MINUTES OF THE MEETING

67th Meeting of the Board of Governors of National Institute of Technology Durgapur

TO BE HELD IN HYBRID MODE
ON 18 NOVEMBER 2024
FROM 12:00 NOON
VENUE: IIT KHARAGPUR KOLKATA CAMPUS

National Institute of Technology Durgapur

67th Meeting of the Board of Governors

Date: November 18, 2024; Time: 12:00 Noon

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The 67th meeting of the Board of Governors was held on November 18, 2024 from 12:00 Noon in the Meeting Room of IIT Kharagpur Kolkata Campus, Salt Lake, Kolkata in the hybrid mode.
Members attended the meeting are as follows:

Sl. No.	Name & Affiliation	
1	Prof. Arvind Choubey Chairperson, BoG & Director, NIT Durgapur	Chairperson
2	**Ms. Veena Dunga** Deputy Secretary (NITs), Dept. of Higher Education, MoE, Govt. of India, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi.	Member (Attended Online)
3	**Shri Harihara Sundaram S.** Under Secretary (IFD) Dept. of Higher Education, MoE, Govt. of India, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi.	Member (Attended Online)
4	**Prof. Chiranjib Bhattacharya** Pro-Vice Chancellor, Jadavpur University	Member (Attended Online)
5	**Prof. Amlan Chakraborty** Professor & Director A. K. Choudhury School of Information Technology University of Calcutta	Member (Attended Online)
6	**Dr. Gautam Kumar Mahanti** Professor (HAG) Dept. of ECE, NIT Durgapur	Member (Attended Online)
7	**Dr. Aashish Kumar Bohre** Assistant Professor Dept. of Electrical Engineering, NIT Durgapur	Member
8	**Prof. S. S. Roy** Registrar (In-charge), NIT Durgapur	Secretary

Prof. V.K. Tewari, Director, IIT Kharagpur could not attend the meeting due to his preoccupation in other works.

At the outset of the meeting, the Hon'ble Chairperson, Board of Governors, NIT Durgapur extended a warm welcome to all members of the Board. Thereafter, Chairperson requested secretary, BoG to present the agenda of the 67th BoG meeting.

Prof S. S. Roy, Secretary of the BoG, on approval of the Chairperson, BoG, placed the agenda items in the meeting for discussion and the following resolutions were taken:

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67.01	**To confirm the Minutes of the 65th Meeting of the Board of Governors held on May 24, 2024.**

The 65th Meeting of the Board of Governors of NIT Durgapur was held on May 24, 2024.

The Minutes of the said meeting was circulated amongst the Board members for their comments. However, no comments were received from the members. The final Minutes are now being placed.

The Board is requested to consider the same.

Decision of the Board - The Board confirmed the Minutes of the 65th Meeting of the Board of Governors of the Institute, held on May 24, 2024.

67.02	**To confirm the Actions Taken on the Minutes of the 65th Meeting of the Board of Governors held on May 24, 2024.**

The detailed report on the Actions Taken on the Minutes of the 65th Meeting of the Board of Governors held on May 24, 2024 was presented.

Decision of the Board – The Board confirmed and suggested that the Director can take decisions as per recommendation of fact finding committee report.

67.03	**To consider the Minutes of Special BoG Meeting for 19th Convocation of NIT Durgapur through circulation on September 20, 2024.**

The Special BoG Meeting of NIT Durgapur was held through circulation on September 20, 2024. The Minutes of the said meeting are placed.

The Board is requested to consider and approve the same.

Decision of the Board - The Board approved the Minutes of the Special BoG Meeting for 19th Convocation of NIT Durgapur held on September 20, 2024 through circulation.

67.04	To note the Actions Taken on the Minutes of Special BoG Meeting for 19th Convocation of NIT Durgapur through circulation on September 20, 2024.

The detailed report on the Actions Taken on the Minutes of Special BoG Meeting of NIT Durgapur held on September 20, 2024 through circulation is presented.

Decision of the Board – Noted.

67.05	To consider the Minutes of the 59th Meeting of the Finance Committee held on November 18, 2024.

The Minutes of the 59th Meeting of the Finance Committee held on November 18,.2024at 11:00 A.M are placed on the table.

Decision of the Board - The Board of Governors considered and approved the minutes of the 59th Meeting of the Finance Committee held on November 18, 2024 at 11:00 A.M.

67.06	To consider the minutes of the 72nd Senate meeting held on September 6, 2024.

The Minutes of the 72nd meeting of the Senate held on September 06, 2024 are placed before the board.

The Board is requested to consider and approve the same.

Decision of the Board - The Board of Governors considered and approved the minutes of the 72nd Senate meeting held on September 6, 2024.

67.07	To note the Director's Report on the initiatives undertaken since the last meeting of the Board of Governors.

To be placed on the table.

The Board is requested to note the report presented by the Director.

Decision of the Board - The Board has noted the report presented by the Director.

67.08	**To consider the MoE Letter F.No. 15-1/2024-TC, Government of India, Ministry of Education, Department of Higher Education, Technical Coordination Division, Dated - October 11, 2024regarding revision of the rates of various allowances @ 25% due to increase of enhancement of Dearness Allowances to 50 % w.e.f. 01.01.2024.**

As per F.No. 15-1/202TC, Government of India, Ministry of Education, Department of Higher Education, Technical Coordination Division, dated – October 11, 2024, the revision of the rates of the following various allowances @ 25% due to increase of enhancement of Dearness Allowances to 50 % w.e.f 01.01.2024.

i. Children Education Allowance
ii. House Rent Allowance
iii. Hotel Accommodation (Journey on official tour)
iv. Reimbursement of Travelling Charges for travel within the city (tour station)
v. Reimbursement of Food Charges (on official tour)
vi. For journey performed by own car/taxi, auto rickshaw, own scooter etc. at the place where no specific rate has been prescribed by Director of Transport of concerned State or the neighbouring State.
vii. Rate of transportation of personal effects by road on transfer etc.
viii. Maximum Eligible Retirement /Death Gratuity Amount
ix. Special Allowance for child for women with disabilities.
x. Deputation Allowance.
xi. Dress Allowance
xii. Fixed Conveyance Allowance

This is Submitted to the Board of Governors for the information.

Submitted before the Board for consideration and information please.

It is already approved in Finance Committee vide agenda item no. 59.10.

Decision of the Board: The Board approved the decision of Finance Committee agenda item no. 59.10.

67.09	**To consider the Office Memorandum, vide No.F.20/42/2021-PPD, Government of India, Ministry of Finance, Department of Expenditure, Public Procurement Division, New Delhi, dated – 20.05.2024 regarding special provisions for Scientific Ministries/ Department in General Financial Rules (GFRs), 2017 - regarding.**

An Office Memorandum has been received from Ministry of Finance vide No.F.20/42/2021-PPD, Government of India, Ministry of Finance, Department of Expenditure, Public Procurement Division, New Delhi, dated – 20.05.2024 regarding special provisions for Scientific Ministries/ Department in General Financial Rules (GFRs), 2017 may be adopted for National Institute of Technology Durgapur.

Submitted to the Board of Governors for kind approval.

The Office Memorandum is already circulated by MoE on 18.06.2024. Finance Committee has already approved the agenda item no. 59.06.

Decision of the Board – The Board approved the decision of Finance Committee agenda item no. 59.06.

67.10	**To consider and approve the list of experts/BoG nominees and subject experts recommended by Senate for faculty recruitment.**

The Director briefed the Board about the ongoing faculty recruitment process being carried out at the Institute.
For recruitment of 43 nos. (forty three) vacant (presently 48 nos. of vacant positions) faculty positions an advertisement No.NITD/Estt./Faculty/01/2024/01,NITD/Estt./Faculty/01/2024/02, NITD/Estt./Faculty/01/2024/03, NITD/Estt./Faculty/01/2024/04 was published on 11.03.2024 and NITD/Estt./Faculty/01/2024/05 was published 02.08.2024. Total 1927 Nos. of applications have been received against the 14 departments. The faculty recruitment for the post of Assistant Professor Grade II (Level 10), Assistant Professor Grade II (Level 11, for Internal Candidates), Assistant Professor Grade – I (Level 12), Associate Professor Level 13A2)) and Professor (Level 14A) across 14 departments is done as per approved roster.

All the received applications are under scrutinization by ACoFAR and expected to be completed by 30th November, 2024.

The list of experts/BoG nominees and subject experts recommended by Senate for faculty recruitment are placed on the table before the Board for approval for the purpose of constituting the selection committee. Further the Board is also requested to authorize the Director of the institute to select the names of subject experts/Board nominees from the Professors from IITs/NITs/IIEST/IISC/IIMs/IIITs/CFTIs.
The proposal is placed before the Board for its consideration and approval.

Decision of the Board: The Board approved the list of experts/BOG nominees and subject experts of the Selection Committee for the ongoing faculty recruitment.

The Board also authorized the Director to select the name of subject experts /Board nominees from Professors from IITs/NITs/IIEST/IISC/IIMs/IIITs/CFTIs for the ongoing faculty recruitment at the Institute.

67.11	**To consider and approve the list of nominee from MoE/Board for Registrar recruitment as per NITs Statutes.**

For recruitment to the post of Registrar, (Level-14), UR as per approved roster, NIT Durgapur, an advertisement vide No. NITD/Estt./Reg./01/2023 and addendum advertisement No. NITD/Estt./Registrar/08/2024 were published on 31.03.2023 & 03.09.2024 respectively. In response to the said advertisements total 23 (19+4) Nos. of applications were received under both advertisement and received applications have been scrutinized by a committee along with external experts. Total 13 (12+1) Nos. of candidates have been shortlisted for interview which has also been displayed in Institute's website. For selection of Registrar post, a selection committee is required to be constituted as per NITs Statutes.
The Director briefed the Board about the ongoing Registrar recruitment process being carried out at the Institute.

The list of experts is placed on the table by the Director for consideration and approval and further the Board is also requested to authorize the Director of the institute to select the names of nominee from MoE/Board as per NITs Statutes from the IITs/NITs/IIEST/IISC/IIMs/IITs/IIITs/CFTIs.

The proposal is placed before the Board for its consideration and approval.

Decision of the Board: The Board approved list of nominee from MoE/Board for Registrar recruitment.

The Board also authorized the Director to select the name of nominee from MoE/Board for Registrar recruitment from IITs/NITs/IIEST/IISC/IIMs/IIITs/CFTIs for the ongoing Registrar recruitment at the Institute.

67.12	**To consider the maintenance of post based Reservation Roster for Non-teaching.**

For the maintenance of post based Reservation Roster of Non-teaching employees of the Institute for direct recruitment and departmental promotion, a committee has been constituted along with two external experts Prof. M.K. Agrawal, Ex-Registrar, NIT Jamshedpur and Dr. Gaurav Kumar, Registrar (I/C), IIIT, Bhagalpur. The committee has gone through several meetings and discussed on DoPT, Government of India guidelines and others related matter with respect to Reservation policy. The committee has finalized the Maintenance of Non-teaching post based Reservation Roster.

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

Decision of the Board – Approved for recruitment of Registrar post. The Board suggested that reservation roster for non-teaching post other than the Registrar post be placed in the next BoG meeting.

67.13	**To consider the delegation of financial power of Dean (P&D) & Dean (SW).**

For smooth functioning of day to day maintenance works of the campus, NIT Durgapur, it is proposed for delegation of financial power of Dean (P&D) up to Rs. 2.5 Lakhs.

For smooth functioning of day to day hostels related works of the campus, NIT Durgapur, it is proposed for delegation of financial power of Dean (SW) up to Rs. 2.5 Lakhs.

Submitted to the Board of Governors for consideration and approval please.

It is already approved in Finance Committee vide agenda item no. 59.07.

Decision of the Board – The Board approved the decision of Finance Committee vide agenda item no 59.07 for delegation of financial power of Dean (P&D) and Dean (SW) upto Rs. 2.5 Lakhs.

67.14	**To consider the delegation of financial power for CPDA contingency grant to Dean (FW)**

For providing of contingency grant under Cumulative Professional Development Allowance (CPDA), it is proposed to grant the delegation of financial power to Dean (FW) for contingency grant upto Rs. 30,000/- per year per faculty.

Submitted to the Board of Governors for consideration and approval please.

It is already approved in Finance Committee under any other item agenda item no. 59.11

Decision of the Board – The Board approved the delegation of financial power for CPDA contingency grant to Dean (FW) upto Rs. 30,000/- per year per faculty.

67.18	To report to the Board of Governors regarding the status of legal matters.

The status of legal cases pending since the last Board meeting is presented below.

Court Cases	Total No. of Cases	No. of Cases Disposed in favour of NIT Durgapur	No. of Cases Pending
High Court Calcutta	15	08	07
Durgapur Court	05	01	04

In original one case was in the name of Director, Registrar and Joint Registrar(F&A) by designation but now the same case has been converted in the personal name of Director, Registrar and Joint Registrar(F&A) in place of designation.

There is a case (CPAN 81 of 2023. NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY, DURGAPUR VS ANANGA MOHAN MAJHI & ORS) where there was personal name of the Director, Registrar and Joint Registrar (F&A) for non-compliance of the order of the Calcutta High Court. This is brought to the Board that this litigation is not personal in nature and rather it is between the petitioners of the case and NIT Durgapur. Therefore, all the present and future legal expenses in relation to this case should be borne by NIT Durgapur.

This is placed before the BoG for kind information.

Decision of the Board – The Board appreciated the effort of the Director to resolve & reduce the number of cases filed against the institute.

The Board recommended that all the cases should be by designation not by person name.
The board also approved that all the present and future legal expenses in relation to this case should be borne by NIT Durgapur.

67.19	**Any other matter with the kind permission of the Chair.**

No additional Agenda items were taken up for discussion in the meeting.

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

26.11.2024

Registrar (In-charge) & Secretary
Board of Governors
NIT Durgapur-713209

26/11/2024

Chairperson
Board of Governors
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