

**MAULANA AZAD
NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY BHOPAL
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**Minutes of the 78th Meeting of the
Board of Governors**

Date: 09/10/2024

Time: 12.00 Noon

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

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The 78th Meeting of the Board of Governors of Maulana Azad National Institute of Technology Bhopal was scheduled on 27th September 2024 at 4.00 PM in the Institute Committee Room, Director's Office, MANIT Campus Bhopal. Due to non-fulfilling of full quorum, the 78th BoG meeting was postponed to 9th October 2024 at 12.00 Noon. The following Members were present:

1. Prof. K.K. Shukla, Director, MANIT and Officiating Chairperson, BoG
2. Ms. Veena Dunga, Deputy Secretary, NITs, represented the Joint Secretary (NITs – HE), Ministry of Education, Govt. of India, Member (participated through Video-Conferencing)
3. Shri N.S. Bisht, Dy. Secretary (IFD), Ministry of Education, Govt. of India, Member (participated through Video-Conferencing)
4. Shri Raghuraj Rajendran, Secretary, Department of Technical Education & Skill Development, Govt. of M.P., Member (participated through Video-Conferencing)
5. Prof. Dhinakaran Shanmugam, Professor represented the Director, IIT Indore, Member (participated through Video-Conferencing)
6. Prof. Shailendra Jain, Professor, Dept. of Electrical Engineering, MANIT, Member
7. Dr. Bholanath Roy, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Computer Science & Engineering, MANIT, Member
8. Shri Binod Doley, Registrar & Secretary, BoG

Prof. K.K Shukla, Director, MANIT and officiating Chairperson, BoG welcomed all the Members especially (i) Prof. Shailendra Jain and (ii) Dr. Bholanath Roy, Senate Nominees to the Board, in the Meeting. Thereafter, the Agenda was taken up.

Item No.	Agenda Item and Board Resolutions
BoG-78 (2024-5)/A-1	CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE 77th BOG MEETING HELD ON 26/07/2024 The recorded Minutes of the 77th Meeting of Board of Governors (BoG) held on 26/07/2024 were circulated to all Members through e-mail on 1st August 2024 for suggestions/modifications, if any, latest by 6th August 2024 and hard copy was sent on 7th August 2024. No comments have been received from BoG Members. The minutes are placed for consideration of Members for confirmation. Decision of the Board The Board confirmed the Minutes of 77th BoG Meeting held on 26/07/2024.
BoG-78 (2024-5)/A-2	ACTION TAKEN REPORT (ATR) ON THE DECISIONS OF 77th BOG MEETING The Action Taken Report (ATR) on the decisions of the 77th 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 77th BoG.
BoG-78 (2024-5)/A-3	RATIFICATION OF DECISION(S) APPROVED BY CIRCULATION AND APPROVALS OF CHAIRPERSON, BOG 1. Extension of Suspension Period of Dr. Alok Mittal, Professor, Department of Chemistry

	2. Nomination of one Professor and one Assistant Professor by the Senate to the BoG under NITSER Act 2007 under Clause 11(f) The tenure of existing Senate Nominees for Board of Governors (BOG) Prof. Manisha Dubey (Professor) and Dr. Amit Ojha (Assistant Professor) was concluded on 12.09.2024. Now under clause 11 (f) of NITSER Act, One Professor and one Assistant Professor or a Lecturer of the institute is to be nominated by the senate as Senate nominee to the BoG. In order to nominate new Senate Nominee, an emergent 58th Senate Meeting was called on 27/09/2024 to nominate one Professor and one Assistant Professor as Senate nominee for the BOG of the Institute. Accordingly, the Senate resolved to authorize Chairman Senate to nominate and approve one Professor and one Assistant Professor as Senate Nominee for the institute BOG as per clause 11(f) of NITSER Act 2007. As per NITSER Act 2007, the quorum of meeting of the Board shall be six members. Presently due to conclusion of the tenure of Chairman BoG, expiry of the tenure of two institute members nominated by Senate, only one State Government nominee and previous vacant position of two NIT Council nominees in Board, the quorum of the Board is not complete. Therefore, in view of urgency and requirement of full quorum for conducting the future Board meeting, the Chairman, Senate approved the following Professor and Assistant Professor as Senate Nominee for inclusion as member in BOG under clause 11(f) of NITSER Act 2007 1. Prof. Shailendra Jain, Professor (HAG), Dept. of Electrical Engineering 2. Dr. Bholanath Roy, Assistant Professor, Grade- I, Dept. of Computer Science and Engineering The Board may kindly consider and approve the proposed Professor and Assistant Professor as Senate Nominee for inclusion as Member in BOG under Clause 11(f) of NITSER Act 2007. Decision of the Board The Board ratified and approved the Senate Nominees namely (i) Prof. Shailendra Jain, Professor of Electrical Engineering and (ii) Dr. Bholanath Roy, Assistant Professor of Computer Science and Engineering for inclusion as Member in the BoG under Clause 11(f) of NITSER Act 2007.
BoG-78 (2024-5)/B-1	RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE SELECTION COMMITTEE FOR THE RECRUITMENT OF NON-TEACHING POSITIONS (GROUP – A)
BoG-78 (2024-5)/B-2	RECOMMENDATION OF THE SELECTION COMMITTEE FOR THE SELECTION OF FACULTY POSITIONS
BoG-78 (2024-5)/B-3	INQUIRY REPORT SUBMITTED BY THE INQUIRY OFFICER ON THE DEPARTMENTAL ENQUIRY AGAINST DR. ASHUTOSH SHARMA, PROFESSOR, DEPARTMENT OF ARCHITECTURE & PLANNING

BoG-78 (2024-5)/B-4	VIGILANCE CLEARANCE OF INTERNAL CANDIDATES APPLIED FOR ROLLING ADVERTISEMENT FOR FACULTY RECRUITMENT AND NOT SUBMITTED ANNUAL IMMOVABLE PROPERTY RETURNS
BoG-78 (2024-5)/B-5	REPRESENTATION DTD. 10.09.2024 OF DR. SANJAY SHARMA, PROFESSOR, DEPARTMENT OF MATHEMATICS, BIOINFORMATICS & COMPUTER APPLICATIONS WITH REFERENCE TO OFFICE ORDER NO. AB/INQ./2024/VIG-06/925 DTD. 21.08.2024 TO IMPOSE MINOR PENALTY OF CENSURE AGAINST HIM
BoG-78 (2024-5)/B-6	ESTABLISHING POST DOCTORAL FELLOWSHIP (PDFs) IN DIFFERENT DEPARTMENTS OF THE INSTITUTE The institute is looking forward to establishing Post-Doctoral Fellowships (PDFs) in different departments. One fellowship each is proposed to be granted to ten departments. This includes: Department of Architecture & Planning, Department of Biological Science & Engineering, Department of Chemical Engineering, Department of Chemistry, Department of Civil Engineering, Department of Computer Science & Engineering, Department of Electrical Engineering, Department of Electronics & Communication Engineering, Department of Materials & Metallurgical Engineering, Department of Mechanical Engineering, Department of MBC and Department of Physics. The fellowship will be Rs. 65000/- per month. The selected fellow will have to write and submit a Research Project Proposal within one year of his joining the PDF program. If approved, a suitable format will be devised for this purpose which will be based on UGC and DST rules, regulations and norms. Other terms & conditions will be as formulated by the institute. Funds for the PDF to be arranged through internal sources (IRG of the Institute). The 54th Senate meeting held on 02.02.2024 has approved the above proposal in-principle and constituted a committee to setup norms, under the Chairmanship of Prof. R. M. Sarviya, Prof. K. K. Dhote, Prof. S. K. Katiyar and Prof. Rajnish Kurchania are the members of the committee. The above committee have submitted the proposal. Place for kind consideration and approval of the Board. Decision of the Board: The Board approved the proposal of the institute to establish 10 Post Doctoral Fellowship (PDFs) in different departments and to follow the rules and regulation issued by UGC/DST/Govt. of India, if any, in this regard. Funds for the PDF to be arranged through internal sources (IRG of the institute).
BoG-78 (2024-5)/B-7	PROPOSAL FOR COMMENCEMENT OF NEW UG, PG COURSES - As per 57th Senate meeting held on 20.08.2024, Item No. S-57.2024-IV-2.1 "Proposals from the Energy Centre for commencement of one new UG course - B.Tech. in Energy and Electric Vehicles Engineering and one new PG course – M. Sc. in Energy Economics & Management, w. e. f. academic session 2025-26". The Senate in its 57th Senate meeting has approved the above 02 courses and agreed to start these courses from the academic session 2025-26. The details of the above UG and PG courses are submitted for kind consideration and approval of the Board. - As per 57th Senate meeting held on 20.08.2024, Item No. S-57.2024-IV-2.2 "Proposal

	from the Civil Engineering Department for commencement of new course titled M. Tech. in Infrastructure Engineering and Construction Management” from the academic session 2025-26. The Senate in its 57th Senate meeting has in principle approved the above course and agreed to start the course from the academic session 2025-26. The details of the above PG course are submitted for kind consideration and approval of the Board. Decision of the Board: The Board approved the proposal for commencement of one new UG course i.e. B.Tech in Energy and Electric Vehicles Engineering, one new PG course i.e. M.Sc. in Energy Economics & Management and new course title M.Tech. in Infrastructure Engineering and Construction Management from the academic session 2025-26, without any financial implication.
BoG-78 (2024-5)/B-8	NOMINATION OF MEMBERS OF BOARD OF GOVERNORS TO FINANCE COMMITTEE AND BUILDING AND WORKS COMMITTEE Chairman, Senate approved the following Professor and Assistant Professor as Senate Nominee for inclusion as Member in BOG under Clause 11(f) of NITSER Act 2007 and ratified (circulation agenda dated 30.09.2024) and placed in the 78th Board Meeting for approval. 1. Prof. Shailendra Jain, Professor (HAG), Dept. of Electrical Engineering 2. Dr. Bholanath Roy, Assistant Professor, Grade- I, Dept. of Computer Science and Engineering Accordingly the new Senate Nominees to the Board may also be nominated as Member in the Finance Committee and Building and Works Committee as proposed below: I. As per clause 10 of the NIT Statute, the composition of Finance Committee is consisting of following members: (i) The Chairperson Board of Governors, ex-officio Member (ii) The Director, ex-officio Member (iii) The Joint Secretary dealing with National Institutes of Technology or his nominee and Financial Advisor (Human Resource Department) or his nominee- Members (iv) Two persons nominated by the Board from amongst its Members; and (v) The Registrar, ex-officio, Member- Secretary Provided that in addition to the above, the Chairperson may, in consultation with the Director, co-opt a Member as and when found necessary. Four Members of Finance Committee shall form a quorum for a meeting of the Finance Committee. Board is requested to nominate Prof. Shailendra Jain in the Finance Committee. II. As per clause 12 of the NIT Statute, the composition of Building and Works Committee is consisting of following members (i) The Director, Ex-officio (ii) Director or Deputy Secretary or his nominee dealing with National Institutes of Technology in the Ministry and Director or Deputy Secretary or his

	nominee dealing with Finance of the National Institutes of Technology in the Ministry as ex-officio Members of the Central Government (iii) One Member nominated by the Board of Governors (iv) Registrar, Ex-officio, Member Secretary (v) Dean Planning and Development or similar position- Member, and (vi) One Member each from Civil and Electrical Engineering Wing of Central or State Government or any autonomous body of repute- Member Four Members shall form a quorum of a meeting of Building and Works Committee. Board is requested to nominate Dr. Bholanath Roy in the Building and Works Committee. Decision of the Board: The Board, as per Clause 10 & 12 of the NIT Statute, approved to nominate Prof. Shailendra Jain as Member in the Finance Committee and Dr. Bholanath Roy as Member in the Building and Works Committee of the Institute.
BoG-78 (2024-5)/C-1	MINUTES OF THE 52ND MEETING OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE FOR THE RECORD OF THE BOARD The 52nd meeting of the Finance Committee was held on 19/06/2024 and the items were discussed and approved by the 76th BoG. The minutes of the 52nd FC are placed for perusal of the Board. Decision of the Board: The Board approved the minutes of 52nd meeting of the Finance Committee held on 19.06.2024.
BoG-78 (2024-5)/C-2	DECISIONS OF THE 53RD FINANCE COMMITTEE FOR CONSIDERATION OF THE BOARD The 53rd Finance Committee meeting is scheduled on 09/10/2024 at 11.30 AM. The recorded minutes of the 53rd Finance Committee once finalized shall be placed at the next meeting for record. The special items discussed in the 53rd FC meeting needs specific approval from BoG are as under: 1. Proposed Revised Budget Estimates for F.Y.2024-2025 and Budget Estimated for F.Y.2025-2026 2. Research Grant/Seed Money to newly joined Faculty Members 3. Separate Audit Report (SAR) for the Financial year 2023-2024 4. Proposal For Commencement of New UG, PG Courses 5. 42nd BWC Items requiring recommendation of the Finance Committee: (i) Renovation and Maintenance work of Hostel No.1 & 2 at MANIT Bhopal – Rs.7,45,66,400.00; (ii) Assessment of dilapidated/abandoned structures for demolition/renovation at MANIT Campus; (iii) Construction of Steel Dome/Public Meeting Hall/Auditorium/Convocation Centre at MANIT, Bhopal; (iv) Deviation in the work of construction of covered walkway from Hostel No. 1 to back gate of Hostel No. 4 for MANIT Bhopal – Rs.23,49,846.00; (v) Minor Civil Renovation, Repair & Maintenance Works for ratification and approval – Rs. 173.80 lakhs and Rs.24,25,846.00 Decision of the Board: The Board approved the decisions of 53rd Finance Committee meeting held on 09.10.2024. Regarding the Research Grant/Seed Money for newly joined faculty members, the Board directed that the Institute should monitor their progress through constituted committee and periodically provide progress reports to the Board.

BoG-78 (2024-5)/C-3	MINUTES OF THE 57TH SENATE MEETING FOR THE RECORD OF THE BOARD The 57th Senate Meeting of the Institute was held on 20/08/2024. The minutes of the said Senate meeting are placed for information and record of the Board. Decision of the Board: The Board approved the minutes of the 57th Senate Meeting held on 20.08.2024.
BoG-78 (2024-5)/C-4	MINUTES OF THE 58TH SENATE MEETING FOR THE RECORD OF THE BOARD The 58th Senate Meeting of the Institute was held on 27th September 2024. The minutes of the said Senate meeting are placed for information and record of the Board. Decision of the Board: The Board approved the minutes of 58th Senate Meeting held on 27.09.2024.
BoG-78 (2024-5)/C-5	MINUTES OF THE 42ND BUILDING AND WORKS COMMITTEE (BWC) MEETING FOR THE RECORD OF THE BOARD The 42nd meeting of the Building and Works Committee (BWC) of the Institute was held on 25/09/2024 and its minutes are placed for consideration and approval of the BoG. Decision of the Board: The Board approved the minutes of 42nd Building and Works Committee (BWC) held on 25.09.2024.
BoG-78 (2024-5)/D	REPORTING ITEMS An MoU has been executed between CSIR-Central Road Research Institute, New Delhi and MANIT Bhopal on 6th September 2024 for enhancing within the Country the availability of highly qualified manpower in the area of road and transportation sector without any prejudice to prevailing rules and regulations in CSIR-CRRI and MANIT Bhopal and without any disregard to any mechanism evolved and approved by the competent authority under Govt. of India in so far as such mechanism applies to CSIR-CRRI and MANIT Bhopal. The areas of cooperation can be extended through mutual consent. This is for information of the Board. Decision of the Board The Board noted the matter.

As there were no any other matters for discussion, the meeting ended with thanks to the Chair.