

NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY, TIRUCHIRAPPALLI (NITT)

Minutes of the 22nd Meeting of the Finance Committee of NIT, Tiruchirappalli held on 03rd December 2013 at 10.00 AM in Oom Room at NIT Tiruchirappalli.

Members Present:

Prof. Rajaram Nityananda Chairperson, Finance Committee (FC) and BOG, NITT Indian Institute of Science Education and Research, Pune 411 021	Chairperson
Prof. S. Sundarrajan Director National Institute of Technology Tiruchirappalli 620 015	Member
Shri S Ramanathan Chairman & Managing Director Cethar Foodoil Ltd. "Juman Centre", Promenade Road, Cantonment, Tiruchirappalli 620001	Member
Prof. K.Sankaranarayananasamy Professor, Department of Mechanical Engineering National Institute of Technology Tiruchirappalli 620 015	Member
Shri Rajesh Singh Director(NIT) Technical Education, Department of Higher Education, MHRD Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi 110001	Member
Prof. G. Swaminathan Registrar (Officiating) National Institute of Technology Tiruchirappalli 620 015	Member Secretary
<u>Members who expressed their inability to attend the Meeting:</u>	
Shri Navin Soi Director(IFD) MHRD Shastri Bhawan New Delhi 110001	Member

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A. WELCOME AND CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

21st FC ITEM NO. A1	WELCOME ADDRESS BY THE CHAIRMAN, FINANCE COMMITTEE (FC)
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The Chairman welcomed all the members of the Finance Committee (FC) of NIT, Tiruchirappalli (NITT). With the permission of the Chair, Member Secretary, Finance Committee began deliberations on the Agenda items. The agenda items were discussed.

21st FC ITEM NO. A2	CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE 21st FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 02.08.2013.
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The finance committee resolved to confirm the minutes of 21st Finance Committee meeting held on 02.08.2013.

B. ACTION TAKEN REPORT

ITEM NO. B3:	ACTION TAKEN REPORT ON THE MINUTES OF THE 21st FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 02.08.2013.
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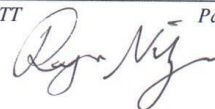
Item No. 1 IMPLEMENTATION OF HAG SCALES IN THE NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF TECHNOLOGY-COMMUNICATION FROM GOVERNMENT OF INDIA- MHRD(Item No. C7 of the Minutes of the 21st FC)
(The letter No. F.23-1/2008-TS III dated 18.08.2009)

The Finance Committee deliberated this issue in detail. The MHRD representative opined that the said professor has joined back NIT Tiruchirappalli on 30.07.2009 and the MHRD letter No.F.23-1/2008-TS III was issued on 18.08.2009 . The MHRD's order cannot be implemented in a retrospective way and the said professor has to be treated on par with any other regular professor of NIT Tiruchirappalli .

Item No. 2 TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE THE PROPOSAL PERMITTING PROF.R.B.ANAND ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR MECHANICAL TO SWITCH OVER TO GPF CUM PENSION SCHEME- TECHNICAL RESIGNATION SUBMITTED IN THE PREVIOUS ORGANISATION –RELATED ISSUES(Item No. D8 of the Minutes of the 21st FC)

Action has been initiated as per the Minutes of item No.D8 the 21st FC





**Item No. 3 DISCUSSIONS AND DELIBERATIONS OF
THE 26th MEETING OF SENATE HELD ON
01.08.2013 (Item No. D9 of the Minutes of the 21st BOG)**

The Member Secretary informed the FC that action has been initiated and that the Tuition Fee for the M.Sc. Programs offered in Physics/Chemistry/Operations Research & Computer applications will be Rs 3000/-

C. INFORMATION / RATIFICATION ITEMS:

ITEM NO. C4:	REPORTING OF DETAILS OF GRANTS RECEIVED FROM MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (MHRD) UNDER PLAN AND NON-PLAN FUNDS
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The member secretary presented the details about the grants received from MHRD under Plan and Non Plan for the year 2013-14. The Member Secretary also informed that certification from Comptroller and Auditor General (CAG), Government of India is awaited for the accounts audit of 2012-13.

The MHRD representative opined that, NIT Tiruchirappalli is lagging behind the schedule and the process of certification by CAG may be expedited and the Annual Report and Audited Report may be submitted in time to Both the Houses of the Parliament.

ITEM NO. C5:	REPORTING OF DETAILS OF FUND RECEIVED UNDER TEQIP II-STATUS REPORT OF EXPENDITURE
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The FC reviewed the fund status of TEQIP II, approved the expenditure incurred under various heads and expresses satisfaction about the status of TEQIP II.

ITEM NO. C6:	STATUS OF EXPENDITURE UNDER PLAN FUND
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The Dean (P&D) made a detailed presentation about the process of budget allocation to each Department(s) /Centre(s) under Plan Fund. The report about the plan fund budgeting and expenditure incurred was submitted to the FC. The FC ratified and approved the budget and expenditure incurred. The FC appreciated the procedures and processes in budgeting.

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D. DECISION AND DISCUSSION ITEMS:

ITEM NO. D7:	IMPLEMENTATION OF 4-TIER FLEXIBLE FACULTY STRUCTURE IN NITs
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THE MHRD's guidelines are awaited regarding the implementation of 4-tier flexible Faculty Structure in NITs. The FC resolved to adopt 4-Tier Flexible faculty Structure as per MHRD's communication F.No.33-9/2011-TS III dated 23.08.2013.

ITEM NO.D8:	REQUEST GIVEN BY RECAL-ALUMNI ASSOCIATION-INCREASE OF STUDENT CONTRIBUTION TO ALUMNI ASSOCIATION FROM RS 500 to RS 1000
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The FC accepted in principle the increase in the student contribution to Alumni Association. The FC advised to explore the possibility of excluding the collection through the Institute Fee collection during the admission time itself. FC also suggested that there should be a mechanism to obtain the willingness from the Students to be the member of Alumni Association and the contribution can be collected from the Hostel Fee.

ITEM NO.D9:	TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE THE PROPOSAL OF ENCOURAGING DEVELOPMENT AND COMMERCIALIZATION OF INVENTIONS AND INNOVATIONS SUGGESTED BY MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY VIDE OFFICE MEMORANDUM F3/3/2009- TU/V/KNOWLEDGE-TO-EQUITY DATED MAY 25th 2009.
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The FC accepted in principle the OM issued by Ministry of Science and Technology .A detailed study has to be undertaken and the model in vogue in institutes like IIT Madras can be adopted. FC expresses the concern and suitable safeguard systems need to be designed to take care of this. Adopting the suggestions given by Ministry of Science and Technology vide OM F 3/3/2009- TU/V/Knowledge-to-equity dated 25.05.2009, should not jeopardize the academic atmosphere in NIT Tiruchirappalli, as the Faculty strength is low.NIT Tiruchirappalli can adopt the suggestion given by Ministry of Science and Technology, after a thorough

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study of models in other Centrally Funded Institutes like IIT Madras and after ascertaining that faculty strength commensurate with the norms specified for the Students strength.

ITEM NO.D10:	REQUEST GIVEN BY SRI SUJITH ANTO SELVARAJ(ROLL NO 1071113095) TO THE DIRECTOR NIT TIRUCHIRAPPALLI FOR CONSIDERATION
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The FC sympathetically considered the request of the student. FC suggested that a thorough verification has to be made for the claim made by the student. After ascertaining the financial capability of the student, a decision can be taken to allow the student to pay Tuition Fee as student of India rather than DASA Fee, lest his education suffer.

E. ANY OTHER ITEM(s) WITH THE PERMISSION OF CHAIRPERSON

ITEM NO. E11:	GRANT OF EX GRATIA PAYMENT TO FAMILIES OF DECEASED CPF /NON-PENSIONABLE ESTABLISHMENT BENEFEICIARIES
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Government of India ,Department of Pension and Pensioners' Welfare sanctioned vide OM No.4/87-P&PW(PIC) Dt.18.06.1988 Ex-gratia of Rs 150/- pm to the widows of deceased CPF beneficiaries of Central Government who retired from service prior to 01.01.1986.The same benefit was extended by government of TamilNadu to its employees in GO NO.1392 Finance(Pension) Dept.Dt 31.12.1990.The Ex-gratia payment was increased to Rs 605/- pm .with effect from 01.11.1997 in Government of India OM No.45/52/97-P& PW(E) dated 16.12.1997(Vide policy note of Finance Department of Govt. of Tamilnadu 2012).Dearness Ex-Gratia of Rs 303/- was also granted by Goverment of India with effect from 01.04.20049in addition to the Ex-gratia amount of Rs 605/-in OM No.45/52/97-P&PW(E) Dt.16.12.1997(Government of Tamilnadu GO MS. No.504 Dt.14.11.2000).Dearness Relief at various

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rates on the Ex-Gratia was also granted from time to time. Families of Institute Employees who were under CPF scheme and expired before 01.01.1986 are also eligible to get Ex-gratia payment plus Dearness Ex-Gratia and Dearness Relief applicable from time to time.

Late Sri P.Govindan worked as attender in REC from 12.05.1964.He expired in 06.06.1978.He was in the CPF scheme.

Similarly Late Sri A. Lal Bahadur worked as Gurkha Watchman from 20.09.1967.He expired on 06.05.1980.He was in CPF cum gratuity scheme .Ms.G.Omana W/o Late Shri P. Govindan and Ms.L.Rooba Devi W/O Sri A. Lal Bahadur have now applied for Ex-gratia Payment.

The total amount of payable to the applicants for the period from 01.01.1991 to 30.04.2013 works out to Rs504558/-(Rupees five lakhs four thousand five hundred fifty eight only).Ex-Gratia amount of Rs 124278/-payable up to 31.03.2003 for both the applicants is the liability of erstwhile REC and the balance of Rs 380280/- is the liability of NIT Tiruchirappalli.

FC resolves the following:

- a. Sanction of Ex-gratia payment dearness Ex- Gratia and Dearness Relief for the period from 01.01.1991 to 31.12.2013 as per various Tamilnadu Government orders and continuance of the same after 01.04.2003 as per various Government of India OMs.
- b. Sanction for the payment amounting to Rs 504558/ for both the applicants for the period from 01.01.1991 to 31.12.2013
- c. Sanction for continuous monthly payment of Ex-Gratia and other elements thereon from January 2014 at the rates applicable from time to time as per the Government of India orders.
- d. Sanction for discharging the liability of erstwhile REC amounting to Rs 124278 for both the applicants for the period from 01.01.1991 to 31.03.2003

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ITEM NO.E12:	LETTER OF REQUEST FROM EXECUTIVE ENGINEER OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE TANGEDCO/EAST/TRICHY FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF / KV SUB STATION –ALLOTMENT OF 5 ACRES OF LAND IN NIT TIRUCHIRAPPALLI
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The Executive Engineer, Operations Maintenance
TANGEDCO/EAST/Trichy vide letter
No.EE/O&M/East/Trichy./TA1/F.Doc/D.No.356/13-14
Dt. 20.08.2013 has given a request for allotment of 5
acres of land to TANGEDCO at NIT Trichy premises
for establishment of new 110 /11 KV substation .
The following points are put forwarded to FC:

- a. Since July 2007, power shortage has been a challenge in Tamil Nadu. During the last six months, though the power position has improved significantly, the distress has not been eliminated completely.
- b. With a view to overcome the acute power shortage, NITT, during the previous year, had hired Diesel Generators for Hostel Zone and had purchased 2 x 500 KVA DG set for Academic Zone.
- c. Further with a view to ensure interrupted power supply to the whole campus, NITT has also placed orders with CPWD for SITC 3 x 750 KVA and the same is expected to be commissioned within 18 months.
- d. As against the TANGEDCO electricity tariff of Rs.4.50 per unit, the cost of generation of electricity through Diesel Generator Set is Rs.20 per unit. However, if NITT gets a dedicated feeder from TANGEDCO, the cost of power generation through DG set may come down.
- e. It is pertinent to highlight that BHEL recently has allotted their land to TANGEDCO admeasuring 9.7 acres, for a initial period of 5 years, on a nominal license fees of Rs.4,820/- (which is 0.09% of market value) with a condition that dedicated power supply arrangement by TANGEDCO to BHEL.

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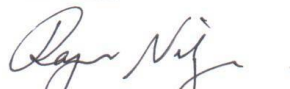
- f. The establishment of proposed new 110/11 KV Substation in NIT Tiruchirappalli land by TANGEDCO would ensure a very stable and reliable power supply to NIT Tiruchirappalli, since the substation comes in the State Main Grid, the stability and network discipline will be of higher order.

The FC deliberates the issue of allocation of land to TANGEDCO for setting up 110/11 KV Substation In NIT Tiruchirappalli in detail and accepted in principle allotment of land , similar to the manner done by BHEL (As discussed in point e above). FC also advised to ascertain whether TANGEDCO requires 5 acres of land and to get a commitment from TANGEDCO ,that uninterrupted power supply is ensured to NIT Tiruchirappalli.

The Finance Committee Meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Chair.



Dr. G. Swaminathan
Registrar (Officiating) &
Member Secretary, FC



Dr. Rajaram Nityananda
Chairperson, FC & BOG
