

**MAULANA AZAD
NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY BHOPAL**
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**Minutes of the 86th Meeting of the
Board of Governors**

Date: 28/08/2025

Time: 11.30 AM

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

MINUTES OF 86th MEETING OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS

The 86th Meeting of the Board of Governors of Maulana Azad National Institute of Technology Bhopal was held on 28th August 2025 at 11.30 AM in the Institute Committee Room, Director's Office, MANIT Campus, Bhopal. The following Members were present:

1. Prof. Arvind A Natu, Chairperson BoG, MANIT Bhopal (participated through Video-Conferencing)
2. Prof. K.K. Shukla, Director, MANIT - Member
3. Shri Mukesh Kumar, Director (IFD) represented Shri Sanjog Kapoor, Joint Secretary & Financial Advisor (IFD – HE), Ministry of Education, Govt. of India, Member (participated through Video-Conferencing)
4. Prof. Dhinakaran Shanmugam, Professor represented the Director, IIT Indore, Member (participated through Video-Conferencing)
5. Shri Santosh Gandhi, OSD to Govt. of M.P. represented the Principal Secretary, Dept. of Tech. Education & Skill Dev., Govt. of Madhya Pradesh, Vallabh Bhawan, Bhopal, Member (participated through Video-Conferencing)
6. Prof. Shailendra Jain, Professor – Member
7. Dr. Bholanath Roy, Assistant Professor - Member
8. Shri Binod Doley, Registrar and Secretary

The following Member could not attend the Meeting due to preoccupation. Leave of absence was granted to her.

1. Ms. Saumya Gupta, Joint Secretary (NITs – HE), Ministry of Education, Govt. of India

Prof. Arvind A Natu, Chairperson BoG welcomed all Hon'ble Members to the Meeting. Thereafter, the Agenda was taken up.

Item No.	Agenda Item and Board Resolutions
BoG-86(2025-6)/A-1	CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE 85th BOG MEETING HELD ON 22/07/2025 The Minutes of the 85th Meeting of Board of Governors (BoG) held on 22/07/2025 were circulated to all Members through e-mail on 24th July 2025 for suggestions/ modifications, if any, latest by 29th July 2025. No comments have been received from BoG Members. The minutes are placed for consideration of Members for confirmation. Comments of IFD, MoE: May be confirmed as per discussions/deliberations held during the meeting. Decision of the Board The Board confirmed the Minutes of 85th BoG Meeting held on 22/07/2025.
BoG-86(2025-6)/A-2	ACTION TAKEN REPORT (ATR) ON THE DECISIONS OF 85th BOG MEETING The Action Taken Report (ATR) on the decisions of the 85th meeting of the Board of Governors is placed for perusal and consideration of the Members. Comments of IFD, MoE: ATR may be noted. Decision of the Board The Action Taken Report of 85th BoG was noted by the Board.

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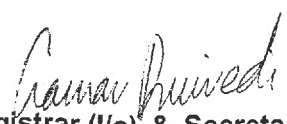


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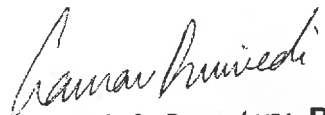

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RECOMMENDATION OF DEPARTMENTAL PROMOTION COMMITTEE (DPC)

The Institute vide its Circular No. AB/Estt./DPC-2025/1347 dated 10.07.2025 has notified total 51 non-teaching vacancies to be filled up through promotion mode in different cadres as mentioned below:

Sl. No.	Notified posts for Promotion	Vacancies	Eligible Employee in Feeder cadre
1.	Technical Officer	2	4
2.	Technician SG-I	11	3
3.	Technician SG-II	16	5
4.	Senior Technician	3	10
5.	Assistant Registrar	2	2
6.	Private Secretary	1	1
7.	Superintendent SG-II	3	2
8.	Senior Superintendent	2	4
9.	Assistant SG-I	1	2
10	Senior Assistant	2	5
11	Senior Office Attendant	8	25
Total:		51	63

As per NIT Recruitment Rules, 2019 for Non-teaching employees, the Written Test was conducted on 11.08.2025 for all the posts except for the post of Technical Officer & Senior Office Attendant. Skill Test was conducted on 11.08.2025 for the post of Senior Office Attendant. The interview was conducted only for the post carrying Pay Level 8 & above. For the post of Technical Officer, no test or interview has been conducted as per Recruitment Rules.

The meeting of the Departmental Promotion Committee constituted vide this Institute Office Order No. AB/Estt/DPC-2025/1563 dated 12/08/2025 was held on 13.08.2025 in order to consider the promotion cases of the eligible employees for all the aforesaid Non-teaching vacant positions.

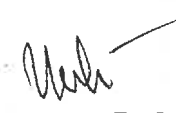
The Departmental Promotion Committee considered the Recruitment Rules, Vacancy Positions, Eligibility List, Seniority List, Reservation Roster, Service Records, APARs, Vigilance Clearance/Integrity Certificates and Written Test Results etc., of the employees being considered for the promotion to the higher grade. After deliberating each case individually in detail, the Departmental Promotion Committee has submitted its recommendations for promotion of non-teaching employees. The Minutes containing detailed recommendations of Departmental Promotion Committee shall be placed before the Board for kind approval please.

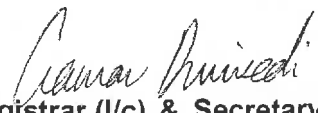
The matter is placed before the Board for consideration and approval.

Comments of IFD, MoE: The Departmental Promotion Committee (DPC) shall be placed during the meeting. May be considered in consultation with NIT Bureau, MoE.

Decision of the Board:

The Board was informed about the entire process related to the Departmental Promotion Committee (DPC) for the promotion of non-teaching staff across Groups A, B, and C. The sealed envelope containing the DPC's minutes and recommendations was opened in the presence of the Board. The Board subsequently approved the recommendations of the DPC for the promotion of the following non-teaching employees:


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A. Promotion from Technical Assistant SG-I (Pay Level 9) to Technical Officer (Pay Level 10):

Sl. No.	Name	Existing Designation	Committee Recommendations	Category under which promoted
1.	Shri H. S. Chouhan	Technical Assistant SG-I (Pay Level 9)	Found fit and recommended for promotion to the post of Technical Officer.	UR
2.	Smt. Ranjana Choudhary	Technical Assistant SG-I (Pay Level 9)	Found fit and recommended for promotion to the post of Technical Officer.	UR

B. Promotion from Technician SG-II (Pay Level 5) to Technician SG-I (Pay Level 6):

Sl. No.	Name	Existing Designation	Committee Recommendations	Category under which promoted
1.	Shri G. S. Prajapati	Technician SG-II (Pay Level 5)	Found fit and recommended for promotion to the post of Technician SG-I.	UR
2.	Shri Mohd Amir Khan	Technician SG-II (Pay Level 5)	Found fit and recommended for promotion to the post of Technician SG-I.	UR

C. Promotion from Senior Technician (Pay Level 4) to Technician SG-II (Pay Level 5):

Sl. No.	Name	Existing Designation	Committee Recommendations	Category under which promoted
1.	Shri K. K. Malviya	Senior Technician	Found fit and recommended for promotion to the post of Technician SG-II.	UR

D. Promotion from Technician (Pay level 3) to Senior Technician (Pay Level 4):

Sl. No.	Name	Existing Designation	Committee Recommendations	Category under which promoted
1.	Shri Bhimrao Gondane	Technician	Found fit and recommended for promotion to the post of Senior Technician.	SC

E. Promotion from Superintendent SG-I (Pay Level 9) to Assistant Registrar (Pay Level 10):

Sl. No.	Name	Existing Designation	Committee Recommendations	Category under which promoted
1.	Shri Vijay Kumar Raizada	Superintendent SG-I	Found fit and recommended for promotion to the post of Assistant Registrar	UR
2.	Shri Prashant Bhatnagar	Superintendent SG-I	Found fit and recommended for promotion to the post of Assistant Registrar	UR

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F. Promotion from Senior Superintendent (Pay Level 7) to Superintendent SG-II (Pay Level 8):

Sl. No.	Name	Existing Designation	Committee Recommendations	Category under which promoted
1.	Shri Ravindra Singh	Senior Superintendent	Found fit and recommended for promotion to the post of Superintendent SG-II	UR
2.	Shri Prabhakar Singh	Senior Superintendent	Found fit and recommended for promotion to the post of Superintendent SG-II	UR

G. Promotion from Superintendent (Pay Level 6) to Senior Superintendent (Pay Level 7):

Sl. No.	Name	Existing Designation	Committee Recommendations	Category under which promoted
1.	Ms. Anita Saxena	Superintendent	Found fit and recommended for promotion to the post of Senior Superintendent	UR

H. Promotion from Senior Personal Assistant (Pay Level 7) to Private Secretary (Pay Level 8):

Sl. No.	Name	Existing Designation	Committee Recommendations	Category under which promoted
1.	Smt Ajita Georji	Senior Personal Assistant	Found fit and recommended for promotion to the post of Private Secretary.	UR

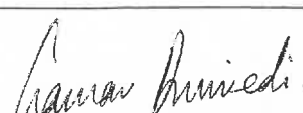
I. Promotion from Assistant SG-II (Pay Level 5) to Assistant SG-I (Pay Level 6):

Sl. No.	Name	Existing Designation	Committee Recommendations	Category under which promoted
1.	Shri Narayan Dutt Joshi	Assistant SG-II	Found fit and recommended for promotion to the post of Assistant SG-I.	UR

J. Promotion from Junior Assistant (Pay Level 3) to Senior Assistant (Pay Level 4):

Sl. No.	Name	Existing Designation	Committee Recommendations	Category under which promoted
1.	Shri K. P. Patel	Junior Assistant	Found fit and recommended for promotion to the post of Senior Assistant.	UR
2.	Shri Devdutt Sahare	Junior Assistant	Found fit and recommended for promotion to the post of Senior Assistant.	SC


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K. Promotion from Office Attendant (Pay Level 1) to Senior Office Attendant (Pay Level 2):

Sl. No	Name	Existing post	Committee Recommendations	Category under which promoted
1.	श्री दीना/जयराम यादव	Office Attendant (Pay Level-1)	Found fit and recommended for promotion to the post of Senior Office Attendant.	UR
2.	श्री बहादुर/मूलेराम लाल	Office Attendant (Pay Level-1)	Found fit and recommended for promotion to the post of Senior Office Attendant.	UR
3.	श्री सुरेन्द्र सिंह विष्ट/कंदन विष्ट	Office Attendant (Pay Level-1)	Found fit and recommended for promotion to the post of Senior Office Attendant.	UR-PwD
4.	श्री अमर सिंह/बलदेव सिंह	Office Attendant (Pay Level-1)	Found fit and recommended for promotion to the post of Senior Office Attendant.	UR
5.	श्री राजमल/बाबूलाल	Office Attendant (Pay Level-1)	Found fit and recommended for promotion to the post of Senior Office Attendant.	UR
6.	श्री राजेन्द्र कुमार/काली चरन	Office Attendant (Pay Level-1)	Found fit and recommended for promotion to the post of Senior Office Attendant.	UR
7.	श्री ओम प्रकाश/अयोध्या प्रसाद कुशवाह	Office Attendant (Pay Level-1)	Found fit and recommended for promotion to the post of Senior Office Attendant.	UR

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NOMINATION OF BOG NOMINEE FOR RECRUITMENT OF REGISTRAR AND OTHER SENIOR ADMINISTRATIVE POST

Subsequent to the ratification and approval of the 83rd BoG Meeting held on 04/06/2025, the selection process for the post of Registrar has been initiated by the Institute and Advertisement No. Estt/NFR/2025/1128 dated 12/06/2025 was released. The last date of receipt of online applications was 11/07/2025 and hard copy was 18/07/2025. The scrutiny of the applications received is under process.

As per NIT Statute 23 (5) Clause (d) and 23(6); constitution of Selection Committee for the post of Registrar and other Senior Administrative / comparable post carrying pay scale of Assistant Professor and above shall be as under:

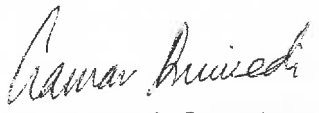
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| 1. Director or Deputy Director | - | Chairman |
| 2. One Expert from outside the Institute | - | Member |
| 3. Nominee of MoE | - | Member |
| 4. Nominee of Board | - | Member |
| 5. Registrar | - | Member |

Clause 23(6) – The Registrar shall be substituted by another nominee of the Board in case the Selection is made for the Registrar or equivalent post.

The Board may kindly nominate the Nominee of Board for the Selection Committee for the recruitment of Registrar and other Senior Administrative/ comparable post.

Comments of IFD, MoE: May be considered in consultation with NIT Bureau, MoE.


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Decision of the Board:

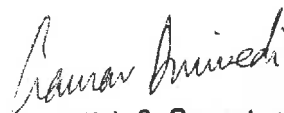
The current Registrar, who is also a candidate for the Registrar position at the institute, excused himself from the meeting room during the discussion of this specific agenda item. The matter was then discussed in the meeting, and the Board authorized the Director to nominate any Director of any NIT/IIT/IISER/IIIT as the nominee of the Board in the Selection Committee for recruitment of Registrar and other senior Administrative Posts of the institute.

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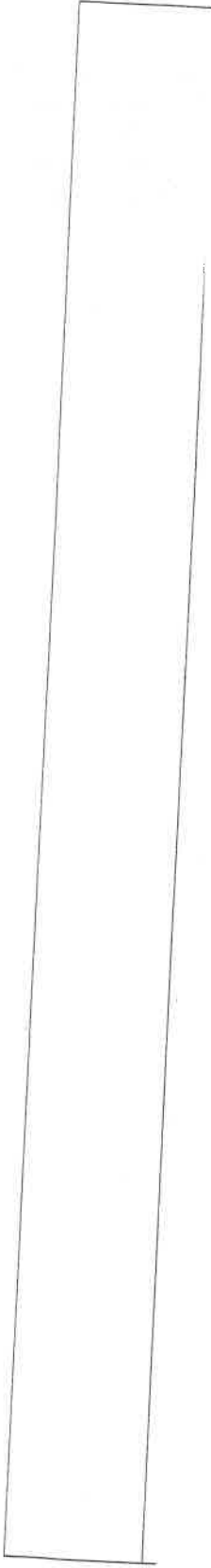


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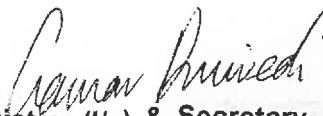
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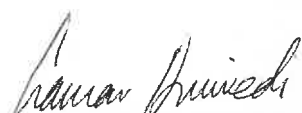


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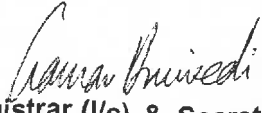
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	academic credentials—namely degrees and mark sheets—with the respective issuing authorities. The Institute shall report back to the Board with the findings upon receipt. Meanwhile, Dr. Fozia Z. Haque shall not be allowed to participate as a candidate in any recruitment process of the Institute until further notice.
BoG-86(2025-6)/B-7	RELAXATION OF COOLING-OFF PERIOD FOR DR. TRIPTA THAKUR, PROFESSOR, DEPARTMENT OF ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING. Dr. Tripta Thakur, Professor, Department of Electrical Engineering, joined MANIT Bhopal as a Lecturer on 25.06.1997 and was promoted to the position of Professor on 03.05.2013. She is currently on deputation as Director General at the National Power Training Institute (NPTI), Faridabad, since 01.09.2021. She was placed in the HAG scale w.e.f. 04.06.2025 vide office order No. Ab/Estt./2025/1373 dated 15.07.2025. Vide an email dated 26.03.2025, Dr. Tripta Thakur informed the Institute that she had applied for the post of Vice-Chancellor at Veer Madho Singh Bhandari Technical University, Uttarakhand on deputation basis in response to Advertisement No. 297/XLI-A/2022-41/2008, dated 28.02.2025. Now, vide letters No. 23077(1)/जी. एस (शिक्षा)/ C4-3(III)/2019 & No. 23079(1)/ जी. एस (शिक्षा)/ C4-3(III)/2019 दिनांक: 16.07.2025, Dr. Tripta Thakur has been offered the post of Vice- Chancellor in Veer Madho Singh Bhandari Technical University, Uttarakhand for a period of 03 years. The aforesaid post carries a consolidated pay of Rs. 2,10,000/- with existing special allowance of Rs. 11,250/- per month as per Uttarakhand Government Accordingly, vide email dated 05.08.2025, Dr. Tripta Thakur has informed the Institute that she will be relieved from NPTI, Ministry of Power, Govt. of India on 22.09.2025 and will join MANIT Bhopal on 23.09.2025. She has also requested to be relieved from MANIT Bhopal on 26.09.2025, in order to take up her new position as Vice-Chancellor at Veer Madho Singh Bhandari Technical University, Uttarakhand. Please refer enclosed Office Memorandum No. DOPT-1716267027220, dated 28.03.2024, and No. 2/1/2012-Estt.(Pay.II) dated 04.01.2013, issued by the Government of India, Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances & Pensions, Department of Personnel and Training, which outline the rules regarding the cooling-off period. Hence, the matter is placed before the Board for kind guidance regarding relaxation of the cooling-off period for Dr. Tripta Thakur, in accordance with the provisions outlined in the relevant Office Memorandums, in light of her new appointment as Vice-Chancellor at Veer Madho Singh Bhandari Technical University, Uttarakhand. Comments of IFD, MoE: May be considered, in consultation with NIT Bureau, MoE. Decision of the Board The Board approved the waiver of the Cooling Off period of Dr. Tripta Thakur to enable her to join the post of Vice-Chancellor at Veer Madho Singh Bhandari Technical University, Uttarakhand on Deputation basis.
BoG-86(2025-6)/B-8	ENGAGEMENT OF PROFESSOR OF PRACTICE / VISITING FACULTY The BoG in its 76th Meeting approved the proposal and granted permission to invite applications for engaging the Professor of Practice and also Visiting Faculty at the Institute. Accordingly, the Institute invited applications for the post of Visiting Faculty and Adjunct Faculty vide Advertisement No. Estt/FR/2024/1732 dated 13/12/2024. Institute received application from various persons working/retired from the industry and


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academic institutions. The constituted Committee has reviewed the applications and examined the candidates' credentials. After considering their significant contributions in teaching, research, outreach and demonstrated strong administrative capabilities within their respective organizations, the Committee recommended on priority the name of Prof. Rajiv Shekhar, Professor, IIT Kanpur (Retd 2025), Former Director, IIT (ISM) Dhanbad.

Following the approval granted by the Board in its 85th BOG meeting, an offer of appointment has been issued to Prof. Rajiv Shekhar for his engagement as Visiting Faculty.

Further applications received in other department has been reviewed and the committee has submitted the recommendation which shall be placed before the Board for consideration and approval.

The number of Faculty including Visiting Professor/Professor of Practices will be within the sanctioned strength of the institute.

The matter is placed before the Board for consideration and approval.

Comments of IFD, MoE: May be considered, in consultation with NIT Bureau, MoE.

Decision of the Board

The Board approved the recommendation of constituted committee and directed the institute to issue Offer of Appointment for the position of Professor of Practice and Visiting Faculty to the following candidates respectively:

For the position of **Professor of Practice:**

1. Shri Deependra Singh
2. Shri Bharat Bhushan Jha
3. Shri Shyam Narayan Shukla

For the position of **Visiting Faculty:**

1. Dr. Rakesh B. Singh
2. Dr. Jaideep Gupta

It was informed to the Board that Dr. Rakesh B Singh is based at Canada and Board approved that he shall be paid only local travel/hospitality and remuneration as per institute rules of engaging the classes on hourly basis.

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MINUTES OF 61st SENATE MEETING FOR THE APPROVAL AND RECORD OF THE BOARD

The 61st Senate Meeting of the Institute was held on 23rd July 2025. The minutes of the said Senate meeting are placed for approval and record of the Board.

Senate items requiring specific approval of the BoG:

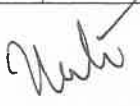
i. S-61.2025-II-2.4: Proposal of change of nomenclature of Energy Centre to Department of Energy Science & Engineering

To strengthen academic offerings and align with national sustainability and electric mobility – EV goals, a new UG undergraduate program – B.Tech. in Energy and Electric Vehicle Engineering has been launched from this year 2025-26. To become a degree awarding unit, it was proposed to elevate the existing Energy Centre to a full fledged Department to the 61st Senate. The said Senate approved the change of name of Energy Centre to Department of Energy Science & Engineering, subject to the approval of the BoG.


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	The Board is requested to approve the change of name of the Energy Centre to the Department of Energy Science & Engineering. ii. S-61.2025-II-2.8: Proposal to start PG Course on 'Master of Arts in Rural Entrepreneurship' by Department of Humanities & Social Sciences The proposal of starting new PG course on Master of Arts in Rural Entrepreneurship by Department of Humanities & Social Sciences was placed before the 61st Senate Meeting. The Senate approved the proposal with a condition that the course shall be run by the department with existing faculty load. Also, it was decided that the name of the course will be 'Master of Rural Management and Entrepreneurship' with an intake of 20 students. The Board is requested to approve Proposal to start PG Course on 'Master of Rural Management and Entrepreneurship' from the academic session 2026-27. Comments of IFD, MoE: May be noted. Decision of the Board The Board approved the minutes of the 61st Senate meeting (S-61.2025-II-2.4 & S-61.2025-II-2.8), for renaming of the Energy Centre to the Department of Energy Science & Engineering, and the proposal to launch a postgraduate course in Master of Rural Management and Entrepreneurship starting from the academic session 2026-27.
BoG-86(2025-6)/D	REPORTING ITEMS 1. Change of HoDs In pursuance to Clause 20(1) of the NIT Statutes, the Competent Authority was pleased to appoint Dr. Nenavath Sreenu, Associate Professor, Department of Management Studies, as Head of Management Studies with effect from 27/07/2025 for a period of 02 years or until further order, whichever is earlier. Placed before the Board for information. 2. Appointment of Dr. Vimlesh Kumar Soni, Professor as Interim Chief Vigilance Officer (CVO) In compliance with the Central Vigilance Commission Circular No. 21/09/22, vide the Institute Office Order No. AB/Estt./Appt&Charges/2025/1567 dated 13/08/2025, Dr. Vimlesh Kumar Soni, Professor, Department of Mechanical Engineering has been assigned the additional responsibility of Interim Chief Vigilance Officer (CVO) of the Institute for a period of three (03) months or until the appointment of regular CVO by the MoE, whichever is earlier. Placed before the Board for information. 3. Extension of Service of Dr. S K Dubey, Professor, Department of Civil Engineering after Superannuation on contract As per the decision of 83rd BoG in line with the decision of 73rd BoG meeting, the services of Dr. S K Dubey, Professor (retd.) has been extended upto 31st December 2025 on contract basis on consolidated pay (last pay drawn minus pension). Moreover, he will not be allotted any administrative positions/assignment during the engagement and no other benefits like HRA, medical allowance, CPDA etc. as applicable to regular employees of the Institute. Placed before the Board for information. Comments of IFD, MoE: May be noted. Decision of the Board The Board noted the above three matters.

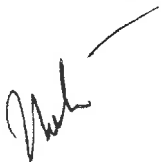

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The BoG was informed of the completion of the five-year tenure of Shri Binod Doley as the Registrar of the Institute on 30th August 2025. The Board places on record its sincere appreciation for the exemplary and dedicated service rendered by Shri Binod Doley during his tenure. Under his able administrative leadership, the Institute witnessed significant progress in academic governance, institutional reforms and administrative efficiency.

The Board acknowledges his extraordinary contribution to the Institute and extends its appreciation and best wishes for his future endeavors.

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



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