



Draft Minutes of 58th Meeting of the Board of Governors held on Friday, 17th November 2017 at VNIT, Nagpur.

The following members were present:

1. Dr. Narendra S. Chaudhari, Director, VNIT, Nagpur	Chairman
2. Dr. H.S. Pandalai, Professor of Earth Sciences, IIT, Mumbai	Member
3. Mr. V.K. Divekar, NIT Council Representative	Member
4. Ms. K. Niveditha Reddy, NIT Council Representative	Member
5. Dr. A.G. Keskar, Faculty Representative, VNIT, Nagpur	Member
6. Dr. V.K. Bakde, Faculty Representative VNIT, Nagpur	Member
7. Shri Sanjeev Sharma, Director (NITs) – Through A-View	Member
8. Mr. A.K. Singh, Under Secretary, IFD, MHRD, New Delhi (Recd. Comments by Fax)	Member
9. Dr. S.R. Sathe, Registrar, VNIT, Nagpur	Secretary

The comments are received from MHRD (IFD) on the agenda items of 57th meeting of BoG and are considered while discussing the agenda.

The Chairman, BoG welcomed newly appointed BoG member Ms. K. Niveditha Reddy and expressed thanks to outgoing Chairman, BoG Shri Vishram Jamdar, BoG member Dr. (Ms.) Joyashree Roy, Professor, Jadavpur University, Kolkata and BoG Member, Dr. S.C. Sahasrabudhe, Ex.Prof., IIT, Mumbai.

58.01: To confirm the minutes of 57th meeting of the Board of Governors held on 14th September, 2017 at VNIT Nagpur.

The Draft Minutes of the 57th meeting of the Board of Governors held on 14th September, 2017 are placed at (Annexure-I).

Dr. H.S. Pandalai has pointed out by email that the correction is needed in the resolution of point no. 57.07 which is duly corrected.

Dr. A.G. Keskar has pointed out by email that the correction is needed in the action taken report on item no. 57.12.04 which is duly corrected.

The Board is requested to confirm the minutes.

Resolution : The BoG confirmed the minutes of 57th meeting of the Board of Governors after carrying out above corrections.

S. Sathe

58.02: To note the Action Taken Report on resolutions of the 57th meeting of the Board of Governors.

Item No	Agenda	Resolution	Action taken
57.07	The reports of departmental academic audit for the year 2016-17.	BoG noted the reports of departmental academic audit for the year 2016-17. BoG suggested the Institute to circulate the summary of academic audit amongst the BoG members and the proposed action plan to be worked out.	As per the comments received from Prof. H.S. Pandalai, IIT , Mumbai, Dr. V.K. Deshpande, Dean (Acad) has summarized the results and the same are placed at Item No. 58.03.
57.08	The matter related to Handing over of premises by Maharashtra Remote Sensing Applications Centre, Nagpur to VNIT, Nagpur.	Looking into the expansion plans and dire need of space by VNIT, Nagpur. BoG resolved that the reminder letter be issued to MRSAC, Nagpur for handing over the premises to VNIT, Nagpur on or before 25 th September. 2018 as per its lease agreement.	The letter has been sent to MRSAC, Nagpur with a request to hand over the premises to VNIT, Nagpur on or before 25 th September. 2018 as per its lease agreement.
57.09	Amendments in the First Statutes of National Institute of Technology(NITs).	Noted.	The Committee consisting of Deans, Registrar and other officials have gone through the amendments in First Statutes received from MHRD and modified the Statutes and hereafter it will be called as "First Statutes of National Institute of Technologies (Amendment) Statutes, 2017".
57.12.04	Issues related to Pay Fixation of Supporting Staff.	BoG directed to form a Committee to look into the representation received from the Supporting Staff under the Chairmanship of Registrar and submit the detailed report.	The work has already been started.

Resolution : BoG noted the action taken report. For Item No. 57.12.04.,the Committee under chairmanship of Registrar should submit the report to MHRD.

58.03: The departmental Academic Audit for the year 2016-17.

The summary of departmental Academic Audit for the year 2016-17 is placed in **(Annexure-II)**.

The BoG is requested to deliberate and approve.

Resolution : Dr. V.K. Deshpande, Dean (Academics) has given the presentation on departmental Academic Audit for the year 2016-17 department wise and explained satisfactory as well as unsatisfactory points along with the remarks.

Dean (Acad) has explained that the action to be taken & compliance thereof are included in subsequent departmental academic audit(s). BoG would be appraised of the same.

S. Prath

58.04: The new guidelines for utilization of Cumulative Professional Development Allowance (CPDA).

The new guidelines for utilization of **Cumulative Professional Development Allowance (CPDA)** as per MHRD letter no. F.No.35-6/TS.III dated 8th June 2017 are enclosed in **(Annexure-III)**.

As per Para 8 of new guidelines, regular faculty members who have cleared probation are eligible for the grant of CPDA. VNIT, Nagpur has recruited many faculty members in 4 tier structure at the level of Assistant Professor (AGP of Rs.6000/7000) through regular selection process(on contract). Seventh CPC (Letter no.15-4/2017-TC dated 27th Oct.2017) has referred such faculty members as Assistant Professor-Grade II. Hence, it is proposed to extent CPDA benefits to all such faculty members with suitable undertaking.

Accounts Section, VNIT, Nagpur has put up a note regarding clarification for (i) present block of CPDA ending on 31.03.2018, (ii) guidelines for contractual faculty members and (iii) need of prior approval for expenditure under this grant **(Annexure-IV)**.

BoG is requested to deliberate.

Resolution:

- 1) Faculty members, recruited through regular recruitment process at the level of Assistant Professor (on contract) (AGP of Rs.6000/7000) through regular selection process are eligible for CPDA benefits.
- (2) For the point of operational convenience, present block year will be completed on 31/3/2018.
- (3) Regarding prior approval for expenditure under the grant, the Director may decide the matter as it is an operational matter.

58.05: To approve the minutes of 44th Building and Works Committee meeting.

The 44th Building and Works Committee minutes are put up in **Annexure-V**.
The BoG is requested to approve the minutes of 44th BWC.

Resolution : BoG noted the minutes of 44th Building and Works Committee.

58.06: To approve the minutes of 47th meeting of Finance Committee held on 17th November, 2017.

The proceedings of 47th meeting of Finance Committee held on 17th November, 2017 are placed in **(Annexure-VI)**.

The BoG is requested to note.

Resolution : The Board approved the minutes of 47th Finance Committee meeting.

S. Math

58.07: To approve submission of proposal regarding Institutions of Eminence from VNIT, Nagpur.

The VNIT, Nagpur is in receipt of letter from UGC, New Delhi regarding submission of proposal for Institution of Eminence (IoE) along with the guidelines and Performa (**Annexure VII a, b, c & d**).

BoG is requested to deliberate.

Resolution : The BoG approved the application Fee of Rs. 1 Crore for filing IoE proposal.

58.08: To approve the recommendations of the Anomaly Committee on new Faculty Rules in NITS and IEST.

The recommendations of the Anomaly Committee on new Faculty Rules in NITS and IEST are enclosed in **Annexure-VIII**.

The BoG is requested to approve.

Resolution : BoG approved the recommendation of the Anomaly Committee and resolved as follows :

- i) This is one time relaxation in the relevant recruitment rules for existing faculty members having completed stipulated service in VNIT.
- ii) MHRD instruction vide letter no.F.No.33-9/2011-TS-III dated 6th October 2017, point no 2 (ii) will be followed for the assessment of mapping of existing Associate Professor with AGP Rs. 9000/- to Rs. 9500/- and Professor with AGP Rs. 10,000/- to Rs. 10,500/-. The date of effect of such mapping will be date of approval by the Board.

58.09: To approve the recommendations of the ACOFAR's on anomaly Committee's order F.No.33-9/2011-TS-III dated 6th October 2017 on new Faculty Rules in NITS and IEST.

The recommendations of the ACOFAR's on anomaly Committee's order F.No.33-9/2011-TS-III dated 6th October 2017 on new Faculty Rules in NITS and IEST are enclosed in **Annexure-IX**.

The BoG is requested to approve.

Resolution : The BoG observed that one relaxations are to be provided to the faculty, if he/she applies in the same NIT where he/she has been working as per the letter issued by MHRD. Secondly, for mapping of faculty from AGP of Rs 9000 to 9500 and AGP of Rs 10,000 to 10,500, MHRD instructions {Letter no.F.No.33-9/2011-TS-III dated 6th October 2017, point no 2 (ii)} should be followed, which specifies the constitution of the committee and the process of implementation.

58.10.01 : The Request for continuation of temporary Campus of IIM Nagpur till academic session 2018-19.

The institute is in receipt of letter no.F.No.8/36/2014-TS-V dated 2nd November 2017 from MHRD regarding allowing IIM Nagpur to operate from present campus till June 2019. **Annexure -X**

As per 55th BoG, item no.55.09, VNIT, Nagpur has requested IIM, Nagpur to vacate temporary campus by 18th June 2018, the agenda item with resolution is as given below:

S. Pruthi

55.09 To appraise the need of Faculty Quarters allotted to IIM, Nagpur for Temporary Campus.

VNIT, Nagpur has conducted faculty recruitment drive three times and selected 123 faculty members for various Departments. Further, VNIT Nagpur is likely to have one more faculty recruitment round shortly, in which Institute expects approx 20 faculty members to join. Presently the Quarters are not vacant and there is an urgent need of quarters for faculty.

As per MoU signed between IIM Nagpur & VNIT Nagpur, premises allotted to IIM Nagpur for starting temporary campus in Institute building quarters located adjacent to Madhav Nagar (four storey building) can be vacated at any time prior to completion of the period of 3 years from the date of signing MoU i.e. 19th June, 2015 with a prior notice of one month as per the need of Institute (MoU enclosed) "**Annexure-VII**".

The BoG is requested to deliberate.

Resolution: BoG resolved that as per the terms and conditions of the MOU with IIM Nagpur, VNIT Nagpur should issue a letter to IIM Nagpur to vacate the temporary campus on or before 18th June 2018 located at VNIT premises. This will help us to accommodate our faculty members on the campus.

BoG is requested to deliberate.

Resolution: As per MHRD's letter No. F.No. 8/36/2014-TS-V dated 02 Nov., 2017 that directed the Institute to allow IIM Nagpur to continue to operate within VNIT premises till June, 2019, the BoG resolved to permit IIM Nagpur to operate till 01 June, 2019. In continuation with BoG resolution of Item 55.09, BoG members reiterated VNIT's grave need for space and send a letter to Ministry of HRD for not extending the same beyond 1/6/2019.

58.10.02 : Insurance claim regarding accidental fire erupted in the Seminar Hall of Electronics and Communication Engineering Department.

The accidental fire erupted in the Seminar Hall of Electronics and Communication Engineering Department during the night of 5th October, 2017 at 11.30 PM.

The fire damaged / spoiled the furniture items, air conditioners, LCD projector etc.

It is proposed to raise the fire claim with Directorate of Insurance, Maharashtra State, Mumbai as per the terms & conditions of Policy No. AIF-13/2017/Fire-2282 to 2347/A dated 19th May, 2017 and No. AIF-13/2017/Fire-2348 to 2447/A dated 19th May, 2017.

BoG is requested to note.

Resolution: Noted. The BoG also directed that a report on fire accident be prepared and submitted in next BoG.

S. Bhat

58.10.03 : The Mapping of Permanent Faculty Members of VNIT NAGPUR who have put up more than 10 years with age 50 years and possessing Ph.D qualifications as per the minutes of ACoFAR Committee-Ratification.

The Minutes of ACoFAR Committee regarding the Mapping of Permanent Faculty Members of VNIT NAGPUR who have put more than 10 years experience with age 50 years and above and possessing Ph.D. qualifications which are duly approved by Chairman, BoG are enclosed in **Annexure -XI**.

BoG is requested to ratify.

Resolution: To be referred to MHRD for further clarification.

58.10.04 : To replace old Institute vehicle No. MH31 BB 5343 purchased on 31st October, 2003 by purchasing new vehicle.

The Institute vehicle No. MH-31 BB 5343 (Indigo LS) purchased on 31st October, 2003 requires lot of maintenance and is unserviceable. It is proposed to scrap this vehicle as per the Govt. procedure and by following GFR 2017 and to replace the same by suitable new vehicle.

Resolution: BoG directed the institute to scrap the vehicle as per the procedure specified by the Government of India. subsequently, purchase of new vehicle in place of scraped vehicle may be initiated.

58.10.05 : To adopt implementation of the recommendations of Anomaly Committee as per MHRD letter no. F.No.33-9/2011-TS-III dated 17th November 2017.(Item by Circulation)

VNIT Nagpur is in receipt of MHRD letter no. F.No.33-9/2011-TS-III dated 17th November 2017 to adopt implementation of the recommendations of Anomaly Committee.(**Annexure-XII**).

BoG is requested to adopt the same for the forthcoming faculty recruitment at VNIT NAGPUR.

Resolution: BoG adopted the recommendations of Anomaly Committee as per MHRD letter no. F.No.33-9/2011-TS-III dated 17th November 2017 for forthcoming faculty recruitment at VNIT NAGPUR. One time relaxations will be provided to those faculty who have been serving in NIT Nagpur on the date of issuance of circular.

The meeting concluded with vote of thanks to the chair.


Chairman

