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**MINUTES OF THE 44th (FORTY-FOURTH) MEETING
OF
BOARD OF GOVERNORS**

**NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY, ARUNACHAL PRADESH
(Blended mode)**

Date/Time : 09/12/2022 (11.30 AM)

**Venue: : Conference Hall
Research Building,
NIT Arunachal Pradesh**

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Minutes of the 44th meeting of the Board of Governors (BOG) of NIT Arunachal Pradesh held on 09/12/2022 at 11.30 AM in Conference Hall, Research Building, NIT Arunachal Pradesh.

The following members of Board of Governors of NIT Arunachal Pradesh attended the meeting:

1. Prof Pinakeswar Mahanta, Chairperson & Director, NIT Arunachal Pradesh- Ex-Officio
2. Prof. T. G. Sitharam, Director, Indian Institute of Technology, Guwahati. (Online)
3. Ms. Saumya Gupta, IAS; Joint Secretary (NITs), Department of Higher Education, Ministry of Education, Govt. of India (Online)
4. Mr. Anil Kumar, Director (F), Ministry of Education, Department of Higher Education, Govt. of India.
5. Shri Alik Jongkey, Director, Higher & Technical Education, Government of Arunachal Pradesh, Itanagar.
6. Dr. Mainak Mallik, Associate Professor, Department of Civil Engineering, NIT Arunachal Pradesh
7. Dr. Ram Prakash Sharma, Associate Professor, Department of Mechanical Engineering, NIT Arunachal Pradesh
8. Dr. Uday Kumar Khanikar, Registrar, NIT Arunachal Pradesh- Secretary.

The Chairperson, Board of Governors and Director, NIT Arunachal Pradesh welcomed the members present. Er. Likar Angu could not attend the meeting due to his preoccupation and he was granted leave of absence.

Then the Chairperson called the meeting in order and requested the Registrar to present Agenda items.

The Registrar & Secretary, BoG presented the Agenda accordingly.

The Minutes of the 44th meeting of BoG of NIT Arunachal Pradesh is drawn as below:

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ITEM FOR CONFIRMATION

Item No	Agenda
44.01	Confirmation of Minutes of 43rd (Forty Third) meeting of BoG held on 14/11/2022 and reporting of Action Taken
Note	Minutes of 43 rd meeting of BoG held on 14/11/2022 are placed in [ANNEXURE 44.I Page No 12-22] and Action Taken Report of the meeting are placed in [ANNEXURE 44.II Page No 23-33]. The comments received from the members as well as representatives from Ministry of Education, Govt. of India was taken into consideration while preparing the Minutes of the meeting.

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	BoG may consider confirming the Minutes and noting the Action Taken Report.
Decision	Minutes of the 43 rd meeting of BoG of NIT Arunachal Pradesh held on 14/11/2022 were Confirmed after taking into consideration of the comments from the Ministry and other members. Item wise Action Taken Report on decisions of 43 rd meeting of BOG was noted.

SECTION-B
ITEMS PLACED FOR APPRAISAL

Item No	Agenda
44.02	Presentation by the Department of Electronics & Communication Engineering of NIT Arunachal Pradesh
Note	The BoG in its 43 rd meeting held on 14/11/2022, advised for presentation by the departments of NIT Arunachal Pradesh regarding its achievement in the area of Academic, Research and other development activities. Accordingly, in this meeting of the BoG, the Department of Electronics & Communication Engineering shall present achievements of the department in the area of Academic, Research and other development activities. BoG is requested to note & advice.
Decision	BoG noted the presentation given by the Department of Electronics & Communication Engineering of NIT Arunachal Pradesh and appreciated the achievement of the department in the area of Academics, Research & Development

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ITEMS FOR RATIFICATION

Item No	Agenda
44:03	Information regarding 9th Convocation of the Institute scheduled to be held on last Week of December, 2022 along with the list of students to be awarded degree (UG/PG/PhD) and list of eligible students for award of Chairman's Gold Medal and Institute Gold Medal
	The 9 th Convocation of NIT Arunachal Pradesh is scheduled be held on last Week of December, 2022. The Senate in its 41 st meeting held on 12/11/2022 has approved the list of students to be awarded various degree [PhD-09, PG- 46 and B.Tech-147] by the Institute as placed in [ANNEXURE 44.III Page No 34-39]. As approved by the Senate, the PhD awardees up to 15 days before the date of Convocation may also be considered to award the degree. Further, the Senate in its 41 st meeting held on 12/11/2021 has also approved the list of

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	<p>students to be awarded Chairman's Gold Medal (2 nos) and Institute Gold Medal (BTech-07 nos. & M.Tech /MS-04 nos) in 9th Convocation of the Institute, detail of which is placed in [ANNEXURE 44. IV Page No 40-41].</p> <p>The matter is placed for information of BoG and ratification of the same.</p>
Decision	Noted and Ratified

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Item No	Agenda
44.04	<p>Holiday List of the Institute for the year 2023</p> <p>Holiday list of the Institute for the year 2023 is placed in [ANNEXURE 44. V Page No 42-43].</p> <p>Note Number of Institute Holidays for the Year 2023 are proposed to be as below:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Compulsory Holidays: 14 [Sl. No A] (b) 3 (Three) Holidays chosen having local importance. (c) 2 (Two) Holidays to be chosen from the list of Restricted Holidays given in [Sl. No- B]. <p style="text-align: center;">Total number of Holidays: 19 [including 2 (two) Restricted Holidays]</p> <p>BoG may like to approve the same.</p>
Decision	Approved
44.05	<p>To consider for approval of draft Annual Report for the year 2021-22 incorporating Statutory Audit Report for the Financial Year 2021-22 of NIT Arunachal Pradesh</p> <p>The Annual Accounts of NIT Arunachal Pradesh for the Financial Year 2021-2022 was approved by the BoG in its 41st meeting held on 08/07/2022 vide Item No 41.07.</p> <p>Institute Account was audited by AG from 22/08/2022 to 26/08/2022 and draft SAR was received on 31/08/2021. Reply of the Institute on draft SAR was submitted on 14/09/2022. The Final SAR received by the Institute from AG on 10/10/2022. (ANNEXURE 44.VI Page No 44-50)</p> <p>Note The draft Annual Report of NIT Arunachal Pradesh for the year 2021-2022 incorporating the Statutory Audit Report of Annual Accounts for the Financial Year 2021-2022 of NIT Arunachal Pradesh is prepared & placed before the BoG to consider for approval. (ANNEXURE 44.VII Page No 51-182)</p> <p>Hindi Version of the Annual Report for the Financial Year shall be circulated shortly.</p> <p>The BoG may consider and approve the same.</p>

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Decision	Approved
44.06	Payment of revised rate of Dearness Allowance (DA) to employees of NIT Arunachal Pradesh from 34% to 38% w.e.f. 01/07/2022.
Note	<p>A communication was received from Smt. Nirmala Dev Director, Ministry of Finance, Govt. of India vide letter No. 1/3/2022-E-I(B) dated 03/10/2022 regarding Dearness Allowance to Central Government Employees- Revised Rates effective from from 01/07/2022. [ANNEXURE 44. VIII Page No 183]</p> <p>It may be mentioned here that the Technical Section-III, Ministry of Education, Department of Higher Education, Government of India has issued Office Order No F. No 33-3/2022-TS. III dated 30/11/2022 for extending the revised/enhanced rate of Dearness Allowance (DA) and Dearness Relief (DR) to the employees/pensioners/family pensioners of NITs and IEST, Shibpur.</p> <p>As recommended by FC, the BoG may consider and approve the enhanced payment of DA of 38% w.e.f. 01/07/2022 to employees of NIT Arunachal Pradesh.</p>
Decision	Approved to adopt Notification No F. No 33-3/2022-TS. III dated 30/11/2022 for extending the revised/enhanced rate of Dearness Allowance (DA) and Dearness Relief (DR) to the employees/pensioners/family pensioners of NITs and IEST, Shibpur issued by the Technical Section-III, Ministry of Education, Department of Higher Education, Government of India.
44.07	Approval for payment of Revised rate of Children Education Allowance/ Hostel Subsidy to employees of NIT Arunachal Pradesh
	<p>A communication was received from Sri Sandeep Saxena Under Secretary, Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions, Govt. of India vide letter No. A-27012/02/2017-Estt.(AL) dated 16/07/2018 regarding recommendation of the Seventh Central Pay Commission-Implementation decision relating to the grant of Children Education Allowance (CEA)/ Hostel Subsidy. Accordingly, the amount for reimbursement of Children Education Allowance will be Rs 2250/- per month (fixed) per child. The amount of Rs 2250/- is fixed irrespective of the actual expenses incurred by the Govt. Servant. In order to claim reimbursement of CEA, the Govt. servant should produce a certificate issued by the Head of the Institution for the period/year for which claim has been preferred. The amount of ceiling of hostel subsidy is Rs 6750/- pm. In order to claim reimbursement of Hostel Subsidy for an academic year, a similar certificate from the Head of Institution confirming that the child studied in the school will suffice, with additional requirement that the certificate should mention the amount of expenditure incurred by the Government servant towards lodging and boarding in the residential complex. [ANNEXURE 44. IX Page No 184-187]</p> <p>As recommended by FC, the BoG may consider and approve to adopt the OM No A-27012/02/2017-Estt (AL) dated 16/07/2018 relating to the grant of Children Education Allowance (CEA) and Hostel Subsidy (Consolidated instructions) w.e.f. FY 2022-23 to employees of NIT Arunachal Pradesh.</p>
Decision	The BoG approved to adopt the OM No A-27012/02/2017-Estt (AL) dated 16/07/2018 relating to the payment of Children Education Allowance (CEA) and Hostel Subsidy (Consolidated instructions) w.e.f. FY 2022-23 to employees of NIT Arunachal Pradesh.

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<p>44.08</p> <p>Note</p>	<p>Counting of past services of internal faculty members joined in the Institute prior to the issue of Ministry's letter no F. No 33-9/2011-TS-3 dt 16-04-2019.</p> <p>Item was placed in 43rd meeting of the BoG and was deferred.</p> <p>Few faculty members of the Institute were appointed in NIT Arunachal Pradesh prior to the issue of Ministry letter F. No. 33-9/2011-TS. III dated 16th April, 2019 regarding clarifications as per the recommendations of the Oversight Committee pertaining to the Institution of Repute (SI No 7) and Industry of repute (SI No 10). As change in the rules will be applied prospectively and not retrospectively, BoG may approve to count the past experience of eligible faculty members joined in the Institute prior to issue of Ministry's letter no F. No 33-9/2011-TS-3 dt 16-04-2019 for applying to higher position.</p> <p>For instance, Board of Governors of NIT Manipur in its 28th meeting held on 12/07/2022 has approved for internal faculty members who joined prior to the issue of Ministry's letter no F. No 33-9/2011-TS-3 dt 16-04-2019, their teaching experience rendered in private Institutes will be counted. The change in the rules will be applied prospectively and not retrospectively.</p> <p>Relevant Recruitment Rules in this regards is placed in (ANNEXURE 44. X Page No188-198]</p> <p>Report of the Committee constituted in this regard is placed in (ANNEXURE 44.XI Page No 199-200]</p> <p>The BoG is requested to discuss and approve.</p>
<p>Decision</p>	<p>The BoG opined that clarification may be obtained from the Ministry in respect of applicability of provisions of Ministry's letter no F. No 33-9/2011-TS-3 dt 16-04-2019 for internal Faculty members appointed prior to the issue of the letter dated 16/04/2019.</p>

SECTION-D

ITEMS RECOMMENDED BY BWC

With due permission from the Chair following items were placed before the BoG recommended by the 32nd meeting of the BWC held on 09/12/2022 for approval as On Table Agenda considering urgency:

Item No	Agenda								
44.09	<p>Regarding Deviation statement submitted by EE, APPWD, Doimukh, Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh towards the construction of UG Boys and UG Girls hostel at NIT-Arunachal Pradesh Campus</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin: 5px 0;"> <p>The Construction of the UG Boys and Girls Hostel at NIT-Arunachal Pradesh, Jote was executed by EE, Arunachal Pradesh Public Work Department, Doimukh. The cost of the project is as follows</p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="width: 10%;">Sl. No.</th> <th style="width: 45%;">Name of the Project</th> <th style="width: 30%;">Work order/ Sanction order</th> <th style="width: 15%;">Cost of the Project</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td> </td> <td> </td> <td> </td> <td> </td> </tr> </tbody> </table> </div>	Sl. No.	Name of the Project	Work order/ Sanction order	Cost of the Project				
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1	Construction of UG Boys and UG Girl at NIT Jote permanent Campus	NIT/AP/WORKS-21/2011-2012/860 Dated 30/10/2013	Rs. 71,82,00,000
2	Sub Head:- Construction of Dining Hall for UG Boys and UG Girls Hostel	NIT/AP/WORKS-21/2011-2012/1201 Dated 08/01/2014	Rs. 3,18,00,000
3	Sub Head:- Land Development & Protection work for UG Boy & UG Girls Hostel Site at NIT Jote.	NIT/AP/WORKS-21/2011-2012/914 Dated 12/10/2014	Rs. 3,99,26,200
			Rs. 78,99,26,200
(Rupees Seventy Eight Crore Ninety Nine Lakhs Twenty Six Thousand Two Hundred Only)			
As on date the total amount deposited against the project is Rs. 78,31,05,315/- (Rupees Seventy Eight Crore Thirty One Lakhs Five Thousand Three Hundred and Fifteen) Only.			
Now vide letter no.DD/W-2/2022-23/47-50 Dated 31.08.2022 EE, APPWD, Doimukh, GoAP has submitted a deviation statement with an additional amount of Rs. 7,19,22,351.00 (Rupees Seven Crore Nineteen Lakhs Twenty Two Thousand Three Hundred Fifty One) only, exceeding the approved cost of the project [Deviation Statement placed at Annexure-XII, Page No: 201-276]. This amount increases the cost of the project by 9.1 % of the A/A & E/S amount.			
In this regard a meeting was held on 26/11/2022 at NEHU Guest house, Guwahati with CRC member, M/s Space Ace, APPWD and implementing agency. The matter was discussed in detail and it was concluded that deviation may be considered with the limit of 10% of the sanctioned cost. Minutes of Meeting Placed at [Annexure-XIII Page No 277-278].			
The work was allotted to EE, APPWD under DEPOSIT WORK as per CPWD manual Copy of agreement annexed at [Annexure Page No 279-284]. Hence, CPWD work manual 2022 was referred and in line with chapter no. 3.1.4 (1) of the manual, excess amount up to 10% against the A/A & E/S may be allowed. (Relevant chapter of CPWD Work manual 2022 is annexed at [Annexure-XV, Page No. 285].			
The deviated amount will be paid from the saving of the approved RCE-2020.			
The matter is placed before the BWC for deliberation and approval please.			
BWC agreed and recommended for approval subject to expenditure within the limit of approved RCE 2020			
Decision	The BoG accorded approval on recommendation of BWC subject to expenditure within the limit of approved RCE 2020.		
44.10	Regarding construction of Aesthetic Pergolas		
Rural works Department, Papum Poma Division Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh has constructed an Aesthetic Pergolas near the main entrance gate. In this regard we would like to inform the committee with reference to the point no. 2.5.6 of RCE-2020 report, this point states that <i>"Aesthetic Pergolas:- At the cost of around Rs.7.4l Cr., a pergola structure is being created. As one enters the campus through the main gate structure, there are series of two-</i>			

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	<p><i>row columns rising up to about 4-5 M creating a circle rotary through which the main traffic is to pass. There is a plan for creating a beam like pergola structure. The massive columns, each measuring 800mm and having reinforcement steel of 20 nos of bars of 25mm each is an extravagance beyond reasonability. In fact there are two such rotary passages proposed out of which only one is constructed. A common sense would infer that the columns are capable of supporting at least 3-4 floor structure!</i></p> <p><i>It has been found through the discussions with the executing agency that the decision to execute this design was given by the Architect directly, without intimation/information to the NIT. The executing agency confirmed that they do not have formal approval of the same from NIT (as confirmed by Dean (P&D)). These facts, however, need confirmation on record from the NIT. This is a procedural scuff and spending large funds without due diligence.</i></p> <p><i>Recommendation:</i> <i>Structure is complete as far as the columns are concerned. It is recommended that the beam structure may not be undertaken. Work needs to be foreclosed. Also, the decision making process and its appropriateness needs to be determined."</i></p> <p>[Annexure-XVI, Page No. 286-309].</p> <p>Hence, the work is foreclosed and preliminary assessment was done for the cost of the work done which is around 3.6 Crore (cost of project considered in RCE is 7.41 Crore). As the work was not approved by the BWC, therefore, an approval with retrospective effect is sought for the work so that the same may be foreclosed.</p> <p>The matter is placed before the BWC for deliberation and approval please.</p> <p>Recommendations of BWC</p> <p>After detail deliberation in consideration with the recommendation of the RCE report. The BWC opined that, said pergola is at the entrance of the campus and foreclosing in present condition will give a bad look therefore, the BWC advised that work may be taken up at least to a level to have an aesthetic look at the entrance with optimum cost and so a proposal for the same may be prepared and be submitted in next BWC.</p> <p>The matter is placed before the BoG for discussion and advice.</p>
Decision	The BoG agreed with the recommendations of BWC subject to the conditions that the expenditure should be within the limit of approved RCE 2020.

SECTION-E

STANDING ITEMS

Item No	Agenda
44.11	<p>Status of Audit Paras, pending Public Grievances and Parliamentary Assurances</p> <p>As per the communication received from the Technical Section-III, Department of Higher Education, Ministry of Education, Government of India, HEIs should include complete details and status of their Audit Paras, pending Public Grievances and Parliamentary Assurances in every meeting of Board of Governors (BoG) as standing Agenda Item.</p> <p>Accordingly, it is reported for information of BoG that the NIT Arunachal Pradesh has no Audit Paras, pending Public Grievances and Parliamentary Assurances as on date.</p>
Decision	Noted

The meeting ended with vote of thanks to and from the Chair



(Dr. Uday Kumar Khanikar)
Registrar & Secretary, BoG
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(Prof. Pinakeswar Mahanta)
Chairperson, BoG & Director
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Circulation of Draft Minutes of 44th meeting of Board of Governors (BOG) of NIT Arunachal Pradesh held on 09/12/2022

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Sir/Madam,

Please find in attachment the Draft Minutes of the 44th meeting of Board of Governors (BOG) of NIT Arunachal Pradesh held on 09/12/2022 for your kind perusal. Respected members are requested kindly to share their observations/comments on draft Minutes circulated, if any, preferably within 19/12/2022, otherwise, it will be presumed that the minutes are in order.

Kind regards.

Yours sincerely

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