# NORTH EASTERN REGIONAL INSTITUTE OF SICENCE & TECHNOLOGY

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### **MINUTES**

OF

### 24TH NERIST SOCIETY MEETING

Date: 11.12.2017

Time: 11.00 A.M.

Venue: Board Meeting Room,

NERIST, Nirjuli.

# Minutes of the 24th Annual General meeting of the NERIST Society held on 11.12.2017 at 11.00 HRS. in the Board Meeting Room

#### The following members were Present:

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Brig. Dr. B. D. Mishra (Retd.),
 H.E. the Governor of Arunachal Pradesh &
 President, NERIST Society.

President

 Shri Honchun Ngandam, Hon'ble Minister (Higher and Technical Education), Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh, Itanagar.

Member

 Shri Ajay Kumar IAS, (Representing Education Minister). -Principal Secretary, Education. Govt. of Assam.

Member

- Shri W. R. Lyngodoh IAS, (Representing Education Minister).- Member Education Secretary, Govt. of Meghalaya.
- Prof. Anoop K. Dass, (Representative for AICTE)
   Department of M.E.,
   IIT, Guwahati.

Member

 Shri Tarh Nachung, P-Sector, Nirjuli, Arunachal Pradesh

Member

Prof. Tamo Mibang, Director, NERIST

Member

8) Dr. R. P. Bhattacharjee, Registrar, NERIST

Non-Member Secretary

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The Hon'ble members who could not attend the meeting and have been granted leave by the Chairman. They are:

- 1. The Joint Sectretary (TEL), MHRD, Govt. of India.
- 2. The Joint Secretary and FA (IFD), MHRD, Govt of India.
- 3. Hon'ble Minister (Higher Education), Govt. of Sikkim.
- 4. Hon'ble Minister (Higher Education), Govt. of Mizoram.
- 5. Hon'ble Minister ( Higher Education), Govt. of Tripura.
- 6. Hon'ble Minister (Higher Education), Govt. of Manipur.
- 7. Hon'ble Minister (Higher Education), Govt. of Nagaland.
- 8. Dr. Niraj Sharma, Head (TDT), DST, Govt of India.
- 9. Prof. U.C. Ray, Chairman, BOM, NERIST

The 24th Meeting of the NERIST Society started with National Anthem. At the beginning of the meeting, Hon'ble President of NERIST Society and His Excellency the Governor of Arunachal Pradesh, Brig.(Retd.) Dr. B. D. Mishra was received by Prof. Tamo Mibang, Director, NERIST Dr.R.P.Bhattacharjee, Registrar, NERIST. The President, NERIST Society asked about the quorum. Registrar informed that there was a quorum in the meeting. The President, NERIST Society has expressed concern over the absence of education ministers from the other states of the region, given the fact that students from these stake holding states are already pursuing their education at NERIST. Then the President, NERIST Society welcomed all the members who attended the 24th meeting of NERIST Society and asked them to introduce themselves. All members introduced themselves. Then, welcome address was delivered by the Director, NERIST.



After the welcome address, Hon'ble President of NERIST Society and His Excellency, the Governor of Arunachal Pradesh, Dr. Brig.(Retd.) Dr.B.D.Mishra has addressed the august house.

#### Address by Hon'ble President of NERIST Society

Dr. Brig.(Retd.) Dr.B.D.Mishra, Hon'ble President of NERIST Society and His Excellency, the Governor of Arunachal Pradesh informed the house that he is presiding over the first meeting of NERIST Society after assuming the charge as Governor of Arunachal Pradesh in the capacity of the President, NERIST Society. (Earlier he made a general visit to NERIST and met the officers and x senior faculty members of NERIST and discussed some issues.)

He informed that education is a right to everyone. He has further stressed that this is our duty to impart proper education to the students.

He emphasized that faculty development as well as student development are very two important key factors in an educational institution. Every student should be trained up in a proper way in order to stand on his/her feet. He also emphasized that confidence should be developed among the students.

He also emphasized that Research and Development should be given priority in the Science and Technology institution. The faculty, those who are attending national and international conferences, seminars and workshops, must share their experiences with the students, which will help for the development of students' knowledge and skills.

He said that basic facilities like hostel, library and drinking water should be provided to the students.

He said that student strength in all streams should be enhanced every year, for which necessary steps should be taken and also, new courses should be introduced in the NERIST for the development of the institute. He said that placement rate should be enhanced, for which more and more reputed companies are to be contacted and called for providing more and more placements to the students.



Finally, he said that contribution of everybody is required to develop the institute.

Then, the President, NERIST Society has given permission to take up the agenda items and asked the Registrar to present the items listed.

Item No. SO. 24.01: To approve the Minutes of the 23<sup>rd</sup> AGM of NERIST Society meeting held on 13.11.2015.

(Registrar informed that the Minutes of the 23<sup>rd</sup> Annual General Meeting (AGM) of NERIST Society was circulated to all Members—vide No. RR/23/(SO)/2015 dated 28.12.2015. Since no comments have been received from any members, the Minutes of 23<sup>rd</sup>AGM may be confirmed. Before confirming the minutes, comments of the members were sought on the minutes of the 23<sup>rd</sup> AGM..

The following comments were made by the members.

- (i) On the question of 3% physically handicapped quota is being fully filled or not and if the quota is not filled, the vacant seats are to be filled with other category or not in order to increase the strength of students. It was replied that the quota is not being filled fully every year. Then it was advised to take measures to fill the vacant seats with other categories after cut-off date in order to increase the student strength.
- (ii) On the question of taking students from JEE for increasing the intake capacity, it was replied that NERIST runs the courses under modular pattern (Certificate, Diploma and Degree) with each of two years and NERIST is conducting its own entrance examination.
- (iii) Research works should be enhanced in the institution. Students also should be encouraged to participate in the seminars, conferences and workshops. Teacher and student relationship, interactions and sharing of views should be maintained for the development of the students.



(iv) Scholarships are to be provided to the eligible students promptly.

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- (v) Students intake is to be enhanced every year, for which necessary measures are to be taken by the institute.
- (vi) Calling of outside experts for giving lectures to the students on different new matters in order to increase the knowledge of the students.

Resolution: The minutes of the 23<sup>rd</sup> Annual General Meeting of the NERIST Society held on 28.12.2015 was approved after taking into account of the comments made by the members above.

Item No. SO. 24.02: To report the "Annual Report" of NERIST for the year 2014 – 15 & 2015 – 16.

(Registrar informed that the Annual Report of NERIST for the year 2014-15 was approved by Chairman, BoM and ratified by BOM in its 86<sup>th</sup> meeting held on 7/3/2016 vide resolution No. 86.06.01 and the same was sent to MHRD for placing it to Parliament. The Annual Report of NERIST for the year 2015 –16 was approved by the Director on 09.6.2017. The Annual Report is already sent to MHRD for placing it to parliament.)

Resolution: It was noted by the 24th meeting of NERIST Society.

Item No. SO. 24.03: To report the Revised Budget of 2016-17, Budget Estimate of 2017–18 and grant received till date by 24<sup>th</sup> meeting of NERIST Society.

(Registrar read out the details of the Revised Budget of 2016 - 17 and Budget Estimate of 2017 - 18 under both the Plan and Non-plan heads, which was approved by 47<sup>th</sup> Finance Committee and 88th Board of Management meeting held on 28.07.2017. Recently MHRD has informed that the grant has been approved for 2017-18 along with the budget provision for 2018-19)



Resolution: The revised Budget of 2016-17, Budget Estimate of 2017-18 and grant received till date was noted by the 24<sup>th</sup> meeting of NERIST Society.

Item No. SO. 24.04: To report status of major construction activities of NERIST as on date for information of Hon'ble Members.

(Registrar read out the major construction activities as listed in the agenda both completed and uncompleted major constructions. On the question on the major construction activities at Sl. No.07 construction of extension of present administrative building and again construction of Sl.No.10 and again construction of permanent Administrative Building, it was clarified that after completion of construction of permanent Administrative Building, the present Administrative Building will be converted into Academic Building. Members noted the details.)

Resolution: It was noted by the 24th meeting of NERIST Society.

Item No.SO.24.05: To report Academic Progress in brief in NERIST.

(Registrar read out the Academic progress of NERIST in brief as placed in the agenda. Members expressed concerned over the decreasing number of intake capacity of students in all streams and suggested to identify the problem in the system and take measures to enhance the student intake in all streams every year.)

Resolution: The point was noted taking into account of the suggestion of the members.

Item No. SO.24.06: Other Reporting Items.

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Item No. 24.06.01: To report NBA accreditation of six UG programs of Engineering Departments during 2016.

(Registrar informed that an expert team of NBA visited NERIST and conducted on-site evaluation of the UG Engineering Programs offered by the Institute from 6<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> May, 2016. Based on their report, NBA has approved accreditation of all 6 Under Graduate Engineering courses for the year 2016-17 and 1017-18. The Institute has applied for extension of accreditation for 2018-19 also. The Departments are:

- 1. Agricultural Engineering.
- 2. Electrical Engineering.
- 3. Electronic & Communication Engineering.
- 4. Computer Science & Engineering.
- 5. Civil Engineering.
- 6. Mechanical Engineering.)

Resolution: The point was noted by the 24th meeting of NERIST Society.

Item No. 24.06.02: To report status of Ph.D. scholars and other activities in the campus.

Resolution: The point was noted by the 24th meeting of NERIST Society.

Item No. 24.06.03: To report campus placement during the year 2015-16 and 2016-17.

[Members suggested to take necessary measures for contacting more and more agencies and companies and calling them in order to enhance the placement rate to the students in future as strengthening of student strength depends upon good placements now a days)

Resolution: The point was noted by the 24<sup>th</sup> meeting of NERIST Society with the suggestion made by the members.

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Item No. 24.06.04: To report status of seats and occupancy in different hostels.

(Registrar informed that Hostel Management Council was constituted during early days of the Institute to manage different hostels which has intake capacity of 1760 and at present 1544 students are staying in hostels. It is expected to enhance the hostel capacity after taking over of 375 capacity boys hostel very soon.

Members observed that some vacant seats were in some hostels and suggested to make them repair those if required and allot them to the students.)

Resolution: The point was noted by the 24<sup>th</sup> meeting of NERIST Society with the observation of the members.

Item No. 24.06.05: To report the list of court cases.

[Registrar said that at present, there are 11 numbers of court cases pending at different Hon'ble courts. Hearing for 2 cases completing at Hon'ble Gauhati High Court, Permanent Bench, Itanagar and Judgment is awaited. On the question of dealing of court cases, it was clarified that the court cases are being dealt by the Registrar with the help of one Section Officer.

Member suggested to take measures for minimizing the court cases in future.)

Resolution: The point was noted by the 24th meeting of NERIST Society.

Item No. SO 24.07: Any other item with permission of the Chair.

## ADDITIONAL AGENDA

Item No. 24.01: To report encroachment of NERIST land - reg.

[Registrar informed that is some outsiders have encroached NERIST land. The 240 acre of land at Hill-Top was allotted to NERIST by Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh vide order No. CP/LA-32/83 dated Itanagar, the 1st December, 1989. Fencing was erected and some plantation was planted during 1994. But due to



increase in number of encroachment, the said fencing and plantation are not visible at present. The Institute failed to take up any other projects in 240 acre of land due to increasing number of encroachment in spite regular complaint to the local administration. Recently local administration has constituted a committee for demarcation of boundary of 240 acre of NERIST land. Earlier also, local administration had taken initiative for action in this regards but no tangible solution is noticed till date. In 2.75 and 48 acres of land, there is a boundary wall but still some encroachment is taken place which is being taken up with the local administration. Some relevant documents regarding encroachment of boundary are enclosed herewith.

Members suggested that further encroachment should be stopped, for which necessary steps should be taken in this matter. Members suggested to call a meeting with the local administration to solve the encroachment problems.)

Resolution: It was decided to settle these matters through a personal meeting with the concerned in the local administration.

Item No. 24.02: To improve Ranking of NERIST-reg.

(Members expressed concerned over the poor ranking of NERIST and suggested to create good academic atmosphere in NERIST taking into account of the proposed academic activities in the agenda for improving the rank. Care should be taken to improve in all areas.)

Resolution: After discussion, it was decided to take necessary measures to improve standards of the institute by improving academic quality and urged all faculty to contribute for this.

Item No. 24.03: To report formation of Anti encroachment wing at NERIST.

(The words at page no.19 "as desired by Office ......is deleted".

Members suggested that this type of committees are to be formed with the approval of the Director, NERIST internally.

Resolution: The point was noted by the 24<sup>th</sup> meeting of NERIST Society taking into account of the suggestion of the members.

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Item No. 24.04: To consider modification in admission process in NERIST – reg.

Members suggested that this type of committees are to be constituted internally with the approval of the Director, NERIST to identify the problems of decreasing the intake capacity of the students and these matters are to be discussed in the internal meetings of Academic Council as well as Board of Management and the actions are to be placed in the Society meeting.)

Resolution: The point was noted with the suggestion of the members.

Item No.So.24.05: To consider construction of proper drainage facility around NERIST and to provide drinking water to NERIST by the Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh – Reg.

(Members suggested to call a meeting with the local administration of the concerned to solve the drinking water and drainage problems.)

Resolution: It was decided to settle these matters through a personal meeting with the concerned in the local administration.

The meeting ended with national anthem and vote of thanks to the chair.

(Dr.R.P.Bhattacharjee)

Registrar & Non-Member Secretary