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MINUTES OF THE 34th (THIRTY FOURTH) BOG MEETING OF NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY, ARUNACHAL PRADESH (Through blended mode)

Date/Time

: 05/03/2021 (2.30 pm)

Venue:

:Director's

Conference Hall,

NIT Arunachal

Pradesh

Minutes of the 34th meeting of the Board of Governors (BOG) of NIT Arunachal Pradesh held through blended mode on 05/03/2021.

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

- 1. Prof Pinakeswar Mahanta, Chairperson, BoG & Director, NIT Arunachal Pradesh- Ex-Officio
- 2. Shri Madan Mohan, Additional Director General (HE), Department of Higher Education, Ministry of Education, Govt. of India, New Delhi –Member (Attended Online)
- 3. Mrs. Darshana M. Dabral, Financial Adviser, Ministry of Education (Shiksha Mantralaya), Govt. of India, New Delhi- Member (Attended Online)
- **4.** Dr. Tayek Talom, Director, Higher Education, Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh, Itanagar, Papum Pare, Arunachal Pradesh-Member (Attended Online)
- **5.** Dr. Atop Lego, Chief Engineer (SID & P), Arunachal Pradesh Public Works Department, Government of Arunachal Pradesh (Attended Online).
- 6. Prof. Saurabh Basu, Professor, IIT Guwahati, Assam-Member (Attended Online)
- 7. Dr. Mainak Mallik, Dean, Planning & Development and Associate Professor, Department of Civil Engineering, NIT Arunachal Pradesh- Member
- 8. Dr. Ram Prakash Sharma, Dean, Students' Affairs & Associate Professor, NIT Arunachal Pradesh-Member (Attended online)
- 9. Dr. Uday Kumar Khanikar, Registrar, NIT Arunachal Pradesh- Secretary.
- 10. Shri Sanjay Mandal, Deputy Registrar, NIT Arunachal Pradesh- Invitee.

With concurrence of the Chairperson of Board of Governors and Director, NIT Arunachal Pradesh, it was decided to conduct the 34th (Thirty Fourth) meeting of BoG of NIT Arunachal Pradesh on 05/03/2021 at 2.30 PM in Director's Conference Hall through blended mode due to COVID-19 pandemic.

At the beginning the Chairperson, BoG welcomed all members and requested the Registrar to place Agenda Item wise.

The Minutes of the meeting of 34th BoG of NIT Arunachal Pradesh are drawn as below:

Item No: 34.01

Confirmation of Minutes of $33^{\rm rd}$ meeting of BoG held on 15/12/2020 through Blended mode and Action Taken Report

Minutes of the 33rd meeting of BoG held on 15/12/2020 through Blended mode with Action Taken Report are placed in [ANNEXURE 34.I Page No 9-16] and [ANNEXURE 34.II Page No 17-22] respectively. The comments received from the members as well as representatives from Ministry of Education, Govt. of India were taken into consideration while preparing the Minutes.

BoG may consider to confirm the Minutes and note the Action Taken Report.

Decision

Minutes of 33rd meeting of BoG held on 15/12/2020 through Blended mode were Confirmed after taking into consideration the comments received from members. Item wise Action Taken Report on decisions of BOG in its 33rd meeting was noted.

Item No: 34.02

Placing of Minutes of 26th meetings of Finance Committee of NIT Arunachal Pradesh held through Online on 15/12/2020.

> Minutes of 26th meetings of Finance Committee held by Online are placed in [ANNEXURE 34.III Page No 23-25]. The comments received from members including representatives from Ministry of Education, Govt. Of India were taken into consideration while preparing the Minutes.

BoG may consider to accept the Minutes of 26th meetings of the Finance Committee.

Decision

Minutes of 26th meeting of Finance Committee held by Online on 15/12/2020 were noted by the BoG.

Item No: 34.03

Placing of Minutes of 25th meeting of Building & Works Committee held on 11/02/2021

Minutes of the meeting of 25th Building and Works Committee (BWC) of NIT Arunachal Pradesh held on 11/02/2021 through online were circulated among the members. The Minutes of 25th meeting of Building and Works Committee (BWC) of NIT Arunachal Pradesh prepared by incorporating the comment of members is placed in [ANNEXURE 34. IV Page No 26-29] for acceptance.

BoG may consider to Note the Minutes of 25th meeting of Building and Works Committee held on 11/02/2021.

Decision The BoG noted the Minutes of 25th Meeting of Building and Works Committee

Item No: 34.04

Ratification on extension the term of engagement of Shri Joram Temin, Assistant Engineer on deputation for further period of 1 (one) year.

> Shri Joram Temin was engaged as Assistant Engineer (on deputation) in NIT Arunachal Pradesh for a period of 1 (one) year initially, w.e.f. 03/02/2020 against the vacant post of Executive Engineer and the same was ratified by BoG in its 26th meeting held on 21/01/2020. As the construction activities in the permanent Campus of the Institute is in progress, the service of a qualified and experienced person from Civil Engineering background is essential for regular and constant monitoring of ongoing construction activities.

> The service of Shri Joram Temin is found highly satisfactory. As Shri Temin is willing to continue in NIT Arunachal Pradesh against the post of Assistant Engineer for further period on deputation and 'No Objection Certificate' was received from his parent department, i.e. Public Works Department, Govt. Of Arunachal Pradesh, the period of his engagement in the Post of Assistant Engineer on deputation is extended for an another year of 1 (one) year, w.e.f. 03/02/2021 to 02/02/2022 on approval of Chairperson, BoG,

on his undertaking that he cannot claim for regular appointment/absorption in NIT Arunachal Pradesh in the post of Assistant Engineer or any other sanctioned permanent post (s) by virtue of his appointment on deputation in NIT Arunachal Pradesh.

The matter is placed before the BoG for ratification.

Decision

Ratified.

Item No: 34.05

Intimation regarding granting of deputation to Sri Sanjay Mandal working as Deputy Registrar (Finance) by his parent Institute, i.e. IIT Guwahati up to 10/04/2021 (AN).

> As per the decision of the BoG in its 31st meeting held on 11/09/2020, the parent Institute of Sri Sanjay Mandal, who is now working as Deputy Registrar on deputation in NIT Arunachal Pradesh, i.e. the IIT Guwahati was requested to extend his deputation period for a period of 2 (two) years w.e.f. 16/02/2021. The Registrar of IIT Guwahati vide his Letter Ref R & P/319/2001/Vol. III/ 170 dated 28/01/2021 intimated that the Competent Authority of IIT Guwahati has extended the deputation period of Sri Sanjay Mandal up to 10/04/2021(AN).

The matter is placed for information of BoG.

Decision Noted

Item No: 34.06

Proposal for recruitment of Assistant Registrar in Finance & Accounts on Deputation/Lien/Short Term Contract at Pay Level-10 of Pay Matrix

> At present there is no official at supervisory level for regular day to day monitoring of activities in Finance & Accounts Section along with Purchase Section in NIT Arunachal Pradesh. 2 (two) Junior Assistants appointed on regular basis are engaged in Finance & Accounts Section of the Institute and it is observed that existing man-power deployed in Accounts & Finance Section are not sufficient and one officials at supervisory level is highly required for smooth functioning of the section.

> Till date, Shri Sanjay Mandal appointed as Deputy Registrar on deputation is supervising and monitoring day to day activities of the Finance & Accounts Section including activities related to purchase. As per the communication received from IIT Guwahati, the period of deputation of Shri Sanjay Mandal is extended up to 10/04/2021 (AF) on request from this Institute. After repatriation of Shri Sanjay Mandal, there will be no officials at supervisory level for regular monitoring and supervision of day to day activities of Finance & Accounts Section along with activities related to purchase section.

> Further, as per the RR 2019, there are no staffs at present having the required experience serving as Superintendent (SG-I)/ Private Secretary (NFG) in PB-2, GP of Rs 5,400/with at least two years regular service or Superintendent (SG-II)/Private Secretary

(NFG) in PB-2 of Rs 4,800/- with at least five years regular service with Masters degree in the Institute, who may be considered for promotion to level of Assistant Registrar.

In view of above, to stream-line the functioning of Finance & Accounts section and purchase, it is now proposed to recruit 1 (one) Assistant Registrar in Finance & Accounts on deputation/lien/short term contract at supervisory level against the post to the vacated by Shri Sanjay Mandal (on deputation), as per RR 2019 through advertisement, initially for a period of 2 (two) years which may be extended further based on performance.

BoG may consider and approve the same.

Decision

Approved as proposed

Decision Item No: 34.08 According approval on proposed MoU by NIT Arunachal Pradesh with Research for Resurgence Foundation (RFRF). Research for Resurgence Foundation (RFRF) is a multi-domain research platform focusing on research work with quality orientation aimed at social application, industrial inputs and national interest involving a network of individuals, Institutions, Innovators and Influential. The Foundation has been inspired by 'Bharatiya Shikshan Mandal', an Organisation devoted for integrated growth and holistic adaptability of knowledge through education since, 1969. On 9th Feb, 2019, RFRF successfully conducted International Conference on Development Discourse in presence of 400 Vice Chancellors and Directors from eminent Universities/ Institutes across India. The said Programme was inaugurated by the Vice President of India. RFRF has signed MoUs with 77 Universities till date across India including IIT Madras, JNU and also with AICTE to work for Self Reliant Bharat. It has been proposed for signing of MoU between the National Institute of Technology, Arunachal Pradesh and RFRF to work synergistically through Institutional Engagement Programmes. BoG may consider the proposal and approve. A report on proposed proposal including whether the Organisation is a NGO or not, Decision particulars of registration of the Organisation with NGO Darpan Portal, financial implication on the part of NIT Arunachal Pradesh along with the draft MoU be placed in next meeting of BoG. Item No: 34.09 Ratification on engagement of Consultant in Finance & Accounts Under provisions of GFR 178 and 180 permits Ministry/Department to hire external professional, as Consultant for specific job due to inadequacy of capability or capacity of

required expertise in- house. Further, Rule 177 of GFR 2017 says that a retired Government servant can be hired as Consultant, who should not be engaged against regular vacant post as Consultant under this rule. Retired Government servant can be

engaged only for a special task and specific duration as Consultant.

As the Institute is now approaching towards the last phase of construction work and while preparing for shifting to its permanent Campus from the month of April, 2021 onwards, a well experienced person is highly required to regularly monitor the activities related to Finance & Accounts, Internal Auditing, settlement of bills against construction work, budgeting and preparation of Annual Accounts, updating of PFMS as per the Govt. norms, tendering process for different purchases and utility services etc. At present in NIT Arunachal Pradesh, there are no officials with adequate experience who can handle the matters related to finance & accounts independently.

Sri Bishnu Chakraborty, who was recently retired from the post of Finance Officer in Krishna Kanto Handique State Open University, Assam after completion of his 5 year tenure and having more than 10 years of working experience as Treasurer/Finance Officer in Gauhati University, Assam expressed his willingness to work in Finance & Accounts Section in NIT Arunachal Pradesh. Being highly experienced in the area of Finance & Accounts in reputed educational institutions and as a highly experienced person in Finance & Accounts is urgently required in NIT Arunachal Pradesh, Sri Chakraborty has been appointed as Consultant (Finance & Accounts) w.e.f 19/01/2021 for a period of 1 (one) year initially on payment of fixed honorarium without any allowances/facilities as per the DoPT, Govt. of India norms on approval of the Chairperson, BoG.

The matter is placed before the BoG for ratification.

Decision

Ratified

Item No: 34. 10

Status of TEQIP-III Project at NIT Arunachal Pradesh

NIT Arunachal Pradesh is a mentee Institute under the Ministry of Education, Govt. of India Project 'Technical Education Quality Improvement Programme (TEQIP-III)' funded by the World Bank. The key component of the Project is to improve the quality of Engineering Education in existing institutions with a special consideration for Low Income States and Special Category States (SCS) and support to improve their academic, research and management practices. The project is being implemented since October, 2017.

A report on activities under TEQIP-III Project is placed in [ANNEXURE 34. VI Page No 32-33] for information of BoG.

Decision

Noted

Item No: 34. 11

Status of Audit Paras, pending Public Grievances and Parliamentary Assurances

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.

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

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

(Dr. Uday Kumar Khanikar) Registrar & Secretary, BoG NIT Arunachal Pradesh (Prof. Pinakeswar Mahanta) Chairperson, BoG & Director NIT Arunachal Pradesh