

MINUTES OF THE 50^{TH} MEETING OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS HELD ON 29^{TH} JUNE 2018 AT 03.00 P.M. IN THE BOARD ROOM, IIT DELHI.

PRESENT:

1.	Dr. (Mrs.) Mini Shaji Thomas	Director & Chairperson In-charge
2.	Ms. Darshana M. Dabral	JS & FA, MHRD Member
3.	Shri. Madan Mohan	MHRD Representative
4.	Dr. Vinod Krishan	Member
5.	Dr. P. Jayabalan	Member
6.	Dr. K. Muthukkumaran	Member
7.	Shri. A. Palanivel	Secretary

Dr. Gagandeep Kang and Dr. Krishnan Balasubramanian expressed their inability to attend the meeting due to their prior commitments elsewhere and hence the leave of absence was granted to them.

GENERAL MATTERS

WELCOME ADDRESS BY THE CHAIRPERSON IN-CHARGE, BOARD OF GOVERNORS.

Shri. A. Palanivel, Registrar, NIT, Tiruchirappalli & Secretary, BoG welcomed the Chairperson In-charge and Members to the Meeting.

Dr. Mini Shaji Thomas, Director, NIT, Tiruchirappalli & Chairperson In-charge, Board of Governors, also joined the Registrar in welcoming the Members to the Meeting. She expressed her gratitude for the Ministry officials and other members for sparing time to attend the Meeting in person.

Thereafter, the Chairperson In-charge started the deliberations on the Agenda Items.

ITEM NO. 1 CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE 49TH MEETING OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS HELD ON 12TH MARCH 2018.

The Minutes of the 49th Meeting of the Board of Governors as given in Annexure I in the Agenda were circulated to the members and no comments were received, the Board of Governors confirmed the Minutes.

RESOLUTION RESOLVED THAT the Minutes of the 50/BoG/2018/1 49th Meeting of the Board of Governors be confirmed.

ITEM NO. 2 ACTION TAKEN REPORT ON THE DECISIONS OF THE 49TH MEETING OF THE BOG.

The Board noted the Action Taken Report on the decisions of the 49th Meeting of the Board.

RESOLUTION RESOLVED THAT the Action Taken Sol/BoG/2018/2 Report on the decisions of the 49th Meeting of the Board be noted.

ITEM NO. 3 DIRECTOR'S REPORT ON THE MAJOR ACHIEVEMENTS /DEVELOPMENTS SINCE THE LAST MEETING OF THE BOG HELD ON 12TH MARCH 2018.

The Director gave a presentation regarding the major achievements and developments that took place in the Institute since the last Meeting of the Board of Governors. The Board appreciated the achievements and developments of the Institute.

- Retaining first position among 31 NITs in the NIRF India Rankings (Engineering) 2018 for the 3rd consecutive year.
- Overall ranking 31 in 2018, improving the last year's ranking of 34.
- Efforts are on to improve the ranking with a five year Strategic Plan.
- Won the Best Innovation Club of the country 2018 by the Hon'ble President of India during Festival of Innovation on Entrepreneurship (FINE).
- The Research publications increased. Efforts for bringing in more research funding and the consultancy projects are on.
- Signed MOU with BHEL Trichy, TATA Motors, IEEE, Purdue and IIT Mandi.
- Hosted Smart India Hardware Hackathon 2018 by MHRD with the theme "Waste Management".
- Received the Green Award 2018 from Tamil Nadu Pollution Control Board, Government of Tamil Nadu.

- Institute Day was celebrated on 17th April 2018 with Prof.Furqan Qamar, Secretary General, Association of Indian Universities as the Chief Guest.
- Felicitated top contributors in terms of Research Publications, Citations, Sponsored Research Projects, Consultancy Projects and Patent Filing, in addition to the rank holders, endowments and Alumni Awards.
- 40 new regular faculty members joined the institute. Conducted Faculty Induction Training Programme, including pedagogy training. Three of our faculty members took up positions of Directors at NIT, Puducherry, IIIT, Una & IIIT, Sri City.
- Siemens Centre of Excellence in Manufacturing, Commissioning is in the final stages.
- NITTFEST, Sportsfest and International Yoga Day were celebrated.
- 14th Convocation will be held on 28th July 2018.

RESOLUTION RES 50/BoG/2018/3 on

RESOLVED THAT the Director's report on the major achievements and developments be noted with appreciation.

APPROVAL ITEMS

ITEM NO. 4 AWARD OF DEGREES AND MEDALS TO BE CONFERRED AT THE 14TH CONVOCATION OF INSTITUTE

The Board approved the recommendation of the Senate for award of degrees to 1583 students including 61 honors graduands and medals to the meritorious students as per the list given in Annexure III of the Agenda, during the 14th Convocation of the Institute.

The Board authorized the Chairperson In-charge to approve the award of degrees for the students who will complete the degree requirements till 18th July 2018 in the 14th Convocation.

RESOLUTION 50/BoG/2018/4

RESOLVED THAT the recommendation of the Senate for award of degrees and medals during the 14th Convocation of the Institute be approved.

RESOLVED FURTHER THAT the Chairperson In-charge be authorized to approve the award of degrees for the students who will complete the degree requirements on or before 18th July 2018 in the 14th Convocation.

ITEM NO. 5 DETAILS OF SEAT MATRIX FOR ACADEMIC YEAR 2018-19 AS PER THE GUIDELINES OF CSAB 2018 & STUDY IN INDIA PROGRAMME

The Seat Matrix for Academic Year 2018-19 as per the Guidelines of CSAB 2018 and Study In India Programme is approved.

RESOLUTION 50/BoG/2018/5

RESOLVED THAT the Seat Matrix for Academic Year 2018-19 as per the Guidelines of CSAB 2018 and Study In India Programme be approved.

ITEM NO. 6 ANNUAL ACCOUNTS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2017–18

The Annual Accounts for the Financial Year 2017-18 is approved as recommended by the FC.

RESOLUTION 50/BoG/2018/6

RESOLVED THAT the Annual Accounts for the Financial Year 2017-18 as recommended by the FC be approved.

ITEM NO. 7 RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE 19TH BUILDING AND WORKS COMMITTEE HELD ON 21ST JUNE 2018

The Board considered the following proposals as recommended by the FC:

S.No	Item	Cost Estimate (Rs. In Crores)
A(i)	Laboratory Annex Building for Mechanical Engineering Department	12.98 (Additional Expenditures)
A(ii)	Laboratory Annex Building for Civil Engineering Department	13.98 (Additional Expenditures)
A(iii)	GoldenJubilee Annex Laboratory Building for EEE Department	15.98 (Additional Expenditures)
A(iv)	Laboratory Annex Building for Metallurgical & Materials Engineering Department	16.98 (Additional Expenditures)
A(v)	Additional Expansion of ICE Department	12.11 (Additional Expenditures)
A(vi)	Providing VRF/VRV Air-conditioning system with VRV Outdoor units in New Training and Placement Building	0.88 (Additional Expenditures)
A(vii)	Flood light/highmast lighting for hockey, football and cricket grounds	3.78
A(viii)	New substation near OJAS	0.40 (Additional Expenditures)
B(i)	Providing Centralized Air Condition System in BARN hall, A2, A11, A12 in the ground floor and first floor of the Administrative Building	5.37
B(ii)	Improvement of water storage system for hostels	5.43
C(i)	Providing Open Air Gymnasium at three locations at NITT	1.00
C(ii)	Providing High Volume Low Speed Fans at Multipurpose Hall	0.67
C(iii)	Providing Cassette AC's & Split type room AC in the Architecture Building	0.44
	TOTAL	90.00

Based on the recommendations of the FC, the Board took the following decisions:

- Works under Item 4 A (i) to (v), A (viii) and C (iii) are approved.
- ➤ Works under Item 4 A (vii) the Board approved the recommendation of the FC to approach the Sports Authority of India.
- ➤ Work under Item 4 A (vi) is approved as recommended.
- ➤ Work under Item 4 B (i) and B (ii) are approved subject to HEFA funding
- Work under Item 4 C (i) is approved for two locations.
- Work under Item 4 C (ii) is approved (Post Facto).

RESOLUTION 50/BoG/2018/7

RESOLVED THAT the recommendation of the FC for:

- a. the Works under Item 4 A (i) to (vi), A (viii) and C (iii) be approved.
- **b.** the Work under Item 4 A (vii), the Institute to approach the Sports Authority of India be approved.
- c. the Works under Item 4 B (i) and B (ii) be approved subject to HEFA funding.
- **d.** the Work under Item 4 C (i) be approved for two locations.
- e. the Work under Item 4 C (ii) be approved (Post Facto).

ITEM NO.8 FURNITURE AND OTHER ITEMS FOR NEW FACULTY AND FOR COMMON FACILITIES

The Board approved the proposal subject to the condition that the expenditure should be within the allocated budget under OH-35 to the Institute.

RESOLUTION 50/BoG/2018/8

RESOLVED THAT the proposal for purchase of Furniture and other items for New Faculty and common facilities be approved.

ITEM NO.9 STRENGTHENING THE INSTITUTE LIBRARY

The Board approved the proposal for renewing the E-resources, purchase of new books and other items to the tune of Rs.3.5 Crores as recommended by the FC.

RESOLUTION 50/BoG/2018/9

RESOLVED THAT the proposal for renewing the E-resources, purchase of new books and purchase of other items to the tune of Rs.3.5 Crores be approved as recommended by the FC.

ITEM NO.10 DELEGATION OF FINANCIAL POWERS AS PER GFR 2017

The Board approved the recommendations of the Finance Committee for purchase of goods as per the limits and the procedures prescribed in GFR 2017.

RESOLUTION 50/BoG/2018/10

RESOLVED THAT the limits and the procedures prescribed in GFR 2017 for purchase of goods be adopted by the Institute.

RESOLVED FURTHER THAT the proposal for purchase of goods between Rs. 2.5 lakhs to Rs. 25 lakhs, with the approval of the Director and above Rs. 25 lakhs, with the approval of the Board of Governors be approved.

RESOLVED FURTHER THAT the Purchase Committees proposed be approved as recommended by the FC.

B. OTHER ITEMS

ITEM NO.11 SELECTION COMMITTEE MINUTES FOR SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER, DEPUTY REGISTRAR, ASSISTANT REGISTRAR AND ASSISTANT LIBRARIAN

The Board approved the minutes of the Selection Committee for the posts of Superintending Engineer, Deputy Registrar, Assistant Registrar and Assistant Librarian.

RESOLUTION 50/BoG/2018/11

RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the Selection Committee for Superintending Engineer, Deputy Registrar, Assistant Registrar and Assistant Librarian be approved.

ITEM NO.12 ENGAGING RETIRED FACULTY MEMBERS FOR ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES/CONDUCTING CLASSES

The Board approved the proposal to engage retired faculty of the Institute, who retired within the last one year, upto the age of 68 years and recommended Rs. 70,000/- per month consolidated as the remuneration. The details are as in Annexure (ix).

RESOLUTION 50/BoG/2018/12

RESOLVED THAT the proposal of engaging the retired faculty members of the Institute upto 68 years for academic activities/ conducting classes be approved.

RESOLVED FURTHER THAT the remuneration be fixed at Rs.70000/- per month consolidated.

ITEM NO. 13 ADOPTION OF CPDA FACILITY TO NEWLY JOINED FACULTY MEMBERS OF THE INSTITUTE

RESOLUTION RESOLVED THAT the item be withdrawn

ITEM NO. 14 ADDITION OF "ALUMNI RELATIONS" TO DEAN (INSTITUTIONAL DEVELOPMENT) PORTFOLIO

The Board approved the modification of the title of the sixth Dean as Dean (Institutional Development and Alumni Relations) with the duties enlisted in the Annexe X of the Agenda.

RESOLUTION 50/BoG/2018/14

RESOLVED THAT the proposal of modification of the title of the sixth Dean as Dean (Institutional Development and Alumni Relations) be approved.

RATIFICATION ITEMS

ITEM NO. 15 FOREIGN VISITS OF FACULTY MEMBERS

The Board ratified the decisions taken by the Chairperson In-charge on behalf of BoG.

RESOLUTION 50/BoG/2018/15

RESOLVED THAT the Board ratified the decisions taken by the Chairperson In-charge on behalf of BoG for approving the foreign visits of the Faculty Members.

REPORTING ITEMS

ITEM NO. 16 MINUTES OF THE 38TH MEETING OF THE SENATE HELD ON 21ST NOVEMBER 2017

The Board noted the Minutes of 38th Meeting of the Senate.

RESOLUTION 50/BoG/2018/16

RESOLVED THAT the Minutes of 38th Meeting of the Senate be noted.

ITEM NO. 17 MINUTES OF THE 18TH MEETING OF BUILDING AND WORKS COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 24TH JANUARY 2018

The Board noted the Minutes of 18th Meeting of the Building and Works Committee.

RESOLUTION 50/BoG/2018/17

RESOLVED THAT the Minutes of 18th Meeting of the Building and Works Committee be noted.

ITEM NO. 18 MINUTES OF THE 35TH MEETING OF THE FINANCE

COMMITTEE HELD ON 12TH MARCH 2018

The Board noted the Minutes of 35th Meeting of the Finance Committee.

RESOLUTION 50/BoG/2018/18

RESOLVED THAT the Minutes of 35th Meeting of the Finance Committee be noted.

ITEM NO. 19 MINISTRY COMMUNICATION RELATING TO FUNDING AGENCIES WITH RESPECT TO TREC - STEP

The Board noted the Ministry communication.

RESOLUTION 50/BoG/2018/19

RESOLVED THAT the Communication from the Ministry to the funding agencies with respect TREC-STEP be noted.

ITEM NO. 20 APPOINTMENT OF NEW EXTERNAL MEMBERS TO SENATE AND B&WC OF THE INSTITUTE

The Board noted the appointment of new external members to Senate and Building and Works Committee of the Institute.

RESOLUTION 50/BoG/2018/20

RESOLVED THAT the appointment of new external members to Senate and Building and Works Committee of the Institute be noted.

ITEM NO. 21 LEGAL MATTERS SUBSEQUENT TO THE LAST BOARD MEETING

The Board noted the Legal matters subsequent to the last Board Meeting.

RESOLUTION 50/BoG/2018/21

RESOLVED THAT the legal matters subsequent to the last Board meeting be noted.

ANY OTHER ITEMS

ITEM NO. 22 NEW CASE JUDGEMENT

The Director briefed the Board about the recent judgement of the Hon'ble High Court of Madras, Madurai bench regarding the regularization of services of petitioners and the Board advised the Institute to go for appeal.

RESOLUTION 50/BoG/2018/22

RESOLVED THAT the Board advised the institute to go for appeal against the new case judgement, regarding the regularization of services of petitioners.

The Meeting ended with a Vote of Thanks to the Chair.

Chairperson In-charge