NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY, TIRUCHIRAPPALLI (NITT)

Minutes of the 32nd Meeting of the Board of Governors of NIT, Tiruchirappalli held on 22 nd December 2012 at 1.30 PM in Oom Room at NITT.

Members Present:

Prof. Rajaram Nityananda

Chairperson, BOG, NITT

Senior Professor

National Centre for Radio Astrophysics,

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Prof. S. Sundarrajan

Director

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Tiruchirappalli 620 015

Sri Satpal Sharma

Under Secretary (IFD)

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Ms. Nandini Rengaswamy (Through Video Conference)

Chairperson, Confederation of Indian Industry, TN Circle, CEO, Chandra

Textiles & Founder Trustee, GRG Trust, Peelamedu

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Prof. M. Umapathy

Professor, Department of Instrumentation and Control Engineering

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Prof. R. Murugesan

Associate Professor, Humanities,

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Chairperson

Member

Member

Member

Member

Member

Prof. G. Swaminathan

Secretary

Registrar (Officiating)

National Institute of Technology

Tiruchirappalli 620 015

Members who expressed their inability to attend the Meeting:

Ms.Amita Sharma

Member

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Shri Raja Sankaran

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Shri S Ramanathan

Member

Chairman& Managing Director

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Prof. Ashok Jhunjhunwala

Member

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A. WELCOME AND CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

32 st	BOG	ITEM	WELCOME ADDRESS BY THE CHAIRPERSON, BOO
NO.	A1		

Prof. Rajaram Nityananda, Chairperson, BOG, welcomed all the members of the Board of Governors of National Institute of Technology, Tiruchirappalli (NITT). One of the member preferred attending the Board of Governors Meeting through Video Conference. The other members accepted participation of the member through video conference mode. It was unanimously accepted that the required quorum was in place and to proceed with the deliberations of the Board of Governors Meeting.

32nd BOG ITEM | CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE 30th MEETING NO. A2 OF THE BOG HELD ON 10th AUGUST 2012

It was resolved to confirm the Minutes of the 31tst Meeting of the Board of Governors held on 10th August 2012 at NIT Tiruchirappalli.

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

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B. ACTION TAKEN REPORT (ATR)

32 nd					REPORT						
ITEM	NO.	B3	(PREVIO	US) 31st	MEETING	OF	THE	BOG	HELD	ON	10 th
			AUGUST	2012							

Item No. 3.1

(Item No. D18 of the Minutes of the 31 st BOG)

TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE AWARD OF DEGREES TO GRADUANDS IN THE 8th CONVOCATION HELD ON **AUGUST 11, 2012**

A Total of 1324 degrees were awarded to the Graduands in the eighth convocation held on 11.08.2012

Item No. 3.2

(Item No. D19 of the Minutes of the 31st BOG)

IMPLEMENTATION OF CAS HELD IN APRIL 2012 -EXTENDING NOTIONAL BENEFITS & FINANCIAL BENEFITS

As accepted in the BOG, notional benefits to the successful candidates of CAS held in March / April 2012 will be extended and the financial benefits will be extended from 26-04-2012, the date on which CAS results were approved in the meeting of 30th BOG held at Bangalore.

Item No. 3.3

TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE THE ANNUAL STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS OF THE INSTITUTE FOR 2011 - 2012

(Item No. D20 of the Minutes of the 31st BOG) Item no. B3-3.1 of the Minutes of the 19 th FC)

The secretary informed that the Audit Certificate is awaited the Office of the Principal Accountant General (Civil Audit).On receipt of the Audit Certificate; the process of submission of Annual Report would be completed. The MHRD (IFD) representative, requested to expedite the process of submission of Annual Report 2011-12.

Item No.3.4

(Item No. D21 of the Minutes of the 31st BOG)(Item BOG)(Item No, B3-3.2 of the Minutes of the 19 th FC)

TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE THE PROPOSAL FOR THE CHEQUE SIGNING POWERS

Implemented

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Item No.3.5

(Item No. D22 of the Minutes of the BOG)(Item No,B3-3.3 of the Minutes of the 19 th

TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE THE PROPOSAL ON FACULTY APPORTIONMENT BASED ON FACULTY RESTRUCTURING

The Dean (Faculty Welfare) made a detailed presentation about Faculty apportionment .The faculty apportionment, Roster System as per GOI norms were discussed and the BoG accepts in principle the Faculty Apportionment

Item No.3.6

(Item No. D23 of the Minutes of the 31st BOG)/Item BOG)(Item No, B3-3.4 of the Minutes of the 19 th FC)

TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE THE PROPOSAL FOR STEPPING UP OF PAY OF FACULTY TO REMOVE **ANOMALIES**

The Member Secretary intimated to the Finance Committee, the action initiated in the subject matter. The MHRD (IFD) representative requested to bring it to the knowledge of MHRD, the individual case(s), so as to sort out anomalies

Item No.3.7

(Item No. D24 of the Minutes of the BOG)(Item No, B3-3.5 of the Minutes of the 19 th FC)

TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE THE PROPOSAL FOR PAYMENT OF REMUNERATION TO CHIEF WARDEN, ASSOCIATE CHIEF WARDENS AND ASSOCIATE DEANS

Implemented

Item No.3.8

(Item No. D25 of the Minutes of the BOG)(Item No, B3-3.6 of the Minutes of the 19 th FC

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**

The BoG emphasized that no compromise should be made in the areas of Fire, Safety, Health of the personnel and Environment. The BoG requested to expedite the process of getting the specific recommendations of the consultant before February 2013. Procurement, if any, has to be made before the commencement of the academic year 2013-14. (Based on the consultant's recommendations)

Item No.3.9

TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE THE PROPOSAL FOR INSTALLATION OF 100KWP SOLAR PHOTO VOLTAIC (SPV) POWER PLANT AT NITT

(Item No. D26 of the Minutes of the 31st BOG)(Item No, B3-3.7 of the Minutes of the 19 th

The BoG was informed about the status of receipt of tender bids, technical bids opening and financial bids opening dates.

Item No.3.9

TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE THE PROPOSAL FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF THE HIKE IN GENERAL PROVIDENT FUND (GPF) INTEREST RATES

(Item No. D27 of the Minutes of the 31st BOG)(Item BOG)(Item No, B3-3.8 of the Minutes of the 19 th FC)

Implemented

INFORMATION / RATIFICATION ITEMS - BROUGHT FORWARD FROM THE 19th MEETING OF FINANCE COMMITTEE

32 nd BOG	REPORTING	ON	THE	APPOINTMENT	OF	DEANS,
ITEM NO. C4	ASSOCIATE D	EANS	AND C	HIEF OF WORKS		
19 th FC						
ITEM NO. C4						

Resolved, to ratify the appointment of Deans, Associate Deans and Chief of Works. The performance of the Associate Deans would be reviewed periodically. The Director NITT is empowered to do addition or deletion in the numbers of Associate Deans, depending upon the outcome of the performance reviews, with intimation to the Chairperson, BoG, NITT,

32 nd BOG	REPORTING ON THE ENDOWMENTS CREATED AND
ITEM NO. C5	FINANCIAL COMMITMENTS
19 th FC	
ITEM NO. C5	

In the 18th FC Committee meeting held on 10.08.2012 it was decided that in future all the donations of smaller amounts would be clubbed, pooled together and one single endowment would be created. However the sentiments of the philanthropists should be weighed and appreciated. (Item C7 of 18 th FC Minutes).

The BoG has approved the proposal of creation of Endowment in memory of the son (Alumnus of NITT) of Mr. Adak of BHEL Tiruchirappalli.

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32 nd BOG	TO CONSIDER AND RATIFY THE TEMPORARY EXTENSION
ITEM NO. C6	OF SECURITY SERVICES FOR INSTITUTE, QUARTERS AND
19 th FC	HOSTEL ZONES
ITEM NO. C6	HOSTEL ZONES

The temporary services of M/S. Naveen Security have been extended till 28.02.2013 taking into account the operational difficulties in completion of tender processes for security services.

32 nd BOG ITEM NO. C7	REPORTING ON THE AUDIT OBSERVATION RECEIVED FROM
19 th FC ITEM NO. C7	CAG

The BoG was appraised of the status of issue of audit certificate by office of the Principal Accountant General (Civil Audit)

32 nd BOG	REPORTING ON THE FUND RECEIVED FOR TEQIP II AND
ITEM NO. C8	STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURE

Ratified.

32 nd BOG ITEM NO. C9	REPORTING ON COMMUNICATION RECEIVED FROM MHRD
19 th FC ITEM NO. C9	

Accepted in Principle that NITT would provide necessary subscription, as contribution to corpus fund for creating of E-Journal in NITs as per MHRD's direction vide Letter no F.33-8/2012-TS II dated 07.12.2012

32 nd BOG	REPORTING ON THE WRIT PETITION FILED BY
ITEM NO. C10	Prof. M. UMAPATHY - VIDE WP.(MD) No. 15557/2012

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ITEMS PLACED FOR THE 32nd MEETING OF THE BOARD OF D. GOVERNORS ON 22nd DECEMBER 2012

ITEM NOS. D11 TO D18 ARE BROUGHT FORWARD FROM THE MEETING OF THE 19th FINANCE COMMITTEE

32 nd BOG	TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE THE PROPOSAL FOR FILLING
ITEM NO. D11	UP THE VACANT POSITIONS AT ASSISTANT PROFESSOR
19 th FC	CADRE
ITEM NO. D10	

The Dean (Faculty welfare) made a detailed presentations of the recruitment process, elucidating the vacancy positions in each cadre, department wise. The BoG accorded approval in principle.

32 nd BOG	RESTRUCTURING OF NON TEACHING STAFF POSITION AT
ITEM NO. D12	NITT
19 th FC	
ITEM NO. D11	

A detailed presentation was made by the Deputy Registrar (Administration) to the BoG. The Dean (Faculty Welfare) was also present. The MHRD (IFD) representative opined that the proposal put forth by NITT needs a thorough discussion with MHRD senior officials before implementation. It was decided that NITT team would visit MHRD, discuss with officials and fine tune the proposal so as to benefit the non teaching staff in a larger way, since there were no promotion /recruitment since 2003, the Institute has been converted from RECT to NITT,

32 nd BOG	TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE THE PROPOSAL FROM
ITEM NO. D13	HOSTEL ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE REGARDING HIKE
19 th FC ITEM NO. D12	IN HOSTEL FEES

The Chief Warden (NITT HOSTELS) made the presentation to the BoG, the necessity for hiking the Hostel Fees .Considering the plight of power crisis of Tiruchirappalli and with no immediate solution available to power crisis other than augmenting power by Diesel Generator sets, the BoG approved the proposal for hike in Hostel Fee.

32 nd BOG
ITEM NO. D14
19 th FC

ITEM NO. D13

TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE THE PROPOSAL PERTAINING TO FINANCIAL DISBURSEMENTS OF HOSTEL MATTERS

The BoG felt that this matter could be settled in the Institute level itself. The Director NITT would take appropriate decision as deem

32nd BOG ITEM NO. D15 19th FC

ITEM NO. D14

TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE THE PROPOSAL OF REVISED PURCHASE PROCEDURES BASED ON GFR

The Dean (R&C) and Dean (P&D), made detailed presentation to the BoG, the deliberations of the meeting, in which decisions were taken for the revision of purchase procedures at NITT, based on GFR.

The BoG accepted in principle the revised purchase Procedures based on GFR .The authorized signatory of all the purchase order(s) hence forth will be Deputy Registrar(Accounts). The revised purchase procedures is given as Annexure 1

32nd BOG ITEM NO. D16 19th FC ITEM NO. D15

LEGAL CASE - TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE PAYMENT TO DR.NALLASAMY, PROFESSOR & HEAD, DEPARTMENT OF **MATHEMATICS**

The BoG was apprised of the judgment delivered by the Hon'ble High Court of Judicature at Madras dated 10.09.2012 in WP no 4000045 of 2002 dated 09.08.2002, setting aside the order RC No.2369/A1/2002 dated 11.09.2002 and sanctioning two advance increments from 09.10.1998 as per the notification no.F-37-104/95 -TSII dated 09.10.1998. The BoG has accepted to comply with the judgment delivered by the Hon'ble High Court of Judicature at Madras dated 10.09.2012 in WP no 4000045 of 2002 dated 09.08.2002,

32nd BOG ITEM NO. D17 19th FC ITEM NO. D16

PAYMENT OF FULL PENSION IN LIEU OF PROVISIONAL PENSION TO SHRI. P. SUNDARAVEL, AN EX - MECHANIC "A" **GRADE OF THE INSTITUTE**

The BoG has given the following ruling:

- 1. His pay may be revised according to VI pay Commission recommendations and arrears may be distributed to him from the date of his retirement.
- 2. His pension may be re-fixed with reference to his revised pay.

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TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE THE PROPOSAL TO CREATE RESEARCH DEVELOPMENT ALLOWANCE (RDA) FUND

19th FC ITEM NO. D17

The Dean (R&C) made a detailed proposal BoG on creation of RDA. The BoG approves in principle, the creation of RDA. The apportionment of RDA has to be made in a judicious manner, evolving suitable norms and procedures.

32nd BOG ITEM NO. D19

DECLARATION OF PROBATION OF SHRI. P. EDWARD RAJA, HELPER II, WHO WAS REINSTATED IN SERVICE WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE BOARD

Noted

32nd BOG ITEM NO. D20 19th FC ITEM NO. D18

DELIBERATIONS OF THE SENATE MEETING SCHEDULED ON 19-12-2012

The deliberations of the 25th senate meeting held on 19.12.2012 were discussed in the BoG.

1. The senate in its 25th meeting held on 19.12.2012 accorded approval for starting up of new M.Tech. Courses (Item no.12 of Minutes of the Senate Meeting). Fifteen new M.Tech courses were approved by Senate. As the number of courses is too many, it was decided to prioritize the courses.

The process of prioritization would be done by a committee headed by the Visitor's nominee. The other members of the Committee would be decided by the Chairperson, BoG NITT.

2. The BoG in principle accorded approval for Item 14 and item 16 (iv) of the minutes of the 25th Senate meeting held on 19.12.2012.

32nd BOG ITEM NO. D21 19th FC ITEM NO. D19

DELIBERATIONS OF BUILDINGS AND WORKS COMMITTEE SCHEDULED ON 21-12-2012

The deliberations of the 12th Buildings and Works Committee meeting held on 21.12.2012, were discussed in the BoG.

The BoG in principle accorded approval for the deliberations of the 12^{th} Buildings and Works Committee meeting held on 21.12.2012

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

32 nd BOG	REVIEW OF EXPENDITURE UNDER PLAN AND NONPLAN
ITEM NO. E22	
19 th FC ITEM	
NO. E20	

The Director NITT informed the BoG that The Secretary MHRD reviewed the fund position of all the NITs through video conference. The unspent balance under Plan was conveyed to MHRD. The Secretary MHRD advised to have a strategy to spend the Money within 31.12.2012. A strategy was worked out in the meeting of HoDs and Deans. The Departments have submitted proposals for procurement of equipments/instruments. The procurement processes are on the anvil and for additional requirement of fund ,over and above the committed expenditure, proposals would be sent to MHRD substantiating our need for additional grant

32 nd BOG ITEM NO. E23	REPRESENTATION GIVEN BY Dr. H.J.PRABHU, PROFESSOR (Retired) & Dr. N.SULOCHANA, PROFESSOR (Retired), SEEKING EXTENSION OF CONTRACT
	SEEMING EXTENSION OF CONTRACT

Dr.H.J.Prabhu & Dr.N.Sulochana were given Contract appointments and they will be completing their term by 15.03.2013. The professors have submitted applications seeking extension of contract.

The BoG, after deliberations has decided not to extend the contract appointments to Dr.H.J.Prabhu & Dr.N.Sulochana beyond 15.03.2013.

32 nd BOG ITEM NO. E24	DASA 2010 CASE	

CBI, ACB, Chennai has registered an enquiry regarding suspected violation in norms for granting admission to certain students under DASA 2010 and found that the following students have not fulfilled the eligibility criteria for getting admission into NITT under DASA scheme and ordered to cancel admissions.

- i. Satyagajen Arunasalam Rajenthiran (Roll No.103110075)
- ii. PeriyasamyKrishanthan (Roll no.114110048
- iii.Govinda Pandey (Roll No.111110036)
- iv. Anjan Karki (Roll No.107110013)

An enquiry committee was constituted with Dr. A. Noorul Hag as the Convenor. The committee report was presented to the Senate meeting held on 19.12.2012. The senate has recommended to terminate all the admissions which are not adhering to the eligibility criteria. (Item 16(i) of Minutes of the Senate Meeting held on 19.12.2012.)

The BoG has accepted the recommendations of the Senate in toto.

32nd BOG ITEM NO. E25

DASA 2010 CASE -ACTION AGAINST FACULTY AND STAFF FOR THEIR OMISSIONS IN ADMISSIONS

An enquiry committee was constituted with Dr. A. Noorul Haq as the Convenor to look into the lapses on part of the faculty and staff (s) involved in the DASA admissions 2010.Dr.A.Noorul Haq presented the recommendations of the committee to BoG.

The BoG has accepted the recommendations of the Committee.

32nd BOG ITEM NO. E26

CBI RECOMMENDATIONS TO INITIATE ACTION AGAINST ONE PROFESSOR OF NITT INVOKING MAJOR PENALTY CLAUSE-RECOMMENDATIONS OF COMMITEE

The CBI has recommended 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. An enquiry committee was formed with Professor A. Noorul Haq as the Convenor. (Item E30 of the Minutes of the 31st meeting of BoG)

Dr. A. Noorul Haq presented the report and recommendations of the committee to the BoG

The BoG has accepted the recommendations of the Committee and requested to forward the enquiry committee report to CBI.

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32nd BOG ITEM NO. E27 SHIFTING OF WEEKEND HOLIDAY FROM SATURDAY TO MONDAY

The Director NITT informed the BoG the NITT councils decision to incorporate industry oriented topics in the syllabi and to organize lectures by Faculty from Industry. Most of the Industries work six days a week and the industrial partners prefer the weekends especially the Saturday. For a better institute –industry interaction, it is proposed that the weekend holiday may be shifted to Monday, so that Saturday will be a working day. This item was also put forth to the Senate by the Director NITT in the 25 th Senate meeting held on 19.12.2012.

The BoG has requested to go for a trial for a specific period in the year 2013 and decide on the implementation based on the system behavior and feedback.

32nd BOG ITEM NO. E26 DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI AWARD - APPOINTMENT OF JURY

The Director NITT informed the BoG, that nominations were received from alumni for the Distinguished Alumni award. The BoG has requested to constitute a board of Juries to select the award winner from the various applications received. The Convenor of the Juries would the Visitor's nominee. The other members of the board of juries would be selected by the Director NITT in consultation with the Chairperson ,BoG.

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