

**MINUTES OF THE 20TH MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF GOVERNORS
HELD ON 15.03.2010**



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**Minutes of the adjourned 20th (Spl.) meeting of the Board of Governors,
National Institute of Technology, Kurukshetra held on 15th March, 2010 at
2.00 PM in the Meeting Hall, NIT Transit House, A-1/267, Safdarjung
Enclave, New Delhi.**

Present:

1. Prof. J.K. Palit, In Chair
Chairperson
Board of Governors,
NIT, Kurukshetra.
2. Dr. M.N.Bandyopadhyay, Member
Director,
National Institute of Technology,
Kurukshetra.
3. Sh. N.Mohan Das, Member
Deputy Educational Advisor(T),
MHRD, New Delhi
Representative of Shri N.K. Sinha, IAS
Joint Secretary(Tech.),
Department of Higher Education,
Ministry of Human Resource Development,
Government of India,
Shastri Bhawan,
New Delhi. 110 001.
4. Sh. Navin Soi
Director (Finance), IFD,
MHRD, New Delhi
Representative of Sh. S.K. Ray,
Financial Advisor(IFD),
Department of Higher Education,
Ministry of Human Resource Development,
Government of India,
Shastri Bhawan,
New Delhi-110001
Member
5. Dr. Hari Mohan Prasad, Member
University Head,
Department of English,
Magadh University,
Bodh Gaya (Bihar)

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6. Dr.(Mrs.) Sudesh Mukhopadhyay, Member
Professor & Head,
Deptt. of Inclusive Education,
National University of Education Planning & Administration,
17-B, Aurobindo Marg,
New Delhi – 110 016
7. Dr. V.K. Arora, Member
Professor
Civil Engineering Department,
N.I.T. Kurukshetra.
8. Sh. R.P.S. Lohchab, Secretary
Registrar,
NIT, Kurukshetra

Sh. M.P. Gupta, Director, Technical Education, Haryana, Sector-4, Bays No. 7-12, Panchkula and Sh. C.P. Bansal, Associate Professor, Elect. Engg. Department, NIT, Kurukshetra could not attend the meeting.

Before taking up the agenda items, Sh. R.P.S. Lohchab, Registrar-cum-Secretary extended hearty welcome to the Hon'ble Chairperson, Board of Governors, the Director, NIT, Kurukshetra and other members present in the meeting.

The Board of Governors took the following decisions:-

20.1 To confirm the minutes of the 19th meeting of the Board of Governors held on 29.12.2009.

The Board noted the comments received from the members as per details furnished in the agenda item and decided to incorporate the comments of respective members in the minutes of the 19th meeting of the Board. However, the Board decided that the matter regarding confirmation of minutes of the 19th meeting of the Board of Governors held on 29.12.2009 along with the action report be placed before the Board in its next (regular) meeting.



20.2 & 20.3 To ratify the minutes of the 11th meeting of the Building & Works Committee of National Institute of Technology, Kurukshetra held on 28.07.2009 and that of 12th (Special) meeting of the Building & Works Committee of National Institute of Technology, Kurukshetra held on 03.09.2009.

The Board observed earlier advice of the MHRD that the decisions taken by the Building and Works Committee were required to be considered by the Finance Committee first before the same are placed before the Board of Governors. However, it has been mentioned in the First Statutes that the Building and Works Committee under the directions of the Board shall carry on construction of all major works after obtaining the necessary administrative approval and expenditure sanction from the Board. The said procedure has not been followed by the Institute which is a serious lapse on the part of the concerned staff members. The Board desired that the concerned staff members be issued serious instructions to follow proper procedure in future.

The Board also directed the Institute to place the minutes/recommendations of the Building & Works Committee to the Board of Governors as per requirement of the First Statutes.

It was brought to notice of the Board by the Institute that the aforementioned situation during the transit period took place because there was urgent necessity for taking up construction of additional accommodation on top priority basis on account of increased strength of students due to implementation of the OBC reservation and starting of new UG/PG courses. The Board was assured that its advice shall be invariably followed and required procedure as laid down under the Statutes shall be adhered to.

The representative of Govt. of India, MHRD, Sh. N. Mohan Das expressed serious concern on the procedural lapses in not placing and obtaining approval of minutes of the Building & Works Committee meeting



of 28th July, 2009 and 3rd September, 2009 from the competent authority. As such he did not agree for ratification of the said minutes of the Building & Works Committees.

In view of explanation submitted by the Institution and after detailed discussion the Board accorded its administrative approval and expenditure sanction to the works already approved by the Building & Works Committee in its 11th and 12th meetings held on 28.7.2009 and 03.09.2009 respectively.

20.4 To ratify the minutes of the 13th meeting of the Building & Works Committee of National Institute of Technology, Kurukshetra held on 25.02.2010.

The Board noted as under:-

- i) The Building and Works Committee of the Institute in its 8th meeting held on 28.5.2007 approved cost estimate amounting to Rs. 25.00 crores for the construction of Mega Boys Hostel. The said estimated cost of Rs. 25.00 crores for the Mega Boys Hostel was approved by the Finance Committee in its 15th meeting held on 21.2.2009 and by the Board of Governors in its 15th meeting held on 18.5.2009.
- ii) The MHRD vide its letter No. F-10-23/2009 TS.III dated 29th October, 2009 allowed the Institute to take up new construction activities by utilizing the funds already available with it and as and when the Institute is short of funds, after utilization of the balance of Rs. 12.60 crores, the proposal for further release of funds may be sent to the Ministry. The Institute is further advised by the MHRD to go ahead with the construction activities on all the important items such as Mega Hostel etc. without waiting for further release of funds which will be released after substantial utilization of unspent balance available with the Institute.



- iii) It was felt by the Institute that it was not in a position to accommodate the increased strength of students during the Session of July, 2010 and balance increased strength of 54% OBC quota during the Session of July, 2011. After considering all pros and cons it was decided at the Institute level to construct 1000 seaters Mega Boys Hostel immediately so that the construction work of said hostel may be completed well before 2011. The rough cost estimates amounting to Rs. 47.11 crores for the said Mega Boys Hostel (1000 seaters) were got approved from the Director/Chairman, Building & Works Committee in anticipation approval of the Building & Works Committee because of serious urgency of the work. The increase in the cost estimate has been mainly due to increase of cost of bricks, steel, cement and other ingredients of the building. The cost has also increased due to other requirements such as lift, fire fighting installations and other safety equipments.
- iv) The Institute has also hired an Architecture for construction of the said Mega Boys Hostel after inviting tenders and following proper procedure as per rules. However, no payment has so far been released to the Architect.
- v) The tenders for the construction of said Mega Hostel have also been invited and the work order to the lowest successful bidder is yet to be issued.


After detailed discussion, the Board accorded its administrative approval and expenditure sanction to the works including the Mega Boys Hostel (1000 Seaters) already approved by the Building & Works Committee in its 13th meeting held on 25.2.2010. The Board also accorded its approval for hiring the said Architect, his work being part of the building.

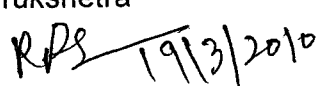


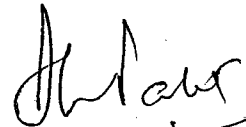
20.5 To consider the decision of the Senate regarding nomination of faculty member on the BOG.

The Board decided that decision of the Senate may be referred to the MHRD and nominations of Dr. V.K.Sehgal and Dr. Subodh Ranjan as decided by the Senate will take effect after those are approved by the MHRD. In the meantime existing members continue on the Board.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.


(M.N. Bandyopadhyay)
Director
NIT, Kurukshetra


(R.P.S. Lohchab)
Registrar-cum-Secretary
NIT, Kurukshetra


(J.K. Palit)
Chairperson, BOG
NIT, Kurukshetra