouchers for the expenditure amounting to Rs 1,04,237/- (Rupees One Lakh Four Thousand Two Hundred Thirty Seven only). A committee was constituted to review the adherence of Institute norms in incurring the expenditure. The Committee, with Dean R&C as the Convener has submitted the report elucidating the facts about the way of spending by the individual and violation of Procedures in certain cases. The Dean R&C presented the details about the findings of the Committee.

The Finance Committee accepted the findings of the Committee in toto. However as a goodwill gesture decides to reimburse the entire expenditure incurred. FC records that this action of Finance Committee should not in any way be taken as an act of exoneration of the individual by the Finance Committee and bad example should not be derived out of it.

Resolution of the Board:

The Board resolved to accept the recommendations of the Finance Committee.

31st BOG ITEM NO. E29	REVISED ESTIMATES FOR THE NEW MBA BLOCK
18th FC ITEM NO. E27	

Recommendation of the Finance Committee (FC):

The proposal for construction of new MBA block was forwarded through the Ninth Meeting of the Buildings and Works Committee (BWC) held on 03.07.2010, at a cost of Rs 4.57 crores with a built up area of 2402 m². The CPWD has submitted a revised estimate for Rs 7.7357 crores citing cost escalation in labour and materials.

The Finance Committee suggested that this may be discussed in the next Meeting of BWC and resubmitted to the Finance Committee, in its meeting, for its consideration and approval.





Resolution of the Board:

The Board resolved to accept the recommendations of the Finance Committee.

E30. The Director informed the Board about two numbers of communications received from Central Bureau of Investigations (CBI) relating to:

- i) DASA admissions 2010-2011 and
- ii) Recommendations of CBI to initiate action against one Professor of NITT invoking Major Penalty Clause, for some lapses on part of the Professor concerned. This case pertains to visit of the professor for inspection of some technical institute on instruction from AICTE.

Dr. A. Noorul Haq, in his capacity as Chief Vigilance Officer (CVO) of NITT, narrated to the Board the actions initiated in both the cases. The Board was apprised of the constitution of Inquiry Committee to look into these matters.

The Board requested to expedite the inquiry process and permitted to submit the findings to the MHRD / CBI for further action.

E31. The Board expresses a serious concern over the decline in the commitment on part of faculty members and staff in image building exercise of the Institute. Sri S. Ramanathan, Member of BOG, opined that all efforts should be made to inculcate the feeling of ownership of the Institute amongst the faculty members and staff. Training may be imparted to faculty members and staff to enable them to shift their paradigm.

E32. The Board expressed concern over non adherence of CCS(Conduct Rules)1964, by the employees. Some faculty members habitually send E-Mails to the authorities depicting their views/protest/grievances. The recipients of such mails include Chairman, Members of Board of Governors, NITT and MHRD officials. E- Mails may be taken as a medium of information and should not be used as a tool for seeking permission, receiving orders for execution and vice versa. E-Mails are said to lack fool proof cyber security and the personnel using e-mails have the option of marking Blind Carbon Copy (BCC) to any third party totally unconnected with administration of NITT (Violation of CCS (Conduct Rules)1964).

The Board gave the ruling that CCS(Conduct Rules)1964, have to be adhered to and employees should only use formal method of submission of their Request/Claims/Permission in the prescribed format with due salutation to their superior authorities conforming to CCS(Conduct Rules)1964.

E33. The Director explained to the Board, the allegation made by one Faculty Member against him, viz that the Director threatened the Faculty Member on account of the faculty member concerned, filing RTI applications. The Board has accepted the clarifications of the Director and endorsed the action taken by the Director in this particular issue.

E34. The Director brought to the notice of the Board the proceedings of some of the recently held Senate meetings and informed that some members of the Senate violate the decorum,



which is essential essence of any Senate meeting. The Board advised the Director to act appropriately as deem fit for maintaining the decorum of the Senate. The Board is of the view that Senate is the Think Tank of Academia of NITT and members of Senate should set examples by their courteous behavior inside the Senate Hall. The Members are free to express their sentiments / Views, maintaining the decorum of the Senate and without hampering the decision making process. The ruling of the Chairman is binding and final in any of the Senate meeting as per the Clause and Provisions of First Statute of NIT.

E35. The Board expressed concern over large and mounting number of unanswered RTI queries. The Secretary, with the permission of Chair expressed that most of his time is spent in answering RTI unanswered queries and regular administration. The Board has accepted in principle for appointing a RTI consultant exclusively for attending to mounted unanswered RTI applications using the provisions under RTI Act.

E36. Members of BOG drew attention of the Board and emphasized that the importance be given to the cleanliness of NITT Campus. They expressed concern over the power and water crisis prevailing in the campus, especially in the hostels where students are residing. The Board requested the Director to take appropriate action to overcome water and power crisis.

The Meeting of the Board of Governors ended with vote of thanks to the Chair.

Dr. G. Swaminathan
Registrar (Officiating) &
Secretary, BOG

Dr. Rajaram Nityananda
Chairperson, BOG