

**MAULANA AZAD
NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY BHOPAL
BHOPAL-462 003**



**Minutes of the 65th Meeting
of the
Board of Governors**

**Date: 28/06/2021
Time: 11.30 AM**

**Venue: Institute Committee Room, Director's
Office, MANIT Campus, Bhopal - 462003**

Minutes of 65th Meeting of the Board of Governors

The 65th Meeting of the Board of Governors of Maulana Azad National Institute of Technology, Bhopal, was held on 28th June 2021 at 11.30 AM in the Institute Committee Room, Director's Office, MANIT Campus, Bhopal through video conference.

Following Members were present:

1. Prof. Bhim Singh, Chairperson (participated through Video-Conferencing)
2. Prof. N S Raghuwanshi, Director, MANIT, Member
3. Sh. Mrutyunjay Behera, Economic Advisor (HE), Ministry of Education, Govt. of India, Member (participated through Video-Conferencing)
4. Shri D.K. Singh, Deputy Secretary, Finance Division, represented Ms. Darshana M Dabral, Joint Secretary (IFD), Ministry of Education, Govt. of India, Member (participated through Video-Conferencing)
5. Prof. Neelesh Kumar Jain, Director (Officiating), IIT Indore, Member (participated through Video-Conferencing)
6. Major General (Retd.) Shyam Shrivastava, Member
7. Shri Santosh Gandhi, Directorate of Technical Education, represented Shri Mukesh Chand Gupta, Principal Secretary, Department of Technical Education & Skill Development, Govt. of M.P., Member (participated through Video-Conferencing)
8. Dr. Namita Shrivastava, Professor, Dept. of Maths, Bioinformatics & Computer Applications, MANIT, Member
9. Dr. D.P. Singh, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Computer Science & Engg., MANIT, Member
10. Shri Binod Doley, Registrar, Secretary

Prof. Bhim Singh, Chairperson welcomed all the Members to the Meeting. Before taking up the Agenda items, the BoG members paid homage to the Staff of the Institute and one of the BoG Members Late Shri Madan Mohan, ADG, Ministry of Education, Govt. of India, New Delhi who lost their lives during the pandemic of COVID-19

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| 1. Dr. Ramjeevan Singh Thakur | Professor, Dept. of Maths & MCA |
| 2. Dr. Praveen Kaushik | Associate Professor, Dept. of CSE |
| 3. Shri Ram Bharose | Sr. Assistant, Accounts Section |
| 4. Shri CP Vishwakarma | Horticulture Supervisor |
| 5. Shri Ramanuj Yadav | Laboratory Assistant, Dept. of Civil Engg. |
| 6. Shri Kemchand Rajak | Superintendent, Legal Cell, Establishment |
| 7. Shri Tota Ram | Laboratory Assistant, Dept. of Civil Engg. |

The Board condoles on their untimely death and paid homage and kept two minutes silence to give respect to the departed souls.

Thereafter, the Agenda was taken up.

Item No.	Agenda Item and Board Resolutions
BoG-65 (2021-2)/ A-1	Confirmation of the Minutes of the 64th BoG Meeting held on 23/03/2021 The recorded Minutes of the 64th meeting of Board of Governors (BoG) were circulated to all Members through e-mail on 1st April 2021 and hard copy on 8th April 2021. No comments have been received from any Member. The circulated minutes are placed for consideration of members for confirmation. Decision of the Board The Minutes of 64th BoG were confirmed.
BoG-65 (2021-2)/ A-2	Action Taken Report (ATR) on the decisions of 64th BoG Meeting The Action Taken Report (ATR) on the decisions of the 64th meeting of the Board of Governors is placed for perusal and consideration of the Members. Decision of the Board The Board noted the Action Taken Report on the previous decisions of the Board.
BoG-65 (2021-2)/ A-3	Report of Director on Status of Institute after last BoG Meeting The Director has consented to present the detailed report on status of the Institute after the last Board Meeting, to the Board during the meeting. Decision of the Board The report of the Director was circulated to the Board. The Director also made his presentation before the Board and progress was noted by the Members. The report highlighted various achievements after the last BoG meeting. Efforts put up by Director to bring improvement in all domains of the Institute were appreciated by all Members. A copy of report is attached.
BoG-65 (2021-2)/ A-4	Ratification of decision(s) and Approvals of Chairperson, BoG <i>Appointment of Inquiry Officer in the Vigilance Case of Shri Harish Vaidya, Assistant Registrar</i> The Vigilance Section of the Ministry of Education, vide its letter dated 28th August, 2020 sought first stage advice proposal in case of Shri Harish Vaidya. Hence, the first stage advice proposal was sent the Ministry on 19/10/2020 duly informing the decision of the 56th BoG meeting. In response, the Institute is in receipt of letter dated 26th February 2021 from Vigilance Section directing Institute that in terms of the stipulation of the

	charge-sheet dated 18/02/2010, disciplinary proceedings against the charged officer should be initiated in respect of those charges which are refuted by him, before reaching any conclusion of the case and to submit second stage advice proposal along with I.O. report and DA/CVO views in the prescribed format. The matter was again placed in the 64th BoG held on 23rd March 2021 and the Board directed the Institute to initiate disciplinary proceedings against Shri Harish Vaidya, as per the instructions of the Vigilance Section of the Ministry. The Board authorized the Chairperson, BoG to appoint the Inquiry Officer and the Presenting Officer in this regard. The physical presence of the Inquiry Officer in the case of Shri Harish Vaidya is very essential. But, the Inquiry Officers of the approved panel are from outside Bhopal/Institute and their physical presence is not feasible due to the pandemic COVID-19. Therefore, it was proposed to the Hon'ble Chairperson, BoG, to appoint Inquiry Officer and Presenting Officer from MANIT, Bhopal to conduct the inquiry, so that the proceedings can start early. Accordingly, the Chairperson gave approval of the following as Inquiry Officer and Presenting Officer: 1. Dr. Gajendra Dixit, Professor, Dept. of Mechanical Engg. – Inquiry Officer 2. Shri Gaurav Dwivedi, Dy. Registrar(Academic) - Presenting Officer and Shri Manav Kumar Singh, Assistant Registrar (Establishment) will assist the Presenting Officer The Board may ratify the approval of the Chairman, BoG dated 3rd June 2021. Decision of the Board The Board ratified the approval of the Chairman, BoG dated 3rd June 2021.
BoG-65 (2021-2)/ B-1	Vigilance Matters 1. <i>Case of Dr. Sanjay Sharma, Professor, Department of Mathematics, Bioinformatics & Computer Applications - Case related to RC 13(A)/2009/NGP against Dr. Sanjay Sharma, Ex-Dy Director, and Regional Officer, AICTE (Jawaharlal Darda Institute of Engineering and Technology, Yavatmal) and others</i> 2. <i>Case of Shri Harish Vaidya</i> A charge-sheet dated 18/02/2010 was served to Shri Harish Vaidya, Assistant Registrar on charges of committing some irregularities in work of "Extension of Laboratories A & B Blocks (TEQIP)" while he was Deputy Registrar (Accounts). He replied to the Charge sheet vide dated 18/03/2010 refuting all the charges. The matter was considered in the 56th BoG meeting in which the Board resolved that "<i>considering that Shri Harish Vaidya's role was limited to passing of bills submitted by Building Section</i>

with due checking and certificates, no case is made out against him, no further action is required in his case”.

However, the Vigilance Section of the Ministry, vide its letter dated 28th August, 2020 sought first stage advice proposal in case of Shri Harish Vaidya. Hence, the first stage advice proposal was sent the Ministry on date 19/10/2020 duly informing the decision of the 56th BoG meeting. In response, the Institute is in receipt of letter dated 26th February 2021 from Vigilance Section directing Institute that in terms of the stipulation of the charge-sheet dated 18/02/2010, disciplinary proceedings against the charged officer should be initiated in respect of those charges which are refuted by him, before reaching any conclusion of the case and to submit second stage advice proposal along with I.O. report and DA/CVO views in the prescribed format.

The Board in its 64th Meeting directed the Institute to initiate disciplinary proceedings against Shri Harish Vaidya, as per the instructions of the Vigilance Section of the Ministry. The Board authorized the Chairperson, BoG to appoint the Inquiry Officer and the Presenting Officer in this regard. Accordingly, the Chairperson gave approval of the following as Inquiry Officer and Presenting Officer:

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The Inquiry Report of the same is placed before the Board for consideration and necessary directions.

Decision of the Board

The Board directed the Institute to forward the case of Shri Harish Vaidya along with the Inquiry Report to the Vigilance Section of the Ministry of Education for second stage advise in the prescribed format.

3. Matters of five Employees in LRC related Case

With reference to 56th BoG decision on LRC related case under item No.BoG-56(2019-1)/B-1(d), the Board approved to issue show cause notice to the following officials for their role in the LRC case:

1. Shri A.K. Soni, Assistant Engineer
2. Shri Rajesh Lokhande, Assistant Registrar (Accounts)
3. Shri N.D. Joshi, Senior Assistant
4. Shri Alok Saxena, Supdt. and
5. Shri Ravindra Singh, Dealing Assistant

The show cause notice were give to these employees because their signature appeared on routine documents like financial approval proforma, evaluation sheet etc. In response to the show cause notice issued to them,

	they have submitted their reply. Accordingly Institute has constituted a Committee to examine the reply of these employees against memo. The Committee report along with copy of show cause notice and their representation are placed before the Board for consideration and necessary directions. Decision of the Board The Board directed the Institute to forward the entire case along with Committee Report and CVOs views to the Vigilance Section of the Ministry of Education for first stage advice in the prescribed format.
BoG-65 (2021-2)/ C-1	Adoption of CCS (Implementation of NPS) Rules, 2021 The CCS (Implementation of NPS) Rules, 2021 have been notified through gazette notification and have come into force w.e.f. 31 March 2021. Since these rules seek to introduce many important changes in NPS, hence are placed for kind perusal of the Board. It is for kind clarification that Govt's NPS scheme is made applicable to the Institute under clause 29 of the First Statutes of NITs. Like other rules made applicable through Statutes (CCS Leave Rules, CCS CCA Rules, CCS Conduct Rules, CCS LTC rules, CCS Pension Rules, CCA MA Rules etc), any order issued/change effected in the original scheme or rules becomes automatically applicable to the Institute. However, if it is considered necessary to still adopt the change introduced by CCS (NPS) Rules, 2021, same may kindly be done. The matter is placed before the Board for adoption CCS (Implementation of NPS) Rules, 2021. Decision of the Board The Board Members opined that the proposal for Adoption of CCS (Implementation of NPS) Rules, 2021 and DCRG for NPS subscribers for the autonomous bodies notified in the year 2016 may be forwarded to the NIT Bureau of the Ministry of Education for consideration.
BoG-65 (2021-2)/ C-2	Considering Terminal Benefits for the Family of Late Dr. Ramjeevan Singh Thakur, Professor In the recent wave of COVID-19 infections, Institute lost 07 Nos. of its employees. One of these employees, Late Dr. Ramjeevan Singh Thakur, Professor, Deptt. of Mathematics and Computer Applications was covered under New Pension Scheme (NPS). Under the Govt. of India orders issued in year 2009, employees covered under NPS and dying in harness were provisionally covered under Old Pension Scheme (CCS Pension Rules). However, vide Gazette notification dated 31/03/2021, CCS (Implementation of NPS) Rules, 2021 have come into force. As per Rule 10 (6)(i) of the said Rules, in case of any NPS subscriber dying before 15 years of service or dying within three years of notification of these rules, his

family has to be granted family pension as per CCS (Pension) Rules, as a default option. It is clarified that a reading of Rule 10(1) implies that the CCS (Pension) rules benefits are in their entirety and thus includes Death Gratuity as well.

As per newly introduced change in NPS Rules, family of late Dr. Thakur has to be granted family pension as well as death gratuity, while the fund standing to credit of his NPS account to the extent reflecting employer's contribution will be transferred back to the account of MANIT.

However, it is also clarified that DCRG has been made applicable to Govt. NPS subscribers vide GOI orders issued in 2016, but it appears that same benefit is not yet extended to NPS subscribers of autonomous bodies. In above background, Board may like to decide that whether death gratuity can be released to nominees of late Dr. Thakur in view of the CCS (Implementation of NPS) Rules, 2021. It is also clarified that since the Govt.'s NPS scheme is made applicable to the Institute through Statutes, and hence any orders issued under the scheme by Govt. becomes applicable to NPS subscribers of the Institute, thus the Board may kindly like to assess whether gratuity benefits of NPS subscribers can be withheld lawfully, especially when the scheme has been made applicable in toto by the Statutes.

The matter is placed before the Board for consideration and further guidance.

Decision of the Board

The Board directed the institute to explore the possibility under Regulation 6 (e) of the Pension Fund Regulatory and Development Authority (Exits and Withdrawals Under the National Pension System) Regulations 2015 where it spells that *"If the subscriber or the family members of the deceased subscriber, upon his death, avails the option of additional relief on death or disability provided by the Government, the Government shall have right to adjust or seek transfer of the entire accumulated pension wealth of the subscriber to itself. The subscriber or family members of the subscriber availing such benefit shall specifically and unconditionally agree and undertake to transfer the entire accumulated pension wealth to the Government, in lieu of enjoying or obtaining such additional reliefs like family pension or disability pension or any other pensionary benefit from such Government authority"*.

Vide PFRDA/2016/13/Exit/05 dated [22nd June 2016](#), PFRD has provided guidelines for adjustment / transfer of accumulated pension wealth in the subscriber account to the government nodal office in the event of the government providing an additional benefit in the nature of family pension to the family member/subscriber upon request. This is applicable only if the concerned central or State Government is offering such additional relief by way of family pension to its employee.

	The Board directed the institute to communicate with Central Record Keeping Agency (CRA) of NPS to provide approximate pension per month that can be derived from the purchase of an annuity for the accumulated pension wealth under NPS in the subscriber account in case of late Dr. R.S. Thakur. The Board directed that, in the first instance, the Institute is required to thoroughly examine the proposal as per the relevant provisions in the PFRDA (Exists and Withdrawals under the NPS) regulations and the subsequent instructions relating to Central Autonomous Bodies and bring a self-contained proposal in this regard in the next meeting.																											
BoG-65 (2021-2)/ C-3	Appointment of Temporary Faculty for the Academic Session July to December 2021 The appointment of existing temporary faculty is expiring on 30th June 2021. The regular appointments could not be completed, due to restricted movement and frequent lockdown because of pandemic COVID-19 situation. Considering the number of existing regular and temporary faculty and the new courses to be started in three Departments, institute requires 36 temporary faculty on priority basis for the upcoming semesters. The department-wise requirement of temporary faculty is as under: <table><tr><th>S.No.</th><th>Name of Department</th><th>No. of Requirement</th></tr><tr><td>01.</td><td>Computer Science & Engineering</td><td>11</td></tr><tr><td>02.</td><td>Materials & Metallurgical Engineering</td><td>01</td></tr><tr><td>03.</td><td>Architecture & Planning</td><td>04</td></tr><tr><td>04.</td><td>Mathematics, Bioinformatics & Computer Applications</td><td>09</td></tr><tr><td>05.</td><td>Management Studies</td><td>02</td></tr><tr><td>06.</td><td>Physics</td><td>05</td></tr><tr><td>07.</td><td>Chemistry</td><td>04</td></tr><tr><td colspan="2">Total</td><td>36</td></tr></table> The matter is placed before the Board for consideration. Decision of the Board The Board approved the appointment of Temporary Faculty for the Academic Session July 2021 to June 2022 which is within the faculty sanctioned strength against the vacant positions.	S.No.	Name of Department	No. of Requirement	01.	Computer Science & Engineering	11	02.	Materials & Metallurgical Engineering	01	03.	Architecture & Planning	04	04.	Mathematics, Bioinformatics & Computer Applications	09	05.	Management Studies	02	06.	Physics	05	07.	Chemistry	04	Total		36
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BoG-65 (2021-2)/ C-4	Extension of Lien Period of Dr. Jai Prakash Jaiswal, Assistant Professo Deptt. of Mathematics, Bioinformatics & Computer Applications Dr. Jai Prakash Jaiswal, Assistant Professor, Deptt. of Mathematics, Bioinformatics & Computer Applications was relieved on 23 June 2020 from Institute service on lien for one year to join as Associate Professor in Guru Ghasidas Vishwavidyalaya, Bilaspur, vide Institute order dated																											

	22/06/2020. Now, Institute is in receipt of representation dated 21/05/2021 from Dr Jaiswal requesting extension of Lien for one more year. In this connection, clause 3(a) of Schedule D of the NIT Statutes provides for maximum lien period of 3 years. Hence, Appointing Authority may like to decide on extension of lien period of Dr. Jaiswal for another one year effective from 23 June 2021. The matter is placed before the Board for consideration. Decision of the Board The Board approved the extension of lien period of Dr. Jaiswal for another one year effective from 23 June 2021.
BoG-65 (2021-2)/ C-5	Grievances of Dr. Vasudev Dehalwar, Assistant Professor – seeking appointment with Chairperson, BoG Dr. Vasudev Dehalwar, Assistant Professor, Department of Computer Science & Engineering, has made one representation dated 28/12/2020 on various grievances, complaints and seek an appointment with the Chairperson, BoG. The point-wise grievance in brief of Dr. Dehalwar are as under: 1. Dr. Dehalwar has mentioned the background of his briefing the BoG Chairperson of his alleged demotion case, during Chairperson's meeting with faculty members. 2. Dr. Dehalwar has mentioned that what submissions he made to the BoG Chairperson while personally approaching him in faculty meeting. 3. Dr. Dehalwar sought the Inquiry Committee Report for his alleged demotion. 4. As per Dr. Dehalwar, Chairperson did not give him time for his complaints regarding Registrar's recruitment process. 5. As per Dr. Dehalwar, Director should not have been Chairperson of the Selection Committee for the post of Registrar. 6. Institute Security is not fully manned by Ex-service person, due to which Dr. Dehalwar and his family lives under threat. 7. Institute authorities misused their authority by sending Dr. Dehalwar's caste certificate for verification to issuing authorities without informing to Dr. Dehalwar. 8. His salary from May 2016 to July 2017 was stopped without any reason. 9. Since his unauthorised leaves (while he was in Australia) are now regularised, Institute should fix responsibility on concerned for issuing him show cause notices for unauthorised leave. 10. His May 2018 salary was made zero without providing him any

	recovery order. 11.He has not received any information from Institute regarding his grievance on faculty recruitment. 12.Despite being senior most Assistant Professor, he has not been nominated as Board member. 13.Institute authorities sent letters to different officials in Australia for seeking information on scholarship and salary received by him in Australia, without his knowledge. 14.The Institute has withheld two of his CPDA reimbursement bills. 15.Institute delayed his Fulbright Nehru fellowship application for more than three months. 16.His EL are not credited in his leave account since 2012. 17.His annual increments have not been released between 2012 to 2018. 18.His salary of May 2016 was not credited. 19.Institute should stop citing CCA rules without application of mind. To address the grievances of Dr. Dehalwar, the Institute constituted a Committee of following Members: <table><tr><td>1. Dr. Jyoti Singhai</td><td>Dean (Faculty Welfare)</td><td>Chairman</td></tr><tr><td>2. Dr. JL Bhagoria</td><td>Dean (Students Welfare)</td><td>Member</td></tr><tr><td>3. Dr. Namita Srivastava</td><td>Professor and Member BoG</td><td>Member</td></tr><tr><td>4. Shri Gautam Kumawat</td><td>Dy. Registrar</td><td>Member</td></tr></table> The above Committee submitted its report dated 16/06/2021, which is placed before the Board for consideration and further guidance. Decision of the Board The Board directed the Institute to convey the fact finding committee report to Dr. Vasudev Dehalwar with a copy to the Ministry of Education.	1. Dr. Jyoti Singhai	Dean (Faculty Welfare)	Chairman	2. Dr. JL Bhagoria	Dean (Students Welfare)	Member	3. Dr. Namita Srivastava	Professor and Member BoG	Member	4. Shri Gautam Kumawat	Dy. Registrar	Member
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BoG-65 (2021-2)/ C-6	Committee for Performance Review on completion of one year service of Registrar A new sub-clause (3) was inserted in Clause 21 of NIT Statute by amendment carried out by the Gazette Notification in 2017. The newly included clause provides that <i>the review of performance of the Registrar upon completion of one year of service may be carried out by the Committee to be constituted by the Board.</i> For performance review of previous Registrar, the Committee appointed by the Board in its 56th meeting had following constitution: <table><tr><td>(a) Director</td><td>Chairman</td></tr><tr><td>(b) One of the Deans</td><td>Member</td></tr><tr><td>(c) One Board Member</td><td>Member</td></tr><tr><td>(d) Registrar of any IIT/NIT</td><td>Member</td></tr></table> Present incumbent Registrar will be completing one year of service on 31st	(a) Director	Chairman	(b) One of the Deans	Member	(c) One Board Member	Member	(d) Registrar of any IIT/NIT	Member				
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	August 2020. Hence, the Board may like to constitute a suitable committee for the purpose. The matter is placed before the Board for consideration. Decision of the Board The Board authorized the Chairperson, BoG to constitute the Committee in consultation with the Director.
BoG-65 (2021-2)/ D-1	44th Finance Committee Minutes for the record of the Board The 44th Finance Committee meeting was held on 23rd March 2021 followed by the 64th Board meeting. The minutes of the 44th Finance Committee are placed for record of the Board. Decision of the Board The Board noted the matter.
BoG-65 (2021-2)/ D-2	45th Finance Committee Minutes for the record of the Board The 45th Finance Committee meeting scheduled on 28th June 2021 at 10.30 AM. The recorded minutes of the 45th Finance Committee once finalized shall be placed at the next meeting for record. The special items discussed in the 45th FC meeting needs specific approval from BoG are as under: 1. Approval for Inviting Project Proposals/Startups and Seed Grant Funding Support to Rolta Incubation Centre 2.. 35th BWC Items requiring recommendation of the Finance Committee: i) Sewage Treatment Plant (STP) - Reporting Item ii) Deviation Report of the tentative closing cost of the 600 Bedded New Girls Hostel: iii) Construction of Open Drain and CC Road near Hostel No. 3 & 4 iv) Miscellaneous Civil Works for Workshops, 1 No. of Basketball Court & 1 No. of Sump Well v) Miscellaneous Civil Works at Various Locations vi) Replacing of Windows in Main Institute Building vii) Minor Civil Renovation, Repair & Maintenance Works for Approval viii) Electrical Maintenance Works for Approval ix) Repair and Maintenance of ROLTA Incubation Centre x) Re-location of Hut near VIP Guest House 3. Deviation of Bid Price from the original HEFA sanction Loan for creating the Central Research Facilities (CRF) 4. Adoption of Annual Accounts for the Financial Year 2020-2021 Decision of the Board The Board approved the recommendations/decision of the 45th Finance Committee held on 28/06/2021.

BoG-65 (2021-1)/ D-3	Minutes of 35th Meeting of the Building and Works Committee The 35th meeting of the Building and Works Committee (BWC) was held on June 2021 and its minutes are placed before the Board for kind perusal. Decision of the Board The Board noted the matter.
BoG-65 (2021-2)/ D-4	Minutes of 45th Senate Meeting for the record of the Board The Minutes of the 45th Senate meeting held on 23rd April 2021 are placed for consideration of the Board for record. Decision of the Board The Board noted the matter.
BoG-65 (2021-2)/ D-5	Minutes of 46th Senate Meeting for the record of the Board The 46th Meeting of the Senate is proposed to be held on 18th June 2021 at 11.00 AM. The recorded minutes of the 46th Senate once finalized shall be placed at the next meeting for record. Decision of the Board The minutes of the 46th Senate meeting held on 18/06/2021 were circulated to all Members and the Board noted the matter.
BoG-65 (2021-2)/ E	Reporting Items 1. Promotion Case of Shri Purshottam Gond Pursuant to recommendations of DPC meeting dated 09/04/2019, accepted in the 56th BoG Meeting held on 28th June 2019, Shri Purshottam Gond was found fit for promotion on the post of Technician Selection Grade II (PB-1, GP 2800) Level-5, effective date 09/04/2019, but the promotion order was not issued due to sub-judice court case (WP-25247-2018) in the Hon'ble High Court. Since the aforesaid case disposed on 01/02/2021, as such aforesaid promotion order in respect of Shri Purshottam Gond was issued on 30th March 2021. Decision of the Board The Board noted the matter. 2. Promotion Case of Shri Prashant Bhatnagar The 56th BOG meeting had accepted the DPC-2018 recommendations. One of these recommendations concerned promotion of Shri Prashant Bhatnagar, Superintendent to the post of Sr. Superintendent. However, the said recommendation was not implemented as the concerned employee was having legal case against the Institute for not implementing the promotion which the previous Director Dr. Appu Kuttan had granted him without routing through DPC. The employee has now withdrawn the case vide order dated 28-01-2016 of Hon'ble Madhya Pradesh High Court. In view of withdrawal of case, the promotion of the employee can now be

	implemented from the date of DPC meeting i.e. 30-11-2018. Decision of the Board The Board noted the matter.
	3. Memorandum of Understandings: <i>i) MOU with Ministry of Education (MoE):</i> Institute has signed the MOU with MoE for year 2021-22 which is similar to the one Board had approved for signing last years. The data in the annexure to the MOU has been updated as per format provided by the MoE. A copy of the MOU signed is placed for ratification of the Board. Decision of the Board The Board noted the matter. <i>ii) MOU with Indian Space Research Organization (ISRO):</i> A Memorandum of Understanding for setting-up of Space Technology Incubation Centre between ISRO and MANIT, Bhopal has been signed on 18th March 2021. The ISRO has desirous of setting up of a Space Technology Incubation Centre (S-TIC) at MANIT, Bhopal, to attract and nurture the young academia with innovative ideas/research aptitude for carrying out research, motivating and supporting them to initiate the startups and business in the field of space technology and applications and developing the Academia-Industry ecosystem for space technology in the whole of the Central Region of our country. Whereas MANIT has facilities, laboratories and expert faculties to enable/guide the young academia to realize their innovative ideas/research aptitude into elements which can be utilized for space technology and applications and help them to become future budding entrepreneurs. The MoU shall remain valid for two years from the date of agreement. Decision of the Board The Board noted the matter. <i>iii) MoU with MP Pollution Control Board and Jabalpur Nagar Nigam</i> A Memorandum of Understanding between Madhya Pradesh Pollution Control Board and Jabalpur Nagar Nigam with MANIT, Bhopal has been signed to tackle the air pollution. The Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change, Govt. of India has launched the National Clean Air Programme (NCAP) for plan India to tackle the air pollution problem across the country. NCAP is envisaged as a collaborative, cross sectoral and multi-stakeholder programme to tackle all sources of air pollution. For the City of Jabalpur (MP), the National Knowledge Network of NCAP in consultation with ULB has chosen MANIT, Bhopal as the IoR to function as a technical partner and provide technical assistance to the ULB and SPCB.

Decision of the Board

The Board noted the matter.

iv) MoU with MP Pollution Control Board and Nagar Nigam, Gwalior City

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Decision of the Board

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4. Joining of newly recruited Non-Teaching Staff:

Reference to Advt. no. Estt/NFR/2019/O/ 02&07 dated June 21, 2019 and subsequent recommendation of the Selection Committee & offer of appointment, the following Officers has joined the Institute;

S.No.	Name	Designation	Date of Joining
01.	Sh. Shriniwas Yadav	Technical Officer (CRF)	22/04/2021
02.	Sh. Abhishek Sahni	Technical Officer (CCF)	15/06/2021
03.	Sh. Anil Mistri	Assistant Registrar	03/05/2021
04.	Sh. Manav Kumar Singh	Assistant Registrar	13/05/2021

Decision of the Board

	The Board noted the matter.
	5. Status of Pending Grievances The grievances are being received by the Institute through online mode of Centralized Public Grievance Redress and Monitoring System (CPGRAMS). All the grievances are attended and replies were given within the stipulated time period. This year we have received four grievances and there is no pending grievance with the Institute. Decision of the Board The Board noted the matter.
	6. Change of Deans i) Additional charge of Dean (Academic) has been given to Dr. Arvind Mittal in place of Dr. N.D. Mittal, with effect from 27th April 2021, in addition to his responsibility as Dean (R & C). ii) Additional charge of Dean (Students Welfare) has been given to Dr. Manisha Dubey in place of Dr. J.L Bhagoria, with effect from 1st May 2021, in addition to her responsibility as Dean (ID). Decision of the Board The Board noted the matter.
	7. Status of Legal Cases The summary of pending legal cases shall be placed on table of the BoG during the meeting. Decision of the Board The matter was deferred as the list of court cases was not ready, due to the untimely death of the concerned Dealing Assistant.
	8. Status of LRC Matter
BoG-65 (2021-2)/ F	Any other item(s) with permission of the Chair 1. Lien Application of Shri Gautam Kumawat, Deputy Registrar Shri Gautam Kumawat, Deputy Registrar (Establishment) has applied for grant of lien for joining Pondicherry University (PU), Puducherry as Deputy Registrar, and has requested for relieving on 23rd July 2021. The validity of offer of PU is upto 30 July 2021. He was appointed in Institute on 02 September 2013 the post of Assistant Registrar as direct recruit and was confirmed in service two years later. As per Recruitment Rules, he was placed in higher pay (Pay Level 11) w.e.f. 02 September 2018, upon completion of five years service in Level

	10. Subsequently, he was relieved on 21 October 2020 on lien to join higher post of Deputy Registrar at Tata Institute of Social Sciences (TISS), Hyderabad off campus. However, upon being selected on the same post in MANIT, he returned to MANIT to join the Lien post of Assistant Registrar on 01 January 2021 and on the same day joined the offered post of Deputy Registrar on the probation period of one year. He had participated in the recruitment process for the post of Deputy Registrar at Pondicherry University (advertised in year 2018) with due permissions of the Institute. The reason offered by him to join the same level of post else-where is better medical treatment and facilities for his son who is diagnosed with a rare incurable genetic disorder (Charcot-Marrie-Tooth Disease 4C variant – CMT 4C). In this connection, clause 3(a) of Schedule D of the NIT Statutes provides for maximum lien period of 3 years. DoPT orders on the subject provide for lien period of two years, which can be extended in exceptional circumstances upto 3 years. Clause 3.4.1 of consolidated technical resignation and lien guidelines dated 17 August 2016 of DOPT provides that <i>an employee's lien on a post may in no circumstances be terminated even with his consent if the result will be to leave him without a lien upon a permanent post.</i> As per above DoPT guidelines, lien is available all employees who are confirmed in entry post, and if promoted to higher post then lien is available for higher post also provided that probation on higher post is completed. Since the lien held by him is for Assistant Registrar, and appointment on higher post of Deputy Registrar is still in probation, he is entitled only for lien on entry post of Assistant Registrar only and not on the post of Deputy Registrar. The lien granted to him for joining TISS came to end when he joined back the lien post on 01 January 2021 and commended again on same date when he joined the post of Deputy Registrar on probation. Thus he is entitled to lien period for two years (upto 31st December 2022), and for another one year in exceptional circumstances. However, Institute grants lien for one year at a time further extendable for one more year. If one year lien is granted to him, it will be upto 31st December 2021. Appointing Authority may like to take suitable decision on the matter. Decision of the Board The Board approved one year lien period to Shri Gautam Kumawat on his regular post of Assistant Registrar in MANIT for joining the Pondicherry University as Deputy Registrar. Board directed that the date of relieving may be decided by the institute.
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The Chairperson, BoG, wished to place on record his thanks to each Member of the Board of Governors for their cooperation and active participation as well as suggestions provided during the meetings of the BoG, that were valuable in protecting the interest of

the institution and in strengthening the institution by bringing considerable reforms in its functioning and facilitating up-gradation of infrastructure and encouraging academics. This is his last BoG meeting, as his tenure comes to an end on 1st July 2021.

Maj. General Shyam Shrivatava appreciated efforts and approach of Chairperson in resolving all the matters in legal and professional manner through healthy discussion during the meetings.

On behalf of the BoG Members, Faculty, Staff and Students of MANIT and on his personal behalf Professor N. S. Raghuwanshi, Director MANIT paid his gratitude to Prof. Bhim Singh, out-going Hon'ble Chairperson, BoG, for his immense contribution to overall development of the Institute. During his Chairpersonship, Institute has successfully completed recruitment for various teaching and non-teaching positions, revised UG/PG curricula, started new courses, concluded various vigilance and disciplinary matters and completed various infrastructure projects. Prof. Bhim Singh empowered MANIT, Bhopal with the power of knowledge and helped the Institute to move ahead with unending motivation. Thanks for all support and guidance, you are true inspiration.

Prof. Raghuwanshi requested the Ministry of Education to renew his tenure as Chairperson, BoG for the second term.

The meeting ended with thanks to the Chair.

Registrar & Secretary BOG
MANIT Bhopal