

**THE XXXIII MEETING  
OF  
BOARD OF GOVERNORS**

**NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY  
MEGHALAYA**

**MINUTES**

<b>DAY</b>	<b>: TUESDAY</b>
<b>DATE</b>	<b>: 27.06.2023</b>
<b>TIME</b>	<b>: 4.30 PM</b>
<b>VENUE</b>	<b>: THE CONFERENCE ROOM OF CENTURY HOUSE, P-15/1, TARATALA ROAD, KOLKATA.</b>

NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY MEGHALAYA  
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**Minutes of XXXIII Meeting of the Board of Governors held on 27.06.2023.**

The XXXIII Meeting of the Board of Governors of National Institute of Technology Meghalaya was held on Tuesday, 27.06.2023 at 4:30 PM through hybrid mode (online/offline) and the following members attended the meeting.

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| 1. Shri Sajjan Bhajanka<br>Founder & Chairman<br>Century Ply Boards (India) Ltd.   | Chairman                 |
| 2. Prof. Gayadhar Panda<br>Director (i/c), NIT Meghalaya   | Member                   |
| 3. Ms. Soumya Gupta,<br>Joint Secretary (NITs),<br>Department of Higher Education,<br>Ministry of Education, New Delhi                 | Member                   |
| 4. Shri Anil Kumar<br>Director, Finance<br>Integrated Finance Bureau,<br>Department of Higher Education (TE),<br>Ministry of Education | Member<br>Representative |
| 5. Shri Medrickson Tariang,<br>Retired Chief Engineer, PWD (Roads)<br>Shillong, Meghalaya  | Member                   |
| 6. Prof. (Dr.) Harish Chandra Das<br>Dept. of Mechanical Engg.<br>NIT Meghalaya  | Member                   |
| 7. Dr. Gitish Kishore Dutta<br>Assoc. Professor, Dept. of CY.<br>NIT Meghalaya   | Member                   |
| 8. Dr. Rabindra Narayan Mahapatra,<br>Registrar (i/c), NIT Meghalaya   | Secretary                |

Prof. Parameswar Krishnan Iyer, Director IIT Guwahati and Shri Wallamphang Roy, Managing Director, Meghalaya Power Carriers Pvt. Ltd., Shillong, Meghalaya, could not attend the meeting due to pre-occupation.

At the outset, the Chairman, BoG, NIT Meghalaya welcomed the August members. Thereafter, the agenda items of the day were taken up.

**BoG-XXXIII(2023)-1: Confirmation of the minutes of the XXXII meeting of the Board of Governors of NIT Meghalaya held on 16.09.2022.**

The XXXII meeting of the Board of Governors of the Institute was held on 16.09.2022 (Friday) at the conference room of the NIT Meghalaya through hybrid mode (online/offline mode). The minutes of the meeting were circulated amongst the members of the Board for their comments/observations. The comments received from IFD, DHE, Ministry of Education (Shiksha Mantralaya) have been incorporated in the Minutes. No other comments have been received from any other distinguished members of the Board. After discussions, the Board resolved to confirm the Minutes of XXXI meeting of BoG held on 16.09.2022.

**BOG-XXXII(2023)-R1: The Board RESOLVED to CONFIRM the Minutes of the XXXII Meeting of the Board of Governors of NIT Meghalaya held on 16.09.2022.**

**BoG-XXXIII (2023)-2: ATR on the decisions of the XXXII Meeting of the Board of Governors (BoG) of NIT Meghalaya.**

The actions taken on the resolutions of the Board of its XXXII meeting were circulated as part of the agenda items. During the meeting, the actions taken on each of the agenda item were explained to the Board members.

The Board noted and agreed to the decision/action taken by the Institute.

**BOG-XXXII (2023)-R2: The Board AGREED and CONFIRMED the ACTIONS TAKEN on the resolutions of its XXXI Meeting held on 16.09.2022.**

*R. Malapaha*

**BoG-XXXIII (2023)-3: Recommendation of the XXVI Finance Committee meeting of NIT Meghalaya to be held on 27.06.2023.**

The XXVI meeting of the Finance Committee of the Institute was held on 27.06.2023 prior to the Board Meeting. The Finance Committee elaborately deliberated on the following agenda items and recommended for approval by the Board:-

Sl. No	Agenda Items of XXV Finance Committee	FC Resolutions	BoG Resolutions
1	<p><b><u>FC-XXV (2023)-3:</u></b> Recommendations of the XXII Meeting of the B &amp; WC of the Institute held on 02.06.2023.</p> <p>a) <b><u>B&amp;WC-XXII(2022)-3:</u></b> Providing Power Supply to NIT Meghalaya permanent campus at Sohra.</p> <p>b) <b><u>B&amp;WC-XXII(2022)-4:</u></b> External Electrical Works at NIT Meghalaya permanent campus, Sohra.</p> <p>c) <b><u>B&amp;WC-XXII(2022)-5:</u></b> External Electrical Works (Supply and Installation of DG Sets) at NIT Meghalaya permanent campus.</p>	<p><b><u>FC-XXVI(2022)-R3(a):</u></b> The Finance Committee CONSIDERED and NOTED the recommendation of B&amp;WC for Providing Power Supply to NIT Meghalaya permanent campus at Sohra. The Committee AGREED with the recommendation of BWC for an Estimate of work under MePTCL and RECOMMENDED to place the matter before the Board for Approval.</p> <p><b><u>FC-XXVI(2023)-R3(b):</u></b> The Finance Committee deliberated on the recommendation of B&amp;WC regarding the Status of External Electrical Works at NIT Meghalaya permanent campus, Sohra and SUGGESTED that 70% (as per agreement) of the payment should only be made after the material is received on-site and accordingly RECOMMENDED to place the matter before the Board for Approval of the Board.</p> <p><b><u>FC-XXVI(2023)-R3(c):</u></b> The Finance Committee NOTED the recommendation of B&amp;WC regarding the External Electrical Works (Supply and Installation of DG Sets) at NIT</p>	<p><b><u>BoG-XXXIII(2023)-3(a):</u></b> The Board NOTED and Resolved to APPROVE the recommendation of the FC for Providing Power Supply to NIT Meghalaya permanent campus at Sohra.. The Board also AGREED to the recommendation of FC for an Estimate of work under MePTCL.</p> <p><b><u>BoG-XXXIII(2023)-R3(b):</u></b> The Board NOTED and Resolved to APPROVE the recommendation of the FC for External Electrical Works at NIT Meghalaya permanent campus, Sohra.</p> <p><b><u>BoG-XXXIII(2023)-R3(c):</u></b> The Board Resolved to APPROVE the recommendation of the FC</p>

	<p>Sohra.</p> <p>d) <u>B&amp;WC-XXII(2022)-6:</u> Temporary Power Supply (Load enhancement from 500KVA to 1000 KVA) at NIT Meghalaya permanent campus, Sohra.</p>	<p>Meghalaya permanent campus, Sohra and RECOMMENDED to place the matter before the Board for Approval of the same.</p> <p><u>FC-XXVI(2023)-R3(d):</u> The Finance Committee NOTED the recommendation of B&amp;WC for Temporary Power Supply (Load enhancement from 500KVA to 1000 KVA) at NIT Meghalaya permanent campus, Sohra and RECOMMENDED to place the matter before the Board for Approval of the Board.</p>	<p>for External Electrical Works (Supply and Installation of DG Sets) at NIT Meghalaya permanent campus, Sohra.</p> <p><u>BoG-XXXII(2023)-R3(d):</u> The Board Resolved to APPROVE the recommendation of the FC for Temporary Power Supply (Load enhancement from 500KVA to 1000 KVA) at NIT Meghalaya permanent campus, Sohra.</p>
2	<p><u>FC-XXVI(2023)-4:</u> Applicability of Payment of Gratuity Act, 1972 to educational institutions under the Ministry of Education, Govt. of India.</p>	<p><u>FC-XXVI(2023)-R4:</u> The Finance Committee RESOLVED to ADOPT the Payment of Gratuity Act, 1972 and RECOMMENDED to place the matter before the Board for consideration and APPROVAL by the Board.</p>	<p><u>BoG-XXXIII(2023)-R3(e):</u> The Board Resolved to APPROVE the recommendation of the FC and Adopted the Payment of Gratuity Act, 1972.</p>
3	<p><u>FC-XXVI(2023)-5:</u> Reimbursement of HRA for Married Research Scholars.</p>	<p><u>FC-XXVI(2023)-R5:</u> The Finance Committee RESOLVED to ADOPT the payment of house rent allowance (HRA) to Married Research Scholars as per Office Memorandum F No:12-2/2019-U1 dated 31.01.2019 and RECOMMENDED to place the matter before the Board for consideration and APPROVAL by the Board.</p>	<p><u>BoG-XXXIII(2023)-R3(f):</u> The Board Resolved to APPROVE the recommendations of the FC for payment of house rent allowance (HRA) to Married Research Scholars as per Office Memorandum F No:12-2/2019-U1 dated 31.01.2019.</p>
4	<p><u>FC-XXV(2023)-6:</u> Increase in Mess Advance Amount from Autumn 2023.</p>	<p><u>FC-XXVI(2023)-R6:</u> The Finance Committee RESOLVED to ADOPT the Increase in Mess Advance Amount of ₹25,000/- from Autumn 2023 and RECOMMENDED to place the matter before the Board for consideration and adoption by the Board.</p>	<p><u>BoG-XXXIII(2023)-R3(g):</u> The Board Resolved to APPROVE the recommendation of FC for an Increase in Mess Advance Amount from Autumn 2023.</p>

*Rs. Matapaha*

BoG-XXXIII(2023)-4: Signing of MoU between NIT Meghalaya and other Institute/University.

I. Signing of MoU between NIT Meghalaya and Indian Institute of Technology Hyderabad, as recommended by the Senate in its XXIX meeting held on 27.06.2022.

II. Signing of MoU between NIT Meghalaya and University of Northern IOWA (UNI), USA, as recommended by the Senate in its XXX held on 14.09.2022.

III. Signing of MoU between NIT Meghalaya and Indian Institute of Technology Madras, as recommended by the Senate in its XXXI held on 14.12.2022.

IV. Signing of MoU between NIT Meghalaya and INUP i2i Program IIT Guwahati

The Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between NIT Meghalaya and the above Institute/University was placed before the Board for **consideration and approval**.

The Board was apprised of the above, and after deliberation, the Board noted and approve the signing of MoU's between NIT Meghalaya and the above Institute/University.

BoG-XXXIII(2023)-R4: *The Board RESOLVED to APPROVE for signing of MoU's between NIT Meghalaya and the above Institute/University.*

BoG-XXXIII (2023)-5: Special drive to fill the backlog vacancies on Mission Mode and status of the recruitment process under in the absence of a regular Director at NIT Meghalaya.

The Board was informed that the Institute has received an email dated: 23.02.2023 from the Technical Section – III (NITs Desk), Department of Higher Education, Ministry of Education (Shiksha Mantralaya), Government of India enclosing the letter F.No.15-1/2023-TS.III dated 23.02.2023 regarding “initiation of the recruitment process under Mission Mode in the absence of regular Director”. The matter was forwarded to the members of the Board as an Agenda Item through circulation on 03.03.2023.

The Board approved the agenda by circulation for initiation of the recruitment process under Mission Mode in the absence of regular Director at NIT Meghalaya and accordingly, the Institute had released advertisements for the vacancies of both faculty and non-faculty as given in detail below.

*Raj. Malapala*

The Board was informed that the current vacancies in the Institute are as shown in the table below:

Sl. No.	Vacancy	UR	SC	ST	OBC	Total
1	Faculty	5	4	0	6	15
2	Faculty <i>lien vacancy</i>	2	0	0	0	2
3	Registrar	1	0	0	0	1
4	Students Activity & Sports Officer	0	0	0	1	1
5	Technical Assistant (Civil Dept)	0	0	1	0	1
6	Technician (Computer Centre) <i>lien vacancy</i>	1	0	0	0	1
7	Technician (Computer Science & Engg. Dept.)	1	0	0	0	1
<b>TOTAL VACANCIES = (17 FACULTY + 5 NON-FACULTY) =</b>						<b>22</b>

The Board was informed that in continuation to the email dated: 23.02.2023 from the Technical Section – III (NITs Desk), Department of Higher Education, Ministry of Education (Shiksha Mantralaya), Government of India enclosing the letter F.No.15-1/2023-TS.III dated 23.02.2023 regarding “initiation of the recruitment process under Mission Mode in the absence of regular Director”, the Institute has received an email dated: 15.06.2023 from the Technical Section – III (NITs Desk), Department of Higher Education, Ministry of Education (Shiksha Mantralaya), Government of India enclosing the letter F.No.3391/2022-TS.III dated 15.06.2023 regarding “Mission Mode Recruitments- Permission to complete on-going faculty & non-faculty recruitments”. Through the letter, the Ministry has conveyed that approval of the Competent Authority has been accorded to allow the incumbent Director / Director (In-charge) of 06 National Institutes of Technology (NITS), viz. NIT Durgapur, Manipur, Meghalaya, Nagaland, Andhra Pradesh and Nagpur, to complete the on- going recruitments initiated under the Mission Mode as per the targets/ timelines set upto September, 2023 or till appointment of regular Director, whichever is earlier.

***BoG-XXXIII(2022)-R5(a): The Board RESOLVED and APPROVE for permitting the Director (In-charge) to complete the on-going recruitments initiated under the Mission Mode as per Ministry's letter F.No.15-1/2023-TS.III dated 23.02.2023 and F.No.3391/2022-TS.III dated 15.06.2023.***

*Pw. Mahapatra*

**A. Faculty Advertisement**

The Director informed the Board that the advertisement for faculty positions was released an advertisement No. NITMGH/ES/ REC/F/Vol.II/2023-24/410 dated 29.05.2023 The Last date for receipt of online applications is on or before **05.07.2023** and for submitting the hardcopy of the application is on or before **19.07.2023**. The details of the vacancies advertised are as follows:

Sl. No.	Vacancy	UR	SC	ST	OBC	Total
1	Faculty	2	2	0	4	8 *
*including 2 lien posts.						

The Board NOTED the advertisement against the lien position and observe that the advertisements for lien posts can only be done once the lien period is over. However, an advertisement can be made for lien post by clearly mentioning that one can join against the lien post, subject to the vacation of the lien. In addition, the Board has discussed the reservation policy in length and suggested the reservation can only be above 50% in case of backlog vacancies. In this regard, the Board has suggested relooking the advertisement in respect of reservation policy and if require changes/modifications may be made after seeking the approval of the Board through circulation.

***BoG-XXXIII(2022)-R5(b): The Board RESOLVED that advertisement can be made for lien post by clearly mentioning that selection against the lien post can be made with subject to the vacation of the lien. Further, the Board also RESOLVED that the Institute should address the issue raised on reservation and backlog and then circulate it to the Board for further consideration through item by circulation.***

**B. Non-Faculty Advertisement**

The Director informed the Board that the advertisement for non-faculty positions was released an advertisement No. NITMGH/ES/REC/N-F/Vol.VI/2023-24/146 dated 21.04.2023. The last date for receipt of online applications was on or before 25.05.2023, and the deadline for submitting the hardcopy of the application was on or before 05.06.2023. It was further conveyed to the Board that the screening of applications has already been completed by the respective departments.

The Board NOTED the action taken and APPROVED the Director(i/c) to to complete the on- going recruitments for non-faculty position.

***BoG-XXXIII(2022)-R5(c): The Board NOTED the ACTIONS TAKEN by the Institute for Recruitment of Non-Faculty and also APPROVE for permitting the Director (i/c) of NIT Meghalaya to complete the on- going recruitments for non-faculty position as per Ministry's letter F.No.15-1/2023-TS.III dated 23.02.2023 and F.No.3391/2022-TS.III dated 15.06.2023.***

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**BoG-XXXIII(2023)-6:** Pay upgradation for moving to the higher GP of ₹6600/- (Pay Level 11) with the same designation in respect of Mrs. Ambika Rai, Asst. Registrar after completion of five years' service.

The Board was informed that Mrs. Ambika Rai was appointed as an Assistant Registrar on 01.12.2017 with GP ₹5400/- (Pay Level 10) and has completed 5(five) years of service on 30.11.2022. As per the Recruitment Rules 2019 for Non-Teaching in NIT, after five years of service in the post of Assistant Registrar, an employee is eligible for assessment by the Department Promotion Committee (DPC) for moving to a higher Grade pay of ₹6600/- (Pay Level 11).

The Board was requested to permit the Director In-charge to constitute a DPC as per the Statutes to assess the performance and service of Mrs. Rai for her pay upgradation and for moving to the higher Grade Pay of ₹6600/- (Pay Level 11) with the same designation. The board requested to permit the Director(i/c) to carry out the process as per the First Statutes of NITs.

**BoG-XXXIII(2023)-R6:** *The Board RESOLVED to APPROVE permitting the Director In-charge to constitute a DPC as per the Statutes to assess the performance and service of Mrs. Rai for her pay upgradation.*

**BoG-XXXIII(2023)-7:** Probation Clearance for non-teaching staff of NIT Meghalaya.

The Board was informed that there are the thirty-two (32) numbers of non-teaching staff (Group A and Group B&C) who have been appointed against permanently sanctioned posts and have completed one year of service in their respective post between the month of December 2022 and March 2023. As per the Recruitment Rules (RR)-2019 for Non-Teaching posts in the National Institutes of Technology (NITS), the probation period for the above posts is 1 (one) year.

In view of the Ministry of Education letter. F. No. 33-9/2022- TS.III dated 15.06.2023, the Ministry has allowed the incumbent Director(in-charge) of the 06 National Institutes of Technology (NITs) to complete the ongoing recruitments initiated under the Mission Mode as per the targets/ timelines.

The Board was requested to permit the Director In charge to complete the process of probation Clearance as per the RRs for the thirty-two (32) non-teaching staffs.

**BoG-XXXIII(2023)-R7:** *The Board RESOLVED to APPROVE permitting the Director In-charge to complete the process of probation Clearance.*

*Pr. Malapaha*

**BoG-XXXIII(2023)-8: Appointment of Mr. Keshav Tamang waiting list candidate to the post of Superintendent due to the resignation of Mr. Alok Prakash Tripathi.**

The Board was informed that Mr. Keshav Tamang, a Junior Assistant in the IA Section, has submitted an application for appointment as Superintendent following the resignation of Mr. Alok Prakash Tripathi, who held the position but resigned and left on 28.04.2023. The previous recruitment for the Superintendent position was advertised in October 2021, and Mr. Tamang was placed as the first waitlisted candidate. The waitlist was valid for one year or until the next recruitment process, as noted by the former Director. The Establishment Section referred to an Office Memorandum from the Department of Personnel and Training, which states that vacancies should be filled immediately from the reserve panel if a candidate resigns or dies within one year of joining. The Establishment Section concluded that Mr. Tamang's request is valid since Mr. Tripathi resigned before completing one year of service and the vacant position has not been advertised yet.

In view of the Ministry of Education letter. F. No. 33-9/2022- TS.III dated 15.06.2023, the Ministry has allowed the incumbent Director(in-charge) of the 06 National Institutes of Technology (NITs) to complete the ongoing recruitments initiated under the Mission Mode as per the targets/ timelines.

The Board is requested to permit the Director in charge to appropriately consider and decide on this matter.

**BoG-XXXIII(2023)-R8: *The Board has NOT APPROVED the proposal for the appointment of Mr. Keshav Tamang, the candidate on the waiting list, to the post of Superintendent. Instead, the Board has RECOMMENDED that a fresh advertisement be initiated to fill the vacant position.***

**BoG-XXXIII(2023)-9: Representation of the Trainee Teacher, NIT Meghalaya.**

The Board was informed that the Institute has received representation letters from three Trainee Teachers, along with court orders, regarding their petitions in the Hon'ble High Court of Meghalaya.

The Board was briefed regarding the petition filed by the Trainee Teachers Vs. Union of India & Ors. in Hon'ble High Court of Meghalaya. It is submitted before the Court that there are vacant posts of Assistant Teacher (Assistant Professor) in the Department viz Mechanical Engineering, Electrical Engineering Department and Civil Engineering. In consideration thereof, the Hon'ble High Court of Meghalaya has ordered that the said post shall not be filled up until further orders from this Court.

The Board NOTED that since The Union of India through the Secretary, Ministry of Education, Sashtri Bhawan, New Delhi is also the party (Fist Respondents), the Institute must take advice and approval from the Ministry before filling the affidavit through the Deputy Solicitor General of India. The Institute is requested to provide all the running orders sheet.

**BoG-XXXIII(2023)-R9: *The Board has RECOMMENDED that the Institute must take ADVICE and APPROVAL from the Ministry before filling the affidavit to protect the interest of both the Union of India and the Institute through the Deputy Solicitor General of India.***

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**BoG-XXXIII(2023)-10: Adoption of Annual Report for the Financial Year 2022-23.**

The English version of the Annual Report for the year 2022-23 was placed before the Board for its perusal. The Hindi version of the Annual Report shall also be attached with the English version on completion of the translation.

The Board after deliberation has suggested that the Annual Accounts of the Institute for the year 2022-23 to place as agenda Item Through Circulation within 15 days place the same before the Board for Adoption by the Board.

***BoG-XXXII(2023)-R10: The Board SUGGESTED that the Annual Accounts of the Institute for the year 2022-23 to place as agenda Item Through Circulation within 15 days place the same before the Board for Adoption by the Board.***

**BoG-XXXIII(2023)-11: Signing of MoUs between NIT Meghalaya with Dr. B Borooah Cancer Institute (BBCI) Guwahati, Assam & Ficha, SAS (France).**

The Board was informed that the Institute has signed two MoU with:

- a) Dr. B Borooah Cancer Institute (BBCI) Guwahati, Assam to carry out the smooth collaborative research works as the research is based on an inter-disciplinary domain.
- b) Signing of MoU between NIT Meghalaya and Ficha, SAS (France) on the collaborative project on the development and production of Artificial Intelligence (AI) models in the field of waste management solutions for the ongoing projects "Bin-Project" and "Truck-Project" of NIT Meghalaya

***BoG-XXXII(2023)-R11: The Board RESOLVED to APPROVE and RATIFIED the signing of MoUs between NIT Meghalaya with Dr. B. Borooah Cancer Institute (BBCI) Guwahati, Assam & Ficha, SAS (France).***

**BoG-XXXIII (2023)-12: Amendments in the Statutes of NITs.**

The Board was informed that an email dated 26.05.2023 has been received from Technical Section - III (NITs Desk), Department of Higher Education, Ministry of Education (Shiksha Mantralaya), Government of India regarding the amendments in the Statutes of NITs, IEST-Shibpur. All the 31 NITs and IEST-Shibpur have been instructed to publish the Notification in the Gazette of India, Extraordinary, Part III Section IV both in English and Hindi. Through the email the MoE has informed that the resolutions/recommendations of the Board of Governors have been submitted to the Hon'ble President of India, Visitor, for approval and assent. The amendments have been

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approved by the Hon'ble Visitor in accordance with the provisions under Section 26(3) and (4) of the NITSER Act, 2007.

The Board was informed that the Institute has initiated the process for notifying the amendments in the Statutes with the Controller of Publications, Department of Publication, Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs, Govt. of India.

**BoG-XXXII (2023)-R12: The Board NOTED the ACTION TAKEN by the Institute.**

**BoG-XXXIII(2023)-13: Resignation of Dr. Alok Chakrabarty, Assistant Professor, Department of Computer Science & Engineering.**

The Board was informed that an application dated 17.04.2023 has been received from Dr. Alok Chakrabarty, Assistant Professor, Department of Computer Science & Engineering regarding his request for voluntary retirement from the services of NIT Meghalaya with three months' notice period w.e.f 17.04.2023. Dr. Chakrabarty's application for voluntary retirement was placed before the Director. The Director consulted the matter with Dean (FW) and was of the opinion that the resignation of Dr. Chakrabarty cannot be considered voluntary retirement but shall be treated as Direct Resignation.

**BoG-XXXII(2023)-R13: The Board RESOLVED and RATIFIED the Resignation of Dr. Alok Chakrabarty, Assistant Professor, Department of Computer Science & Engineering.**

**BoG-XXXIII (2023)-14: Completion of terms of Prof. B. B. Biswal, Director and Mr. B.N. Choudhury, Registrar.**

The Board was informed that Prof. B. B. Biswal and Mr. B.N. Choudhury had completed their tenures as Director and Registrar of the Institute on 31.01.2023 & 07.01.2023, respectively. Accordingly, in pursuance of the Ministry of Education, Government of India Order F. No.35-2/2021-TS.III dated 20.01.2023; Prof. Gayadhar Panda, Professor, Dept. of EE, NIT Meghalaya has taken over the charge of Director (i/c) of the Institute w.e.f 01.02.2023 vide Circular No. NITMGH/NOT/Vol.III/2022-23/2562 dated 01.02.2023.

Similarly, Dr. Rabindra Narayan Mahapatra, Assoc. Prof., M.E Dept., NIT Meghalaya has taken over the charge of Registrar (i/c) w.e.f 08.01.2023 till the time a regular Registrar is appointed or any other alternative arrangement is made whichever is earlier as per Item by Circulation dated 29.12.2022.

**BoG-XXXII(2023)-R14: The Board NOTED the completion of terms of Prof. B. B. Biswal, Director and Mr. B.N. Choudhury, Registrar.**

*Raj. Mahapatra*

**BoG-XXXIII (2023)- 15: Item by circulation dated 29.12.2022 & 03.03.2023**

The following items were circulated amongst members of Board of Governors of the Institute for Adoption/Ratification/Noting/Information of the same in view of the urgency and paucity of time to conduct BoG meeting.

**The 03 (Three) Agenda Items was Circulated on 29.12.2022:**

**Item No. 1: Recommendation of the XXVI Finance Committee (FC) of NIT Meghalaya.**

The following Agenda Items were forwarded to the distinguished members of the Finance Committee through Circulation on 29.12.2022 for kind consideration and recommendation: -

1. Recommendations of XX Meeting of the BWC held to be held on 29.11.2022.
2. Sanction of Additional Amount for Campus Networking (ICT) due to the amendment in GST rate to 18%.

The Board of Governors has **CONSIDERED** and **APPROVED** the Recommendation of the Finance Committee (FC) of NIT Meghalaya.

**Item No.2: Engagement of Shri B. N. Choudhury, Registrar of NIT Meghalaya as OSD to Director upon completion of his 05-year terms initially for a period of 01 years and extendable up to 02 more years.**

The Board of Governors has **NOT APPROVED** the engagement of Shri B. N. Choudhury, Registrar of NIT Meghalaya as OSD to Director.

**Item No.3: Taking over the charge of Registrar by Dr. R. N. Mahapatra, Assoc. Prof., M.E Dept., NIT Meghalaya w.e.f 08.01.2023 due to Completion of 05 years period of service of Shri. B. N. Choudhury, Registrar.**

The Board of Governors has **CONSIDERED** and **AGREED** to the Institute's decision to appoint Dr. Rabindra Narayan Mahapatra, Assoc. Prof., M.E Dept., NIT Meghalaya as Registrar in Charge w.e.f 08.01.2023 till the time a regular Registrar is appointed or any other alternative arrangement is made whichever is earlier.

The above Agenda Items were circulated amongst the BoG members on 29.12.2022. After receiving approval/concurrence from the members of the Board, the Minutes was circulated amongst the BoG Members on 31.01.2023.

*R.N. Mahapatra*

The following Agenda Item was Circulated on 03.03.2023:

Item No. 4 Initiation of the recruitment process under mission mode in the absence of a regular Director.

The above Agenda Items were circulated amongst the BoG members on 03.03.2023. After receiving approval/concurrence from the members of the Board, the Minutes was circulated amongst the BoG Members on 29.03.2023.

**BoG-XXXII(2023)-R15:** The Board **RESOLVED** and **RATIFIED** the Items by circulation dated 29.12.2022 & 03.03.2023.

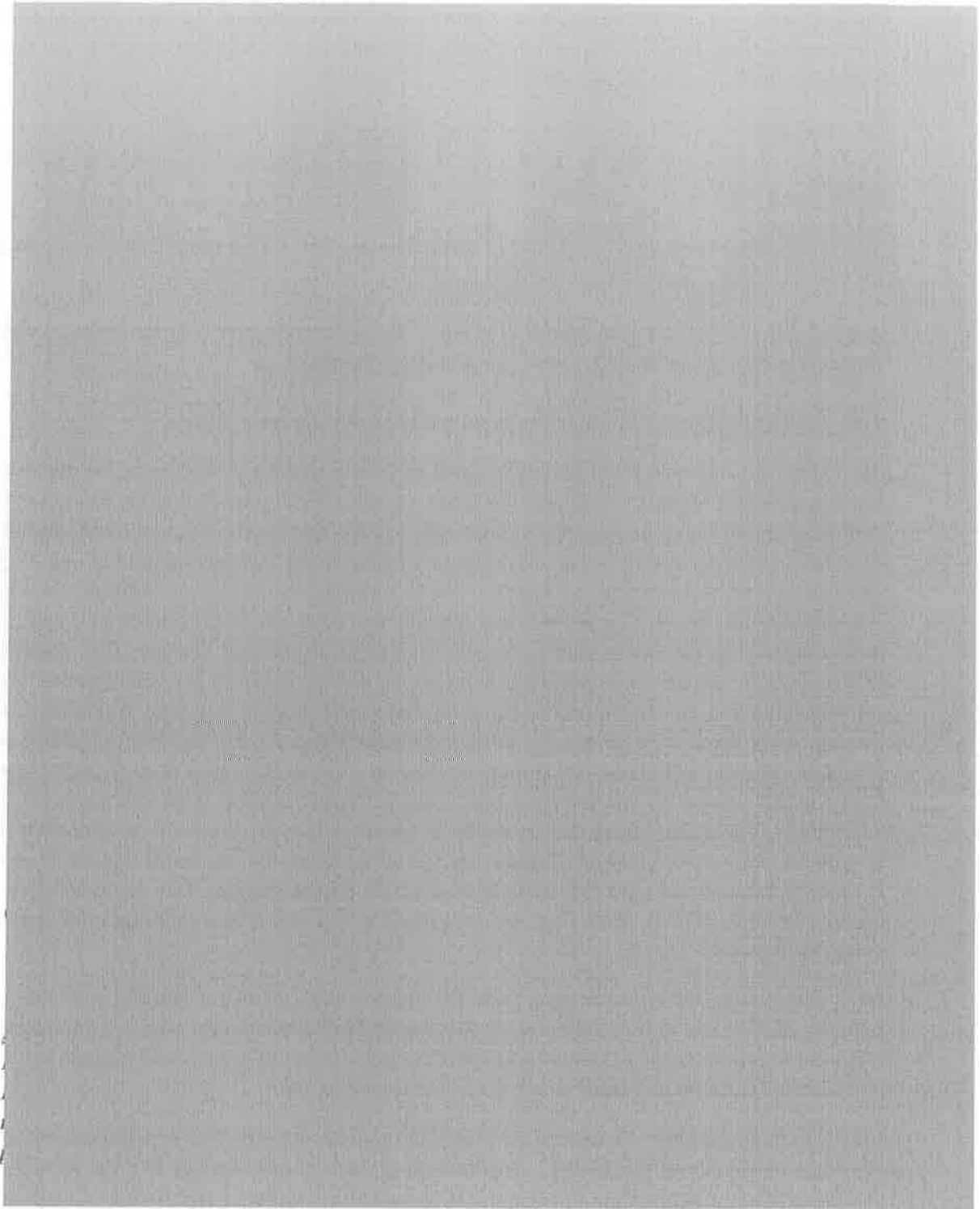
**BoG-XXXIII(2023)-16:** Resignation of Faculty Members for joining at other Institute/Organisation.

The Board was informed about the resignation of the following faculty members from the services of NIT Meghalaya.

Sl. No	Name	Reason	Date of Release
1	Dr. Supriyo Das Asst. Prof., EE Dept.	Resigned (on lien for two years) to join his new assignment as Assistant Professor (Grade I), Pay Level 12; at NIT Jamshedpur.	01-12-2022
2	Dr. Yogita Asst. Prof., CS Dept.	Resigned (on lien for two years) to join her new assignment as Assistant Professor (Grade I), Pay Level 12; at NIT Kurukshetra.	29-12-2022
3	Dr. Vipin Pal, Asst. Prof., CS Dept.	Resigned to join his new assignment as Assistant Professor at Netaji Subhas University of Technology, New Delhi	01-02-2023
4	Dr. Tanmoy Bose Asst. Prof., ME Dept.	Resigned to join his new assignment as Assistant Professor (Grade I), Pay Level 1; at NIT Rourkela.	31-05-2023

**BoG-XXXII (2023)-R16:** The Board **NOTED** the resignation of the above faculty members.

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**BoG-XXXIII (2023)-18:** Progress on the Local Issues relating to the construction & Development at Permanent Campus at Sohra. (Drawing of 33 KV power supply to Permanent Campus of NIT Meghalaya at Sohra).

The Board was informed on the Local Issues relating to the construction & Development at Permanent Campus at Sohra for drawing of 33 KV power supply to Permanent Campus of NIT Meghalaya at Sohra).

The Board after deliberation has suggested that the matter be escalated with the higher authority of the MeECL for prompt and decisive action.

**BoG-XXXIII(2023)R-18:** *The Board SUGGESTED that the Director (i/c) be engaged with the higher authority of the MeECL for prompt and decisive action.*

**BoG-XXXIII (2023)-19:** Shifting Plan to the permanent Campus at Sohra.

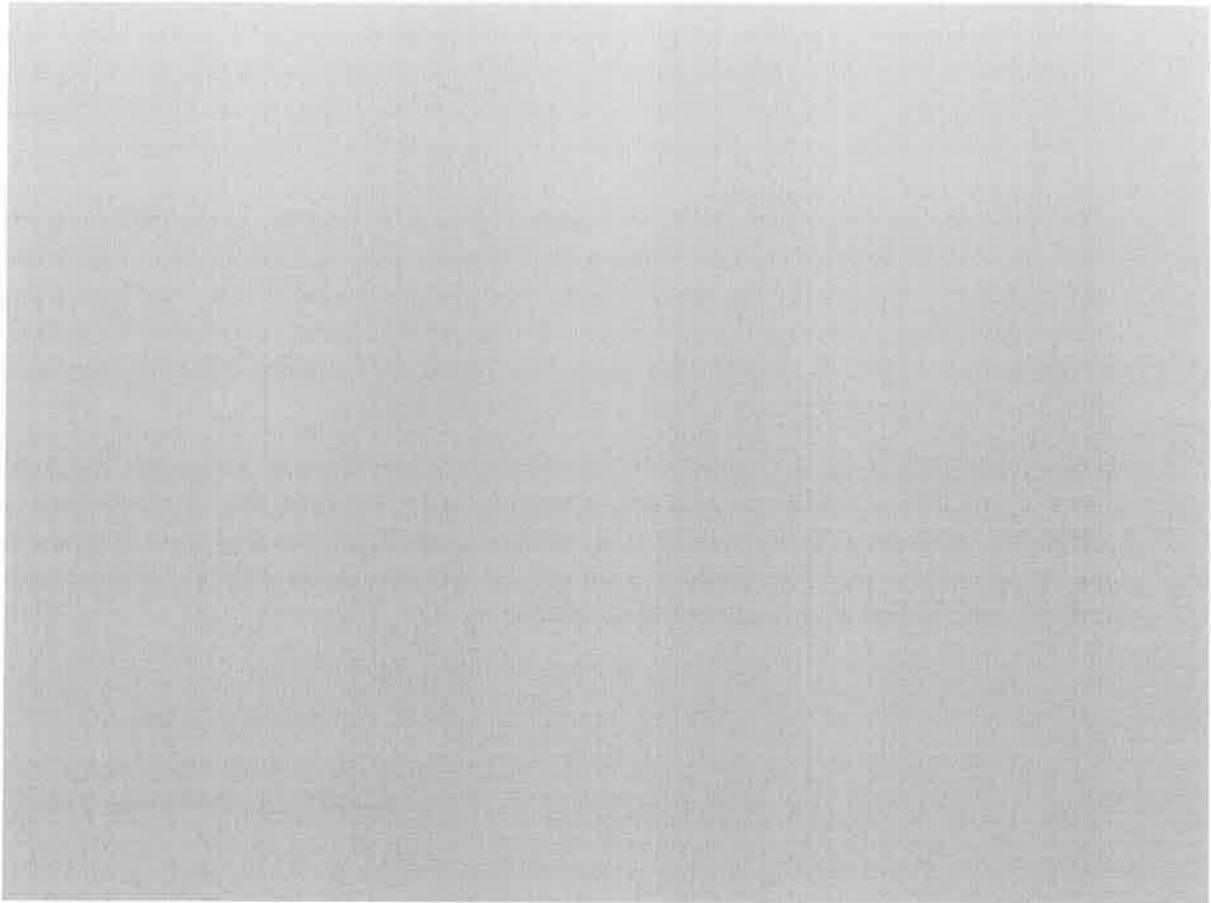
The Board was informed about the comprehensive plan for shifting operations and facilities to the Sohra permanent campus. Currently, workshop classes for 1st-year B.Tech students are being conducted at the Sohra Campus. Starting from May 1, 2023, the Engineering Section has initiated its operations at the permanent campus. In order to enhance research capabilities, a CIF lab has been established at the Sohra campus to support research activities of scholars and students. The Physics Department has also set up a FIST lab through the Fund for Improvement of Science and Technology, while the Electronic Department has installed an anechoic chamber, both contributing to the research infrastructure at Sohra. Furthermore, faculty members are regularly visiting the permanent campus. To meet administrative and collaborative needs, a temporary Guest House and a meeting room have been developed at the permanent campus. The institute has demonstrated proactive efforts in addressing the shifting requirements. Committees have been formed to oversee developments related to electricity, accommodation, power supply, food services, and water availability. These committees are dedicated to ensuring that the minimum requirements for a smooth transition to the permanent campus are met. Considering the various constraints involved, it is recommended to carry out the shifting process in a phased manner. This approach allows for careful planning, resource allocation, and adjustment to any unforeseen challenges that may arise during the transition.

After deliberation, the Board suggests that the Director (i/c) conduct a meeting with the higher authority of RITES to speed up the construction process at the Permanent Campus. Additionally, the Board recommends that the Director (i/c) maintain liaison with the State Government to ensure the provision of electricity and water supply to the Permanent Campus.

**BoG-XXXIII(2023)R-19:** *The Board SUGGESTED that the Director (i/c) conduct a meeting with the higher authority of the RITES. Additionally, the Board recommends that the Director (i/c) maintain liaison with the State Government to ensure the provision of electricity and water supply to the Permanent Campus.*

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**BoG-XXXIII(2023)-21: III meeting of the Transit House Committee of NIT Meghalaya held on 25.05.2023.**

The Board was informed that NIT Meghalaya has been operating a Transit House in Guwahati for the past five months, rented from BSNL. However, the Institute is facing financial difficulties in maintaining the Transit House, particularly in hiring and paying for housekeeping services through an outsourcing agency.

The Institute hereby requests the following from the Board:

- A. Construction of a temporary shed for the kitchen area and the main building of the Transit House in Guwahati. This would allow the Institute to eliminate the need for the fifth quarter used to accommodate the caretaker and drivers. By doing so, the Institute estimates it can save approximately ₹8,000/- (Rupees Eight Thousand) per month in rent for the said apartment.
- B. Revision of the tariff for both officials and non-officials of NIT Meghalaya, with a minimum increase of 50% to 60%, or as per the recommendations of the Board of Governors (BoG).

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- C. Implementation of a parking fee for individuals who park their vehicles at the Transit House premises in Guwahati, at a rate of Rs. 80/- per night, or as per the recommendations of the BoG.
- D. Assistance from the Institute in covering the expenses related to rent for the quarters, electricity bills, and the salaries of the outsourced staff deployed at the Transit House in Guwahati.

After deliberating on the matter, the Board suggests/instructs the Institute not to utilize any funds from Grant-in-Aid received from the Ministry. Furthermore, the Board advises that if the Institute can sustain the operation of the Transit House by increasing the tariff fare, they may proceed accordingly. However, the Board recommends monitoring the situation for a period of six months. If the Institute is unable to successfully manage the Transit House during this time, they should terminate the contract and promptly inform the Board of the decision.

***BoG-XXXIII(2023)R-21: The Board INSTRUCTS the Institute not to utilize any funds from Grant-in-Aid received from the Ministry. The Board also ADVISES that if the Institute can sustain the operation of the Transit House by increasing the tariff, they may proceed accordingly for another six months. If not possible to sustain with the increase of tariff, the contract may be ceased to operate with the prior information of BoG.***

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