

# MALAVIYA NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY JAIPUR

## Minutes of 27<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Board of Governors

The 27<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Board of Governors was held on 7th October, 2013 at 12.15 P.M. in the Board Room of MNIT Jaipur. Following were present:

Prof. K.K. Agarwal	Chairman
Prof. I.K. Bhat	Member
Prof. Shobhana Narasimhan	Member
Mr. Prem Surana	Member
Prof. Ashok Sharma	Member
Dr. Awdhesh Bhardwaj	Member
Mr. Manish Kumar Jindal	Member Secretary

Other members of the Board, Mr. R.L. Toshniwal, Prof. Surendra Prasad, Joint Secretary (Technical Education) and Financial Advisor, MHRD could not attend the meeting due to their prior engagements.

At the onset, the Director welcomed the Chairman and other members present in the meeting and introduced the Registrar, Mr. Manish Kumar Jindal, Prof. Ashok Sharma and Dr. Awdhesh Bhardwaj. It was clarified by the Director in the meeting that out of two names proposed earlier for nomination from Senate to BoG he has finalized the name of Prof Ashok Sharma amongst the category of Professors. Subsequently the Member Secretary took up the agenda items for discussions and the following decisions were taken.

### **Item No. 27-1.0: To confirm the minutes of the 26<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Board of Governors held on 30<sup>th</sup> May 2013.**

The minutes were confirmed. Regarding item no.26-6.2 the word “propose punishment” may be replaced by “propose punishment, if required” and the address may be deleted from the minutes.

### **Item No. 27-2.0: Power point presentation by the Director on recent progress of the Institute.**

Director, MNIT Jaipur made a detailed presentation about the progress made by MNIT Jaipur since last Board meeting. The Board appreciated the progress of the Institute.

### **Item No. 27-3.0: To note the action taken on the decisions made in the 26<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Board of Governors.**

The action taken on various items were noted.

**Item No. 27-4.0: Items for consideration.**

**Item No.27-4.1: To consider and approve starting of MNIT campus at Flic-n-Flac in Mauritius.**

The Board agreed with the proposal and directed that necessary permissions, if necessary may be taken from respective Ministries as per the instructions of MHRD.

It was also observed that Government of Mauritius may also be involved and regular updation may be given to the Ministry. This was considered all the way necessary as a private Business group is proposed to be financial partner.

**Item No.27-4.2: Setting up of a new Centre “National Centre for Earthquake Engineering and Safety” in the Institute.**

The Board accorded its approval with amendment in name as Centre for Disaster Mitigation and Management.

**Item No. 27-4.3: To consider the format for Annual Performance Appraisal Report for Institute faculty.**

The Board approved the new format of APARs for faculty with minor modification that student feedback may also be considered in the APARs of the faculty teaching UG/PG programmes and mechanism for analysis of the same be evolved. The Board was of the opinion that various quality parameters like impact factor, citation index, h factor etc. may also be included while evaluating the publications.

**Item No.27-4.4: To consider rolling advertisement for faculty recruitment.**

The Board approved the proposal and advised that copy of rolling advertisement should be given wide publicity on available platforms like conferences, educational expos , prominent websites , Journals which draw attention of potential candidates, so that quality faculty is attracted. It was also observed that whenever suitable number of candidate(s) is/are available regular interviews may be held.

**Item No.27-4.5: To consider the implementation of 4-tier flexible faculty structure in the Institute.**

The Board approved the adoption and implementation of the 4-tier flexible faculty structure in the Institute.

**Item No. 27-5.0: Items for Ratification.**

**Item No.27-5.1: To ratify the permission given to Dr. Ashok Kumar Solanki, Registrar (I/c) and Sr. Scientific Officer to serve as Deputy Registrar at IIT Mandi on deputation.**

The Board ratified the decision.

**Item No. 27-5.2: To ratify the approval for selection of Registrar at the Institute.**

The Board ratified the decision.

**Item No.27-5.3: To ratify grant of notional benefit of Selection Grade to Dr. S.D.Bharti, Associate Professor , Civil Engineering Department.**

The Board ratified the decision.

**Item No. 27-6.0: Reporting items.**

**Item No. 27-6.1: To brief about the 23rd meeting of the Finance Committee held on 7.10.2013.**

The Board was briefed about the deliberations of 23<sup>rd</sup> meeting Finance Committee and noted the same.

**Item No.27-6.2: To take the note of the minutes of the 24<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Building & Works Committee being held on 1.10.2013.**

The Board noted the minutes and placed them on record.

**Item No.27-6.3: To take the note of the minutes of the 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Senate held on 30.6.2013 and being held on 30.9.2013.**

The Board noted the minutes and placed them on record.

**Item No. 27-6.4: To report Centralized Counseling for M. Tech./M.Plan admissions (CCMT-2013).**

The Board noted and appreciated the work done in CCMT. The board directed that the savings of CCMT should be utilized for motivating research in the Institute. The board requested the Director, MNIT to formulate guidelines for the same. The Board further approved that Laptops may be given to all the members of CCMT committee in light of their outstanding performance, contribution and for devoting time in conducting CCMT-2013.

**Item No. 27-6.5: To report Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) signed by the Institute with Management Development Institute, Gurgaon, India and Idaho State University.**

The Board noted the action.

**Item No. 27-7.0: Any other item(s) with the permission of the Chair.**

**Item No.27-7.1: To ratify grant of 6<sup>th</sup> CPC, notional benefit, re-designation and fixation to Dr. R.C.Soni, Associate Professor, Department of Mathematics.**

The Board ratified the decision.

**Item No.27-7.2:To consider an amendment in the Statutes of NITs relating to the revision in the age of superannuation of Directors of NITs from 65 to 70 years, to bring it at par with the age of superannuation with the Directors of the IITs and Vice – Chancellors of the Central Universities.**

In 23<sup>rd</sup> meeting of BoG held on 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2012,the Board approved the above decision. As per letter No.D.O.F.No.33-4/TS.III dated 18<sup>th</sup> July 2013 of MHRD,the President, as visitor has approved the above proposal for making the amendment in the Statutes of NITs  
The Board noted the amendment in the relevant Statutes of NITs.

**Item No.27-7.3:To consider an amendment in the Statutes of NITs regarding appointment of Deputy Director in NITs.**

The Board adopted and approved the amendment in the Statutes of NITs.

Now the Statutes No.23 Appointments (5) (a) the Selection Committee for recruitment of Academic Staff (excluding the Director and the Deputy Director ),or for promotion shall be as under:

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| (1) Director or Deputy Director   | - Chairman |
| (2) Visitor's Nominee   | -Member    |
| (3) Two nominee of Board one being an expert,<br>But other than a member of the Board | -Member    |
| (4) one expert nominee of Senate from outside<br>the institute.                       | -Member    |

is replaced and read as

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**Item No.27-7.4:To consider the proposal of Selection process to fill various non-teaching posts in the Institute.**

Approved as proposed with a modification that for interview stage, candidates shall be called in ratio of 1:3.

**Item No.27-7.5: To consider Automation solution (Security), External development and additional work in the Design Center cum Administrative building.**

At the outset the entire background was briefed to the house i.e.

- 1) Original work was for construction of 1st and 2nd floors of existing Design Centre building at an estimated expenditure of Rs. 12.0 crores.
- 2) The work was awarded after obtaining due approval of BWC (18th meeting held on 05.12.2011) and BOG (22nd meeting held on 10.12.2011) to M/s Avas Vikas Limited (Government of Rajasthan undertaking)
- 3) The original work includes the construction of 1st and 2nd floors in same format as constructed at ground floor.
- 4) During course of ongoing construction work it was also decided to undertake renovation of ground floor, adopt the green building norms in the construction of two floors (includes wall insulation, double glazed unit instead of plain glass), a new toilet block, the cc flooring to be finished with ceramic tiles, embedded wiring for converting it into Computer Centre and Digital Library. The building shall also have power generator through solar power and space for battery backup etc. Two additional rooms had to be added to earlier proposal in the building. These additional works cost of Rs. 4.73 crores was approved in 20th BWC meeting held on 18.07.2012.
- 5) The original scope did not include automation ( CCTV, fire smoke detection system, access control, Audio, P.A.System, intelligent lighting control, biometric attendance system, data cabling), water harvesting system, external development, external electrification, LT panels, landscaping, LED lights, Bundi slate cladding, partition walls/ Solar glass wall in interior & lift. To make the building functional on the line of modern day requirement, it was decided to undertake these activities. It was approved in 23rd BWC held on 23.01.2013 at an estimated cost of Rs. 16.31 crores which includes cost of renovation of ground floor. For this fresh MOU was signed. The thought process behind this was, to use single functional building as Administrative Block instead of undertaking construction of new building a fresh. This decision was thought to be more economical and faster vis-a-vis new construction.
- 6) Till now the categorization of minor and major work was taken as per the interpretation of CPWD manual “major works includes where new assets are created and minor works includes maintenance works, retrofitting, augmentation, refurbishment etc.

In view of this, the reframed points are as given below:

- (i) BOG opined that in future as far as possible prior approval of deviation beyond 20% needs to be taken.
- (ii) It was also observed that Director is empowered for according approval and award of work upto financial value of Rs. 2.0 crores on recommendations of BWC, for works beyond Rs. 2.0 crores approval in principle as well as financial approval to award the work needs to be taken in BOG.
- (iii) Earlier there was no clarity in terms of financial values of distinction of works between minor and major hence from now onwards the financial value of works up to Rs. 2.0 crores are to be considered as minor works for which as per the provisions of Act & Statutes BWC is empowered and major works are beyond Rs. 2.0 crores for which BOG is empowered .

In light of given background, deliberations and observations post facto approval for additional works amounting to Rs. 4.73 crores on account of deviation and Rs. 16.31 crores on account of new work is accorded.

**Item No.27-7.6: To consider renovation of kitchen and dining hall of Hostels.**

The proposal was approved.

**Item No.27-7.7: To consider installation of sewerage treatment plant of 1000 KLD capacity.**

The proposal was approved.

**Item No.27-7.8: To consider construction of second floor on Electronics block.**

Due to shortage of space for laboratories it is proposed to construct 2<sup>nd</sup> floor on existing 1<sup>st</sup> floor of Electronics Department. Background brief is as detailed:-

1. In principle approval for construction of additional floors was accorded in 24th BOG meeting dated 21.07.2012. However, initially only construction of first floor was approved in BWC.
2. Estimated cost of construction of first floor- Rs. 2.48 crores, approved in 20<sup>th</sup> meeting of BWC, held on 18<sup>th</sup> July, 2012.
3. Award of work: Rs. 1.35 crores.
4. Meanwhile a decision of construction 2<sup>nd</sup> floor was also taken in 24<sup>th</sup> BWC held on 01.10.2013.
5. Decision of construction of 2<sup>nd</sup> floor would reduce scope of work of construction of 1<sup>st</sup> floor & likely to result in the less expenditure to the tune of Rs. 25.0 Lacs due to 1<sup>st</sup> floor not being the terrace.
6. CPWD submitted the proposal of 2<sup>nd</sup> floor with an estimated cost of Rs. 2.44 crores including the works which were eliminated from the scope of original first floor on account of decision of 2<sup>nd</sup> floor.

In light of background, proposal is approved to award to CPWD for execution as a fresh work.

**Item No.27-7.9: To consider Construction of Centre for Energy & Environment block.**

The proposal was approved.

**Item No.27-7.10: To consider creation of additional space due to natural ground in Vivekanand Lecture Theatre complex.**

It was informed that the estimated cost of Lecture theatre complex is Rs. 65.41 crores while work order amount is Rs. 61, 97, 35,631.00. Cost of creating additional space is Rs. 7.00 crores. It is within the ambit of the provision of revision of estimate. It was approved in 24<sup>th</sup> meeting of BWC held on 1.10.2013.

The proposal stands approved.

**Item No.27-7.11: To report visit of delegation to Canadian Universities for Research and Academic collaboration.**

The Board noted the report and appreciated the outcome of the visit.

**Item No.27-7.12 To consider the case of Shri Diler Singh and Shri Sharma for permanent absorption on the posts of Dy. Registrar and Assistant Registrar respectively.**

Board directed to undertake DPC first and authorized Chairman to take decision on the above proposal. It was directed that the DPC may be completed by 15.11.2013.

**Item No.27-7.13: To consider the induction of Professor Emeritus in the Department of Chemical Engineering of the Institute.**

Approved as proposed.

**Item No.27-7.14: To consider the induction of Professor Emeritus in the Department of Chemistry of the Institute.**

Recommendations of the committee were approved with the modification in the designation as Professor Research on contract basis in place of Professor Emeritus at monthly emoluments of Rs.1 Lac. per month.

**Item No.27-7.15: To consider representation of revocation of suspension of Dr. Manish Vashistha.**

The Board considered the representations given to the Chairman Board of Governors/Director and to the Registrar, MNIT by Dr. Manish Vashistha. The Board directed that the word "propose punishment" may be replaced by "propose punishment if required" and the address may be deleted from the minutes. The Board, after deliberations on all the points raised by the applicant, directed that the Inquiry Officer may be advised to give its report within three months and the representations may also be forward to Inquiry Officer.

**Item No.27-7.16: To consider Extra ordinary leave of Dr. Rohit Bhakar, Assistant Professor Department of Electrical Engineering to take up an Academic appointment on the position of Prize Fellow in the faculty of Engineering and design at the University of BATH (UK).**

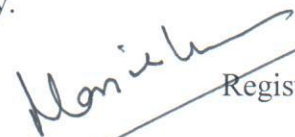
The Board approved the proposal.

**Item No. 27-8.0: Power point presentation by Heads of the Department of Electrical Engineering and Mechanical Engineering.**

The Board appreciated the progress and achievements of both the departments. On proposal of centre/labs of Artificial Intelligence, the Board directed that duplication of research facilities should be avoided as it basically falls in ambits of computer/Electronics &Communication Engineering. If required, a faculty may be appointed in more than one department as per his/her interdisciplinary specialization i.e. concept of dual /twin applications may be introduced to avoid any functional conflict.

#### **Other Observations**

- 1) The BoG observed that Senate may consider closure of IT branch and if required number of seats may be increased in Computer Engineering branch.
- 2) At present the understanding for PhD fellowship is one candidate per supervisor. It may read as one fellowship per supervisor per year. It was further observed that PhD fellowship should not be a constraint in case bright candidates are available. It was informed that maximum number of scholars per supervisor is four. Senate has also decided that all project invigilators having projects shall be entitled to have one additional scholar over and above a project Assistants/Associates. BoG observed that the same may be marginally relaxed on case to case basis by the Director in the capacity of Chairman Senate. Further in case of collaborations with other research organizations/ Institutions, joint supervision may be considered supernumerary.

  
Registrar  
& Member Secretary