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# NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY MIZORAM

(An Institute of National Importance under the Ministry of HRD, Govt. of India) CHALTLANG, AIZAWL, MIZORAM – 796012

MINUTES OF THE 10<sup>TH</sup> MEETING OF BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF NIT MIZORAM HELD ON THE 1<sup>ST</sup> JUNE, 2018 AT 12:30 PM IN THE CONFERENCE HALL OF NIT TRANSIT HOUSE, SAFDARJUNG ENCLAVE, NEW DELHI

# Members present:

Prof. Rajat Gupta
 Director, NIT Mizoram

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3. Shri Anil Kumar

Director (Finance)

Department of Higher Education Ministry of Human Resources Development

C-Wing, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi – 110 001

4. Shri K. Rajan

Under Secretary (NITs)

Department of Higher Education Ministry of Human Resources Development C-Wing, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi – 110 001

5. Er. Vanlallianzuala

Chief Engineer (Retd.) Khatla South, Aizawl, Mizoram

6. Prof. (Mrs.) Memcha Loitongbam

Professor & Director

Manipur Institute of Management Studies

Manipur University, Imphal

7. Prof. P.K Ray

Professor

Deptt of Industrial & System Engg

IIT Kharagpur

8. Dr. K. Gyanendra Singh

Asst. Professor (HSS)

NIT Mizoram

Chairperson, BOG

Ex-officio Member

Member

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Leave of absence was granted to Prof. Gopal Das and Shri Monoj Saraf, members of the Board for their inability to attend the meeting.

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The Chairperson, Prof. Rajat Gupta welcomed all the members present and thanked them for attending the meeting. He thanked them for their support all through the times. He made a brief presentation on the different activities of the Institute and the development taken place in the Institute since inception till date.

Discussions of the agenda are as follows:

BOG 10.1	Welcome address by the Chairperson, BOG cum Director, NIT Mizoram
BOG 10.2	Brief presentation of the status of NIT Mizoram
	The Director made a brief presentation of the Institute right from the land allotted for the permanent campus at Lengpui by the State Government and the status today to the different activities of the Institute. He reported that during the span of 7 years, the Institute is offering 5 B.Tech programmes, 3 M. Tech programmes and Ph.D programme in Basic Sciences, Economics and English have been added. From the forth coming session of 2018-19, one more department will be added to the M.Tech programme.
	Performance of the students in placement during 2017 has reached an all time high record in terms of the salary package. The Institute further, introduced handholding of weak students, free coaching classes to the local students for JEE Mains Exam which has already commenced etc.
	Though the Institute has gone through a hard time following the incident that happened on the 31st March, 2018 (details furnish under agenda no. BOG 10.15), yet a good number of improvement has been made in the academic aspect as well as physical improvement in the hostels – providing better facilities for the hostels, better coordination through Committees where student members participate actively, network connectivity, medical facilities etc.
BOG 10.3	Approval & Confirmation of the minutes of 9th meeting of Board of Governors held on 28th February, 2018 at NIT Transit House, Safdarjung Enclave, New Delhi.
	This is to place before the Board of Governors the proposal for approval and confirmation of the minutes of the 9th meeting of Board of Governors held on 28th February, 2018 at NIT Transit House, Safdarjung Enclave, New Delhi. Copy of the meeting minutes is placed at Annexure of BOG 10.3 at page no.36-44.

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	Since no comment is received from the members, the Board may kindly approve and confirm the minutes of the 9th meeting of Board of Governors held on 28th February, 2018 at NIT Transit House, Safdarjung Enclave, New Delhi.  Decision taken: Approved and confirmed the minutes of the 9th meeting of BOG on 28th February, 2018.
BOG 10.4	To note the action taken on the minutes of the 9th meeting of Board of Governors held on 28th February, 2018 at NIT Transit House, Safdarjung Enclave, New Delhi.
	On the basis of the resolution taken during the 9th meeting of the Board of Governors held on 28th February 2018 at NIT Transit House, Safdarjung Enclave, New Delhi, the action taken by the Institute is placed at Annexure of BOG 10.4 at page no.45-53.
	Decision taken: Noted
BOG 10.5	To inform regarding Signing of Memorandum of Understanding with the Ministry of HRD, Govt. of India
	In pursuance of the approval of the 9th meeting of BOG regarding Signing of Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Ministry of HRD, Govt of India in line with provisions of GFR 2017, the Board is informed that the signed MOU document along with the duly filled in annexure(s) have been submitted to the Ministry.
	Copy of the MOU is placed at Annexure of BOG 10.5 at pag no.54-66.
	Decision taken: Noted
BOG 10.6	To inform regarding the conduct of 2 <sup>nd</sup> Convocation on the 23 <sup>nd</sup> June, 2018 and approval of budget for the Convocation
	This is to inform the Board that the 2 <sup>nd</sup> Convocation is planned to be conducted on the 23 <sup>rd</sup> June, 2018 at the Auditorium of Mizorar University. The Institute will award B.Tech Degree to 2012, 2013 at 2014 batches and M.Tech Degree to 2016 batch. Gold medals will be given to the meritorious students during the Convocation.

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Budget estimated for conducting the Convocation is **Rs. 22.00** lakhs which will include invitation of Senate members, BOG members and former Directors also. Detailed budget is placed at Annexure of BOG 10.6 at page no.67-68.

The Board may kindly approve the budget estimate of Rs. 22.00 lakhs for conducting the Convocation.

## Decision taken:

Approved.

## **BOG 10.7**

Proposal for ratification of the approval of the Chairperson, BOG for approval of the Action Plan for the activities for July to September, 2018 of TEQIP-III

This is to inform the Board that the Action Plan for the activities for July to September, 2018 of TEQIP-III needs to be uploaded in the PFMS portal. Since this was important and urgent, approval of the Chairperson, BOG was obtained.

Copy of the Action Plan for July to September, 2018 is placed at Annexure of BOG 10.7 at page no. 69-73.

The Board may kindly ratify the approval of the Chairperson, BOG for the Action Plan for the activities of July to September, 2018 under TEQIP-III.

# Decision taken:

Ratified.

# BOG 10.8

Proposal for ratification of the approval of the Chairperson, BOG for constitution of Selection Committee for recruitment of Registrar

In view of the need to conduct interview for recruitment of Registrar for the Institute, the Chairperson, BOG approved the constitution of Selection Committee in line with the provisions given in the First Statutes. Copy of the approval is placed at **Annexure to BOG 10.8** at page no.74-75.

Members of the Selection Committee include the Director as Chairman, Expert member, BOG member, MHRD nominee and

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Registrar to represent the Institute.

The Board is requested to ratify the approval accorded by the Chairperson, BOG for constitution of Selection Committee for recruitment of Registrar for the Institute.

#### Decision taken:

Ratified.

### BOG 10.9

Proposal for approval relating to recruitment of Registrar

- 1) Recommendation of the Selection Committee
- 2) Offer of Appointment and the Contract Agreement

#### 1. Recommendation of the Selection Committee:

This is to place before the Board of Governors the recommendation of the Selection Committee for recruitment of Registrar. Interview was conducted on the  $14^{\rm th}$  May, 2018 at Kolkata. The minutes of the meeting is placed on the table.

# 2. Offer of appointment and the Contract Agreement:

It is hereby proposed that Offer of Appointment letter and the Contract Agreement prepared for the selected candidate may be approved by the Board. Copy of the Offer of Appointment letter and Contract Agreement is placed at Annexure-I & II of BOG 10.9 at page no.76-81.

The Board may kindly approve the recommendation of the Selection Committee and the offer of appointment as per the Contract Agreement to the selected candidate.

#### Decision taken:

The Board approved the recommendation of the Selection Committee for appointment of Dr. (Mrs) Lalthanchami Sailo as Registrar on Contract for a period of 5 years as per the First Statutes. The Board further, approved the offer of appointment and Contract Agreement.

## BOG 10.10

# Proposal for approval of Expert nomination for Selection Committee for recruitment of faculty

Clause 23 (5)(a) of the First Statutes for NITs provisioned for constitution of Selection Committee for recruitment of Academic Staff as under:

1. Director or Deputy Director

: Chairman

2. Visitor's Nominee

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- 3. Two nominee of the Board one being an : Member expert, but other than a member of the Board
- 4. One expert nominee of Senate from outside : Member the Institute
- 5. Head of Department concerned : Member (for other than the post of Professor)

As per the above provision of the First Statutes of NITs under Clause 23(5)(a)(3), it is required that the Board should nominate "2 members of the Board one being an expert, but other than a member of the Board".

A list of experts for the various departments has been prepared and placed on the table for approval.

Further, Director may be authorised to choose the nominees from the approved list as per their availability.

#### Decision taken:

**Point 3 of the composition of Selection Committee:** The Board approved the List of Experts and the Director has been authorised to choose the nominees from the approved list as per their availability.

**Point 5** of the composition of Selection Committee: Since there is no Professor or Associate Professor in the Institute, there is no need of taking anyone.

## BOG 10.11

## Regarding Faculty Recruitment -

- 1. Approval of the Selection Criteria
- 2. Information regarding the status of shortlisted candidates for recruitment of faculty

Applications for the post of Professor, Associate Professor and Asst. Professor are scrutinised as per the Revised RR for Faculty of NITs & IIEST. Through Committee consisting of Professors of other NITs the shortlisting criteria was taken as follows:

## OPTION: I

- "A. All Government Organisations/Institutes will be considered as Institute of Repute.
- B. Private institutions within NIRF ranking 100 will also be considered as Institute of Repute".

Copy of the Note is placed at **Annexure of BOG 10.11 at page no.82.** Approval of the Board is therefore, sought for the selection criteria.

Information regarding the status of shortlisted candidates for

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# recruitment of faculty

Based on the above criteria, the shortlisted candidates for different posts are as shown under:

Table-I

Name of Depart-	Profes- sor	Asso- ciate	Assi:	Total	
ment		Profes sor	AGP 8000/	AGP 7000/	
EEE	01	0	01	0	02
ECE	0	01	01	0	02
CSE	0	0	01	0	01
ME	01	0	02	03	06
CE	0	0	0	01	01
BS&HSS	0	03	02	02	07
Total	02	04	07	06	19

- A. Advertisement was floated for the post of Professor and Associate Professor only since there is no vacancy at the level of Assistant Professor.
- B. For internal candidates at the Assistant Professor level applications were invited for upgradation of their AGPs or/ and Associate Professor in BS & HSS.

## **OPTION: II**

**Considering all AICTE** approved Institutes: If all AICTE approved institutes are considered, shortlisted candidates are as follows:

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Name of Depart- ment	Profes- sor	10000	Assi: Profe	Tota I	
	10		AGP 8000/-	AGP 7000/-	
EEE	01*	02 (01*)	01	0	04
ECE	0	02*	01	0	03
CSE	0	0	01	0	01
ME	01*	0	02	03	06
CE	0	0	0	01	01
BS&HSS	0	03	02	02	07
Total	02	07	07	06	22

\*refers to external candidate(s)

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Approval of the Board is hereby sought to decide which option is to be adopted.

If Option-I is considered, it is clearly seen from the **Table-I**, that there is only one candidate each in the Department of EEE and ME for the post of Professor and only one candidate for the post of Associate Professor in the Department of ECE.

If Option-II is considered, then there will be no change in the Professor level, however, for Associate Professor there will be 2 candidates each for EEE and ECE and 3 for BS&HSS

In view of the above, the Board may kindly advise whether to conduct interview for Professor where there are only one candidate each in EEE & ECE since interview is likely to be held in the 2<sup>nd</sup> week of June, 2018.

#### Decision taken:

The Board decided that Option-I should be considered. Further, irrespective of the number of candidates for the post of Professor and Associate Professor, the Institute should conduct interview as scheduled for all eligible candidates. Further, it is upto the Selection Committee to recommend for selection even when there is only one eligible candidate for a particular post.

#### BOG 10.12

Status of the present position of Adhoc Teacher and recommendation of the HoD meeting for enhancement of fixed remuneration

 Status of the present position of Adhoc Teachers: To bridge the gap of faculty requirement in the various departments, the status of the present Adhoc Teachers are shown below:

Sl. No	Departm ent	Name of Faculty	Engaged since	Years completed
1	EEE	1. Mr. Sukanta Debnath	12th Mar 2014	4 years
	4 Mrs. Upama Das	7th Feb 2014	4 years	
2 ECE	1. Mr. Pragati Singh	31# Jan 2014	4 years	
	2. Mrs. Shingmila Hungyo	3rd Feb. 2014	4 years	
	3. Ms. Remika Ngangbam	7th Feb 2014	4 years	
3 CSE	CSE	1. Mr. Goutam Majumder	1st March 2014	4 years
		2. Mrs. Dipanwita Debnath	6 <sup>th</sup> May 2016	2 years
	3. Mr. Amit Chakraborty	12th Feb 2018	2 months	
4	ME	1.Dr. Amit Kumar	17th Feb 2017	1 year
5	CE	1. Ms. Esther Vanlalmawii	13th Feb 2017	1years
		2. Mr. Nirban Laskar	12 <sup>th</sup> Feb 2018	3 months
		3. Ms. Evangeline Lalrinmawii	9th Feb 2018	3 months

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## 1. Recommendation of the HoDs meeting:

There are only 23 faculty against 38 sanctioned posts. The academic activities are being carried out by inducting 12 Temporary/Adhoc Teachers with consolidated remuneration of Rs. 50,000.00 per month.

The matter was discussed in the HoDs meeting and it was resolved that 15 (2 more in CE & 1 more in CSE) Temporary Teachers may be appointed afresh by paying a consolidated amount as mentioned below:

Sl.No	Qualification	Consolidated Amount recommended pm
1	With Ph.D degree	Rs. 70,000.00
2	With M.Tech/ME degree	Rs. 63,000.00

However, it is to be mentioned that 5 Trainee Teachers are there in the Institute under the Trainee Teachers Scheme of the Ministry.

The Board is requested to allow advertisement for recruitment of 15 adhoc teachers on payment of the consolidated remuneration per month.

The matter is brought to the Board for approval.

### Decision taken:

The proposal for revision of the consolidated amount of Rs. 70,000/- and Rs. 63,000/- pm for faculty with Ph.D and M.Tech/ME degree respectively is approved. Further, fresh recruitment process to be initiated for all the temporary teachers with the enhanced consolidated amount.

## BOG 10.13

Recommendation of the Selection Committee for recruitment of a General Physician, a Lady Doctor and a Counsellor

In pursuance of the decision taken in the 8th meeting of BOG on 28th November, 2017 regarding the approval to recruit General Physician, a Lady Doctor and a Counsellor purely on temporary basis, the Institute conducted a Walk-in Interview on the 21st April 2018 for recruitment of General Physician (1), Lady Doctor (1) and Counsellor (1) purely on temporary basis.

Report of the Selection Committee is placed on the table for approval.

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The Board may kindly approve the recommendation of the Selection Committee for appointment of the selected candidates purely on temporary basis.

## Decision taken:

The Board approved the recommendation of the Selection Committee for hiring of a General Physician, a Lady Doctor and a Counsellor purely on temporary basis on payment of consolidated amount of Rs. 35,000/- pm and Rs. 30,000/- pm for Counsellor.

#### BOG 10.14

# Approval for the Formation of Senate as per the First Statutes

As provisioned under Rule 14 of the NITSER Act 2007 which provides that –

"The Senate of every Institute shall consist of the following persons, namely:-

- a) the Director, ex officio, who shall be the Chairman of the Senate;
- b) the Deputy Director, ex officio;
- the Professors appointed or recognised as such by the Institute for the purpose of imparting instructions in the Institute;
- d) three persons, one of whom shall be a woman, not being employees of the Institute, to be nominated by the Chairperson in consultation with the Director, from amongst educationists of repute, one each from the field of science, engineering and humanities; and
- e) such other members of the staff as may be laid down in the Statutes"

In line with the above provision, this is to place before the Board the formation of Senate for NIT Mizoram.

The Board may kindly approve the formation of Senate with the members proposed.

#### Decision taken:

The Board approved the proposal for formation of Senate as per the First Statutes and for point (c) above, the followings shall be members of the Senate viz.:

- Prof. Sukumar Nandi Deptt of CSE, IIT Guwahati
- 2. Prof. A.T Khan Deptt of Chemistry, IIT Guwahati
- Prof. (Mrs) Sudhensha Purkayastha Deptt of History, Assam University

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### BOG 10.15

# Report of the incident happened in NIT Mizoram on the 31st March, 2018 and the measures taken by the Institute

This is to inform the Board the unfortunate incident which happened in the Institute on the 31<sup>st</sup> March 2018. One of the boys named Devsharan Kumar studying B.Tech died at Guwahati. Hearing the death of their colleague, the students of Boys Hostel-II (where 1<sup>st</sup> year students and few M.Tech students are accommodated) vandalised the property of the Institute and the house owner.

The students continued with a strike demanding enquiry into the case, to provide better food and water in the hostel. Above all was their demand for a Campus for which the intervention of the Ministry official was insisted. The strike went on for 5 days till the official from the Ministry visited the Institute on the  $5^{\rm th}$  April 2018. Discussions were held with the students, faculty and authority of the Institute. With promises to look into the matter, the students resumed their academic classes on the  $9^{\rm th}$  April 2018 and appeared for their left out mid-semester examination on the  $16^{\rm th}$  &  $17^{\rm th}$  April 2018.

**Immediate Action:** To address to the demands of the students, the Institute immediately initiated action as under:

- The Institute constituted 3-Member Enquiry Committee with external members to enquire into the death of Devsharan Kumar and to suggest improvement for prevention of such incident.
- Change of some Wardens.
- Arranged the visit of a doctor in the hostel.

## Measures taken by the Institute

## 1. Opening of Temporary Health Care Centre:

In view of the incident that happened on the 31st March 2018, the Wardens and Heads of Departments proposed for setting up of a temporary Health Care Centre to address to the immediate need of health care system in the Institute till a full-fledged hospital is established in the Institute. Hence, the Health Care Centre was inaugurated on 25th April, 2018. The Centre is functioning for 2 days in a week.

The following doctor and supporting staff identified by the doctor are engaged on daily basis on payment of fixed remuneration as shown under:

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Sl.No	Particular	Rate per hour	Duty hrs/day
1	Doctor (MBBS)	Rs.1000/-	3 hours
2	Nurse	Rs. 150/-	4 hours
3	Female Attendant	Rs. 75/-	4 hours

This temporary arrangement shall cease with the appointment of a General Physician and a Lady Doctor on Contract.

# 2. Water Connection from PHE Department in Boys Hostel-II

As to the compliant of student regarding insufficiency of water supply, The matter was also taken up by the Deputy Commissioner (DC), Aizawl on the instruction issued by HE the Governor of Mizoram.

The DC Aizawl via letter dated 12 April, 2018 to the Director, NIT Mizoram forwarded an estimate for improvement for Water Supply to the Hostels students of NIT Mizoram at Tanhril for necessary financial sanction. The estimate was prepared by EE, PHE, Aizawl Water Distribution Division North amounting to Rs. 1,92,500.00 for installation of 206.25 m of 50 mm dia & 18.75m of 20 mm dia pipes for 4 new House Water Connections (in addition to the 3 connections previously available).

It is to be mentioned that the Hostel building is rented from Mr. Zorammawia and the Hostel is expected to be used for the next 2/3 years before the completion of the permanent campus at Lengpui. This additional House Water Connections will improve the quantity and quality of the already existing PHE Water Supply and will ensure the RO water purifier systems are workable.

The matter was taken up in two meetings of the Hostel Management Committee with the Dy. Registrar (F&A) and the Executive Engineer (Civil) held on 13th & 18th April, 2018 where the Committee discussed and recommended the proposal. Subsequently, the proposal was approved by the Director, NIT Mizoram on the 18th of April, 2018 and the amount of Rs. 1,92,500.00 was deposited in the office of the Executive Engineer, PHED, Aizawl Water Distribution Division North, Govt. of Mizoram. The installation work is in progress.

#### 3. HOSTELS

- The competent authority formed various committees for better functioning of hostels which are:
  - 1. Hostel Level Management Committee (HLMC)
  - 2. Hostel Mess Management Committee (HMMC)
  - 3. Hostel Cleanliness Committee (HCC)
  - 4. Overall Monitoring Committee
- Regular meetings of the various committees are held which is

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10.02 LPA, respectively. Many students have also secured their jobs at various reputed organization with a package ranging from 3.20 to 8.80 LPA. Paper cutting is placed at Annexure-IV of BOG 10.15 at page no.86.

## 6. Overall Environment of the Institute:

- Students are regularly attending classes and academic schedule is being followed strictly.
- · Regular visits at hostels are made by the authorities.
- Regular interactions with students are being held at different levels for overall development of the Institute.
- Interview for the post of Registrar, Doctor, Counselor, etc. are already over.
- Interview for the faculties is scheduled on June 12-13, 2018.
- Convocation of the Institute for B.Tech 2012, 2013 and 2014 and M.Tech 2016 batch students is also scheduled to be held on 23rd June, 2018.
- Free coaching for the 10+2 local students for JEE by the faculties of NIT Mizoram has already started. About 60 students have enrolled and free lunch is also provided. Paper cutting is placed at Annexure-V of BOG 10.15 at page no.87.

The matter is brought to the Board for information.

## Decision taken:

Noted.

# BOG 10.16 Proposal for Medical Insurance of students

A proposal has been received from the Chairman, Hostel Management Committee (HMC) for introduction of medical insurance for the students. With the sad demise of a student, the HMC felt very necessary to have group medical insurance to provide cashless/financial support to students during illness and to cope up with any unfortunate incident. Copy of the letter is placed at Annexure-I of BOG 10.16 at page no.88. It was also decided that the group medical insurance shall have the following components as shown under:

Sl. No	Particular	Sum Assured
1.	Mediclaim Sum Insured Per Student	Rs. 2,00,000/-
2.	Personal Accident Sum Insured Per Student	Rs. 1,00,000/-
3.	Personal Accident Sum Insured Per Parent/Guardian of the student	Rs. 1,00,000/-
4.	Cost of Study	Rs. 1,00,000/-

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monitored by the Director.

- Installation of 50 mm water pipe line at Boys Hostel-II is being progressed and work will be completed soon. This has been done after taking special permission from PHE department.
- Sufficient numbers of ceiling fans have been installed.
- 2 RO water purifiers have already been installed. Additionally, tender has been issued to fit 10 more RO water purifiers.
- Quality of food is regularly monitored by a committee of students as well as by Wardens.
- Mess contractor has been warned.
- Internet connectivity (Broadband) has been provided.
- CCTVs were installed at Girls' Hostel.
- There is hardly any complaint regarding quality of food now.

## 4. ACADEMIC MATTERS:

- · Academic activities are regularly monitored.
- · New books have purchased.
- Institute procured more e-books.
- · Regular interaction of students with faculties and wardens are held.
- Institute organized the Ek Bharat Shreshta Bharath (EBSB) program. Paper cutting is placed at Annexure-I of BOG 10.15 at page no.83.
- Technical Fest, the biggest festival of the Institute, consisting of Morphosis-2018, Manthan-2018 & Science Expo-2018, involving local school & college students, was organized and prizes were distributed. Paper cutting is placed at Annexure-II of BOG 10.15 at page no.84.
- The president of Institution of Engineers (India), IE(I), opened the 1<sup>st</sup> Mizoram State Centre of IE(I) on 15<sup>th</sup> May 2018 Paper cutting is placed at Annexure-III of BOG 10.15 at page no.85.
- Prof. Rajat Gupta, Director NIT Mizoram, was made as the Chairman of Mizoram State Chapter of IE(I).
- Institute conducted farewell program for the outgoing B.Tech & M.Tech students on 19th May 2018 and mementoes were distributed to all outgoing students.

## 5. CAMPUS PLACEMENT:

- For the first time in the history of NIT Mizoram, a campus placement drive by Navaratna Central Public Sector Enterprise (BEL) was conducted at NIT Mizoram for all NITs in the North-East region.
- Students of NIT Mizoram got placed in BPCL (Maharatna Central Public Sector Enterprise) and BEL (Navaratna Central Public Sector Enterprise) companies with attractive package of 17.30 LPA and

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It is therefore, proposed that tender be floated for finalization of the Insurance Agency. Copy of the letter and the Notice Inviting Quotation is placed at Annexure-II of BOG 10.16 at page no. 89-94.

The Board may kindly allow tendering of the proposed medical insurance for the students of NIT Mizoram.

#### Decision taken:

The proposal was discussed and approved. The Board further decided that all expenses of the Insurance Premium shall be borne by the students. The Institute shall not bear any expenses on this account.

## **BOG 10.17**

Report of the Enquiry Committee constituted to enquire into the death of a student and suggest measures to improve upon the system

This is to inform the Board that the students demanded a probe on the cause of death of a student named Devsharan Kumar on the 31st March, 2018 and also as advised by the Ministry official who visited NIT Mizoram, the Institute constituted an Enquiry Committee consisting of a BOG member, senior doctor from the Civil Hospital and a professor from the University.

The Committee diligently worked on the problem assigned to it. Report of the Committee is thus submitted and placed at **Annexure of BOG 10.17** at page no.95-107.

#### Decision taken:

The Board appreciated the efforts of the Enquiry Committee members and noted the report as to the cause of death of a B.Tech student and the recommendations of the Enquiry Committee which the Institute may note for action. While discussing whether any compensation can be given, the Board did not agree as there is no provision. However, the Institute may bear the expenses of his travel and treatment at Guwahati.

The Board further noted with appreciation that the Institute has taken several steps to improve the hostel facilities and amenities, provide medical assistance etc as highlighted in the previous agenda.

## BOG 10.18

Report of the Enquiry Committee into the case of Dr. Bijayananda Mohanty, AP (CE)

This is to inform the Board that the students of Civil Engineering submitted complaints against the then Head of Department- Dr.

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Bijayananda Mohanty. The gist of the complaints is indifferent attitude towards the students and denial of their academic rights by the HoD. Not long after the submission of the complaints, the students resorted to outside support which demanded stern action against him and his removal from the Institute.

An Enquiry Committee was immediately constituted with four members from the Institute. Copy of the report submitted by the Enquiry Committee is placed at Annexure of BOG 10.18 at page no. 108-109. As per the report, the allegations of the students are found to be true in view of the non-performance of the duties and responsibilities by the Head of Department. As HoD, he is suppose to conduct 2 theory papers of the ongoing 4th, 6th and 8th semesters instead he taught only 1 theory paper in 6th Semester. He completed the syllabus in just two classes before mid semester exam. Never allowed them to see their examination papers nor show their internal marks in the previous semesters. Dr. B. Mohanty denied all the allegations /charges made against him by the students. He, however, submitted resignation from the position of Head of Department on 28.03.2018.

In line with the provision of the First Statutes, the Director appointed Dr. Bidesh Roy, AP (ME) as Head of Civil Engineering Department on 29.03.2018.

In the meantime, a report of the Acting HoD is annexed. The Board may, therefore, advise in this matter.

#### Decision taken:

The Director is authorised to issue minor charge sheet against the faculty in respect of the allegations of the students and for the unauthorised leave availed for  $1\ ^1/_2$  months.

#### BOG 10.19

# Proposal for utilization of CPDA

Proposal has been received from a faculty requesting for inclusion of items in the list for utilization of Cumulative Professional Development Allowance (CPDA) Fund. Copy of the letters is placed at Annexure-I & II of BOG 10.19 at page nos.110-111.

A. Purchase of Amazon Kindle device: This is a series of e-readers designed and marketed by Amazon to enable users to browse, buy, download and read e-books, newspapers, magazines and other digital media via wireless networking to the Kindle Store.

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The device provides easy access to such e-resources exclusively useful for educational purposes.

B. Utilization of CPDA Fund for attending Ph.D progress seminars and related research matters at other Institutions: Few faculty members of the Institute are Joint Ph.D Supervisors of other Institute. It is therefore, required that they should attend the progress seminars, state of art seminars etc and few other matters relating to Ph.D. Further, the faculty members may need to visit other Institutes for research purposes for which it is sought that reimbursement of travelling expenses may be allowed from CPDA Fund. This is beneficial for the career growth of the faculty.

This was discussed in the HoDs meeting and it was decided that – Item A may be treated like a online book which can be utilised anytime anywhere.

**Item B**: To encourage faculty members to take the responsibility of Co-Supervising Ph.D scholars outside the Institute.

The maximum limit for Amazon Kindle device may be **Rs. 15,000.00** The proposals may therefore, be accepted by the Board. Expenditure to be incurred may be debited from the CPDA.

#### Decision taken:

Proposal A is approved with maximum limit of Rs.15,000.00. As for Proposal B, it may further be placed in the Council Meeting.

#### BOG 10.20

Letter received from a poor farmer who donated his garden for the existing campus and his request for giving employment for his grandson

This is to inform the Board of Governors that Mr. Lalthangvunga, an old farmer from Lengpui Village donated his garden measuring 1 acre (approx) for the NIT Campus. In 2014, he surrendered his Lengpui Village Council Pass No.1339 of 2014 (Garden Allotment Certificate) to NIT Mizoram with the request that when his grandson comes of age, he may be given employment as compensation. Copy of the letter and the Garden Certificate is placed at Annexure-I of BOG 10.20 at page no.112.

Lately, on 16/03/2018 he submitted a letter informing that since he is old and unable to do any work, he requested the authority that his grandson Eric Lalrohlua who has cleared the Higher Secondary Examination (Arts) may be given a job at NIT Mizoram. Copy of the letter is placed at Annexure-II of BOG 10.20 at page no.113-114.

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	The Village Council President further certified that Malathangunga is a resident of Lengpui and his surrender of the land was in the interest of NIT Mizoram. He recommended that the authority considers providing a job for his grandson it would be appreciated as he is his only one to support his family.
	The Board may discuss and give advice to the Institute.  Decision taken: Not approved.
BOG 10.21	Proposal for approval of the Minutes of the 8th meeting of FC of 28th February, 2018
	This is to propose for approval of the minutes of the 8th meeting FC held on the 28th February, 2018. Copy of the minutes of the 8 meeting of FC is placed at Annexure of BOG 10.21 at page n 115-118.
	The Board may kindly approve the minutes of the 8th meeting of I held on the 28th February, 2018.
	Decision taken: Approved.
BOG 10.22	Proposal for approval of the Minutes of the 9th meeting of BWC of 28th February, 2018
	This is to propose for approval of the minutes of the 9 <sup>th</sup> meeting BWC held on the 28 <sup>th</sup> February, 2018. Copy of the minutes of the 8 meeting of FC is placed at <b>Annexure of BOG 10.22 at page n</b> 119-123.
	The Board may kindly approve the minutes of the 9 <sup>th</sup> meeting BWC held on the 28 <sup>th</sup> February, 2018.
	Decision taken: Approved.
BOG 10.23	Proposal for approval of the Minutes of the 5th meeting of Sena on 28th May, 2018
	This is to place before the Board the decisions taken at the 5 meeting of Senate held on the 28th May, 2018 at NIT Mizoram. Cop of the minutes of the 5th meeting of Senate is placed on the table.
	The Board may kindly approve the minutes of the 5th meeting

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Senate held on the 28th May, 2018.

# Decision taken on the recommendation of the 5th Senate meeting:

- 1. Appointment of Adjunct Faculty for CE, EEE & ECE: Approved
- 2. Establishment of Innovation & Entrepreneurship Development Centre: Approved
- 3. Waiver of M.Tech Tuition Fees for SC/ST students: The Board opined that the students may get reimbursement through Scholarship.
- 4. Honorarium of faculty members for Science Education Awareness for Class-XII Mizoram students: Approved
- M.Tech Regulation No.21.1 for award of Gold Medal to graduating candidates: Approved

#### BOG 10:24 Any oth

## Any other matter with the permission of the Chair

- 1. The Director reported that the Temporary Health Care Centre was set up in the Institute on the 25<sup>th</sup> April, 2018 following the incident on 31<sup>st</sup> March 2018. This is to cater to the medical assistance required by the students and staff of the Institute. The expenditure incurred for the Temporary Health Care Centre since 25<sup>th</sup> April 2018 till 30<sup>th</sup> May, 2018 is as under:
  - i) On medical apparatus/eqpmts/furniture: Rs. 2,60,709.00
  - ii) Purchase of medicines & consumables : Rs. 2,20,180.00 : Rs. 4,80,889.00
- He further, mentioned the receipt of a letter from the Jt. Director (Tech), Higher & Technical Education, Govt. of Mizoram regarding request for lateral entry into NIT Mizoram for Polytechnic passed out students from Mizoram.

The Board however, opined that since entry is through JEE Mains, no lateral entry can be considered. This may be communicated to the Jt. Director (Tech), Higher & Technical Education, Govt. of Mizoram

(PROF. RAJAT GUPTA) Chairperson cum Director

(LALTHIANGHLIMI ZOTE) Dy. Registrar (F&A)