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MINUTES OF THE 63rd MEETING OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS

Date : March 03, 2021 (Wednesday)

Time : 11:30AM

Venue: Conference Hall
NIT Transit House, Panchsheel
New Delhi - 110017.



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MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF THE 63rd MEETING OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS (BoG) OF NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY KARNATAKA, SURATHKAL, HELD ON WEDNESDAY, THE 03-MARCH-2021 AT 11:30AM AT NIT TRANSIT HOUSE, PANCHSHEEL, DELHI AND ALSO THROUGH GOOGLE MEET.

Members Present:

	Name		Mode of participation
1	Prof. K Balaveera Reddy Former Vice Chancellor – VTU, Belgaum, Veerabhadra Nilayam, H.No.10, 4 th A Cross, 2 nd Block, HRBR Layout, Kalyana Nagar, Bengaluru - 560043.	Chairperson	In-person
2	Prof. K Umamaheshwar Rao, Director, NITK, Surathkal.	Member	In-person
3	Shri Madan Mohan, Additional Director General (HE), Dept. of Higher Education, Ministry of Education (Shiksha Mantralaya), Govt. of India, Room No. 431, C-Wing, Shastri Bhavan, New Delhi-110 001.	Member	Through V. C (google meet)
4	Ms. Darshana M Dabral Joint Secretary and Financial Advisor, Integrated Finance Bureau, Ministry of Education (Shiksha Mantralaya), Govt. of India, 120-C, Shastri Bhavan, New Delhi - 110 001.	Member	Through V. C (google meet)
5	Prof. A K Suresh Professor of Chemical Engineering and Dy. Director (Academic & Infrastructure Affairs), Indian Institute of Technology Bombay, Powai, Mumbai – 400 076 [Nominee of the Director, IIT-Bombay].	Member	Through V. C (google meet)

6	Dr. Shanth Averahally Thimmaiah Managing Director, METAMORPHOSIS Group of Companies, Prakruti Bhavan, #200, 1 st & 2 nd Floor, 40 th Main, 1 st Cross, BTM Layout, 2 nd Stage, Behind Silk board, Bengaluru – 560068.	Member	In-person
7	Shri G M Ravindra Managing Director, RKS INFRATECH Pvt. Ltd., No.42/36, "Rajani Towers", 3rd Floor, 27 th Cross, 7 th 'B' Main Road, 4 th Block, Jayanagar, Bengaluru – 560011.	Member	In-person
8	Prof. Subhas C Yaragal, Professor, Dept. of Civil Engineering, NITK, Surathkal.	Member	In-person
9	Dr. Prasanna B D Assoc. Professor, Department of Chemical Engg., NITK, Surathkal.	Member	In-person
10	Shri K Ravindranath, Registrar, NITK, Surathkal.	Secretary	In-person

Chairperson welcomed all the members to the 63rd meeting of the Board of Governors.

At the outset, the Director, NITK informed the sad demise of Shri Manjunath, brother of Dr. Shanth Averahally Thimmaiah, member, Board of Governors, a couple of days ago. After passing a condolence message, the Director, NITK appreciated the commitment of Dr. Shanth Averahally Thimmaiah in attending the meeting.

It was informed to the Committee that in order to have physical presence of the members representing the Ministry (Mantralaya), the meeting was arranged at New Delhi itself. However, due to some other important commitment, they could not attend the meeting in-person. Hence, the meeting was postponed for half an hour, and then they participated in the meeting through video conference (google meet).

The Chairperson briefed the committee regarding the steps taken by the NITK administration which is very well supported by NITK fraternity in ensuring seamless academic activities during an unprecedented COVID-19 pandemic and the subsequent lock-down periods. He appraised the committee about the current academic & research activities and timely steps taken for the opening of campus in a phase-by-phase manner in confirmation with various Govt. orders. He also gave a brief account of initiatives taken by NITK administration and faculty in deciphering the NEP-2020 and adaption of the same to NITK academic programs.

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After a brief discussion, with the permission of the Chair, the Board of Governors began its deliberations on Agenda items.

63 BoG Item No. 63.1	Reading and confirmation of the Minutes of the 61st Meeting and 62nd Meeting of the Board of Governors – Reg.
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63 BoG Item No. 63.1.1	<p>Reading and confirmation of the Minutes of the 61st meeting of the Board of Governors held on Tuesday, September 15, 2020 at 11:30AM THROUGH GOOGLE MEET in the E-Seminar Hall, NITK, Surathkal - Reg</p> <p>The Minutes of 61st meeting of the Board of Governors held on 15-09-2020 were read. Since no comments have been received, the BoG resolved to confirm the Minutes of 61st meeting held on 15-09-2020.</p>
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63 BoG Item No. 63.1.2	<p>Reading and confirmation of the Minutes of the 62nd meeting of the Board of Governors held on Monday, November 23, 2020 at 10:00AM THROUGH GOOGLE MEET in the E-Seminar Hall, NITK, Surathkal - Reg</p> <p>The Minutes of 62nd meeting of the Board of Governors held on 23-11-2020 were read. Since no comments have been received, the BoG resolved to confirm the Minutes of 62nd meeting held on 23-11-2020.</p>
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63 BoG Item No. 63.2:	To consider the Report of Action Taken on the Agenda by Circulation, 61st and 62nd Meetings of the Board of Governors – Reg.
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63 BoG Item No. 63.2.1:	To consider the report on action taken on the resolutions of the 61st Meeting of BoG held on Tuesday, September 15, 2020 at 11:30AM through Google Meet in the E-Seminar Hall, NITK, Surathkal - Reg.		
	Item No. 61.3.1	To consider the recommendations of the 48 th Finance Committee Meeting to be held on Tuesday, September 15, 2020 at 10:30AM through Google Meet - Reg.	BoG noted and approved the action taken.

Item No. 61.3.2	To consider the Discontinuation of the current round of non-teaching recruitment notified vide No. 1085/Estt./2019/B2 dated 19.06.2019 - Refund of application fee - Reg.	BoG noted that this item is placed before the present meeting under Item No.63.3.3 for discussion.
Item No. 61.3.3	To consider the recommendation of the Departmental Promotion Committee of Officer Cadre and Non-Teaching Staff - Reg.	BoG noted and approved the action taken.
Item No. 61.3.4	To consider the Report on the status of Mr. A. Shivaram, existing Assistant Physical Director, NITK, Surathkal - Reg.	BoG noted that the matter is placed before the present meeting under Item No.63.3.6
Item No. 61.3.5	To consider the Technical Resignation tendered by the faculty members who are on deputation to other institutes on lien basis - Reg.	BoG noted and approved the action taken.
Item No. 61.3.6	To consider the 'Draft Annual Report' for the year 2019-20 - Reg.	BoG noted and approved the action taken.
Item No. 61.3.7	To consider the Actionable points arising out of the minutes of 12 th Meeting of NITSER Council held on September 25, 2019 at the India Habitat Centre, Lodhi Road, New Delhi - Reg.	BoG noted and approved the action taken.
Item No. 61.3.8	To consider the Minutes of 41 st meeting of the Building and Works Committee held on 23-12-2019 - Reg.	BoG noted and approved the action taken.
Item No. 61.3.9	To consider the Minutes of 42 nd meeting of the Building and Works Committee held on 10-07-2020 - Reg.	BoG noted and approved the action taken.
Item No. 61.3.10	To consider the Review of the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between Autonomous Bodies and Administrative Ministries/ Department - Reg.	BoG noted and approved the action taken.

Item No. 61.3.11	To consider the Seat Matrix of All Academic Programme for the Academic Year 2020-21 - Reg.	BoG noted and approved the action taken.
Item No. 61.3.12	To consider the New and renewed MoUs with Industries/ Academia/ Research Organizations during January 2020 to March, 2020 - Reg.	BoG noted and approved the action taken.
Item No. 61.3.13	To consider the Brief Report on TEQIP-III - Reg.	BoG noted and approved the action taken.
Item No. 61.3.14	To consider the Developments in CSR Activities at NITK – Reg.	BoG noted and approved the action taken.
Item No. 61.3.15	To consider the Technical Resignation tendered by the employees of the Institute - Relieving from service – Reg.	BoG noted and approved the action taken.
Item No. 61.3.16	<p>Any other item with the permission of the Chair – With the permission of the Chair, the Director briefed the BoG about the five hostel blocks taken over by the District Administration in connection with COVID-19 for temporary establishment of quarantine for COVID-19 suspects; and the delay in returning the possession of the hostels back to the Institute.</p> <p>The BOG suggested that the Institute may refer this matter to the Ministry of Education for addressing the issue at MoHA level.</p>	BoG noted that the hostel blocks in question have been released to the Institute by the District Administration.

63 BoG Item No. 63.2.2:	To consider the report on action taken on the resolution of the BoG Approval by Circulation of Agenda during the month of October, 2020 - Reg.		
	Agenda approval by circulation	To consider the MoE Communication F.No.35-5/2017-TS.III dated 27.10.2020 regarding the Amendments in the Statutes of NITs and IEST, Shibpur – Reg	BoG noted and approved the action taken. BoG further noted that this matter is placed in the present meeting under Item No. 63.3.12 for ratification.

63 BoG Item No. 63.2.3:	To consider the report on action taken on the resolutions of the 62 nd Meeting of BoG held on Monday, November 23, 2020 at 10:00AM through Google Meet in the E-Seminar Hall, NITK, Surathkal – Reg.		
	Item No. 62.3.1	To consider the nomination of Prof. Subhash C Yaragal, Professor, Department of Civil Engineering as Internal Member to the BoG, NITK amongst the Professor Cadre selected unanimously from the Members of Senate - Reg.	BoG noted and approved the action taken.
	Item No. 62.3.2	To consider the list of eligible candidates approved by the Senate for the award of B.Tech./M.Tech./M.Tech.(Research)/ M.C.A./M.B.A./M.Sc./Ph.D. degrees during the 18th Annual Convocation to be held on Monday, the 23rd November 2020 by Virtual Mode - Reg.	BoG noted and approved the action taken.



63 BoG Item No. 63.3	To consider the items placed before the present (63 rd) Meeting of Board of Governors (BoG) to be held on Wednesday, March 03, 2021 at 11:30AM at NIT Transit House, Panchsheel, Delhi – Reg.
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ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND APPROVAL:

63 BoG Item No. 63.3.1	<p>To consider the recommendations of the 49th Finance Committee Meeting to be held on Wednesday, March 03, 2021 at 11:00AM at NIT Transit house, Panchsheel, Delhi and through google meet – Reg.</p> <p>Board of Governors resolved to approve the recommendations under 49FC Item No. 49.1 to 49FC Item No. 49.3.30 of the 49th meeting of the Finance Committee held on 03-March-2021.</p> <p>[Action owner : Joint Registrar/ Registrar/ Dean(P&D) Timeframe : On confirmation of the minutes]</p>
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63 BoG Item No. 63.3.2	<p>To consider the request of appointment under compassionate ground to the family member of expired employees – Reg.</p> <p>Board of Governors resolved to approve the request of appointments under compassionate ground to the family member of expired employees based on the provision contained in the letter dated 07-07-2017 of the Ministry of Education (erstwhile MHRD) duly adhering to the relevant orders of DoPT.</p> <p>[Action owner : Registrar Timeframe : On confirmation of the minutes]</p>
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63 BoG Item No. 63.3.3	<p>To consider the Discontinuation of the current recruitment process notified vide No.1085/Estt./2019/B2 dated 19.06.2019- Refund of application fee – Reg.</p> <p>Board of Governors resolved to approve the re-advertisement of non-teaching position. The number of posts may be recalculated as per the recent DoPT and MoE orders considering EWS quota. The application fees collected from the applicants in response to notification dated 19-06-2019 shall be refunded.</p> <p>[Action owner : Registrar Timeframe : On confirmation of the minutes]</p>
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63 BoG Item No. 63.3.4	To consider the Inquiry against Dr. Appukuttan K K, Retired Professor, NITK and former Director, MANIT, Bhopal – Reg.
	<p>Board of Governors resolved that the enquiry report be sent to Ministry of Education (MoE), Government of India with a request to seek Second opinion of the CVC, MoE.</p> <p>[Action owner : Registrar/ Director Timeframe : On confirmation of the minutes]</p>

63 BoG Item No. 63.3.5	To consider the Resignation tendered by Dr. Padmavathi L., Assistant Professor Grade - II, Department of Electrical and Electronics Engineering to the post held at this Institute and requested to relieve her from the Institute service– Reg.
	<p>The BOG noted the contents of the Resignation tendered by Dr. Padmavathi L., Assistant Professor Grade - II, Department of Electrical and Electronics Engineering to the post held at this Institute and requested to relieve her from the Institute service–</p> <p>After deliberation, the BOG passed the following resolution:</p> <p>The BOG resolved to follow the Office Memorandum No.28020/1/2010-Est.(C),dated 17-08-2016 of the DOPT, Govt. of India under clause no.2.1.1 & 2.1.2.</p> <p>[Action owner : Registrar Timeframe : On confirmation of the minutes]</p>

63 BoG Item No. 63.3.6	To consider the Report on the status of Mr. A. Shivaram, existing Assistant Physical Director, NITK, Surathkal – Reg.
	<p>The BOG noted the contents of the Report on the status of Mr. A. Shivaram, existing Assistant Physical Director, NITK, Surathkal.</p> <p>After deliberation, the BOG passed the following resolution:</p> <p>The BOG resolved to send a comprehensive report to the MOE for suitable directive.</p> <p>[Action owner : Registrar Timeframe : On confirmation of the minutes]</p>

<p>63 BoG Item No. 63.3.7</p>	<p>To consider and discuss the Appointment and tenure of Mr. Ravindranath K as Registrar of NITK, Surathkal – Reg.</p> <p>When the agenda item was taken up for discussion, the BOG Secretary Mr. Ravindranath K recognized that there could be a potential situation of Conflict of interest and voluntarily excused from being present when the agenda item was discussed.</p> <p>The BOG noted the contents of the Appointment order and other documents relevant to the appointment and tenure of Mr. Ravindranath K as Registrar of NITK, Surathkal.</p> <p>After deliberation, the BOG passed the following resolution:</p> <p>In view of the complexity involved as highlighted by the members, the BOG resolved to send a comprehensive report to the Ministry of Education (MoE) seeking a time-bound directive from MoE in consultation with Ministry of Law and Justice, Govt. of India.</p> <p>[Action owner : Director Timeframe : On confirmation of the minutes]</p>
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ITEMS FOR INFORMATION:

63 BoG Item No.63.3.8

To note the New and renewed MoUs with Industries/ Academia/ Research Organizations during August, 2020 to January, 2021 – Reg.

Board of Governors noted the new and renewed MoUs with Industries/ Academia/ Research Organizations, mentioned here below, during August, 2020 to January, 2021.

Sl. No.	Date of Signing MoU	Duration	Organization/ Institute	Domain
1	20-01-2021	5 Years	International Advanced Research Centre of Powder Metallurgy and New Materials, Hyderabad	For joint research collaboration in broad areas of mutual interest
2	05-01-2021	5 Years	Coastal Engineering Division Karnataka Engineering Research Station , KR Sagara	For Research , National and International Cooperation in education and Consultancy Co-operations
3	29-10-2020	5 Years	National Council for Cement Building Materials, Ballabgarh, Haryana	To facilitate students for internship/Training and research students for laboratory facilities at NCCBM
4	27-08-2020	1 Year	Garrett motion Technologies India Pvt. Ltd, Pune	To provide financial aid to five deserving students of B.Tech Mechanical Engineering branch from NITK, Subject to selection and approval by Garrett
5	03-08-2020	10 Years	National Institute of Technology , Puducherry (NITP)	To facilitate faculty members of the Institute to submit Joint project with faculty members of NITK in Regional Academic Centre for Space (RAC-S) setup at NITK.
6	03-08-2020	10 Years	Government Engineering College, Thrissur, Kerala	To facilitate faculty members of the Institute to submit Joint project with faculty members of NITK in Regional Academic Centre for Space (RAC-S) setup at NITK.
7	03-08-2020	10 Years	Government College of Technology, Coimbatore	To facilitate faculty members of the Institute to submit Joint project with faculty members of NITK in Regional Academic Centre for Space (RAC-S) setup at NITK.
8	03-08-2020	10 Years	National Institute of Technology, Andhra Pradesh (NITAP)	To facilitate faculty members of the Institute to submit Joint project with faculty members of NITK in Regional Academic Centre for Space (RAC-S) setup at NITK.
9	03-08-2020	10 Years	National Institute of Technology, Warangal	To facilitate faculty members of the Institute to submit Joint project with faculty members of NITK in Regional Academic Centre for Space (RAC-S) setup at NITK.

[Action owner : Dean(AIR)

Timeframe : On confirmation of the minutes]

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63 BoG Item No.63.3.9	To note the status of Public Grievances and Parliamentary Assurances pending in the Institute – Reg.							
	Board of Governors noted the status of Public Grievances and Parliamentary Assurances, as follows:							
	Sl. No	Particulars	2020			2021		
			Received	Reply Sent	Pending	Received	Reply Sent	Pending
	1	Public Grievances	391	391	0	41	32	9
	2	Parliamentary Assurances	20	20	0	7	7	0
	[Action owner : Registrar Timeframe : On confirmation of the minutes]							

63 BoG Item No.63.3.10	To note the Minutes of 43rd meeting of the Building and Works Committee held on 02-01-2021 – Reg.						
	Board of Governors noted the minutes of 43 rd meeting the Building and Works Committee held on 02-01-2021.						
	[Action owner : Dean(P&D) Timeframe : On confirmation of the minutes]						

63 BoG Item No.63.3.11	To note the summary of the TEQIP-III procurement and academic activities in the recent past – Reg.						
	Board of Governors noted the TEQIP-III procurement and academic activities in the recent past, as reported in the agenda note.						
	[Action owner : TEQIP Coordinator Timeframe : On confirmation of the minutes]						

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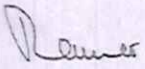
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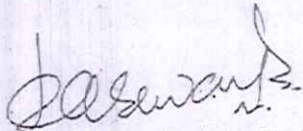
63 BoG Item No. 63.3.12	<p>To consider the BoG Agenda approved by circulation (Amendment of statutes) – Reg.</p> <p>Board of Governors resolved to approve and ratify the action taken by the Institute as per the directives of the Ministry of Education vide letter F.No.35-5/2-2017-TS.III dated 29.10.2020;</p> <p><i>"The clause-wise amendments in the First Statutes of NITs, IEST-Shibpur and NIT, Andhra Pradesh in accordance with the decisions taken by the Council of NITSER on the recommendations of the Oversight Committee for faculty recruitment, as also communication vide MoE's communication dated 27th October, 2020, may be adopted in toto".</i></p> <p>[Action owner : Registrar Timeframe : On confirmation of the minutes]</p>
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63 BoG Item No.63.3.13	<p>To consider the service of Dr. Satyanarayana Engu in this Institute as Former Assistant Professor Grade-I, Department of Mathematical and Computational Sciences has been ceased on the afternoon of 09-07-2020 (i.e. the day of end of lien period) – Reg.</p> <p>Board of Governors resolved to approve and ratify the action taken by the Institute as per the agenda note.</p> <p>[Action owner : Registrar Timeframe : On confirmation of the minutes]</p>
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63 BoG Item No.63.3.14	<p>Any other item with the permission of the Chair</p> <p>No other matters were discussed.</p>
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With the above, the meeting is concluded with a vote of thanks to the Chair.


(K Ravindranath)
Registrar and
Secretary, BOG
NITK, Surathkal.


(K Umamaheshwar Rao)
Director and
Member, BOG
NITK, Surathkal.


(K Balaveera Reddy)
Chairperson - BOG
NITK, Surathkal.