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The 77th (Emergent) meeting of the Board of Governors of National Institute of Technology Kurukshetra was held on Tuesday, 10th March, 2026 at 10:30 a.m. onwards at NIT Kurukshetra through blended (online/offline) mode and the following members were present in the meeting:

1.	Dr. Tejaswini Ananth Kumar Chairperson, Board of Governors NIT Kurukshetra	----	Chairperson Present online
2.	Prof. B. V. Ramana Reddy Director NIT Kurukshetra	----	Member
3.	Shri Govind Jaiswal, IAS Joint Secretary (TEL & Lang.) Department of Higher Education Ministry of Education Government of India, Shastri Bhawan New Delhi – 110 115	----	Member Present online
4.	Ms. Rangaswamy Mythili, Director (Budget), IFD, MoE Representative of Joint Secretary & Financial Advisor (IFD) Department of Higher Education Ministry of Education Government of India, Shastri Bhawan New Delhi – 110 115	----	Representative Present online
5.	Prof. Rajeev Ahuja Director Indian Institute of Technology Ropar, Ropar (Punjab) – 140 001	----	Member Present online
6.	Dr. Baldev Setia Professor Civil Engineering Department NIT Kurukshetra	----	Member
7.	Shri Jaideep Gupta Associate Professor Mechanical Engineering Department NIT Kurukshetra	----	Member

8.	Ms. Amrita Saini, Deputy Director Representative of Director General, Department of Technical Education, Haryana, Bays No. 7–12, Sector – 4, Panchkula – 134 112	----	Representative Present online
9.	Shri Heera Lal, Deputy Secretary (NITs-I) Department of Higher Education Ministry of Education (Shiksha Mantralaya) Government of India, Shastri Bhawan New Delhi – 110 115	----	Representative Present online
10.	Sh. G. R. Samantaray Registrar (I/C) NIT Kurukshetra	----	Secretary

The Additional Chief Secretary to Government of Haryana, Department of Higher education, Haryana could not attend the meeting.

At the outset, the Chairperson, BoG welcomed the members present in the Meeting of Board of Governors. The Director introduced and welcomed the members present in the meeting.

The discussions/decisions taken in the meetings are recorded as hereunder:

BoG 77.1: Condolence on the sad demise of two students.

The Board expressed its deepest condolences and concern on the untimely and sad demise of two students of the Institute, Sh. Kundan Singh Panwar and Sh. Amgoth Shiva during the last 03 months.

The Board suggested that there should be a strong eco system in the Institute for physical health, mental well-being, and emotional support of the students. The students be encouraged to participate in games, sports, yoga, meditation, and well-being programs. It was also emphasized to strengthen the counselling services and faculty mentorship.

The Board opined that the Institute should explore if the Teachings of Bhagvad Gita could be delivered to the students. It will help them to manage academic and personal stress, reduce anxiety, and nurture holistic development. This will contribute to overall well-being of the students.

The Board directed the Institute to constitute a committee comprising faculty members-internal and external, student representatives, and the parents to suggest measures to strengthen the ecosystem for students' well-being in the Institute.

BoG 77.2: Related to the proposal of Demolition of 127 of Faculty & Staff Quarters (Ref. 54th meeting of the Finance Committee of the Institute).

The Director apprised the Board about status of these buildings justifying the need for new houses and quarters. It was brought out that 127 houses and quarters had become unworthy of occupancy and needed to be demolished.

The decision of B&WC taken in its 33rd meeting held on 05.02.2025 regarding preliminary cost estimate for the work of construction of 96 multi-storeyed faculty Houses (type-V) and 48 multi-storeyed non-teaching staff quarters (type-II & type-III) was put before the FC in its 54th meeting held on 01.09.2025. The Finance Committee had recommended to constitute a committee to review the conditions of these houses.

The Hon'ble Chairperson in the said meeting of the FC had raised her concern over the condition of these buildings proposed to be demolished and emphasized on the resident's safety in these buildings.

The Director informed that a committee of experts had been constituted to re-examine the old houses & quarters.

The Board directed that the expert committee report should be prepared by the end of April 2026 and be placed before the Board.

In case of any emergent situation, The Director can take necessary action and report the same to the Board. Thereafter, the report shall be presented to the FC in its next meeting for appropriate action.

Meanwhile, necessary precautionary measures must be taken to ensure safety of residents.

BoG 77.3: Delay in Administrative Decision-making.

The Hon'ble Chairperson of the BoG and the ministry officials have been observing the concerns of students, research scholars, faculty, and staff as well as the litigations related issues going unattended for longer period. The Board also expressed concern about incorrect or misspelled entries in records.

The Board advised the Institute to explore implementation of ERP/IT tools to streamline the administrative operations and communication timelines.

The Hon'ble Chairperson also mentioned that a notification of withdrawing the assignment of Advisor to the Director be issued. (Ref. No. Gen-I/3883/9195; Dated 31.12.2025).

BoG 77.4: Corrigendum issued for faculty recruitment related to advertisement No. 40/2024 to 63/2024 and Advt. No. 80/2024 to 93/2024 dated 02.02.2026.

The Board considered the matter of issuance of the above said corrigendum. After detailed deliberations, the Board decided that the corrigendum be withdrawn forthwith as it contravenes the rules and regulations pertaining to the faculty recruitment. Hence the said corrigendum stands withdrawn. The application fee be refunded to the applicants within one month.

It was further directed that prior to issuing any advertisement for faculty recruitment, roster shall be prepared and approved by the BoG in compliance with the check list. (Ref. email from MoE dated 29.07.2025).

The Board directed that a committee be constituted with representation of the concerned categories including external member for roster preparation. The Hon'ble Chairperson also expressed that over the last 8 months, roster was not reported to the Board, which needs to be approved a prior before implementation and issuing the advertisement for recruitment.

The committee will comprise of a representative from SC/ST in accordance with NCSC.

Minutes of this agenda item are confirmed.

BoG 77.5: Status of appointment of Regular Registrar of the Institute.

At this stage, the Acting Registrar, Sh. G.R. Samantaray was requested to step out of the Board meeting.

The Board was apprised of the names of three senior faculty members of the Institute.

After discussion, the Board identified the name of Prof. Brahmjit Singh, Professor (HAG), ECE Dept. and the Senior Most faculty, from the list of three names. Considering the urgency of the matter, he was invited by the Board for his consent. He gracefully responded in affirmation and consented with humility.

The Board decided to hand over the charge of Registrar in-Charge to Prof. Brahmjit Singh in addition to his existing responsibilities till the appointment of regular Registrar or till further orders, whichever is earlier.

The decision comes into immediate effect and relieving Sh. G. R. Samantaray Joint Registrar of his duties of Acting Registrar.

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

(B. V. Ramana Reddy)
Director
NIT Kurukshetra

(Tejaswini Ananth Kumar)
Chairperson, Board of Governors
NIT Kurukshetra