

# NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY SILCHAR

## Minutes of the Eighteenth Meeting of the Board of Governors held on 1<sup>st</sup> June 2008 at Silchar

Eighteenth Meeting of the Board of Governors was held on 1<sup>st</sup> June 2008 at the Conference Room of the Institute. Following members were present-

1. Prof. Gautam Barua, Director, IIT Guwahati- Chairman
2. Sri Abhijit Barooah, Managing Director, Premier Cryogenics Limited, Guwahati
3. Sri Samir K. Ray Choudhuri, Sibpur, Howrah
4. Sri Saumitra S. Dutt, Silchar
5. Prof. D.N. Bhattacharjee, Professor of Civil Engg, NIT Silchar
6. Dr. S. Baishya, Asst Professor, ETE, NIT Silchar
7. Prof. Fazal A. Talukdar, Registrar
8. Prof. P.K. Banik, Director & Secretary

Representative of the Technical Section-III, MHRD, Government of India could not attend the Meeting due to preoccupation. Written comments from the Technical Section-III of the Ministry of Human Resources Development, Government of India were received on the agenda notes already circulated and the comments were placed before the Board for consideration. Following items were taken up for discussion-

**BOG-18/08/1: To confirm the minutes of the 17<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Board**

Minutes of the Seventeenth Meeting of the Board of Governors held on 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2008 were confirmed.

**BOG-18/08/2: To receive a note on the action taken and progress made on the minutes of the last meeting of the Board**

Board was apprised about the actions taken on the resolutions of its 17<sup>th</sup> Meeting held on 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2008. While taking a note on the actions taken, Board resolved that the existing Department of Electronics & Telecommunication Engg should be formally bifurcated into Department of Electronics & Communication Engg and Department of Computer Science & Engineering with effect from 1<sup>st</sup> July 2008. Existing departmental office should be utilized by both the departments till they shift to the new ETE/CSE Building.

**BOG-18/08/3: To consider admitting the Undergraduates and Post-Graduates of 2008 batch to the Degree of the Bachelor/Master of Technology of the Institute**

Board perused the recommendation of the Senate for award of B.Tech. degree of the Institute to 198 (one hundred ninety eight) students (**Annexure-I**) and M.Tech. degree to 21 (twenty one) students (**Annexure-II**) and resolved to admit them to the Degree of Bachelor of Technology and

Master of Technology respectively of the Institute. Board further approved the recommendation of the Senate for award of the Institute UG Gold Medal to Sri T. Girish Kumar from Electronics & Telecommunication Engineering and Institute UG Silver Medals to (i) Mr. Prasanta Kumar Sil from Civil Engineering, (ii) Mr. Sudeep Ranjan Pal from Electrical Engineering, (iii) Mr. Saikat Roy Chowdhury from Computer Science & Engineering and (iv) Mr. Sayantan Paul from Mechanical Engineering

Board did not agree with the recommendation of the Senate for award of Institute M.Tech. Medals. Board noted that Sri N. Sukumar Singh was the topper amongst all M.Tech. students. It was also noted that there were five students in his discipline even though one of them was a backlogger. The approved the award of Gold Medal to Shri N. Sukumar Singh and Silver medal to Ilyas Mohammad and Biplab Paul for the year 2008. Board further felt that the issue of awarding Gold/Silver medals to M.Tech. students needs to be reviewed. Some members felt that medals should be awarded only for B.Tech programmes. The Board therefore advised the Institute to discuss the matter in the Senate and bring the issue before the Board in its next meeting.

**BOG-18/08/4: To take a note on the implementation of the Central Educational Institution (Reservation in Admission) Act 2006 and subsequent directives of the Government of India for implementation of the Act from academic session 2008-09**

Board examined the proposal as put up before it and approved the revised intake in UG/PG programmes as one time increase in intake in commensurate with the provision of the Central Educational Institutes (Reservation in Admission) Act 2006. Revised category-wise intake is as follows from academic session 2008-09-

PROGRAMMES	Sanctioned Strength base year 2006-07	Increased intake from 2008-09				
		Total	General	OBC	SC	ST
<b>B.Tech.</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>460</b>	<b>230</b>	<b>125</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>35</b>
Civil Engg	60	92	46	25	14	7
Electrical Engg	60	92	46	25	14	7
Mechanical Engg	60	92	46	25	14	7
Electronics & Telecom Engg	60	92	46	25	14	7
Computer Science & Engg	60	92	46	25	14	7
<b>M.Tech.</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>10</b>
Power & Energy	13	20	10	5	3	2

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Thermal Engg	13	20	10	5	3	2
Water Resources Engg	13	20	10	5	3	2
Earthquake Engg	13	20	10	5	3	2
Microelectronics & VLSI	13	20	10	5	3	2

**BOG-18/08/5: To consider recommendations of the Twelfth Meeting of the Finance Committee to be held on 1<sup>st</sup> June 2008**

Board approved the minutes of the 12<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Finance Committee held on 1<sup>st</sup> June 2008 at NIT Silchar (**Annexure-III**). Board accepted the recommendations and granted approval to the following-

- (i) FC-12/08/3: approved the carry-over of unspent Plan and Non-Plan fund from FY 2007-08 to FY 2008-09
- (ii) FC-12/08/4: approved the Plan and Non-Plan budget for the FY 2008-09.
- (iii) FC-12/08/5: approved the Annual Accounts for 2007-08 and resolved that the same be referred to the Principal Accountant General (Assam) for further necessary action
- (iv) FC-12/08/6: accorded administrative approval for construction of 500-bedded Boys' Hostel no.-8 at a cost of Rs. 16,88,11,807.00
- (v) FC-12/08/7: accorded administrative approval for construction of the following new infrastructure at a cost of-
  - a. CEC Building Rs. 6,19,06,221.00
  - b. Class Rooms Rs. 8,21,65,416.00
  - c. Type-VI qtrs Rs. 6,63,60,660.00
  - d. Type-V qtrs Rs. 9,81,55,716.00
  - e. Type-IV qtrs Rs. 5,13,62,139.00
  - f. Girls' Hostel Rs. 5,62,58,470.00
- (vi) FC-12/08/8: accorded administrative approval for construction of overhead tanks and modernization of campus water distribution network at a cost of Rs. 4,19,24,536.00.
- (vii) FC-12/08/9: accorded revised administrative approval for development of internal roads of the campus (Phase-I and Phase-II) at a cost of Rs. 253.06 lakhs.

Board made a review of the progress of the infrastructure development work in the Institute and expressed its dissatisfaction at the tardy progress. In view of the need to accelerate the pace of construction and maintenance activities, the Board was of the opinion that the decision making process needs to be made faster and the highest level of the administration needs to be involved. Accordingly, the Board advised the Director to take direct charge of all

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Works related activities ( currently handled by the Dean P&D and the Associate Dean P&D) for some period of time. The Board therefore also advised that the posts of Dean and Associate Dean P&D be vacated with immediate effect and these not be filled up during this period.

**BOG-18/08/6: To consider making a request to Indian School of Mines University (ISMU), Dhanbad for extension of deputation period of Prof. P.K. Banik, Director for a further period of 2 years with effect from 29.10.2008**

Board examined the item and requested the Chairman to take up the issue with the Chairman, ISMU and impress upon him to extend the deputation period of Prof. P.K. Banik, Director for a further period of two years w.e.f. 29.10.2008.

**BOG-18/08/7: To receive a note on the action taken on the comments of the Expert Committee during its visit in connection with the accreditation of UG programmes**

Board took a note on the actions taken on the report of the Expert Committee that visited the Institute in 2007 in connection with the accreditation of the UG programmes.

**BOG-18/08/8: To take a note of the nomination of Faculty-in-Charge, Purchase**

Board noted the nomination of Faculty-in-Charge, Purchase.

**BOG-18/08/9: Any other items with the permission of the Chair**

**BOG-18/08/9A: To take a note the SLP filed before the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India against the common judgment of the Hon'ble Gauhati High Court in WA Nos. 269, 270, 355 and 356 of 2004**

Board noted the dismissal of the SLP filed before the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India against the common judgment of the Hon'ble Gauhati High Court and decided not to pursue the matter further.

**BOG-18/08/9B: To consider and approve the recommendation of the Screening Committee in regard to permitting non-teaching employees to continue in service beyond 58 years**

Board approved the recommendation of the Screening Committee in regard to the continuation of the following non-teaching employees in the service of the Institute beyond 58 years-

- (a) Sri Sarif Uddin Laskar, Jr. Instructor
- (b) Smt. Sabita Deb, Library Asst
- (c) Sri Shyamal Kanti Dey, Store Keeper
- (d) Sri Fakar Uddin Laskar, Cook-cum-Helper



- (e) Sri Moinul Uddin Laskar, Mali
- (f) Sri Surendra Chandra Roy, Watchman

**BOG-18/08/9C: To take a note on the registration of the REXIAN- NIT Silchar Alumni Association**

Board noted the registration of the Alumni Association.

**BOG-18/08/9D:** Board was apprised about the forthcoming faculty recruitment to be held during 12-14 June 2008 at Kolkata. Board advised the Director to obtain the approval of the recommendation(s) of the Selection Committee(s) from the Hon'ble Chairman and issue appointment letters. Recommendations of the Selection Committee(s) may be reported to the Board in its next meeting.

Meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

Prof. Gautam Barua  
Chairman, Board of Governors

Prof. P.K. Banik  
Director & Secretary