NORTH EASTERN REGIONAL INSTITUTE OF SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY

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NIRJULI ::: ARUNACHAL PRADESH

MINUTES

OF

90th MEETING OF THE BOARD OF MANAGEMENT



Date :: 12.06.2018

Time :: 03.00 PM

Venue :: NIRD, GUWAHATI

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The following were present in the meeting:

1. Prof. Umesh Chandra Ray Chairman, BoM, NERIST P W/2, Ashiana Nagar, Phase-I, Patna – 800 025, Bihar.

Chairman

 G. P. Upadhaya, IAS, Additional Chief Secretary, Govt. of Sikkim.

Member

3. Ashish Kundra, IAS
Commissioner & Secretary,
Higher & Technical Education,
Govt. of Mizoram.

Member

W.R. Lengdoh,Secretay,H & T Education, Govt. of Meghalaya.

Member

5. Dr. Tayek. Talom,
Director Hr. & Tech. Education
as Nominee of Secretary,
Education, Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh,
Itanagar, Arunachal Pradesh.

Member

6. P. Sasikumar, Deputy Secretary,
As Nominee of Joint Secretary (DL &Admn.)
MHRD, Govt. of India,
Shastri Bhavan, 'C' Wing, New Delhi

Member

7. Prof. AmitavaMitra,
Professor Economics,
as Nominee of Vice Chancellor,
Rajiv Gandhi University,
Rono Hill, Doimukh, A.P.

Member

| 9. Prof. P. Parida, Dean (Academic), NERIST, Nirjuli. 10. Prof. R.K. Prasad, Dean (Planning & Development), NERIST, Nirjuli: 11. Prof. K.N. Dewangan Dean (Administration) NERIST, Nirjuli. 12. Kajal Kumar Mandal, Assistant Professor, NERIST, Nirjuli. 13. Prof. H.S Yadav Director, NERIST. 14. M.K.Camder Registrar i/c, NERIST Nember Nember Non-Member Secretary | 8. | Prof. Samarendra Dandapat Department of EEE, IIT, Guwahati. | | Member |
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The following Hon'ble members could not attend the meeting:

- Joint Secretary & F.A, IFD, MHRD, Govt. of India, Shastri Bhawan, 'C' Wing, New Delhi.
- 2. Secretary, Higher Education, Govt. of Nagaland.
- 3. Principal Secretary
 Higher Education, Govt. of Manipur.
- 4. Principal Secretary
 Higher Education, Govt. of Tripura.
- Principal Secretary
 Higher & Technical Education,
 Govt. of Assam.
- 6. Lambert V. Hynniewta Sr. Manager (Consumer Sales) Indian Oil-AOD, Guwahati - 781020
- 7. Prof. M. Muralidhar, (Granted leave for absence) Professor, NERIST, Nirjuli.
- 8. S.K. Sahu, Associate Professor, NERIST, Nirjuli.

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At the outset, Director, NERIST introduced newly appointed Registrar i/c Shri M. K. Camder to the Chairman, BoM and the members of the BoM.

Director, NERIST welcomed the Chairman, BoM and the members of the BoM present in the meeting held on 12.06.2018 at NIRD Conference Hall.

Hon'ble Chairman BoM apprised the Members that after a long gap Prof. H.S Yadav was appointed as a regular Director, NERIST. His long Academic experience as well as Administrative experience may help the Institute for its all-round development.

Chairman in his introductory remarks emphasized to improve the academic environment in the Institute such as engaging effective theory and practical classes by the faculty members for the betterment of the students. He also advised Director to encourage the faculty members to focus on quality research activities. He also desired that academic performance of faculty should be reviewed in June every year and details of progress report should be submitted to him for his appraisal. He advised to conduct meeting with Chairman, Director, Deans and Registrar once in every six months (June and December) for progress review of academic activities of the Institute. He also informed that every member of faculty should publish research paper in International (SCOPUS) and standard National journals, which will be basis for attending national and International conference under CPDA. Faculty members should be encouraged to get sanctioned research projects from various industries and central/state agencies. There should be annual alumnifunction also. Convocation should be held every year.

He also directed that to avail Cumulative Professional Development Allowance (CPDA), faculty should present research paper before the screening committee of expert, which will decide to recommend the individual case to competent authority. No faculty is to be allowed to avail CPDA to attend Conferences/Seminar/Workshop etc. in private institutes except nationally/internationally well-known on case to case basis with prior approval of competent authority.

The Chairman, BoM then called the meeting to order.

Item No. 90.01: To confirm the Minutes of the 89th Meeting of the Board of Management held on 27.03.2018.

The 89th meeting of the Board of Management (BoM) was held on 27.03.2018 and the minutes of the meeting were circulated to all Hon'ble Members vide letter No. RR-19 (89) BoM/2018; dated 06.04.2018.

[Comments received from Department of Higher Education, MHRD on the Item No.89.03 are as stated below:

The opinion of Joint Secretary, MHRD was that the recruitment in NERIST should be done based on AICTE norms and not UGC because its deemed to be university status is only for degree awarding purpose. It was pointed out in the meeting that as per Supreme Court directive in a case of 2017, Supreme Court has made it clear that a Deemed to be University cannot be considered as a conventional university. In any case, since NERIST follows AICTE norms for sanctioned strength of its staff, the AICTE norms for recruitment of faculty must also be followed. It was requested for necessary amendments in the minutes of 89th meeting of Board of Management and its wide circulation.]

[Comments received from the Hon'ble Chairman, BoM on the Item No.89.05.01 are as follows:

- 1. The said Annual Reports and Annual Accounts are for FY 2014-15 and FY 2015-16 for which financial year ends by December 2015 and December 2016 respectively.
- 2. One BoM meeting was held in July'2017 much later than December 2016. Why the said reports were not placed in the BoM meeting held in July'2017.
- 3. Director being party to all expenditures of the Institute how he can give approval for his decisions?
- 4. Moreover, if BoM meeting was not in near future, approval of Chairman, BoM should have been taken and not of Director, NERIST.
- 5. By following wrong procedure Institute administration has kept NERIST Society, the highest body of the Institute, in dark.]

Resolution:

The minutes of 89th BoM were approved with MHRD observation to follow AICTE norms for recruitment of faculty. The comments of the Chairman BoM NERIST were seriously noted to avoid such practices in future.

Item No. 90.02: Action Taken Report on the minutes of 88th Board of Management meeting.

Action Taken Report on the Minutes of 88th Board of Management meeting held on 28.07.2017 is placed for consideration and approval please.

Resolution:

Noted and approved.

Item No 90.03:

To consider the minutes of the 48th Finance Committee meeting to be held on 12.06.2018.

Resolution:

The minutes of 48th Finance Committee meeting, held on 12.06.2018 at 10.00 AM at NIRD, Guwahati, Assam was approved with suggestion that any project under priority will be brought to Finance Committee with complete details for design, drawing, approved rates and total cost duly endorsed by B&WSC of the Institute.

Advertisement about NERIST academic programmes must be undertaken through electronic & print Media, Posters, Banners and Seminars in all North Eastern States. Twitter and Facebook activities on NERIST affairs should be done adequately. It was also suggested to increase Institute IRG by various consultancy like soil testing, material testing, preparing Architectural/structural drawing and encouraging faculty members to get more research and consultancy projects.

Item No 90.04:

To consider Draft MoU to be signed between Director, NERIST and Secretary Higher Education MHRD and exemption from HEFA.

Comments received from IFD, Department of Higher Education, MHRD "MOU has not been furnished in filled in proforma. Rather exemption has been sought from HEFA as the Institute has low IRG. However, the Institute is required to follow the criteria prescribed under HEFA. Fee and IRG are required to be increased by the Institute."

With the permission of the Board of Management, Director, NERIST modified the title of the agenda item as "To consider Draft MoU to be signed between Director, NERIST and Secretary Higher Education and exemption from HEFA".

Resolution:

After thorough deliberation, the Board resolved that NERIST should be exempted from HEFA credit frame work in view of very low IRG, highly subsidized fee structures, North East being remote location and having low scope of consultancy due to lack of industries around the Institute.

The draft MoU was approved to be signed between the Director, NERIST and Secretary, MHRD, Govt. of India with the recommendation that funding pattern of NERIST to continue as per existing norms followed prior to signing MoU.

Item No 90.05: To consider the operation of open merit of NEE - 2018

As approved by BoM held on 28.07.2017 under the item No. 88.05 (a); the NEE-2018 results are declared with waiting list, extended wait list for Arunachal Pradesh and open merit list for second round of counseling. The guideline to operate open merit list is to be decided with regard to reservation policy.

Resolution:

It was resolved to follow Govt. of India reservation policy for open merit list.

Item No. 90.06: Reporting Item.

Item No 90.06.01: To Report about Joining of Registrar i/c NERIST.

Comments of IFD, MHRD: Vacancy in the post of Registrar is required to be advertised for regular filling up.

Resolution:

Joining of Registrar in-charge is Noted and approved.

Item No 90.07: Any other items with permission of the chair.

Item No.90.07.01: Corrections in the NERIST, Entrance Examination results 2018 in case of Mizoram

A letter vide No. A.42011/1/2013-THE(TE) dated 22^{nd} May 2018 has been received from Under Secretary, Govt.of Mizoram. In his letter he has requested to make corrections in the NERIST Entrance Examination Results 2018 considering the following grounds:

As per the Mizoram (Selection of Candidates for Higher Technical Courses) Rules, 2016, all the Candidates are classified into three Categories Viz.Category-I, Category-II and Category-III. Category-I comprised of Zo-Ethnics indigenous people of the State of Mizoram, Category-II comprises of other non-Zo-Ethnics permanent residents of Mizoram and children of parents who are serving under the Govt. of Mizoram or Corporation or autonomous bodies in whose case it can safely be inferred that they would reside permanently in Mizoram, Category-III comprised of Children of Central Services employees who are posted in Mizoram for at least 2 years. The proportionate seat allocation for the State quota is that:

- 1. 95% to the Category-I
- 2. 4% to the Category-II and 1% to the Category-III

 Mizoram is having 20 seats in NEE-I out of which 95% (i.e 19 seats) are to be allotted to Category-I candidates and 4% (i.e 0.80 seats) is to be allotted to Category-II, and 1% (i.e 0.0.20 seats) is to be allotted to Category-III candidates.

Hence as the Chakma are under Category-II, they can be allotted only 4% of 20 seats (i.e 0.8 seats, say-1 seat).

Resolution:

Noted

The meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Chair.