

**Minutes of the
43rd Meeting of the Building & Works Committee, NIT Durgapur
Held online at NIT Durgapur on December 22, 2023 from 11.30 a.m. onward**

Members Present:

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| 1. | Prof. Arvind Choubey
Director
National Institute of Technology
Durgapur: 713209 | Chairman |
| 2. | Ms. Veena Dunga
Deputy Secretary (NITs)
Department of Higher Education
Ministry of Education
Shastri Bhawan
New Delhi: 110015. | Member |
| 3. | Shri Anil Kumar
Director (Finance)
Department of Higher Education
Ministry of Education
Shastri Bhawan
New Delhi: 110015 | Member |
| 4. | Prof. Soumya Bhattacharyya
Department of Civil Engineering
Chairman (Construction)
National Institute of Technology
Durgapur: 713209. | Member |
| 5. | Prof. Atul Krishna Banik
Department of Civil Engineering
Chairman (PMQCC)
National Institute of Technology
Durgapur: 713209. | Member |
| 6. | Shri Israr Ahmad
Executive Engineer
CPWD, NIT Durgapur Camp Office | Member |
| 7. | Prof. Nirmal Kumar Roy
Department of Electrical Engineering
Registrar In-Charge
National Institute of Technology
Durgapur: 713209. | Member-
Secretary |

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At the beginning of the 43rd B&WC meeting, the Chairman of the Committee has extended his warm welcome to the members and thanked them all for their keen interest towards the infrastructural development programme of the Institute.

Item No.	Item	Resolution
43.1	To confirm the minutes of the 42nd Meeting of Building and Works Committee (B&WC) held on 03.02.2023 online over MS-Teams at NIT Durgapur.	Confirmed.
43.2	To note down the action taken on items resolved in 42nd Meeting of B&WC.	
42.2/41.2/40.2/39.2/ 38.5	Comprehensive parking facilities in NIT campus. The work is nearing completion. Physical progress reported in the MPR of February 2023 was 1%. Physical Progress till date-95% (Annexure-43.19)	Noted.
42.2/41.2/40.2/39.2/ 38.6	Construction of Vertical Extension of Thermal Engineering Laboratory. Work is under progress. Physical progress reported in the MPR of February 2023 was 35%. Physical Progress till date-65% (Annexure-43.19)	Noted.
42.2/41.2/40.2/39.2/ 38.7	Mechanization of Kitchen & Modernization of dining halls with furniture. Work for hall no. 3,6,7,8 & 12 has been completed. Documentation for handing over is under process, Work for other halls are in progress. Physical progress reported in the MPR of February 2023 was 3%. Physical Progress for the overall item till date-45% (Annexure-43.19)	Noted.
42.2/41.2/ 40.2/39.2 /38.8	Expansion & refurbishing of laboratories, academic departments & classrooms. Work is under progress in different parts of the main academic building. Physical progress reported in the MPR of February 2023 was 15%. Physical Progress till date-46%. (Annexure-43.19)	Noted. CPWD is to expedite the work of the project under EWS.
Item No.	Item	Resolution
42.2/41.2/40.2/39.2/ 38.11	Extension of sewer line including toilet blocks at NIT Campus. Work is under progress. Physical progress reported in the MPR	Noted. CPWD is to expedite the work of the project under

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	of February 2023 was 0%. Physical Progress till date-20%. (Annexure-43.19)	EWS.
42.2/41.2/ 40.2/39.2 /38.13	No objection certificate (NOC) for fire-fighting set up regarding handing / taking over of construction projects. Fire NOC of the complete projects is required: 1. 740 seated boys' hostel. 2. 264 seated girls' hostel. 3. Chemistry lab cum Biotechnology Department. 4. New Academic Block. 5. New Guest House Fire NOCs yet to be received for these projects. CPWD is to report on the status of the same.	CPWD is once again requested to take up this issue urgently. As suggested by the representatives of the Ministry, the issue is to be taken up as a separate item in the next meeting of B&WC. Senior officials of CPWD to be intimated in respect of the delay in submission of fire NOCs by the Institute authority.
42.2/41.2/ 40.2/39.2 /38.14	Fund utilization certificate for completed works from CPWD. Separate project wise fund utilisation certificate is yet to be received from CPWD. They have started submitting project wise fund position through Form -65. A letter from the Office of the Registrar has been sent to CPWD asking them to return the unspent balance of fund for completed projects to the Institute (Annex.- 43.17)	As suggested by the representatives of the Ministry, the said process of collecting unspent balance of fund for projects completed under CPWD is to be followed up by the Institute. CPWD should provide a time frame for the refund process. Settlement of unspent fund should be taken up project wise. Provision of refund of the unspent balance with interest is also to be considered.
42.2/41.4	Renovation of Hall – 7 (Nivedita Hall of Residence). Work is completed and the facility is under use after the renovated building was inaugurated by the Director on 15.08.2023. Details of documents for handing over is under process. Physical progress reported in the MPR of February 2023 was 18%. Physical Progress till date-100%. (Annexure-43.19)	Noted.
42.3	Progress of Various Ongoing Projects: Progress is noted under most of the ongoing projects under EWS. (Annexure-43.19)	Noted.
42.4	Extension of the date of completion of construction of Central Research Laboratory	Networking connectivity in the same building is yet to be established. Various

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	<p>(Utkarsha Bhavan) (under HEFA).</p> <p>Installation of furniture is under progress.</p> <p>Letter from the Office of the Dean (P&D) has been sent to CPWD asking them to take necessary measures for handing over the completed project by 31.12.2023.</p>	<p>minor works in and around the site is yet to be completed. CPWD is to address these and all similar issues urgently & strictly maintain the deadline of handing over the project by 31.12. 2023.</p>
42.5	<p>Revised estimate for renovation of old hostels (No. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 & 8).</p> <p>After a recent visit of several hostels made by the Director along with a team of officials of the Institute & representatives of CPWD, the scope of renovation has been changed significantly, for which CPWD is to submit fresh estimates for the work.</p>	Noted.
42.6	<p>OFC layout for the quarters (campus) area.</p> <p>The proposal is kept under abeyance at present.</p>	Noted.
Item No.	Item	Resolution
43.3	<p>Progress of Various Ongoing Projects:</p> <p>Work is in progress for several ongoing projects as mentioned below:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> I. Central Research Laboratory (Utkarsha Bhavan) (under HEFA) II. Projects under EWS (total approved amount of Rs. 29.00 crores vide F.No-5-3/2021-TS.III, dt. 09.04.2021) involving the following: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Expansion & refurbishing of laboratories, academic departments & classrooms. (b) Modernisation of messes in all hostels with mechanized kitchen & furniture & networking. (c) Extension of sewer line in NIT Campus. <p>CPWD is to submit a report. (Annexure – 43.3)</p>	<p>The progress of all ongoing projects under CPWD was already discussed & noted in action taken report of the concerned items under item 43.2.</p>
Item No.	Item	Resolution
43.4	<p>Development of the site around IT building & widening of the portion of road in between IT building & S. N. Roy building of NIT Durgapur</p> <p>The main office of the Institute, including the office of the Director, is located in S. N. Roy building. After a site visit by the Director with a team of officials of the institute and representatives of CPWD, it was decided that the site needs to be developed in order to provide better accessibility to both the buildings. Better landscaping is also necessary to improve the surface drainage conditions.</p>	<p>The proposal was approved.</p> <p>As suggested by the representatives of the Ministry, funding to be considered as GIA under OH-35.</p> <p>The representatives of the Ministry also suggested that photographs showing the physical progress of all</p>

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	<p>CPWD has submitted a P.E. for an amount of Rs. 43,71,800/- only for the same (Annexure – 43.4).</p> <p>Placed for kind approval of the proposal.</p>	<p>similar projects be submitted in the subsequent meetings of B&WC.</p>
43.5	<p>Raising the height of balcony railing & replacing rain water pipe at Hall 12 at NIT Durgapur.</p> <p>Hall 12 is used for accommodating foreign students. The height of balcony railing needs to be increased considering the safety of students. The building being approx. 10years old, the rain water pipes have also become defective in many places, affecting different parts of the building during rains.</p> <p>CPWD has submitted a P.E. for an amount of Rs. 47,11,400/- only for the same (Annexure – 43.5).</p> <p>Placed for kind approval of the proposal.</p>	<p>The proposal was approved.</p> <p>As suggested by the representatives of the Ministry, funding to be considered as GIA under OH-35.</p>
43.6	<p>Raising the height of balcony & stair case railings of Hall 13 at NIT Durgapur.</p> <p>Hall 13 (Sarojini Naidu Hall of residence) is one of the girls' hostels of the institute. The height of balcony & stair case railing needs to be increased considering the safety of students.</p> <p>CPWD has submitted a P.E. for an amount of Rs. 46,21,100/- only for the same (Annexure – 43.6).</p> <p>Placed for kind approval of the proposal.</p>	<p>The proposal was approved.</p> <p>As suggested by the representatives of the Ministry, funding to be considered as GIA under OH-35.</p>
Item No.	Item	Resolution
43.7	<p>Raising the height of balcony of New Academic Block at NIT Durgapur.</p> <p>New Academic Block is used for holding semester examinations for UG students and all placement activities, besides holding regular classes, particularly for students of the first year.</p> <p>The height of balcony railing needs to be increased considering the safety of students.</p> <p>CPWD has submitted a P.E. for an amount of Rs. 12,86,000/- only for the same (Annexure – 43.7).</p> <p>Placed for kind approval of the proposal.</p>	<p>The proposal was approved.</p> <p>As suggested by the representatives of the Ministry, funding to be considered as GIA under OH-35.</p>
43.8	<p>Repair & reconstruction of damaged boundary wall at back side of NIT Durgapur campus.</p> <p>A stretch of the boundary wall at the backside of the campus was severely damaged due to heavy</p>	<p>The proposal was approved.</p> <p>As suggested by the representatives of the</p>

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	<p>flow of surface water runoff during an event of heavy rains. From the viewpoint of maintaining campus security, the stretch of damaged wall needs to be repaired & reconstructed as per the necessity immediately.</p> <p>CPWD has submitted a P.E. for an amount of Rs. 25,71,800/- only for the same (Annexure – 43.8).</p> <p>Placed for kind approval of the proposal.</p>	<p>Ministry, funding to be considered as GIA under OH-31.</p>
43.9	<p>Providing & fixing of cupboard shutters in Hall 7 at NIT Durgapur.</p> <p>Hall 7 (Nivedita Hall of residence) is the oldest among the girls' hostels of the institute. However, due to lack of availability of covered storage spaces in the rooms, the students face difficulty in safe storage of their personal belongings. Providing shutters to the existing open cupboard spaces will solve the problem.</p> <p>CPWD has submitted a P.E. for an amount of Rs. 13,34,500/- only for the same (Annexure – 43.9).</p> <p>Placed for kind approval of the proposal.</p>	<p>The proposal was approved.</p> <p>As suggested by the representatives of the Ministry, funding to be considered as GIA under OH-35.</p>
Item No.	Item	Resolution
43.10	<p>Urgent repair & refurbishing work to make Director's ORA habitable & make ready for occupancy at the campus of NIT Durgapur.</p> <p>The Director's bungalow is presently about 60 years old. After joining of the present Director, it was observed after a site visit that urgent repair & refurbishing work, as per the requirement, was necessary to make Director's ORA habitable & ready for immediate occupancy of the incumbent Director. CPWD has submitted a P.E. for an amount of Rs. 48,81,200/- only for the same (Annexure – 43.11). The proposal to carry out the same from the savings of project funding under CPWD was approved by the Chairman, BOG of the institute (Annexure – 43.10).</p> <p>The accommodation was made ready by CPWD & is presently under use.</p> <p>Placed for kind ratification of the proposal.</p>	<p>The proposal was discussed and ratified.</p>
43.11	<p>Extension of existing Director's bungalow to meet type VII (new) quarters plinth area norm etc. at the campus of NIT Durgapur.</p> <p>The existing Director's bungalow was constructed in the 1960s. After joining of the present Director, it was observed after a site visit that changes are required to meet the entitlement of the present</p>	<p>The representatives of the Ministry suggested the following points to be considered in this respect:</p> <p>(i) Provision of Type VI quarter facility to be considered as per the</p>

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	<p>pay level of the position of the Director [type VII (new) quarters plinth area norm (Annexure – 43.18)]. The proposal to carry out the same was approved by the Chairman, BOG of the institute (Annexure – 43.10).</p> <p>CPWD has submitted a P.E. for an amount of Rs. 36,21,100/- only for the same (Annexure – 43.12).</p> <p>Placed for kind approval of the proposal.</p>	<p>prevailing norms for new Director's bungalows.</p> <p>(ii) One additional bedroom & a bathroom to be considered in the ground floor level in the proposed extension of the existing Director's bungalow.</p> <p>The proposal was accepted with reference to suggested funding pattern mentioned in Annexure 43.10.</p>
Item No.	Item	Resolution
43.12	<p>Development works in the compound of Director's bungalow at the campus of NIT Durgapur.</p> <p>After joining of the present Director, it was observed after a site visit that the compound of the Director's bungalow needs to be developed with improved facilities.</p> <p>CPWD has submitted a P.E. for an amount of Rs. 55,38,500/- only for the same as detailed below (Annexure – 43.13).</p> <p>"Development works such as repair / renovation of existing boundary wall along with providing paver tiles around the building on existing CC pavement, providing a shaded car parking area with driver's rest room & providing paver blocks etc."</p> <p>Placed for kind approval of the proposal.</p>	<p>The proposal was accepted in principle.</p> <p>However, the representatives of the Ministry suggested the following point to be considered in this respect:</p> <p>(i) A revised estimate for a low cost type of construction to be prepared.</p> <p>(ii) Tentative amount of expenditure involved in the same to be restricted around Rs. 25 lakhs.</p>
43.13	<p>Court Case in connection with "Construction of 500 Seated Girls Hostel constructed by CPWD at NIT Durgapur."</p> <p>Construction of a 500 seated Girls Hostel was approved as per the resolutions of 25th Building & Works Committee Meeting held on 17.02.2014 and subsequent 27th FC resolutions and 31st BOG resolutions. Estimated amount was Rs. 35.17 crore. MOU signed between NIT Durgapur and CPWD on 31.10.2013 for construction of G+4, 500 seated Girls Hostel. CPWD awarded the work to M/s Subir Engineering Works Pvt. Ltd.</p>	<p>The report presented by CPWD along with necessary documents shall be vetted by External Legal Experts for further needful action.</p> <p>The following points were also suggested by the representatives of the Ministry:</p> <p>(i) A report to be prepared on the</p>


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	<p>Further as per the resolutions of 28th B&WC meeting dated 15.09.2015, item no. 28.12 and subsequent 35th FC resolutions and 39th BOG resolutions dated 22.09.2015, 02 additional stories over G+4, 500 seated Girls Hostel AA&ES issued by NIT Durgapur on dated 15.02.2016.</p> <p>The project is completed & the hostel is under use.</p> <p>It is intimated by CPWD that the agency of the above work had gone to the arbitral tribunal for the adjudication of disputes arose in the work. The said award was challenged by CPWD in Commercial Court at Asansol. Now the Ld. Court of the Judge, Commercial Court at Asansol has taken a decision on the disputes on 19.08.2023. Copy of the Judgement of Ld. Court is being submitted for record & release of fund please. The payment amounting to Rs. 1,02,43,272.00 (Rupees One Crore Two Lakhs Forty-Three Thousand Two Hundred Seventy-Two Only) up to 15.11.2023 to be made to the agency as decided by the Commercial Court at Asansol at the earliest. Interest liability is increasing @ 2014.09 per day.</p> <p>As per Clause 10.13 of the MOU signed between NIT Durgapur and CPWD on 31.10.2013, NIT Durgapur also agrees to undertake the following: "Paying any claims upheld by an arbitrator or court of law relating to the work." (Annexure – 43.21).</p> <p>CPWD has requested to release the necessary fund at earliest so that the further burden of interest is reduced attaching the following documents.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1) Copy of the Arbitration Award. (Annexure – 43.14)2) Copy of Commercial Court Judgement dated 19.08.2023. (Annexure – 43.15)3) Opinion of the Govt. Counsel. (Annexure – 43.16) <p>The issue was discussed in a meeting held on 29.11.2023 in presence of members of Institute administration & representatives of CPWD. In the</p>	<p>status of the project existing at the time of awarding the new part of construction of two additional stories.</p> <p>(ii) MPR of CPWD to be consulted to show the progress level of the initially awarded project at that time, before awarding the new part of construction of two additional stories.</p>
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	meeting, it was resolved that the report presented by CPWD along with necessary documents shall be vetted by External Legal Experts for further needful action. (Annexure – 43.20). Placed for a discussion & decision in this regard.	
Item No.	Item	Resolution
43.14	Any other matter with permission of Chair.	There was no item for consideration.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.


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