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## National Institute of Technology, Rourkela

MINUTES OF THE 35<sup>TH</sup> MEETING OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE  
HELD AT 11.00 AM ON 29.09.2016 (THURSDAY)  
IN THE CONFERENCE HALL OF NIT TRANSIT HOUSE, NEW DELHI.

### Members Present

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\* Membership ratified by the BoG in its 50<sup>th</sup> meeting as per Statute Clause 10(1)(iv).



**F.C-35(2016)-01:** Director & Acting Chairman introduced new members and welcomed all members present in the meeting.

**F.C-35(2016)-02:** Confirmation of the minutes of the 33<sup>rd</sup> Meeting of the Finance Committee held on 26.10.2015 at New Delhi.

The draft minutes of the 33<sup>rd</sup> Meeting of the FC held on 26-10-2015 was sent to the members for their comments regarding correctness of recording of the minutes. Copy of the draft minutes is given in Annexure.

No comments from members were received. However, during discussions, the following modifications were suggested:-

**F.C-33(2015)-04:** In view of indications of no increase in grants for the current financial year and next financial year as intimated by the Government of India representatives, the FC recommended not to initiate and/or take up any new proposal/project for next two years.

A clarification regarding the proposal to waive the L.D. clause and/or permit cost escalation be put up in the next meeting of the FC.

**F.C-33(2015)-06:** The FC recommended the proposal to the BOG. However, in view of indications of no increase in grants for the current financial year and next financial year as intimated by the Government of India representatives, the FC advised to submit a realistic budget estimate based on expected grants to be received with clear information of heads under which grants to be received will be utilized and heads under which there would be a shortage.

**F.C-33(2015)-07:** The compliance report and the observations of the Institute on the SAR be put up in the next meeting of the FC wherein the Deputy/Assistant Registrar (F&A) should also be present.

**F.C-33(2015)-10:** The FC advised to refer the matter to MHRD for necessary approval for extending the same benefits to the eligible employees w.e.f 1<sup>st</sup> April, 2015.

**F.C-33(2015)-11:** After detailed deliberations and discussions, the FC advised the Institute to resubmit the matter in the next meeting with complete details. The Ministry representatives clarified that the Ministry could not agree to the decision taken for absorption of contractual employees engaged through contract/NTMIS without undergoing the due and regular process of selection/appointment. They



cited the judgement dated 10<sup>th</sup> April, 2006 of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in Appeal (Civil) Nos. 3595-3612 of 1999, Secretary, State of Karnataka and Ors. Vs. Umadevi and Ors. in the matter.

**F.C-33(2015)-15:** The FC decided to refer the matter to MHRD for consideration and advice.

*The FC confirmed the minutes with above modifications.*

**[Annexure - A1, Pg. No 1 to 8]**

**F.C-35(2016)-03:** **Confirmation of the minutes of the 34<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Finance Committee held on 18.12.2015 at Rourkela.**

The draft minutes of the 34<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the FC held on 18-12-2015 has been sent to the members for their comments regarding correctness of recording of the minutes. Copy of the draft minutes is given in Annexure.

No comments from members were received. However, during discussions, the following modifications were suggested:-

**F.C-34(2015)-05:** In view of indications of no increase in grants for the current financial year and next financial year as intimated by the Government of India representatives, the FC recommended not to initiate and/or take up any new proposal/project for next two years.

**F.C-34(2015)-08:** It was further advised to take up the matter with Niti Aayog and to lodge an FIR in the local Police Station if not already filed by Niti Aayog.

*The FC confirmed the minutes with above modifications.*

**[Annexure - A2, Pg. No 9 to 14]**

**F.C-35(2016)-04:** **Report on Action Taken on the Minutes of the 32<sup>nd</sup>, 33<sup>rd</sup> and 34<sup>th</sup> Meetings of the Finance Committee.**

Action Taken Reports on the Minutes of the 32<sup>nd</sup>, 33<sup>rd</sup> and 34<sup>th</sup> Meetings of the Finance Committee are given in Annexure for information of the FC.

*The FC noted the ATRs and advised the Director to put up updated and detailed ATRs regarding the 32<sup>nd</sup>, 33<sup>rd</sup> and 34<sup>th</sup> meetings of the FC based on the confirmed minutes in the next meeting of the FC.*

**[Annexure - A3, Pg. No 15 to 17]**

**F.C-35(2016)-05:** **Financial Status of the Institute.**





The financial status of the Institute as on 31.07.2016 along with details of negative balance (overspent amount) is given in the Annexure for information of the FC.

*The FC took note of the status and advised the administration to take appropriate measures and steps to curtail expenditure to the extent possible to keep the expenditure within the expected grants to be received in 2016-17 which are expected to be almost equal to the grant received in 2015-16.*

[Annexure – A4, Pg. No. 18 to 19]

**F.C-35(2016)-06: Current status and allocation of funds [interest income and new grant] under different heads of expenditure of TEQIP-II project.**

Approximately 50.00 lakh has been earned as bank interest on the TEQIP-II funds and 500.00 lakh has been received as new grant under the project. Initial grant was 1250.00 lakh

Proposed allocation of funds under different heads of expenditure under TEQIP-II project as per laid down policy is given in the Annexure for information of the FC.

*The FC took note of the additional allocation of funds and desired that the Projects proposed under the additional allocation of funds should first be considered by the B&WC and then put up before the FC.*

[Annexure – A5, Pg. No. 20 - 21]

**FC-35(2016)-07: Revised Procurement Plan under TEQIP-II.**

Recently, Rs. 500.00 lakh and Rs. 1340.00 lakh has been sanctioned under TEQIP-II and Modernization of NITS, respectively. Out of above 810.00 lakh have been allocated for procurement. Accordingly, procurement plan under TEQIP-II has been revised to include equipment under the recently sanctioned grant. The existing plan vis-à-vis the proposed plan is given in the Annexure. As per NPIU guidelines, the revised plan needs to be approved by the BOG.

*The FC felt that new / modified items of capital works in the Revised Procurement Plan for modernization should first be considered by the B&WC and then put up before the FC.*

*The FC further desired that the expenditure under TEQIP - II should be strictly as per the instructions issued by NPIU on expenditure under TEQIP - II.*

[Annexure – A6, Pg. No. 22 - 25]

**FC-35(2016)-08: Submission of Procurement Plan of CoEs under TEQIP-II.**

Proposed action plan of the following Centers of Excellence under TEQIP-II are given in Annexure.



- (i) Orthopaedic Tissue Engineering and Rehabilitation (Dept. – BM)
- (ii) Practical Renewable Energy System (Dept. – EE)

The FC felt that new/ modified items of capital works in the Revised Procurement Plan for modernization should first be considered by the B&WC and then put up before the FC.

The FC further desired that the expenditure under TEQIP - II should be strictly as per the instructions issued by NPIU on expenditure under TEQIP - II.

[Annexure – A7, Pg. No. 26 - 30]

**F.C-35(2016)-09: Collection of additional fee from students for Hall Activities & Improved Facilities (HAIF) as part of Mess Dues.**

In order to mitigate the shortfall in Establishment Charges collected from students and also to provide additional facilities to students such as hall activities, sports, window screen, hot water supply, etc., it has been decided in the 152<sup>nd</sup> meeting of the Deans and HODs to collect "Hall Activity and Improved Facilities (HAIF)" charges of Rs. 2500/- per semester from each student w.e.f Autumn 2016-17.

In view of registration for Autumn Semester due in July, the decision has been implemented provisionally vide Circular No. – NITR/ES/2016/M/2255, dated 11/07/2016. Further, it was recommended by the Deans & Heads Committee to collect the same fee as part of Establishment Charges vide Resolution No. – HODM-153(2016)-02 dated 01-08-2016.

*The FC ratified the above decision and recommended it to the Board of Governors. It further advised the Institute administration to review the fee requirement before the commencement of every Academic Year and put it up before the appropriate authorities for consideration.*

[Annexure – A8, Pg. No. 31 - 40]

**F.C-35(2016)-10: Any other item with the permission of the Chair.**

**(1) Statement of Accounts for the F.Y 2015-16.**

The detailed Statement of Accounts for the Financial Year 2015-16 was presented to the FC. The FC desired to know about major audit observation thereon, if any. It was appraised that there is no major audit observation

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

  
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