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MINUTES
of the
53rd (2018 - 2) MEETING OF
THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS

Date: 14.07.2018
Time: 1230 Hours

**Venue: NIT Transit Guest House, A-1 / 267, Block A 1,
Safdarjung Enclave, New Delhi- 110016**

Minutes of the 53rd meeting of the Board of Governors held on 14th July 2018

The 53rd meeting of the Board of Governors of Maulana Azad National Institute of Technology, Bhopal, was held on 14/07/2018 at 1230 hours in the NIT Transit Guest House, A-1 / 267, Block A 1, Safdarjung Enclave, New Delhi- 110016. The Following persons were present and attended the meeting:

1. Prof. Bhim Singh	Chairperson
2. Dr. N. S. Raghuwanshi	Member
3. Shri Madan Mohan	Representative of AS(TE) , MHRD
4. Shri Dhananjay Kr. Singh	Representative of JS&FA, MHRD
5. Ms Nandini Harinath	Member (Nominee of NIT Council)
6. Shri Pankaj Sharna	Representative of PS, Tech. Edu., Govt. of MP
7. Dr. N. D. Mittal	Member
8. Dr. Praveen Kaushik	Member
9. Shri A. P. Trivedi	Secretary
10. Dr. M. S. Chauhan	Special Invitee, Dean P&D, MANIT
11. Shri B. N. Malhotra	Special Invitee (Consultant, Ex Spl. DG CPWD)

Shri Shailendra Sharma, Member and Prof. Ratnam V. Raja Kumar, Member, Director IIT Bhubaneswar had informed that due to already scheduled programme will not be able to attend the meeting and was granted leave of absence.

Dr. N. S. Raghuwanshi, Director, introduced and welcomed the newly appointed Chairperson Prof. Bhim Singh and newly appointed members Dr. N. D. Mittal and Dr. Praveen Kaushik, both senate nominees to the Board of Governors.

Prof. Bhim Singh, Chairperson welcomed all the Members. Director welcomed the Chairperson. The Chairperson placed on record services of outgoing Chairperson Prof. Geetha Bali and Dr. M K Gupta, Member and Dr. Dheeraj Kumar Agrawal, Member on record.

Agenda of the BoG was taken up thereafter for discussion.

SECTION-A: PRELIMINARIES

BoG-53(2018-2)/A-1 :Confirmation of the Minutes of the 52nd BoG meeting held on 23/03/2018

The Minutes of the 52nd BoG meeting were earlier circulated to all the members. Comments received from the representative of Additional Secretary, Technical Education, MHRD on the minutes were noted. The minutes of the 52nd BoG were then confirmed.

BoG-53(2018-2)/A-2 :Action Taken Report (ATR) on the decisions of 52nd BoG meeting

The action taken report was perused and discussed in detail and the following directions given item-wise for further action:

Item No.	Directions Given by BoG	Action by Institute	Further Directions by Board
BoG-52(2018-1)/ B-2: Report on Re-structuring of Non-Teaching Staff Members	The report may be circulated to all non-teaching staff of the Institute for information. Grievance/objections, if any, may be forwarded to the Committee constituted by the BoG for this purpose giving 15 days time to settle the cases. The matter may be reviewed by the Committee in the light of new Recruitment Rules. The matter may be put up to the next meeting.	The report was circulated to nonteaching staff. The grievances and objections received from the staff were forwarded to the committee. The committee is scheduled to meet in the third week of July 2018 to review the matter in the light of grievances.	Noted.
BoG-52(2018-1)/ B-3: Report of the Inquiry Officer with reference to the case of Shri Ajit Narayan, former Registrar, MANIT	Legal opinion about the High Court direction in this regard may be obtained from Institute Lawyer and move an application to the High Court seeking more time to settle the case.	As per the resolution of the B.O.G. the matter was sent to the C.V.C. The C.V.C through C.V.O. MANIT has requested for some clarification. The matter is being placed as a new agenda item	The matter is discussed under Agenda Item – BoG-53(2018-2)/B-3(B)
BoG-52(2018-1)/ B-4: Case of Dr. Lavit Rawtani in the light of the medical certificate submitted by Mrs. Rawtani stating serious mental condition of the faculty member	The Board decided that fitness certificate may be obtained from the Medical Board stating that whether he is fit for services in MANIT, Bhopal as Professor in Computer Science Engineering Department. Dr. Lavit Rawtani may be asked to appear before the Medical Board.	As per the Board Resolution Dr. Lavit Rawtani has been referred to the Medical Board of Government Hospital for fitness certificate	Noted.
BoG-52(2018-1)/ B-5: Reports of the Arbitration Committee and the Technical Committee constituted with reference to the dispute regarding payment for LRC	Looking at the urgency and the huge task at hand for finalizing the bills and preparing the counter claim to be submitted before the Hon'ble Arbitrator by April 18, 2018, the Board approved the proposal of appointing Shri B.N. Malhotra, Retired Spl DG(ER), CPWD, New Delhi, as Technical	Resolution of the Board pertaining to the appointment of Consultant/Technical Expert has been implemented. The Board Members were apprised of the progress through email circulation	The matter is discussed under Agenda Item – BoG-53(2018-2)/B-1

Building	Expert/Consultant in this case. He shall be paid remunerations Rs.8000/- per day for the duration of stay at Bhopal as well as for the days of work from elsewhere. In addition MANIT shall provide for boarding and lodging at Bhopal, and transportation to and from Bhopal, as per the prevailing entitlement associated to the post at the time of superannuation. The Board also approved appointment of Mr Yogesh Bhatnagar as Lawyer for representing the Institute case. Fee to the Lawyer who is handling the case may be paid as per the Ministry of Law guidelines. The Board also approved payment of arbitration fee to be decided by the Hon'ble Arbitrator.	from time to time. The matter is placed as an agenda item.	
BoG-52 (2018-1)/B-6: Recruitment Rules for Non-Teaching Staff of NITs	The revised Recruitment Rules (RRs) for Non-Teaching Staff in the NITs - No.F.33-2/2012-TS.III dated 20/12/2017 and No. F.33-2/2012-TS.III dated 6/2/2018 issued by MHRD, New Delhi are approved for adoption in the Institute.	The recruitment rules for non teaching staff adopted have been notified. The recruitment against the vacancies will be taken up after the case of MACP and promotion through D.P.C. is completed	Noted.
BoG-52 (2018-1)/B-7: Request to change the designation of Associate Dean (Examination) to Professor In-charge Examination	Request to change the designation of Associate Dean (Examination) to Professor In-charge Examination is approved for implementation in the Institute.	The decision has been implemented	Noted.
BoG-52 (2018-1)/B-8: 100% Fee waiver for SC/ST P.G. Students	As per the directives of SC and ST Commissions to give 100% fee waiver to MANIT SC/ST PG students as given by many NITs, the Board directed to follow the directives of SC/ST Commission to extend 100% fee waiver with an undertaking from the students till the guidelines from MHRD are received.	The decision has been implemented	Noted.
BoG-52 (2018-1)/B-9:	The Board approved the grant of Grade Pay of 6600 and 7000 as	The decision of the Board was	Noted.

Up-gradation of Grade Pay of Shri Pankaj Sharma, Asst. Librarian - from GP 6000 to GP 7000	per revised Non-Faculty Recruitment Rules and the process may be initiated as per rule.	communicated to Shri Pankaj Sharma and also the Hon'ble High Court of M.P. at Jabalpur. The Board has approved grant of grade pay of 6,600/- and 7,000/- as per revised non faculty recruitment rules. In this regard it is clarified that prior to the cut-off date as per MHRD circular the prevailing rules was applied and accordingly Shri Pankaj Sharma's pay is to be fixed to the G.P. of 7,000/- with effect from 15/07/2011 as per the then applicable rules. In his case G.P. of 6,600/- with effect from will not be applicable	
BoG-52 (2018-1)/B-10: Higher Education Funding Agency (HEFA) Proposal	The proposal of Rs. 76.00 crores has been put up in the 36 th Finance Committee held on 23/3/2018. It was stated that a detailed examination of Institute Revenue Generation (IRG) should be done for repayment of proposed loan from HEFA. A detailed project report should be submitted for further processing at the earliest.	The HEFA proposal was circulated to the BoG Members through email. The same is also being submitted to MHRD. Subsequent clarification sought by MHRD have been submitted from time to time. It is expected that Institute will shortly receive the approval of the same.	Noted.
BoG-52 (2018-1)/B-11: Mapping Committee Recommendations of Associate Professors from GP 9000 to 9500 and Professors from GP 10000 to 10500	The Board considered above and resolves to accept and adopt the recommendations contained in minutes of Special Committee's meeting dated 23/02/2018.	The decisions of the Board have been implemented	Noted.
BoG-52 (2018-1)/B-12: Delegation of Powers to	The Board approved the proposal for delegation of financial powers to the following,	The decision of the Board has been implemented. As	Noted.

Registrar, Deans, HODs and Principal Investigators (PIs)	as per Clause 17(16) of the 1 st Statutes of NITSER Act. The Institute needs to frame proper procedure for implementation of the proposal.	per the directions of the Board the decision was communicated along with the procedure for implementation	
BoG-52 (2018-1)/B-13: MOU with MHRD	The full report of the MOU may be circulated to Board Members at the earliest.	The MOU was circulated to the Board Members. The same has also been submitted to the MHRD. Signed copy of MOU from MHRD is expected	Noted.
BoG-52 (2018-1)/B-14: Formation of Departmental Promotion Committee (DPC)	As per the provision of NITSER Act and its Statutes, the Board approved the formation of Departmental Promotion Committee (DPC) which is as below and opined that Director may nominate Member at Sl. No.3 of the Committee: 1. Director or Deputy Director Chairman 2. Concerned Head of Department Member 3. Head of Department from other Department Member 4. Registrar Member	DPC for non-faculty members shall be taken up as soon as the Establishment Section is ready with complete proposal. The DPC committee in addition to the members approved shall also have representatives from Women, Minority, SC/ST, Physically challenged as per DOPT rules to have members representing them in such conditions	Noted.
BoG-52 (2018-1)/B-15: Enhancement of Age of Superannuation of Doctors working in the Institute	The Govt. of India had approved the enhancement of age of superannuation of Doctors vide MHRD letter F.No.4-92017-TS.III dated 12 February 2018. Based on the communication received from MHRD, the Board approved the adoption of the same in the Institute.	Resolution of the Board has been implemented	Noted.
BoG-52 (2018-1)/B-16: Constituting a Committee for Redressal of Grievances	Looking into the seriousness of the matter, the Board opined that the new Registrar may take up the matter as per rules.	As per the resolution of the Board formation of the grievance committee shall be implemented	Noted.
BoG-52 (2018-1)/B-17: Committee for Departmental Review	As the matter is related to academic, the Board opined that it may be referred to the Senate for its recommendation and brought it to the Board for approval. The academic audit should be made mandatory for	Placed as a separate agenda item in the 53 rd BoG.	The matter was discussed under Agenda Item – BoG-53(2018-2)/B-1

	every year.		
BoG-52 (2018-1)/B-18: Application of Some Faculty Members representing for consideration of experience in previous organization for promotion to the post of Associate Professor.	It was resolved to refer the matter to MHRD for clarification.	The matter was referred to MHRD for clarification. Clarification received from MHRD is being placed to the Board as a separate agenda item	The matter was discussed under Agenda Item – BoG-53(2018-2)/B-1
BOG-51(2017-5)/C (4): Any Other Matter - Withdrawal of letter R-3045 dated 12/6/2017 written by Registrar to Director	The matter was discussed in the meeting and all Members except one were in the opinion that the letter may affect several legal cases and decisions of Board of Governors. Thus it should not be considered for any action and direction from MHRD may be taken, if required.	Decision of the Board was communicated to the Hon'ble High Court of M.P. at Jabalpur through Institute Advocate. The clarification of the matter was also sought from the then Registrar and his response has been received.	“Board was informed that In pursuance of the Resolution of the Board of Governors on the letter No.R-3045 dated 12/06/2017 at its meeting held on 23rd March 2018 read together with comments of representative of Additional Secretary (TE), Ministry of Human Resource Development, Department of Higher Education, Government of India vide letter F. No. 3-4/2018-TS.III dated 9th April 2018 received on the minutes the said letter was withdrawn and declared void ab initio. The effect of withdrawal was to treat the said letter as if the said letter was never written in the first place and shall not form part of any official record of MANIT ever and no action be taken in cognizance of it.” Board noted and ratified the action taken by institute in the matter.

BoG-53(2018-2)/A-3 :Ratification of matter made earlier by circulation through e-mail

The Board ratified decision on the following matters which were earlier circulated through email :

- A) Service Tax Matter
- B) Security Contract Extension
- C) Approval and Adoption of Annual Accounts
- E) HEFA and MOU signed with MHRD

Under Item A on page 5 of Agenda, Hon'ble Member R V Raja Kumar's organisation be read as IIT Bhubaneswar instead of NIT, Bhubaneswar.

The Board ratified the deputation of Executive Engineer from CPWD, but was of the view that under Item D) portion concerning "Appointment of Executive Engineer on Deputation from other PWO and CPSUs", is not a matter of ratification but requires approval and therefore is to be treated as a separate item under "Any other Item with permission of Chair"-.

SECTION – B: ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

BoG-53(2018-2)/B-1 : LRC Matter

BoG-53(2018-2)/B-2 :Approval of LRC Final Bill and Counter Claim

BoG-53(2018-2)/B-3 :Vigilance Matters

A) Prof. Rajnish Shrivastava:

The Board directed the institute to re-examine his case at Institute level and seek legal opinion on the case and his application, if needed. The matter may be then referred to MHRD for guidance before placing to the Board at its' next meeting-.

B) Shri Ajit Narayan:

C) Shri Sanjay Soni:

The Board resolved to re-examine his case in view of unsigned report/comments of CVO, MANIT which is in contrast to the Board's decision earlier. Board directed the

institute to propose a penalty and place the same along with view of CVO at its' next meeting.

D) CVC Vigilance Matters

The Board noted the action taken by the Institute at cases in AE/JE Exam and MPSTEP cases placed at serial no. 1 and 3. Regarding item No. 2 Board was of the view that matter should be placed to the Board along with views of CVO.

Regarding disciplinary cases pertaining to CCS (CCA) Rules, Board was of the opinion that such cases need to be put up to the Board as per applicability of procedures of CCS (CCA) Rules firmed-up in consultation with MHRD and Institute should propose penalty for Board to consider and approve rather than expecting Board to consider the Article of Charges and findings of Inquiry Officer and then decide upon the Penalty to be imposed.

Further, Board was also of the view that comments of the CVO should be obtained and placed before the Board rather than decision be first taken by the Board and then communicated to the CVO for sending it to CVC for their first stage or second stage advice with his/her opinion.

The Board approved to issue a memorandum to Dr. K. K. Dhote, Professor, Dept. of Architecture & Planning and obtain his view and then place to the Board for its view as advised by CVC.

BoG-53(2018-2)/B-4 :Presentation of Minutes of 36th and 37th Finance Committee meetings held on 23/03/2018 and 14/7/2018 respectively

The Board approved the minutes of the 36th FC meeting held on 23/03/2018 and also approved the decisions of 37th Finance Committee meeting held on 14/7/2018 which preceded the Board meeting. However Board directed that a record of the decisions of the 37th Finance Committee however shall be placed to the Board at its next meeting.

The Board also ratified the adoption of Annual Accounts for the year 2017-2018 for submission to CAG.

BoG-53(2018-2)/B-5 :Presentation of Minutes of 31st Senate meeting held on 20/04/2018

The Board noted the contents of minutes of 31st Senate meetings held on 20/04/2018 and approved the following decisions of the Senate:

1. Item S-31.2018-1-1.2: Increase of Institute fee (except tuition fee) by 10% every year.
2. Item S-31.2018-1-1.11: Empowering Senate Chairman to select 'Senate Nominee' for the selection of Assistant/ Associate Professors and Professors in various Departments
3. Item S-31.2018-1-3.8: Nomination of BoG Members (Senate Nominee) – Dr. ND Mittal, Professor, Dept. of Mechanical Engineering is nominated as BoG Member in place of Dr. M. K. Gupta for a period of two years.

BoG-53(2018-2)/B-6 :Presentation of Minutes of 32nd Senate meeting held on 20/06/2018

The Board noted the contents of minutes of 32nd Senate meetings held on 20/04/2018 and approved the following decisions of the Senate:

1. Recommendation of the Senate to remove the condition of the three years for supervisor [Item No. 5-32.2018-11-2.2 (ii)]
2. Establishment of the Artificial Intelligence Centre at MANIT [Item No. 8-32.2018-11-2.8]
3. Results of Under graduate and Post-graduate programs including the Final Semester B. Tech (ECE) as approved by the Chairman, Senate [Item No. 5-32.2018-11-2.1]
4. The names recommended for award of Ph.D. at 31st and 32nd meetings of Senate.
5. Nominations of Dr. Praveen Kaushik, Assistant Professor, Dept. of CSE as Senate Nominee of the Board in place of Dr. Dheeraj Kr. Agrawal for a period of two years.

BoG-53(2018-2)/B-7 :Presentation of minutes of 27th and 28th BWC meetings held on 05/03/2018 and 06/07/2018 respectively

The minutes of the 27th and 28th meetings of the Building Works Committee held on 05/03/2018 and 06/07/2018 respectively were presented and were approved by the Board.

SECTION – C: POLICY MATTERS

BoG-53(2018-2)/C-1 :Faculty Recruitment Rule Matter

The Board considered the representation of the Faculty Members and approved relaxation of the condition of total experience in Institute of repute for the existing Internal Faculty Members of MANIT as one time relaxation.

The Board authorized the Hon'ble Chairperson to approve Selection Committee for faculty selection.

Chairperson suggested the members to ponder to include in the definition of Institute of Repute, the institutions which have existed for over thirty years and have carved a niche for themselves so that a decision on this can be considered at the next meeting of the Board for future faculty recruitments.

BoG-53(2018-2)/C-2 :Policy on for PEER Review as per NIT Council Decision

The Board approved Peer Review of the Institute and completion of Department Review by Departmental Visiting Committee as per MHRD guidelines.

BoG-53(2018-2)/C-3 :Proposal for framing of suitable policy under clause (iii) of Para 1 of Schedule D to First Statutes of NITs on forwarding of Applications of Persons serving under Bond

The Board resolved that the faculty members of MANIT who are serving under Bond to forward their applications to other MHRD funded Institutions, if other Institute agrees to transfer of Bond for the remaining period of the Bond.

BoG-53(2018-2)/C-4 :Refund of Application Fee of Candidates against summarily cancelled Recruitment

The Board resolved to refund application fee to all applicants who ask for refund of 2015 advertisement where the recruitment process was cancelled through a notice to be placed on the Institute's website and also by issuing a press-note to the news papers, giving one month's window. No further requests for refund beyond this period shall be considered.

Board further resolved that the matter of charging of application fee from applicants' specially faculty positions be reexamined by getting inputs from IIT's and then place to the Board to take a view on the issue through Finance Committee.

BoG-53(2018-2)/C-5 :Security Audit by CISF

The Board directed the Institute to bring any proposal to the Board only after the same has been examined in detail at the institute level by a committee and not only because a member or any authority including Chairperson may so desire. The proposal should be placed after examination by the Institute to the Board at its next meeting.

BoG-53(2018-2)/C-6 :Nomination of Members of Board to Building Committee and Finance Committee

Board nominated Dr. N.D. Mittal, Professor, Department of Mechanical Engineering, MANIT, Bhopal, to the Finance Committee, as its nominee.

Board nominated Dr. Praveen Kaushik, Assistant Professor, Department of Computer Science Engineering, to the Building Works Committee, as its nominee.

BoG-53(2018-2)/C-7 :Proposal for Starting Selection Process of Deputy Director

The MHRD representative informed the Board that the criterion for appointment of Deputy Director is under consideration of the Council. The Board resolved that the process may be taken up after receiving the communication of the Council from MHRD.

SECTION – D : PERSONNEL MATTERS

BoG-53(2018-2)/D-1 :Prof. Shailendra Jain – pay up-gradation on appointment as Director SLIET

The Board approved the notional grant of HAG scale to Dr. Shailendra Jain, presently the Director of Sant Longowal Institute of Engineering and Technology (SLIET), during the period he holds the post of Director. As opined by the MHRD representative clarification on continuity of the notional grant of HAG scale after repatriation may be obtained from MHRD.

BoG-53(2018-2)/D-2 :Up-gradation matter of Mr. Manmohan Rajak

The Board Members expressed their concern about why the promotion case of 2005 came up after a long period of 13 years. The recommendation of special DPC held on 15/6/2017 was also time-barred. The Board directed the Institute to examine in detail what is the reason behind not releasing the order in time and then place the matter to the Board at its next meeting.

BoG-53(2018-2)/D-3 :Appointment of Legal Advisor

Board directed the institute to get the panel of advocates from High Court of Madhya Pradesh and see if Central Autonomous Body (CAB) like MANIT can avail services of

the panel. The Board resolved that the existing panel shall continue till approval of new panel by the Board. The Board was of the opinion that the Institute should invite applications for appointment of Legal Advisor rather than recommending one name for such appointment.

SECTION – E: REPORTING ITEMS

BoG-53(2018-2)/E-1 :Status of Court Cases

The Board noted the present status of court cases.

BoG-53(2018-2)/E-2 :Status of Deposit Works/Development Projects (Annexure – XXII, Page No. 354)

The Board noted the status of deposit works of the Institute.

BoG-53(2018-2)/E-3 :Reporting Items

The Board noted the following items reported:

1. An agreement has been signed to install 250 kWp Solar Roof Top Power plant with M/s Fourth Partner and will be installed in one month time under RESCO model.
2. Institute has approached to replace Old Air-conditioners and lights with energy-efficient AC and LED lights under ESCO model
3. An MOU has been signed with Council of Architecture.
4. Appointment of new Deans and Heads of Departments, Professor In-charge since last BOG meeting
5. Joining of New Registrar Mr Atul Prakash Trivedi on 2nd April 2018.
6. Persons who will retire on superannuation during 2018-2019
7. Foreign visits by faculty and staff on government and private purposes since last BoG meeting.

BoG-53(2018-2)/E-4 : Any Other Item(s) with permission of the Chair

A) MOU with CSIR-AMPRI

The Board approved the draft MOU with CSIR-AMPRI.

B) Appointment of Executive Engineer on Deputation from other PWO and CPSUs

The Board decided that this portion of item BoG-53(2018-2)/A-3 E was not a matter of ratification but needed specific approval hence is to be considered as an item under “Any other Item with the approval of Chairperson”. Board then considered the same and accorded approval for the same.