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NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY MIZORAM
(An Institution of National Importance under Ministry of Education, Govt. of India)
CHALTLANG, AIZAWL, MIZORAM - 796012

**MEETING MINUTES OF THE 21ST MEETING OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS, NIT
MIZORAM HELD ON 28TH SEPTEMBER, 2020 AT 12:00PM**

Members present:

1. Prof. Rajat Gupta Director NIT Mizoram	Chairperson, BOG
2. Prof. Rajat Gupta Director, NIT Mizoram	Ex-officio Member
3. Mr. Madan Mohan Addl. Director General (HE) Department of Higher Education Ministry of Education C-Wing, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi - 110 001	Member
4. Mr. Dhananjay Singh Deputy Secretary (Finance), IFD, Dept of Higher Education Ministry of Education C-Wing, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi - 110 001	Member
5. Prof. Gopal Das Dean, Research and Development IIT Guwahati	Member
6. Prof. P.K Ray Professor Dept of Industrial & System Engg IIT Kharagpur	Member
7. Dr. Ranjita Das Assistant Professor (CSE) NIT Mizoram	Member
8. Dr. Lalthanchami Sailo Registrar NIT Mizoram	Secretary

The 21st meeting of the Board of Governors was conducted through Video Conferencing. Mr. Hasan Mohammed Sarwar, Executive Engineer attended the meeting as Special Invitee.

Discussion of the meeting commenced as follows:

BOG 21.1	Welcome of the members by the Chairperson, BOG cum Director, NIT Mizoram. The Chairman, Board of Governors, NIT Mizoram cum the Director, NIT Mizoram extended a note of gratitude to the Board members for their support and advice through the years and for the sage advisories given by them for the development of the Institute. The Chairman, Board of Governors, NIT Mizoram cum the Director, NIT Mizoram further apprised the Board that the Institute has been forging ahead despite the difficult situations under the Corona Virus-19 pandemic and that since March 2020, online classes & examinations for the students has been conducted without much problem and the Institute could publish the Semester results on time. He expressed gratitude to the members of Senate, faculties, Officers and staff for their whole hearted support and cooperation. Appraisal on the updated status of the land acquisition and forest clearance issues concerned with the permanent campus of NIT Mizoram at Lengpui is as given: i) That, on 17.01.2020, a meeting held under the aegis of the Mr. T.J Lalnuntluanga, Minister, Forest, Environment & Climate Change & Law and Judicial, Government of Mizoram in the presence of the Director and other officials of NIT Mizoram resolved that spot verification for re-survey of the NIT Mizoram permanent campus be conducted in the presence of representatives of NIT Mizoram, Forest Environment & Climate Change Department, Land Revenue & Settlement Department and Higher & Technical Education Department. Subject to the outcome of re-survey of the NIT Mizoram permanent campus, re-calculation of compensatory afforestation and Net Present Value (NPV) would be worked out. All liabilities shall be borne by the Government of Mizoram through Higher & Technical Education Department. ii) Re-survey of the NIT Mizoram permanent campus was duly held and completed on 30.06.2020. The Land Revenue & Settlement Department, Govt. of Mizoram is currently acting on it. The Institute assured the Board that NIT Mizoram would be pursuing the case vigorously with the State Government. The Director and the Registrar, NIT Mizoram held a meeting with the Chief Minister, Mizoram on 25.09.2020, wherein the liabilities of the Government of Mizoram on compensatory afforestation, forest clearance and mutation of the Land Lease Certificate No.8
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	<p>of 2015 and transfer of the same in the name of NIT Mizoram were discussed in depth. The Chief Minister, Mizoram assured that the concerns of the NIT Mizoram is the priority of the state government and that proactive steps would be taken for the settlement of the standing issues etc of NIT Mizoram.</p>
BOG 21.2	<p>Approval and Confirmation of Minutes of the 18th meeting of Board of Governors held on the 06th December, 2019 in the office of the Additional Director General, Room No. 9, C-Wing, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi.</p> <p>This is to place before the Board of Governors the proposal for approval and confirmation of the minutes of the 18th meeting of Board of Governors held on the 06th December, 2019 in the office of the Additional Director General, Room No. 9, C-Wing, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi. Copy of the minutes of the meeting is placed at Annexure - I of BoG 21.2 at page no. 65-82.</p> <p>The Board may approve and confirm the minutes of the 18th meeting of Board of Governors held on the 06th December, 2019 in the office of the Additional Director General, Room No. 9, C-Wing, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi.</p> <p>Decision of the Board:</p> <p>Approved and Confirmed.</p>
BOG 21.3	<p>To note the Action Taken on the resolution of the 18th meeting of Board of Governors held on the 06th December, 2019 in the office of the Additional Director General, Room No. 9, C-Wing, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi.</p> <p>On the basis of the resolution taken during the 18th meeting of the Board of Governors held on the 06th December, 2019 in the office of the Additional Director General, Room No. 9, C-Wing, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi, the action taken report of the Institute is placed at Annexure - I of BOG 21.3 at page no 83-103.</p> <p>The Board may note the action taken by the Institute against the resolution taken in the 18th meeting of the Board of Governors held on the 06th December, 2019 in the office of the Additional Director General, Room No. 9, C-Wing, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi.</p> <p>Decision of the Board:</p> <p>Noted and approved.</p>

BOG 21.4	<p>Approval and Confirmation of Minutes of the 19th meeting of Board of Governors held on 17.04.2020 and 15.05.2020 through circulation</p> <p>This is to place before the Board of Governors the proposal for approval and confirmation of the minutes of the 19th meeting of Board of Governors held on 17.04.2020 and 15.05.2020 through circulation. Copy of the minutes of the meeting is placed at Annexure - I of 21.4 at page no. 104-113.</p> <p>The Board may approve and confirm the minutes of the 19th meeting of Board of Governors held on 17.04.2020 and 15.05.2020 through circulation.</p> <p>Decision of the Board:</p> <p>Approved and confirmed.</p>
BOG 21.5	<p>To note the Action Taken on the resolution of the 19th meeting of Board of Governors held on 17.04.2020 and 15.05.2020 through circulation.</p> <p>On the basis of the resolution taken during the 19th meeting of the Board of Governors held on 17.04.2020 and 15.05.2020 through circulation, the action taken report of the Institute is placed at Annexure - I of BOG 21.5 at page no 114-123.</p> <p>The Board may note the action taken by the Institute against the resolution taken in the 19th meeting of the Board of Governors held on 17.04.2020 and 15.05.2020 through circulation.</p> <p>Decision of the Board:</p> <p>Noted and approved.</p>
BOG 21.6	<p>Approval and Confirmation of Minutes of the 20th meeting of Board of Governors held on 12.08.2020 and 19.08.2020 through circulation.</p> <p>Background:</p> <p>This is to place before the Board of Governors the proposal for approval and confirmation of the minutes of 20th meeting of Board of Governors held on the 12.08.2020 and 19.08.2020 through circulation. Copy of the minutes of the meeting is placed at Annexure - I of 21.6 at page no. 124-129.</p>

	<p>The Board may approve and confirm the minutes of the 20th meeting of Board of Governors held on 12.08.2020 and 19.08.2020 through circulation.</p>
	<p>Comments received from JS&FA, IFD, Ministry of Education on BoG 20.2</p> <p>According to the Lease Agreements with the building owners, taxes etc. are to be paid by the building owners. Hence, there is no point in payment of GST liability by the Institute. Even if GST liability is paid by the Institute, that should be adjusted against the rent payable to the building owners.</p>
	<p>Clarification and justification of the Institute during the 21st meeting of the Board of Governors on 28.09.2020:</p> <p>Clause 9 of the Lease Agreement signed between the Lessor and Lessee for the rented buildings of NIT Mizoram is on Property Tax and the Clause does not give coverage to the payment of Goods & Services Tax. As per the Agreement against Clause 9, the Lessor is to pay all present and future Property Tax, Levies, Taxes, Cess etc. to the concerned authorities, for which the Lessor had exercised due payment for Property Tax, prior to the implementation of the GST.</p> <p>Vide Rule 9 sub clause 3 of Chapter 3 of the GST Act 2017, the liability for payment of GST for renting of an immovable property is to be borne by the receiver of the services. Therefore, w.e.f. the commencement of the GST Act, i.e. 1st July, 2017, the NIT Mizoram is liable to pay the GST @ 18% and interest for the period of non-payment of the taxes.</p> <p>Since the payment of GST is a statutory obligation, the payment of GST and settlement of GST interests, in arrears, is a financial liability of the Institute and payments to be made to the concerned authority.</p>
	<p>Decision of the Board of Governors.</p> <p>Approved.</p>
	<p>Comments received from JS&FA, IFD, Ministry of Education</p> <p>Laptop etc. are not to be purchased from CPDA but from OH-35 as these are capital items. In compliance with Ministry's letter dated 27.07.2020, the Institute is required to seek approval of the FC/BoG while furnishing the details of devices required, their specifications, cost estimates for individual items, total cost involved and position of fund</p>

	<p>availability for the purpose under OH-35 while duly indicating their fund requirement for ongoing projects and other proposed projects.</p>
	<p>Decision of the Board of Governors:</p> <p>Laptop and tablet cannot be purchased from the CPDA Fund. However, other items as mentioned in the list which are required for online teaching are allowed to be purchased from the CPDA Fund. Such items are Wireless Headphone with Mic, Webcam, Tripod Stand, Wifi Router, Portable Wifi Hotspot Router, Pen Interactive Panel for Teaching, Data charge reimbursement @ 1000/- pm</p>
BOG 21.7	<p>To note the Action Taken on the resolution of the 20th meeting of Board of Governors held on 12.08.2020 and 19.08.2020 through circulation.</p> <p>On the basis of the resolution taken during the 20th meeting of the Board of Governors held on 12.08.2020 and 19.08.2020 through circulation, the Action Taken Report of the Institute is placed at Annexure - I of BOG 21.7 at page no 130-136.</p> <p>With the approval of the Chairman, Board of Governors' the agendas circulated under BOG 19.4, BOG 19.5 and BOG 19.6 have been revised as BOG 20.1, BOG 20.2 and BOG 20.3 respectively on account of convenience as per Statutes of NITs.</p> <p>The Board may note the action taken by the Institute against the resolution taken in the 20th meeting of the Board of Governors held on 12.08.2020 and 19.08.2020 through circulation.</p>
	<p>Decision of the Board of Governors:</p> <p>Noted</p>
BOG 21.8	<p>Proposal for Confirmation of the Services of Teaching Faculty of NIT Mizoram on Completion of Probation Period.</p> <p>Background:</p> <p>This is to place before the Board of Governors the proposal for confirmation of the services of 04 Faculties on completion of 1 year probation and 01 Faculty on completion of 02 years probation period.</p> <p>There are 04 faculty members (01 Professor & 03 Associate Professor) appointed vide Appointment order No.</p>

NITMZ/R/F/2017/654 dated 25th July, 2018. As per the Appointment Order, they are prescribed for a probationary period of 1 year. The nature of their appointment is *regular basis* with pay scale and annual increment. The Appointment Order is placed at **Annexure - I of BOG 21.8 at page no. 137**.

For the faculties in the capacity of Associate Professors tabulated below (Serial No. 2-4 of table A), the matter was earlier taken up in the 18th Meeting of the Board of Governors vide **BOG 18.11** where it has been decided to take up the matter with the Departmental Confirmation Committee, in line with the Offer of Appointment wherein the probation period of one year is prescribed. Minutes of the 18th Meeting of BOG is placed at **Annexure II BOG 21.8 at page No 138-139**

The Departmental Confirmation Committee (DCC) of the Institute assessed their Services records and performance of the probationers and recommended as under-mentioned. The DCC Assessment Reports and Recommendations of the 4 Faculties are placed at **Annexure - III of BOG 21.8 at page no. 140-143** as below:-

TABLE - A:

S.N	Name of Faculty / Probationer	Designation & Department	Date of Joining	Confirmation Due Date After 1 Year	Remarks
1	Prof. Saibal Chatterjee	Professor (EEE)	24.08.2018	24.08.2019	Fit and recommended for Confirmation
2	Dr. Alok Shukla	Assoc. Prof. (BS & HSS)	26.07.2018	26.07.2019	Fit and recommended for Confirmation
3	Dr. P. Ajmal Koya	Assoc. Prof. (BS & HSS)	26.07.2018	26.07.2019	Fit and recommended for Confirmation
4	Dr. Konthoujam Gyanendra Singh	Assoc. Prof. (BS & HSS)	26.07.2018	26.07.2019	Fit and recommended for Confirmation

Dr. Bijayananda Mohanty, Assistant Professor appointed on contract under 4-Tier Flexible Faculty Structure. As per the Appointment Order, he is prescribed for a probationary period of 2 years. The nature of the appointment of the faculty is *on contract* with pay scale and annual increment. The Appointment Order is placed at **Annexure - IV of BOG 21.8 at page no. 144-146**.

The matter was earlier taken up in the 18th Meeting of the Board of Governors vide **BOG 18.13** where it has been decided to place the matter as a fresh agenda as the closure / exoneration of his

Disciplinary case stands approved in the 18th BoG meeting. Minutes of the 18th Meeting of BOG is placed at Annexure V BOG 21.8 at page No 147-150 and copy of the Exoneration Order is placed at Annexure VI BOG 21.8 at page No 151-152.

The **Departmental Confirmation Committee (DCC)** of the Institute assessed the Services records and performance of the probationer and recommended as under-mentioned. The DCC Assessment Reports and Recommendations of Dr. Bijayananda Mohanty, Assistant Professor is placed at **Annexure - VII of BOG 21.8 at page no. 153** as below:-

TABLE - B:

Sl. No	Name of Faculty / Probationer	Designation & Department	Date of Joining	Confirmation Due Date After 2 Years	Remarks
1	Dr. Bijayananda Mohanty	Assistant Professor (CE)	28.12.2015	28.12.2017	Fit and recommended for Confirmation

The Board may confirm the services of 04 Faculty members (Sl. No. 1-4 of Table - A) who have completed 1 year of probation period and 1 Faculty of NIT Mizoram (Sl. No. 1 of Table - B).

Comments received from JS/FA, IFD, Ministry of Education.

Contract faculty may be confirmed in view of their terms and conditions. However, their contract tenure in the Institute may be only five years as per the faculty RRs. Further, their confirmation may be subject to their vigilance clearance and character and antecedents verification.

Decision of the Board:

The clarification of the Institute is as:

Dr. Bijayananda Mohanty, Assistant Professor, Dept. CE, was appointed as Assistant Professor (on contract) as per the Recruitment Rules of Faculty, 2014, under the 4-Tier Flexible Faculty Structure and not appointed as contract for five years.

The Departmental Confirmation Committee had screened the service records of the five faculty members and affirmed for their Integrity/Vigilance Clearance, Character and Antecedents verification.

Service confirmation of the five faculty members is approved.

BOG 21.9 Service Confirmation of Teaching Faculty recruited under the 5 Years Contractual Service.

Background:

Consonant to the Model Recruitment Rules of Faculty in NITs, 2011 vide Para. 24, copy at **Annexure I of BoG 21.9 at Page No. 154-158**, the under-mentioned Faculties were recruited through Direct Recruitment Mode with M.Tech Degree, as Assistant Professors on contract basis with AGP of Rs. 6000/- only, with a rider that they would be regularised upon completion of their Ph.Ds, i.e. w.e.f. the date of their entry into the Institute and that their previous services would be counted for administrative and other service benefits.

However, vide Para. 24(V) of the Model Recruitment Rules of Faculty in NITs, 2011, the incumbent Faculties were to be placed "*on probation of 1 (one) year after regularisation*". This requirement of one year probation had occurred as an oversight and had not been conveyed to the incumbent Faculties nor reflected in the Offer of Appointments **Annexure II of BoG 21.9 at Page No. 159-162** and Order of Regularisation, copies at **Annexure III of BoG 21.9 at Page No. 163-166**.

The inadvertent error may be condoned and the one year period of probation be deemed to have occurred after the regularisation of their services. Thereafter, service confirmation may be taken up by the Departmental Confirmation Committee (DCC), on an *ex-post facto* basis.

S . N	Name of Faculty / Probationer	Designa tion & Departm ent	Date of Joinin g	Date of PhD Defens e	Date of Issue of Regularization Order
1	Dr. Bidesh Roy	Asst. Professor (ME)	18.07.2011	30.07.2016	16.11.2017
2	Dr. Bachu Deb	Asst. Professor (ME)	29.11.2011	26.03.2016	16.11.2017
3	Dr. Chaitali Koley	Asst. Professor (ECE)	07.01.2014	11.07.2017	16.11.2017
4	Dr. Ranjita Das	Asst. Professor (CSE)	18.07.2011	08.10.2018	01.02.2019
5	Dr. Anumoy Ghosh	Asst. Professor (ECE)	29.01.2014	29.11.2018	01.02.2019

The matter was earlier taken up in the 18th Meeting of BOG under BOG 18.12 and the Board decided that the matter may be taken up in the next BOG meeting indicating the date of their joining, regularization etc.

	<p>The Board may condone the inadvertent error and the one year period of probation be deemed to have occurred after the regularisation of their services and service confirmation may be taken up by the Departmental Confirmation Committee (DCC), on an <i>ex-post facto</i> basis.</p> <p>The matter is placed before the Board for consideration and approval.</p> <p>Decision of the Board: Approved</p>
BOG 21.10	<p>Proposal for Service Confirmation of Non-Teaching Officer and Staff of NIT Mizoram on Successful Completion of Probation Period</p> <p>Background:</p> <p>PART A</p> <p>This is to place before the Board of Governors the proposal for service confirmation of 3 Non-Teaching Officer and Staff on successful completion of their 1 year probation period</p> <p>There are 01 Group 'A' Officer and 02 Group 'B' Non-Teaching staff who have completed 1 year of probation period with no adverse record in their service and satisfactory performance during the probation period, and that the DCC had recommended their service confirmation as "FIT". Therefore, the services of the Non-Teaching officers & staff may be confirmed.</p> <p>However, it may be elucidated that 01 Group 'A' Officer and 01 Group 'B' Non-Teaching staff, namely, Mrs. Lalthianghlimi Zote, Deputy Registrar, F&A and Ms. Lancy Zodinpuii Chawhte, Matron' services for confirmation had been kept on hold for more than 08 (eight) years as their appointments were not against regular substantive vacancies. The issues had been addressed by the Board of Governors in the past sittings vide BOG 2.15 dated 08.03.2014, BOG 3.14 dated 04.09.2014, BOG 8.10.2 dated 28.11. 2017 & BOG 12.11 dated 17.12.2018 Minutes of the BOGs are placed at Annexure - I of BOG 21. 10 .at page no 167-175,</p> <p>with a decision that the post of Deputy Registrar and Matron be adjusted against the vacant posts of Assistant Registrar and Nurse vide Office Order No. NIT-MZ/BOG/2/2014/3344 dated 30.04.2014, copy is placed at Annexure -II BOG 21.10. at page no 176</p> <p>Thereafter, the NIT Mizoram' establishment had submitted to the Ministry of Education, Govt. of India, that, in lieu of the aforesaid</p>

adjustments, the post of SAS be surrendered and the post of Deputy Registrar be sanctioned in lieu thereof so that the vacant sanctioned post of Assistant Registrar is retained due to administrative necessity. Earlier, the vacant sanctioned post of Nurse being an essential requirement in the Institute had been proposed not to be adjusted against the post of Matron and due to the fact that the incumbent Matron does not possess the eligibility criteria of a Nurse vide Letter No. NITMZ/BOG/8/2017/46 dated 13.02.2018, No. NITMZ/BOG/12/2018/75 dated 01.02.2019 & No. NITMZ/C-75/2012/1194 dated 10.01.2019, copies are placed at **Annexures -III of BOG 21.10 at page no 177-179** Response from the Ministry is awaited.

Given that the services of the aforesaid officer/staff is yet pending confirmation even after 9+ years of service, it is therefore proposed that their services be confirmed by invoking the Govt of India, DoPT, O.M No.18011/1/86-Estt.(D) dated 28.03.1988 on '*Simplification of confirmation procedure-Delinking of confirmation from the availability of permanent posts*' and the subsequent Govt of India, DoPT, O.M No. 28020/3/2018-Estt.(C) dated 11.03.2019 on *Master Circular on Probation/Confirmation in Central Services-reg*', Para 2 & Para 24 copies are placed at **Annexure - IV & V of BOG 21.10 at page no 180-189**, wherein, it clearly depicts as :

" 2. Thus, the exercise of identification of permanent vacant posts as well as convening of meetings of DPCs to consider the confirmation of employees against them has become a time-consuming and complicated procedure which has to be gone through under the existing rules before permanent status is conferred upon a Government employee. The delays and complexities involved in complying with the procedural requirements of confirmation often result in a situation where an employee continues to officiate in successive higher grades for years together while he is confirmed only in the grade he entered the service."

"3. A Task Force(set up in 1976 vide Ministry of Finance Order No. F.1(5)/75-Spl.Cell dated 5.1.1976) went into the entire question of confirmation with a view to bring about some simplifications. Their main recommendations were:-

(i) Confirmation of Govt employees should be delinked from the availability of permanent vacant posts...."

The Appointment Orders are placed at **Annexure-VI of BOG 21.10 at page no 190-191**

The Departmental Confirmation Committee (DCC) of the

Institute assessed their services records and performance of the probationers and recommended as under-mentioned. The DCC Assessment Reports and Recommendations of the 3 Non-Teaching officers & staff are placed at **Annexure -VII of BOG 21.10 at page no 192-194** as below:-

TABLE - A :

S . N	Name of Employee / Probationer	Design ation & Depart ment	Date of Joining	Confir mation Due Date After 1 Year	Remarks of the DCC
1	Mrs. Lalthianghli miZote	Deputy Registr ar, Finance & Accoun ts	06.09.2011	06.09.2012	Fit and recommended for Confirmation subject to the Advice and Approval of the BOG
2	Ms.Lancy Zodinpuii Chawte	Matron , Hostel	18.07.2011	18.07.2012	Fit and recommended for Confirmation subject to the Advice and Approval of the BOG
3	Mrs. Sujata Dash	Tech. Assista nt - System	07.09.2015	07.09.2017	Fit and recommended for Confirmation

The Board may confirm the services of 1 Non-Teaching staff of NIT Mizoram (Sl. No. 3 of Table - A).

The advisory of the Board is sought in regard to the confirmation of the services of 02 Non-Teaching officer & staff (Sl. No. 1 & 2 of Table - A), in line with the extant Govt. of India DoPT Instructions.

PART B

Vide letter No. NIL, dated 01.09.2020 copy at **Annexure VIII of BOG 21.10 at page no. 195-197**, the Institute was in receipt of the representation from the incumbent Deputy Registrar **Mrs. Lalthianghlimi Zote**, citing on her grievances related to her service confirmation at NIT Mizoram and long pending issues regarding the non - availability of a regular sanctioned post of Deputy Registrar in the Institute.

Though the officer's service condition has been deliberated a number of times in the past BoG Meetings, tangible resolution to the officer's grievances had not been arrived till date. Aggrieved with the aforesaid, the officer has indicated her option to seek legal redress, if the long standing issues of 09 years is not resolved.

The matter is placed before the Board for consideration and advice.

PART C

Vide letter No. NIL dated 17.09.2020 copy placed at **Annexure IX of BOG 21.10 at page no. 198-206** the Institute is in receipt of a representation from the Superintendent, Mr. Benjamin Lalbiakmuana, citing certain relevant issues:

The 02nd BoG vide BOG 2.15(1) had decided to adjust the post of Deputy Registrar (PB-3 GP Rs. 7600) to the sanctioned vacant post of Assistant Registrar (PB-3 GP Rs. 5400) (copy placed at **Annexure X of BOG 21.10 at page no. 207-211**).

However, vide letter No. NITMZ/C-75/2012/1194 dated 10th January, 2019 (Copy placed at **Annexure XI of BOG 21.10 at page no. 212-215**) the Institute had proposed for surrender of the post of SAS Officer (PB-3, GP- Rs. 5400) to accommodate the incumbent Deputy Registrar. It is standing contention of the Institute that the incumbent Deputy Registrar, Mrs. Lalthianghlimi Zote be accommodated into the post of SAS Officer, for which re-appropriation of the said posts may be approved for.

The essential requirement of having an incumbent regular Assistant Registrar in the Institute cannot be over emphasised, as the Establishment of NIT Mizoram is functioning with bare minimum strength as under:

Table I

Sl No	Officers	Supported by
1	Director	Superintendent
2	Registrar	4 Junior Assistants
3	Deputy Registrar	1 Multi Tasking Staff
4	Executive Engineer	
5	Assistant Librarian	

Given the aforesaid projection under Table I, establishment of NIT Mizoram requires to be fortified by an Officer at the level of Assistant Registrar, on need based.

At the same time, with the anticipated re-appropriation of SAS Officer into the post of Deputy Registrar would help reinforce the establishment of NIT Mizoram and simultaneously, enable the long delayed service confirmation of the incumbent Deputy Registrar, Mrs. Lalthianghlimi Zote.

	<p>PART D</p> <p>Vide letter No. NIL dated 17.09.2020 (copy placed at Annexure XII of BOG 21.10 at page no. 216-217) the Institute is in receipt of a representation for the incumbent Matron, Ms. Lancy Zodinpuii Chawhte citing on her grievances related to her service confirmation at NIT Mizoram and long pending issues regarding the non – availability of a regular sanctioned post of Matron in the Institute.</p> <p>Even though the staff's service condition has been deliberated a number of times in the past BoG Meetings, and decision taken for adjustment for the incumbent Matron (PB-2 GP-Rs. 4200) to that of regular sanctioned vacant post of Nurse (PB-2 GP – Rs. 4200), her service confirmation is yet to be decided upon. Aggrieved with the aforesaid, the incumbent Matron, Ms. Lancy Zodinpuii Chawhte has indicated her option to seek legal redress, if the long standing issues of 09 years is not resolved.</p> <p>However, vide letter No. NITMZ/C-75/2012/1047 dated 22nd January, 2018, (copy placed at Annexure XIII of BOG 21.10 at page no. 218-223) the Institute had proposed for reallocating the post of Nurse (PB-2, GP-4200) to the post of Superintendent (PB-2, GP-4200). This had been proposed as there are no Recruitment Rules for the post of Matron in the NITs system and the sanctioned vacant post of Nurse is no longer projected in the extant Recruitment Rules for Non-Teaching for NITs, 2019.</p> <p>The essential Educational Qualification and other criteria for the post of Superintendent under Recruitment Rules 2019 is possessed by the incumbent Matron, Ms. Lancy Zodinpuii Chawhte as she holds a first class Masters' Degree (Geography) and currently pursuing her Ph.D. Copies of RRs 2019 for Superintendent and the Biodata of the incumbent Matron is placed at Annexure XIV & XV of BOG 21.10 at page no 224-229.</p> <p>Therefore, commensurate re-appropriation from the post of Nurse (PB-2, GP 4200) to the post of Superintendent (PB-2, GP-4200) is proposed so as to assuage the grievances of the incumbent Matron, Ms. Lancy Zodinpuii Chawhte and to facilitate her onward service confirmation as Superintendent.</p>
	<p>Comments of the FS/FA, IFD, Ministry of Education.</p> <p>Appointment of Deputy Registrar and Matron is irregular as they were appointed without any such sanctioned post. Hence, they could be confirmed only after the Institute offers a sanctioned and vacant post as matching saving for regularization of their appointment. The person recruited as Matron maybe re-designated against a same level</p>

	<p>sanctioned and vacant post of Superintendent (PB-2 GP Rs.4200/-) as proposed but appointment of the person appointed as Deputy Registrar may not be regularized by surrendering the lower post of SAS Officer. A sanctioned and vacant post at Deputy Registrar level or matching saving is required to be ensured to consider regularization and confirmation of her appointment.</p>
	<p>Decision of the Board:</p> <p>Service Confirmation of the Matron:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> .The incumbent Matron is enjoying the Pay of PB-2 GP Rs. 4200 and can be mapped as equivalent to the vacant sanctioned post of Nurse PB-2 GP Rs 4200. .The vacant sanctioned post of Nurse PB-2 GP Rs. 4200 does not figure in the earlier RRs for Non-Teaching Staff nor in the extant RRs for Non-Teaching Staff, 2019 and is therefore, an obsolete post. .Based on the above points, the Board decided that the vacant sanctioned post of Nurse (PB-2 GP Rs. 4200) is re-appropriated to the post of Superintendent (PB-2 GP Rs. 4200) and utilized to accommodate the services of Matron. .After due formalities are exercised, the services of the incumbent Matron/Superintendent may be confirmed as per the recommendation of the Departmental Confirmation Committee with Integrity/Vigilance Clearance and character & antecedent verification. <p>Service Confirmation of the Deputy Registrar:</p> <p>The comments of the JS/FA are noted. The Institute appraised the Board that it does not possess any vacant sanctioned post as matching savings other than the proposed post of SASO (PB3 GP Rs.5400) or any other lower post to arrive at PB-3 GP Rs. 7600/-.</p> <p>The Board was apprised of the existing Non-Teaching staff position (only 26 sanctioned posts which is less than the bare minimum requirement) and the requirement for urgent sanction of the desirable posts as per the erstwhile MHRD ratio of 1:1.1 and against the projection of additional Non-Teaching posts - 2018-19, 2019-20 and 2020-21 at the earliest.</p> <p>The ADG (HE), Ministry of Education requested that the Institute may submit the requirement once again which</p>

	<p>would be attended in the Ministry.</p> <p>III. Service Confirmation of the Technical Assistant (System) Service confirmation of Mrs. Sujata Dash, TA (System) is approved.</p>
BOG 21.11	<p>PROPOSAL FOR ENHANCEMENT OF THE FIXED REMUNERATION OF ACCOUNTANT (On Ad-hoc)</p> <p>Background:</p> <p>The Board may be informed that the Institute has only one post of Superintendent/Accountant and temporarily filled with an Accountant (on Ad-hoc basis) on payment of fixed remuneration of Rs. 20,000/- per month since 2016. The incumbent Mr. C. Lalhriatpuia has requested the Institute to enhance the monthly fixed remuneration from Rs. 20,000/- to Rs. 30,000/- vide his application dated 23.05.2019 placed at Annexure-I of BOG 21.11 at page no. 230. Justification for enhancement of pay and the work performed by the Accountant on Ad-hoc basis is highlighted in the application.</p> <p>As reported to the Board in previous occasions, there is an acute shortage of Non-Teaching Staff. The work performed by the Accountant is also specialized and the effort made by Mr. C. Lalhriatpuia deserves enhancement of remuneration. It is therefore, proposed that enhancement of the fixed remuneration from Rs. 20,000/- to Rs. 30,000/- may be considered.</p> <p>The matter is therefore, placed before the Board for approval.</p>
	<p>Comments received from JS&FA, IFD, Ministry of Education on BoG 21.11</p> <p>Justification for enhancement of pay could not be seen at the referred page no. 103 of the Agenda. The Institute is required to furnish the following details in this case:-</p> <p>When was he appointed and what was the pay fixed at that time?</p> <p>Whether his pay was increased subsequently? If yes, how much and on which date?</p> <p>Whether is he being paid from TEQIP Fund?</p> <p>What is the justification for the proposed increase in his salary from Rs. 20,000/- to Rs. 30,000/- from a back date viz. 17.08.2019?</p> <p>Post-wise details of sanctioned, filled up and vacant non-</p>

	<p>faculty posts should be furnished by the Institute.</p>
	<p>Decision of the Board of Governors:</p> <p>Based on the clarifications and justifications of the Institute, the Board approved the enhancement of the consolidated remuneration from Rs. 20,000/- to Rs. 30,000/- per month, with prospective effect.</p>
BOG 21.12	<p>Proposal for Fresh Annual Maintenance Contract (AMC) with M/s Graphic Trades, Patna for operation of the LAN-WAN Connectivity etc. of NIT Mizoram.</p> <p>Background:</p> <p>The Board may be informed of the Installation of wired/wi-fi LAN-WAN Connectivity in the Institute & Hostel buildings, Simulation labs, Virtual Classroom, e-classrooms, Language Labs, computers, printers, UPS, Civil, Electrical and interior works etc on turnkey basis. With the approval of the 1st FC and 2nd BoG meeting on 08.03.2014, open tender for Phase-I of the project with an estimated cost of Rs. 9.88 crore was initiated.</p> <p>The work for supply and installation was awarded to M/s Graphic Trades, Patna and work got underway from April 2015. Installation of the equipments and devices were completed within the extension of time given i.e upto 31st May, 2016, with the 3 years AMC period with validity upto 15th June, 2019.</p> <p>Without the presence of the Service Engineers, the Institute faces immense problems related to internet connectivity. This has been much more felt with the online classes and examination conducted in the previous and current Semesters. Since Graphic Trades have designed the network architecture and also possess the knowledge of all the devices installed and configuration, a fresh AMC is proposed with Graphic Trades, Patna for a period of one year.</p> <p>Fresh AMC proposal: Fresh AMC proposal for one year is with the following suggestions.</p> <p>Requirement of Service Engineer: The LAN-WAN Committee recommended engagement of only <u>One Service Engineer</u> from Graphic Trades. This was recommended by the LAN-WAN Committee under the Chairmanship of Registrar on 23.06.2020 and the Meeting Minutes is placed at Annexure-I of BOG 21.12 at page no 231. Further, the matter was discussed in the meeting with LAN-WAN Committee, Registrar & Deans with the Director on 10.07.2020 and the Meeting Minutes is placed at Annexure-II of BOG 21.12 at page no 232. As discussed, the AMC may</p>

	<p>therefore, be extended for a period of one year thereby providing only one Service Engineer. As quoted by the Firm vide their letter No. GT/2014-15/NIT-MZ/TP/058 dated 19.06.2019 the amount quoted was @ Rs. 62,540/- pm inclusive of 18% GST and the same rates maybe applied for the 4th AMC.</p> <p>Though M/s Graphic Trades was ready to provide its manpower, it did not offer for AMC extension. The Committees of the Institute therefore, decided that manning of the LAN WAN, being a significant factor for running the Institute, cannot be carried out without an AMC. Therefore, the 4th AMC may be entered with M/s Graphic Trades for one year. This may be approved in principle. The AMC to be effective from the actual date of signing the Agreement.</p> <p>Engagement of Network Administrator: Proposing that the Network Administrator (1 no.) will work hand-in-hand with the Service Engineer of Graphic Trades as a means to ease out from the AMC with M/s Graphic Trades from the succeeding year. The Network Administrative (1 no) may therefore, be allowed for engagement through Contract on payment of Rs. 55000/- approx. per month. Qualification of Network Administrator is given at Annexure-III of BOG 21.12 at page no 233-234, as devised by the LAN-WAN Committee.</p> <p>In view of the urgent requirement of a Service Engineer to operate the LAN-WAN Connectivity, the Board may approve signing of fresh AMC for one year with Graphic Trades, Patna for providing one manpower. Further, approval may be accorded to the proposal for engagement of an in-house Network Administrator</p>
	<p>Comments received from JS&FA, IFD Wing, Ministry of Education</p> <p>For annual maintenance contract, relevant provisions in Rule 177 to Rule 195 of GFR 2017 and the relevant provisions in the Manual of Procurement of Services are required to be followed. There is no justification in the proposal for engagement of Network Administrator while submitting the proposal for a fresh annual maintenance contract.</p>
	<p>Decision of the Board of Governors:</p> <p>Comments of the JS/FA, IFD, Ministry of Education is noted for the Annual Maintenance Contract and formal tendering process may be initiated by the Institute.</p> <p>Based on the justification of the Institute, the Network</p>

	Administrator (01 no.) may be engaged on contract basis on payment of consolidated remuneration of Rs. 55,000/- per month.
BOG 21.13	<p>PROPOSAL FOR DEFERMENT/CONCESSION/WAIVER OF FEES FOR REGISTRATION TO ODD SEMESTER 2020-21 ON ACCOUNT OF THE PANDEMIC COVID-19 EFFECT</p> <p>Background:</p> <p>The Board may be informed that on the approval of the Senate to conduct the Odd Semester 2020-21 in Online Mode, registration was opened online w.e.f 30.07.2020 to 05.08.2020. Given the pandemic crisis, the Deans Committee in its meeting on 16.09.2020 recommended deferment of the Hostel Fees till the students are physically present in the Hostel/Institute. With due acknowledgment of the socio-economic impact of the Pandemic Covid-19 on the student community, the meeting of the Administrative and Academic Heads under the Chairmanship of the Director, NIT Mizoram on 28.07.2020 decided that the students may be informed to pay Tuition Fees and Registration Fees only during the Online Registration to the Odd Semester 2020-21 to ease the burden of the families. Copy of the Notification issued is placed at Annexure I of BOG 21.13 at page no. 235-236. The meeting further decided to refer the matter to the BoG on whether the remaining components of the Academic Fees and the Hostel Fees may be deferred or waiver of the said fees till normalcy or students are back on campus. Copy of the Academic Fees of UG/PG/Ph.D programme and Hostel Fees is placed at Annexure II of BOG 21.13 at page no. 237-248.</p> <p>Following the issue of Notification for payment of Tuition Fee and Registration Fee dated 28.07.2020, students reacted with request for fee waiver on account of financial crisis, losing of jobs by parents, some affected by floods during the pandemic COVID-19 and that payment of full fees (Academic and Hostel Fees) is difficult for everyone. The Board may kindly take note of the situation and the Income Group of the existing students of NIT Mizoram which is placed at Annexure III of BOG 21.13 at page no. 249-250. In this connection, the Board may be apprised that Tuition Fees are decided by the Council of NITSER while the remaining components of Academic Fees & Hostel Fees are decided by the BoG.</p> <p>It may, however, be pertinent to mention that while full waiver is highly recommendable for the student community,</p>

	<p>yet the Institute cannot forgo the need for raising Internal Revenue Generated (IRG). Even if some established NITs could have waived the fees, NIT Mizoram cannot afford to relinquish the income from the fees as this is the major source of IRG.</p> <p>In view of the above, the Committee of Deans have been constituted to examine the issues and put forward recommendations for further necessary action. Recommendations of the Committee of Deans where certain components of the Fees during the Even Semester (February-June 2020) and Odd Semester July – December 2020 have been recommended for waiver/refund, copy placed at Annexure IV of BOG 21.13 at page no. 251-257. Summary of the components of fees of the Academic & Hostel Fees recommended for waiver is placed at Annexure V of BOG 21.13 at page no. 258-259</p> <p>The Board may therefore, take a stand on waiver/refund of the fees recommended and how the Institute should go about during the Odd Semester 2020-21 on the Academic Fees and Hostel Fees of the Institute.</p> <p>The matter is placed before the Board for consideration and decision.</p> <p>Decision of the Board: Approved</p>
BOG 21.14	<p>Approval for Settlement of Expenditure Submitted by M/s IRCON Intl Ltd against expenditure incurred in the final bills of sub-contracts.</p> <p>Acceptance of Compliances & Variation Statement.</p> <p>Decision regarding excess material worth ₹ 1,69,54,861.30/- for illumination of internal roads in next phase of work at site.</p> <p>Decision regarding expenditure claimed against External Development Consultancy works worth ₹ 54,87,090/-.</p> <p>Background:</p> <p>This is to place before the Board the proposal for approval for settlement of various final bills submitted by M/S IRCON Intl Ltd.</p> <p>The last bill submitted by M/s IRCON Intl Ltd i.e 13th Expenditure Bill vide letter dated 01.10.2018 where the total expenditure claimed upto date was ₹ 1,67,40,50,067.00. The bill comprised</p>

of final bills of various sub-contractors against the works that was given to M/s IRCON Intl Ltd. In addition, it included Running Account bills for "External Development Works" the estimate of which is pending for approval.

Estate Section submitted observations on the bills. The same was sent to M/s IRCON Intl. Ltd vide Letter dated 26.02.2019 for necessary compliance. The reply to the observation was sent by M/s IRCON Intl Ltd vide Letter dated 15.04.2019.

The details/ reply submitted by M/s IRCON Intl Ltd were found to be inadequate by Estate Section which submitted remarks against the reply. The same was sent to M/s IRCON for compliance vide Letter dated 01.06.2019.

The matter was brought up in the 12th BWC held on the 19th of June, 2019 vide **BWC 12.4** "Observation of various final bills submitted by M/s IRCON Intl. Ltd"; where the 12th BWC decided-

"The BWC observed the comments (sent to M/s IRCON Intl Ltd vide letter dated 26.02.2019) made on the 13th Expenditure Bill submitted by M/s IRCON vide letter dated 01.10.2018. The BWC also observed the reply given by M/s IRCON Intl Ltd vide letter dated 15.04.2019.

Further, the BWC also observed the observation on the reply made by Estate Section sent to M/s IRCON vide letter dated 01.06.2019.

In addition, the BWC was informed by the Executive Engineer (Civil) that M/s IRCON has responded to the points raised in the letter dated 01.06.2019 received on 15.06.2019 which are yet to be examined.

The BWC decided that the Dean (P&D) and the Estate Section should examine the reply given in discussion with M/s IRCON Intl. Ltd and place the findings in the next BWC as a fresh Agenda for settlement of the works."

As per the direction of the 12th BWC, the matter was discussed by Dean (P&D) & Estate Section with M/s IRCON Intl Ltd and M/s IRCON Intl Ltd submitted compliance to the issues raised vide letter dated 01.08.2019, placed at **Annexure I of BOG 21.14 at page no 260-262**.

The Dean (P&D) & Estate Section studied the replies keeping into perspective the Memorandum of Understanding/ Agreement and other concurrent issues. Based on the above, the Estate Section has put up the following reports alongwith recommendations- **“Compliance of issues by M/S IRCON Intl Ltd w.r.t settlement of various final bills submitted” &**

Placed at Annexure II of BOG 21.14 at page no 263-266

Variation Statement based on the Variation Statement submitted by M/s IRCON Intl Ltd.

Placed at Annexure III of BOG 21.14 at page no 267-268

Following is a brief comparison of the overall deviation of net value of works & total cost of Expenditure Bill v/s Approved Estimate-

S 1 . . N o .	Descrip .	Approved Estimate (₹) [#]	Net Billed Amount (₹)	Dev iati on (%)
1	Value of Works(Exc. Direct Cost, Tax & External Dev. Consultancy)	1,44,12,53,85 5.12	1,42,90,26,92 1.21	- 0.7 6%
2	Contingency	70,11,286.96	-	-
3	Taxes	77,24,628.26	5,74,74,952.0 0	644 .05 %
4	Direct Cost	4,09,15,958.6 7	3,18,05,921.0 0	- 22. 27 %
5	Value of Works (Incl. Direct Cost & Tax) Σ (1-4)	1,49,69,05,72 9.01	1,51,83,07,79 4.21	1.4 3% *

	6	Agency Fees @ 9.89% of (5)	14,80,43,976. 60#	15,01,60,640. 85#	
	7	Total Cost (6+7)	1,64,49,49,70 5.61‡	1,66,84,68,43 5.06	
	8	External Development Consultancy Works	-	54,87,090.00	
		Total=	1,67,39,55,52 5.06		

* It is to be noted that the work of Gate Complex with an approved estimate ₹ 2,22,13,261.42, has not been done except outer wall and grill with an expenditure of ₹ 20,84,728.56. Hence the net deviation from Approved Estimate for value of works (excl. taxes and direct cost) will be

$$100\% \times \frac{(1,51,83,07,794.21 - 20,84,728.56)}{(1,49,69,05,729.01 - 2,22,13,261.42)} - 1 = 2.82\%$$

In the Expenditure Bills, M/s IRCON Intl Ltd has been claiming Agency fees on Taxes & Direct Cost as per MoU.

‡ It has come to the notice that the approved Minutes of 7th BWC were not placed to the 7th FC & 8th BOG due to oversight although the Approved Cost of ₹ 164.49 Cr has been brought in the description of Agenda in the subsequent meetings of the FC/BoG; in the 10th FC held on 17.12.2018 against the agenda description of FC 10.9 it was inadvertently cited that the Approved Cost of Project was approved in the 7th FC & 8th BOG. While submitting the Revised Cost Proposal the Approved Cost was shown as ₹ 164.49 Cr which was subsequently placed to the EFC. The Approved Cost of the Project as per Approved RCE is ₹ 474.23 Cr. which includes ₹ 164.49 Cr. for the work carried out by IRCON Intl. Ltd.

The Work Done/ Milestones Achieved as submitted by M/s IRCON Intl Ltd and accepted by the Estate Section are as below-

S I	Description	Approved Estimate	Executed/Installed
1	Boundary Wall	The Revised	3673.47 m

2	Peripheral RCC	Approved Estimate sent by M/s IRCON Intl. Ltd vide Letter dated 09.09.20	4204.9 m
3	PCC Breast Wall		3133.8 m
4	RCC Retaining Wall		4314.42 m
5	Plum Wall		756.74 m
6	Drain		7449.02 m
7	Pathway	where it was stated that detailing was not exercised for Revised Estimate	3401.3 m
8	Cable Laying		16528 m
9	Lighting Fixtures		933 nos.

**Copies of Letter from M/s IRCON Placed at Annexure IV of BOG 21.14 at page no 269-332.*

M/s IRCON Intl Ltd have accepted deduction of ₹ 3,64,958.41 for the following against points raised by the Estate Engineering- ₹ 1,15,000/- against brought forward errors.

₹ 2,34,025/- against repair charge of damaged PCC breast wall citing that the sub-contractor has demobilised.

₹ 15,348.41/- against placing of sand in place of aggregates in weep holes.

M/s IRCON Intl Ltd did not accept deduction for the following cases-

Excess supply of lights, wire & fixtures which have been shown by them in "Material Reconciliation Statement", amounting to ₹ 1,69,54,861.30; citing that-

"Electrical items for Illumination works had been procured for Peripheral Road, Internal Road as per initial planning in 2015, but works could not be completed due to shortage of fund. Accordingly, balance materials shall be consumed during execution of External Development works"

M/s IRCON has submitted a drawing showing utilisation of the excess materials in illumination works for internal roads (which is to be undertaken during External Development Works) and stating that it is "General Arrangement drawing as per initial planning in 2015".

Also, in a separate letter dated 05.07.2019 M/s IRCON Intl Ltd (included in Annexure I of BOG 21.14) has stated-

"Materials such as Electrical poles and other ancillary materials

were planned and procured for Illuminations of Peripheral Road and Internal Road, so that uniformity of campus can be assured. During construction, priority was given to Peripheral road and its illuminations. At the time when review of works and financial status of Project was made, it was observed that estimated cost of works has been exhausted while completing the peripheral road, Cable Trench, Site drains and other related ancillary works, accordingly works of internal road and its illumination works were stopped till the external development works of the project starts, for which estimate is pending with appropriate authority."

It is necessary to mention that in the eventuality of accepting the expenditure the Institute will be required to take hand over of the excess materials lying at site and put security in place for watch and ward. Also, given the curtailment in the RCE proposal it is to be noted that use of such light & fixtures would also necessitate further expenditure for installation.

Expenditure against External Development Consultancy works amounting to **₹ 54,87,090.00**; citing that-

"Consultancy Services was awarded for Providing Engineering and Architectural consultancy for external Development works & External Services for National Institute of Technology, Mizoram by IRCON as per requirement and approval from NIT Mizoram. The agency has already submitted the detailed Engineering (Concept, Design & Drawing) along with estimated cost for the proposed External Development Works & External Services for the new campus of NIT Mizoram. IRCON, in turn, has also submitted the same to NIT Mizoram for their approval. The bills raised by the agency in terms of the contract has been paid to the agency and simultaneously billed to NIT. Any withholding or non-payment of the bill will not be justified. Since IRCON has released the payment to the agency against work done, the same should be paid to IRCON (As direct cost) along with IRCON's Fees, any such withholding on this account is not justified and not acceptable. Copy of LOA has also been given to NIT Mizoram."

Additional Pertinent issues-

A query was posed after the Exit Conference of Special Audit by the Office of The Principal Accountant General, Mizoram seeking the copies of "Original Detailed Estimate of ₹ 86.23 Cr" & "Revised Detailed Estimate of ₹ 138.82 Cr (including Service & Approach Road)". The Institute had asked vide letter No. NITMZ/Works/IRCON/4/2019/388 dated 17.03.2020.

Copy of Query & the Institute's

M/s IRCON is placed as *Annexure-V of BOG 21.14 at page no 333*

The Institute received response from M/s IRCON Intl Ltd vide letter No. IRCON/2058/NIT-Mizo/Corres.N.I.T./02/588 dated 20.03.2020. On checking the response, it was observed that M/s IRCON Intl Ltd has only submitted **Summary of Estimate** and failed to submit the copies of "Original Detailed Estimate of ₹86.23 Cr" & " Revised Detailed Estimate of ₹ 138.82 Cr (including Service & Approach Road)". The same was intimated to M/s IRCON Intl Ltd vide Letter No. NITMZ/Works/IRCON/4/2019/464 dated 21.05.2020, for which no response has been received from M/s IRCON.

Later vide letter No. IRCON/2058/NIT-Mizo/Corres.NIT/02/986 dt. 28-08-2020, M/s IRCON Intl Ltd submitted the **Original Detailed Estimate**. And further vide letter No. IRCON/2058/NIT-Mizo/Corres.NIT/02/994 dated 09.09.2020 M/s IRCON Intl Ltd submitted the Summary of Estimate for Revised Estimate of ₹ 139.82 Cr stating that -

"..... the Department has demarcated more land which was surveyed and the area finally handed over to IRCON for construction was 190.35 Acre (7,70,156.10 sqm). The quantum increase was 38.83%. It was quite normal and obvious that Cost Estimate would definitely vary proportionate to the increase in land area and the exact cost of works could be firmed up and ascertained only after completion of entire works as assigned. Accordingly, interim Revised Estimate was prepared based upon the average rates available for various packages and in a broader way head-wise in the sequence as given in the original estimate. Detailing as it was done in Original Estimate was not exercised for Revised Estimate. The approximation mainly carried out to present broader probable significant changes as per local site conditions to apprise NIT, Mizoram and to give interim approval for Revised Estimate so that work could be proceeded without any financial obstructions. It was known fact that final cost of works would only be finalized when entire works are completed physically and final bills are prepared....."

Copy of Letter is placed at *Annexure VI of BOG 21.14 at page no 334*

(B) The issue of approval of Estimate for Consultancy Works for Statutory Clearance & External Development Engineering was taken up in the **11th BWC held on 17.12.2018 vide BWC 11.6- "Approval of Cost Estimate as per IRCON's Letter of Acceptance to M/s Adharshila Designs Pvt. Ltd for the work of Consultancy for External Development & Statutory Clearances and including the same in the approved estimate";** where the 11th BWC decided-

"The committee (constituted as per direction of EFC) which visited the permanent site of NIT Mizoram has recommended that only part of land maybe taken into account for construction works and accordingly estimated the cost of construction which is far less than the earlier estimation. The amount projected by the Committee for the construction works was further recommended by the EFC in their meeting held on 11.10.2018 and subsequently taken before Cabinet.

Therefore, it is recommended to wait for final approval of Cabinet before finalizing any tender process related to construction work so that the admissible charges on cost of construction."

The issue of "Forest Clearance" which was also brought in the 12th BWC held on 09.06.2019 vide BWC 12.5. The most pertinent point being that NIT Mizoram was issued "Stay Order Notice" by DFO, Mamit dated **31.08.2017** stating that any work at the permanent campus was an encroachment of forest land and should be stopped. The "Stay Order Notice" was sent to M/s IRCON Intl Ltd vide letter No. **NITMZ/Works/ENV.CLR/2015/597 Dated 04th Sept, 2017** for necessary action and compliance.

The Institute has taken up the matter with the Chief Secretary, Govt. of Mizoram and a number of meetings with the Secretary & Commissioner, Deptt. of Higher & Technical Education, Govt. of Mizoram. **In a meeting held in the office of Minister of Law & Justice (also Minister of State for Environment, Forest & Climate Change), Govt. of Mizoram on the 17.01.2020** it was agreed that all the liabilities should be borne by the State Government through Higher & Technical Department and NIT Mizoram authorities were to re-submit forest clearance petition. Also, on **27.01.2020** meeting was held by a Joint re-survey team consisting of members from Deptt. of Higher & Technical, Deptt. of Land, Revenue & Settlement, Deptt. of Environment Forest & Climate Change & NIT Mizoram. It was decided that surface survey requires to be done to the identified Riverine Reserve Forest (RRF). The details of the Institute's action will form part of separate agenda **BOG 21.18**.

Minutes of Meeting held on 17.01.2020 & 27.01.2020 are placed at Annexure VII of BOG 21.14 at page no 335-340

Therefore for settlement of the expenditure bills, submitted by M/s IRCON Intl Ltd against expenditure incurred in the final bills of sub-contracts, decisions on the following items were placed to the 13th BWC held on 31.08.2020-
Approval of Compliances & Variation Statement.

	<p>Acceptance or Rejection of Excess material worth ₹ 1,69,54,861.30/- for lighting of internal roads in next phase of work at site.</p> <p>Acceptance or Rejection of Expenditure claimed against External Development Consultancy works worth ₹ 54,87,090/-.</p> <p>The 13th BWC held on 31.08.2020 decided as below-</p> <p><i>"Since there is a Special Audit pending query, the BWC asked the Institute to pursue submission of required Revised Detailed Cost Estimate from M/s IRCON Intl Ltd. Further, the decisions as per the agenda are as follows-</i></p> <p><i>The BWC recommends approval for settlement of expenditure against Compliances & Variation Statement.</i></p> <p><i>Agency fees to be paid will be applicable as per Clause 2.0 of the MoU, "PAYABLE COST FOR WORK AND CENTAGE".</i></p> <p><i>BWC has decided to 'PUT ON HOLD' the decision regarding 'Acceptance or Rejection of excess material worth ₹1,69,54,861.30/- for Illumination of Internal Roads'. However, the BWC decided to look into the possibility of onward utilization of the excess materials, these may be verified from the site by the Institute. The Institute shall seek the help of BWC Member Mr. CH Lalnunchama, SE(Electrical), PWD, Govt. of Mizoram for verifying if the materials are in working condition and in light of the observations of the Special Audit. The report shall be brought to the notice of the next BWC, to take decision in light of the approved RCE.</i></p> <p><i>BWC has decided to 'PUT ON HOLD' the decision regarding 'Acceptance or Rejection of expenditure claimed against External development Consultancy works worth ₹54,87,090.00/- .The Institute shall come up with breakup of approved RCE, place it to the next BWC for approval and based on this shall calculate admissible amount for part work carried out by M/s IRCON Intl Ltd against Consultancy on External Development.</i></p> <p>Copy of Meeting Minutes of 13th BWC is placed at Annexure VIII of BOG 21.14 at page no. 341-362.</p> <p>Note: The Approved Cost of Project as per Approved RCE is ₹ 474.23 Cr and the amount for the initial work executed by M/s IRCON Intl Ltd as per the Deviation Statement submitted is of the tune of ₹ 167 Cr which will form part of the Cost of Project as per Approved RCE.</p>
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	<p>The matter is thus placed before the Board for approval.</p>										
	<p>Decision of the Board of Governors: Approved.</p>										
BOG 21.15	<p>Approval for release/finalization of outstanding dues, taking over of completed works at site and capitalization of assets created</p> <p>Background: This is to place before the Board the proposal for release of payment, handing over of completed works at site and capitalization of assets created.</p> <p>Release/finalisation of outstanding dues- The total Work Advance released to M/s IRCON Intl Ltd till date for executing the work "<i>Carrying out Topographical Survey and Geo-Technical Survey, Preparation of Master Plan, Planning, Designing and Construction of Boundary Wall and Allied Preparatory Works for National Institute of Technology Mizoram at Lengpui, Aizawl</i>" is ₹155,87,08,000.00.</p> <p>M/s IRCON Intl Ltd has claimed expenditure and submitted bills against the Work Advance well exceeding the given amount. M/s IRCON has submitted various letters for releasing outstanding payments. These are placed at Annexure I of BOG 21.15 at page no 363-368.</p> <p>Against these letters, NIT Mizoram has too sent replies assuring that the payments shall be done as soon as settlement of the bills is taken up in the forthcoming meetings of Statutory Committee viz. BWC, FC & BOG. These are placed at Annexure II of BOG 21.15 at page no 369.</p> <p>Also, as covered in the previous agenda BOG 21.14, following is a brief comparison of the overall deviation of net value of works & total cost of Expenditure Bill v/s Approved Estimate-</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>S I .</th> <th>Desc ripti on</th> <th>Approve d Estimate (₹)</th> <th>Net Billed Amount (₹)</th> <th>D ev iat io n (%</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>N o .</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	S I .	Desc ripti on	Approve d Estimate (₹)	Net Billed Amount (₹)	D ev iat io n (%	N o .				
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1	Value of Works (Excl. Direct Cost, Tax & External Development Consultancy)	1,44,09,5 3,855.12	1,42,90,2 6,921.21	- 0.7 6 %		
2	Contingency	70,11,286 .96				
3	Taxes	77,24,628 .26		64 4.0 5 %		
4	Direct Cost	4,09,15,9 58.67		- 22. 27 %		
5	Value of Works (Incl. Direct Cost & Tax) Σ (1-4)	1,49,66,0 5,729.01	1,51,83,0 7,794.21	1. 45 %		
6	Agency Fees @ 9.89% of Sl. No. 5	14,80,14, 306.60	15,01,60, 640.85#	Ag en cy Fe es lev ied by M/ s IR		
7	Total Cost, 6+7	1,64,46,2 0,035.61	1,66,84,6 8,435.06			
8	External		54,87,090			

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Thus, decision regarding finalisation/ payment of outstanding dues is required, in light of the decisions in the previous agenda item **BOG 21.14** regarding settlement of the expenditure bills submitted by M/s IRCON Intl Ltd, against expenditure incurred in the final bills of sub-contracts. It is worthwhile to mention that the Accounts Section of the Institute will seek corrected 13th Expenditure Bill in line with the Variation Statement and verify direct cost & taxes before releasing any payment.

Handing over of completed works at site and capitalization of assets created-

M/s IRCON Intl Ltd vide letters dated 06.08.2018 & 05.07.2019 placed at *Annexure III of BOG 21.15 at page no 370-373*, have informed that it is necessary to take hand over of the completed works and make arrangement for security to keep watch and ward for safety and security of the material lying at site as well as the campus.

Also, capitalisation of works has not been done as none of the works were complete, thus it is proposed to capitalise the completed works as per the amount shown in Variation Statement. The details of completed works is as below-

S I	Description	Constructed/Instal ed
1	Boundary Wall	3673.47 m
2	Peripheral RCC	4204.9 m
3	PCC Breast Wall	3133.8 m
4	RCC Retaining Wall	4314.42 m
5	Plum Wall	756.74 m
6	Drain	7449.02 m
7	Pathway	3401.3 m
8	Cable Laying & Lighting Fixtures	16528 m & 933 nos.

The expenditures occurred for Consultancy, Direct Cost, Taxes etc is proposed to be added as per the weightage over the cost of assets created.

Thus approval is sought for-

I. Release/finalisation of outstanding dues (calculated by filling the table below as approved in FC 17.9)

S I. N o .	Description	Net Billed Amount (₹)
1	Value of Works (Excl. Direct Cost, Tax & External Development Consultancy)	1,42,90,26,921. 21
2	Direct Cost	3,18,05,921.00
3	Deductions Approved	
4	External Development Consultancy Works	
5	Value of Works (Excl. Tax) Σ (1-4)	
6	Agency Fees @ 9.89% of Sl. No. 5	
7	Taxes	5,74,74,952.0 0
8	Total Cost, 6+7	
9	Advance Paid	155,87,08,000. 00
1 0	Balance Payable (8-9)	

II. Taking over of completed works at site.

III. Capitalization of assets created.

The matter was placed before the 13th BWC held on 31.08.2020 for deliberation / advice / approval.

The decision of the 13th BWC held on 31.08.2020 is as below-

I.

The representative from the Ministry of Education, Mr. D K Singh, Dy. Secy (IFD) highlighted that the release of funds against Approved RCE is conditional to Land Acquisition in the name of the Institute and Forest Clearance etc.

II.

As the outstanding liabilities are pending payment for a period of 2 years, the Institute may initiate partial payment of outstanding liabilities to M/s IRCON Intl Ltd subject to clearance of all Special Audit Observations and retraction of Arbitration Claim made by M/s IRCON Intl Ltd vide their letter No. IRCON/2058/NIT-Mizo/Arbitration/977 dated 31.07.2020. MHRD to be consulted in this matter for use of unspent balance from OH-35 towards partial payment of the outstanding liabilities.

III.

After payment of outstanding liabilities, taking over of completed works at site.

IV.

Subsequently, after taking over, capitalisation of assets created will be done.

From the above table calculating as per approval given in the 13th BWC held on 31.08.2020, the total payable as of now excluding items 'PUT ON HOLD' arrives as below-

S l. N o .	Description	Net Billed Amount (₹)
1	Value of Works (Excl. Direct Cost, Tax & External Development Consultancy)	1,42,90,26,921. 21
2	Direct Cost	3,18,05,921.00 #
3	Taxes	5,74,74,952.00 #
4	Cost of Extra Materials of Illumination of Peripheral Roads 'PUT ON HOLD'	- 1,69,54,861.30
5	External Development Consultancy (₹)	-

		54,87,090.00) 'PUT ON HOLD'		
6	Value of Works (Excl. Tax) Σ (1-5)	1,50,13,52,932.	91	
7	Agency Fees @ 9.89% of Sl. No. 6	14,84,83,805.1		
8	Total Cost, 6+7 (excluding items 'PUT ON HOLD')	1,64,98,36,738.	01	
9	Advance Paid	155,87,08,000.	00	
1	Balance Payable (8-9)	9,11,28,738.01		
0	as of now			

The tax/direct cost amount will be verified after seeking final bills from M/s IRCON Intl Ltd in line with the Approved Value of Works.

The Status of Funds is as follows-

H e a d	Amount (Rs. in Crores)			
	Appr oved RCE	Amo unt Recei ved	Amo unt Spen t	Balance includin g interest
C a pi ta l	548. 23	216.7	212. 32	7.11

The partial payment as recommended by the BWC as per Sl. No. II above may be processed from the available balance.

The matter is thus placed before the Board for decision & approval

Comments of the JS&FA, IFD, Ministry of Education:

'It is seen from the footnote at page 28 of the Agenda that the Institute will be able to finalize the tax amount and direct cost amount after seeking final bills of M/s IRCON Intl. Ltd.(the PMC) and verifying them. As the taxes claimed are Rs.5.74 crore against approved cost of Rs.77.24 lakh, how the Institute is proposing settlement of expenditure submitted by the PMC without getting final bills from them. Point-wise reply of the PMC on the observations of the Special Audit

	<p>team against the PMC should be placed before the FC / BoG. Also, any dues of IRCON may be paid/cleared only after finalization of their account as PMC.'</p>
	<p>Clarification of the Institute:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The settlement is sought on the net value of works in the final expenditure bill excluding taxes and direct cost against the variation statement which was prepared in line with the Approved Project Cost. 2. The tax on a higher side was expected with the change in tax regime from VAT & Service Tax to GST in 2017.
	<p>Decision of the Board of Governors:</p> <p>Approved in line with the decision of the 13th BWC and 17th FC meetings. However, corrected final bills are to be sought from M/s IRCON International Ltd., New Delhi. Taxes and direct cost are to be verified by the Institute. Payment to be processed only after clearance of the pending issues.</p>
BOG 21.16	<p>Letter seeking Arbitration received from Mr. R. P. Singh, General Manager, M/s IRCON Intl Ltd.</p> <p>Background: This is to place before the Board the letter received from General Manager, M/s IRCON Intl Ltd dated 31.07.2020 seeking arbitration.</p> <p>The Letter is placed at <i>Annexure I of BOG 21.16 at page no 374-375.</i> M/s IRCON Intl vide the letter has tried to raise dispute stating that -</p> <p><i>"Considering the conduct of the owner, in (1) not released the outstanding payments, & (2) not responding to the correspondence issued by the Agency demanding release of payments, is enough to show that there exist an element of dispute between the parties, i.e Owner/NIT Mizoram and the Agency/IRCON"</i></p> <p>However, it is worthwhile to mention that a letter has been sent from the Institute to Mr. M. K. Singh, The Director (Finance), M/s IRCON Intl Ltd dated 08.07.2020 reminding that-</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) The Institute had scheduled 13th BWC first on the 31st of March, 2020 but due to the onset of Covid-19 pandemic, the meeting was postponed, (2) Also, M/s IRCON Intl Ltd has not submitted copies of "Original Detailed Estimate for ₹ 86.23 Cr" & "Revised

Detailed Estimate for ₹ 139.82 Cr" as asked by The Office of Principal Accountant General, Mizoram and that the closure of Special Audit is pending.

The Letter is placed at *Annexure II of BOG 21.16 at page no 376-377.*

Moreover, the Institute has informed vide letter dated 02.12.2019 that-

"there are issues in the bill which requires decision for settlement and the Institute will place the same in the upcoming meetings of the Institute Statutory bodies BWC/FC/BOG for specific directions/decisions so that the issues are resolved, settlement of bills done and status of dues finalised."

The Letter is placed at *Annexure III of BOG 21.16 at page no. 378.*

In the said letter, M/s IRCON Intl Ltd has tried to invoke Clause 8.1 of the MoU, and citing a Supreme Court of India decision stated that **"the Director, NIT Mizoram has become incapacitate to appoint a Sole Arbitrator for resolution of disputes between the parties."**

Also, M/s IRCON Intl Ltd proposed that

Either

- (a) NIT Mizoram/Owner to give consent to anyone out of the 5 proposed individual to function as a Sole Arbitrator within 30 days.
- (b) NIT Mizoram/Owner to give consent for a 03 members Arbitral Tribunal within 30days.

The Institute has studied the claim and found out that-

- 1) As per the MoU/MoA the work is to be carried out from work advance.
- 2) Special Audit on infrastructure development of NIT Mizoram underway has sought "detailed estimate" which was not provided by M/s IRCON Intl Ltd.
- 3) The Institute has not pointed out 'disputes'/'agreement'/'disagreement' to the final bills submitted.

In light of the letter received from M/s IRCON Intl Ltd, the Institute has sought Legal Advisory from Mr. Lalchanhima Sailo, Advocate, Aizawl as to the viability of the demand of dispute/arbitration claimed. Following

is the gist of the advice received-

1) In relation to the ruling of the Supreme Court relied upon by M/s IRCON Intl Ltd i.e. TRF Ltd. Vs Energo Engineering Projects Ltd., 2015, it may be indicated that the facts of the case as well as the Order passed by the Hon'ble Apex Court are poles apart and hold no relevance to the alleged dispute so claimed to have arisen between NIT Mizoram and M/s IRCON Intl Ltd.

2) NIT Mizoram should convey to M/s IRCON that the alleged inability of the Director to appoint Sole Arbitrator does not hold.

3) It would be advisable for the Director to nominate and appoint a sole arbitrator at the earliest possible so as not to break the 30 day limitation period for appointment counted from the date of receiving the letter from M/s IRCON Intl Ltd.

Copy of the Legal Advice in placed as *Annexure IV of BOG 21.16 at page no 379-382*

Acting on the legal advisory, the Institute has also conveyed its stand to M/s IRCON Intl Ltd .

Copy of the Letter to IRCON is enclosed at *Annexure V of BOG 21.16 at page no 383-386.*

The matter was placed before 13th BWC held on 31.08.2020 for information and advice.

The 13th BWC held on 31.08.2020 decided-

"M/s IRCON Intl Ltd be intimated regarding BWC stand for retraction of the Arbitration Claim as decided in the BWC. M/s IRCON Intl Ltd shall further be informed to respond to the official Corresp. issued by the Institute vide letter No. IRCON/WORKS/IRCON/4/2019/692 Dated 19.08.2020 on or before 3rd September, 2020."

After the Meeting of 13th BWC held on 31.08.2020 (the minutes of which were circulated to the Special Invitees of M/s IRCON Intl Ltd), the Institute further reminded M/s IRCON Intl Ltd vide Letter No. NITMZ/WORKS/IRCON/4/2019/725 dated 03 Sep 2020 that '***the unfounded dispute (that does not fall under the ambit of Clause No 8 of MOU dt 06-05-2014) to arbitration is farfetched, not maintainable and hence rejected.***'

Further vide letter No. IRCON/2058/NIT-Mizo/Arbitration/1006 dated 11-09-2020 M/s IRCON Intl Ltd which was replied vide Letter No. NITMZ/WORKS/IRCON/4/2019/747 dated

	17.09.2020. The reply is compared as below-	
S I . N O .	Matter provided by M/s IRCON Intl Ltd	NIT Mizoram Reply
1 4 .	In view of the aforesaid, since the amount of Rs. 11.24 Cr is undisputed amount therefore, in line with the discussion held and assurance given in the BWC meeting, it is requested to release the amount so that dues of the Contractors could be disbursed, as all the Contractors are claiming interest on their outstanding dues.	<p>The value of total cost excluding items 'PUT ON HOLD' (Excess Materials against Illumination of Peripheral Roads worth ₹1,69,54,861.30 & External Development Consultancy Works worth ₹54,87,090.00) will be finalised in the forthcoming meetings of Statutory Bodies of the Institute scheduled to be held by the end of this month. Hence, the summation made by M/s IRCON Intl Ltd in the referred letter under Sl. No. 14 against the 13th BWC minutes is found to be over-simplified, to your favour.</p> <p>Moreover, as per the MoU/Agreement dated 06.05.2014 the work was to be carried out from 'WORK ADVANCE', thus, no interest for the work carried out by Sub-Contractors can be levied on the Institute.</p>
1 6	IRCON's association in getting forest clearance from appropriate authorities is out of bound contractually. However, to keep harmonious relationship and	M/s IRCON Intl Ltd executed works inspite of being aware of the 'STAY ORDER NOTICE' from Divisional Forest Officer, Mamit, Govt. of Mizoram . The Institute vide Letter No. NITMZ/ Works/ ENV.CLR/ 2015/ 597 Dated 04th Sept, 2017 has asked M/s IRCON Intl Ltd for necessary action and compliance of the

		<p>being an organization of international repute IRCON shall extend its cooperation in all possible way to help NIT, Mizoram to get the required approval. This issue was discussed in BWC wherein Director (Finance)/IRCON has assured NIT, Mizoram to cooperate in this matter.</p>	<p>'STAY ORDER NOTICE'. It may also be pertinent to highlight that on examination of bills, works against Expenditure Bill 12 & 13 was found to be executed by M/s IRCON Intl Ltd, after the above mentioned 'STAY ORDER NOTICE' from the Divisional Forest Officer, Mamit, Govt. of Mizoram.</p>
1	7	<p>If NIT, Mizoram releases the outstanding payment within next 60 days, IRCON will pend its demand of arbitration, as requested vide this office letter referred at SI. No. 5, for a period of 60 days. Further, to maintain harmonious relation and with intent to resolve the issues IRCON refrains from making any comment on the letter referred at SL. No. 9."</p>	<p>In the absence of any viable dispute, pending closure of Special Audit, executing works pertaining to Expenditure Bills 12 & 13 after 'STAY ORDER NOTICE'; the Institute finds no reason for any arbitration claim. In this regard it may be mentioned that the NIT Mizoram correspondences issued vide (a) No. NITMZ/WORKS/IRCON/4 /2019/692 dated 19.08.2020 & (b) No. NITMZ/WORKS/IRCON/4 /2019/725 dated 03.09.2020 stands reiterated too.</p>
<p>Copy of correspondences at Annexure VI of BOG 21.16 at page no.387-391</p> <p>The matter is thus placed before the Board for information & advice.</p>			

	<p>Comments of the JS&FA, IFD, Ministry of Education: May be noted. The Institute may defend the case suitably.</p>
	<p>Decision of the Board: Noted. The Institute may defend the case suitably.</p>
BOG 21.17	<p>Approval for closure of work under the current MoU/ Agreement.</p> <p>Background: This is to place before the Board the proposal for closure of work under the current agreement dated 06.05.2014 upto March 2018. As per the Memorandum of Agreement, M/s IRCON Intl Ltd was supposed to carry out the following works-</p> <p>(a) Topographical Survey & Geo-Technical Survey, (b) Master Plan, & (c) Boundary Wall & Allied works.</p> <p>However, in the 4th BWC held on the 1st of May, 2015, the minutes of which was duly confirmed in the 4th BOG held on 2nd May, 2015, during approval of revised estimate for increase in land area from 137 Acres to 190.35 Acres, in the Revised Estimate for ₹ 139 Cr the scope of work was distributed among 13 heads with additional estimate for Approach & Service Road-</p> <p>SITE LEVELLING BOUNDARY WALL RETAINING WALL PCC BREAST WALL RCC ROAD INTERNAL PATHWAY SITE DRAIN & CROSS DRAIN WORKS PERIPHERAL ILLUMINATION & CABLE GATE COMPLEX . TOPOGRAPHICAL SURVEY . GEO-TECHNICAL SURVEY . MASTER PLAN . APPROACH & SERVICE ROAD</p> <p>These items except item no. 9 i.e Gate Complex (which has not been undertaken by M/s IRCON Intl Ltd except outer wall and grill citing that the Gate Complex may get damaged due to construction activities during the next phase in building construction due to expected movement of heavy vehicles) above</p>

have been completed as per M/s IRCON Intl Ltd.

In addition, the 6th BWC held on 09.06.2016 vide BWC 6.6 & 6.7, the minutes of which was duly confirmed in the 6th BOG held on 16.07.2016, approved the proposal for administrative approval for –

Appointing consultant for getting approval from various Statutory Authorities &

Including external engineering works under existing scope of works being carried out by the working agency M/S IRCON International Ltd. – where the 6th BWC approved the proposal on the same terms and conditions of the ongoing work and asked M/s IRCON to submit detailed proposal with estimated cost for discussion and consideration in the next BWC meeting.

M/s IRCON Intl Ltd vide letter No. IRCON/2058/NIT-MIZO/Corres.N.I.T/02/525 dated 06th of August, 2018 has informed that the tender for the work (a) & (b) has been finalised and the work has been awarded to M/s Adharshila Designs Pvt. Ltd. with the name "*Providing Engineering and Architectural Consultancy for External Development & External Services for National Institute of Technology Mizoram at Lengpui, Aizawl.*" Also, M/s IRCON has submitted bills claiming expenditure against this work amounting to ₹ 54,87,090.00 + Agency Fees @ 9.89%.

Thus it is proposed to truncate the present scope of work for the completed works so that the work can be treated as completed & closed.

The Agreement is placed at *Annexure I of BOG 21.17 at page no 392-401.*

Looking into all of the above it is proposed to exercise closure of work given to M/s IRCON Intl Ltd.

The matter was placed before the 13th BWC held on 31.08.2020 for decision/approval. The 13th BWC held on 31.08.2020 decided as follows-

"The BWC decided to proceed for closure of the work under current MoU (start date- 06.05.2014 completion date- 31.03.2018), in principle, subject to clearance of pending issues, settlement of expenditure bills & payment of outstanding liabilities."

	<p>The matter is placed before the Board for approval.</p>
	<p>Comments of the JS&FA, IFD, Ministry of Education:</p> <p>Recommendation of the BWC was for closure of the work under current MoU with the PMC subject to clearance of pending issues, settlement of expenditure bills and payment of outstanding liabilities. Whether the observations made by the BWC have been complied with?</p>
	<p>Decision of the Board of Governors:</p> <p>Closure of the work under current MoU with the PMC (M/s IRCON Intl Ltd) shall be done only after clearance of pending issues, settlement of expenditure bills and payment of outstanding liabilities etc.</p>
BOG 21.18	<p>Status of Land Acquisition & Forest Clearance</p> <p>Background: This is to place before the Board the Status of Land Acquisition & Forest Clearance.</p> <p>In the 12th BWC held on 19.06.2019 vide BWC 12.5- "Matters related to Forest Clearance" was taken up where the issues discussed are included in the minutes of 12th BWC placed for confirmation as per Agenda FC 17.2.</p> <p>The 12th BWC resolved vide BWC 12.5 that-</p> <p><i>"The matter was discussed at length and resolved that the reply of the State Govt. may be awaited. However, the board was of the opinion that penal cost of afforestation to the tune of Rs. 188.07 Lakhs is not payable by the Institute as the State Government had erred in allocating land which was not free holding and not free from encumbrances vide letter from Special Secretary, MHRD, Govt. of India D.O. no.F-21-4/2010-TS.III dated 18.04.2012."</i></p> <p>The matter was also placed in the 15th BOG held on 19th June, 2019 vide BOG 15.9 which decided the same as the 12th BWC mentioned above.</p> <p>On the 09th of Dec, 2019 at the behest of Director, NIT Mizoram an informal meeting was held in the office of Principal Secretary EF&CC Mizoram. Executive Engineer (Civil) & Dean P&D & the Director, NIT Mizoram met the Principal Secretary while PCCF</p>

joined the meeting. In the meeting the Institute was advised to complete the application of Forest Clearance online by meeting with the PCCF on 11th Dec, 2019 at the office of Forest Department.

On 10th Dec, 2019 the Director, NIT Mizoram & the Principal Secretary, EF&CC Mizoram visited NIT Mizoram permanent campus alongwith the EE (Civil) where they were alighted that for getting Forest Conservation Act Clearance it would be required on the part of the Institute to *demarcate no-construction/ afforestation zones* in the Master Plan copy.

On 11th of Dec, 2019 EE(Civil) & Dean P&D met the PCCF, Deptt. of EF&CC, Govt. of Mizoram, at his office and were apprised with a printed copy of the filled up Application Form (Form A Part1), that the application was complete but could not get through for *In Principle Approval* due to the query raised by DFO Mamit and that the reply to the query is essential for further processing of the application. The same was verified online by EE(Civil) & Dean, P&D with the ID/password provided by officials of M/s IRCON Intl Ltd on the same date.

Accordingly, a letter was sent by the Institute to the PCCF, vide No. NITMZ/Works/ENV.CLR/2015/1200 Dtd. 12th Dec, 2109, copy at *Annexure I of BOG 21.18 at page no 402*, stating that the stand of the Institute on claim of compensatory afforestation against submission of documents for Forest Clearance is that the - *"Land has been allotted to the Deptt. of Higher & Technical by Govt. of Mizoram for NIT Mizoram. Work has only started after getting the Land Lease Certificate. If there is any dispute between Forest Department and Deptt. of Higher & Technical Deptt, this must be resolved between the parties"*.

This letter was uploaded in the Forest Clearance portal Environment, Forest, Wildlife against query raised by DFO Mamit, Deptt. of EF&CC, Govt. of Mizoram.

On the 17th of January, 2020 a meeting was convened by the Govt. of Mizoram in the office of Minister, Law & Judicial (who is also the Minister of State for Environment, Forest & Climate Change), Government of Mizoram. Representatives from Deptt. of Higher & Technical, Deptt. of Land, Revenue & Settlement, Deptt. of Environment Forest & Climate Change were present alongwith the Director, NIT Mizoram and team. The minutes of meeting deliberated that spot verification for re-survey of the site should

be conducted and subject to the outcome of re-survey of the site, re-calculation of compensatory afforestation and Net Present Value (NPV) should be worked out. Also, that **all the liabilities should be borne by the State Government through Higher & Technical Department** and NIT Mizoram authorities were advised to re-submit clearance petition.

Copy of Meeting Minutes of 17.01.2020 are placed at Annexure II of BOG 21.18 at page no 403-404

Subsequent to the above meeting a spot verification survey was conducted on the 27th of January, 2020 by Joint re-survey team consisting of members from Deptt. of Higher & Technical, Deptt. of Land, Revenue & Settlement, Deptt. of Environment Forest & Climate Change & NIT Mizoram. It was decided that surface survey requires to be done to the identified Riverine Reserve Forest (RRF) i.e the distance between the boundary of NIT Mizoram site and Tlawng River. Also, that NIT Mizoram will clear the jungle for surface survey.

Copy of Minutes are placed at Annexure III of BOG 21.18 at page no 405-408

A letter was sent by the Institute to the Director, Higher & Technical Education (Technical Wing), Government of Mizoram, regarding confirmation for provision and manpower for jungle clearance for surface survey to work alongwith the Surveyors.

Copy of Letter are placed at Annexure IV of BOG 21.18 at page no 409

A letter has been received from the Director, Deptt. of Land Revenue & Settlement, Govt. of Mizoram stating that the surface survey is scheduled to be conducted from 13th to 23rd of March, 2020. ***Copy of Letter are placed at Annexure V of BOG 21.18 at page no 410-411.***

The Director, Land Revenue & Settlement has finalised the forest area within the campus as 158.784 acres and further action is under process.

Copy of Letter are placed at Annexure VI of BOG 21.18 at page no 412-413

Keeping all of the above into perspective, it may be emphasized

	<p>that the Govt. of Mizoram is concurrently taking proactive steps in resolving the issue and that the Institute is hopeful that the issue of Forest Clearance will be resolved in the near future alongwith the peripheral issues.</p> <p>The matter is placed before the Board for information.</p>
	<p>Appraisal of the status of the land acquisition etc. by the Institute:</p> <p>The Institute gave a report on the updated status of the land acquisition and forest clearance issues concerned with the permanent campus of NIT Mizoram at Lengpui as:</p> <p>That, on 17.01.2020, a meeting held under the aegis of the Mr. T.J Lalnuntluanga, Minister, Forest, Environment & Climate Change & Law and Judicial, Government of Mizoram in the presence of the Director and other officials of NIT Mizoram resolved that spot verification for re-survey of the NIT Mizoram permanent campus be conducted in the presence of representatives of NIT Mizoram, Forest Environment & Climate Change Department, Land Revenue & Settlement Department and Higher & Technical Education Department.</p> <p>Subject to the outcome of re-survey of the NIT Mizoram permanent campus, re-calculation of compensatory afforestation and Net Present Value (NPV) would be worked out. All liabilities shall be borne by the Government of Mizoram through Higher & Technical Education Department. Re-survey of the NIT Mizoram permanent campus was duly held and completed on 30.06.2020. The Land Revenue & Settlement Department, Govt. of Mizoram is currently acting on it. The Institute assured the Board that NIT Mizoram would be pursuing the case vigorously with the State Government.</p> <p>The Director and the Registrar, NIT Mizoram held a meeting with the Chief Minister, Mizoram on 25.09.2020, wherein the liabilities of the Government of Mizoram on compensatory afforestation, forest clearance and mutation of the Land Lease Certificate No.8 of 2015 and transfer of the same in the name of NIT Mizoram were discussed in depth. The Chief Minister, Mizoram assured that the concerns of the NIT Mizoram is the priority of the state government and that proactive steps would be taken for the settlement of the standing issues etc of NIT Mizoram.</p>

	<p>The ADG (HE), Ministry of Education informed the Board that the matter has been taken by the Union Minister with the Chief Minister of Mizoram and that the Secretary, Ministry of Education, Govt. of India has also taken up with the Chief Secretary, Govt. of Mizoram for transferring the land in the name of NIT Mizoram after due liabilities of the State Government is cleared.</p> <p>Further, he informed the Board that since the approved RCE does not have any provision for escalation and that the project requires to be completed within the approved cost. As such, the liabilities of the Government of Mizoram needs to be cleared soon. NIT Mizoram may take up the matter with Government of Mizoram, with utmost priority.</p>																		
	<p>Decision of the Board of Governors:</p> <p>Noted.</p>																		
<p>BOG 21.19</p>	<p>Nomination of CPWD for executing works approved in the Revised Cost Estimate.</p> <p>Background: Revised Cost Estimate recommended by EFC has been approved by the Cabinet. The same has been intimated to the Institute by MHRD vide letter dated 04th March, 2020. <i>Placed at Annexure I of BOG 21.19 at page no 414-416.</i></p> <p>According to the approved RCE, following is the approved cost for NIT Mizoram (in Rs. Lakhs) for student strength of 750 from 2010-11 to 2021-22</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="452 1477 1410 1983"> <thead> <tr> <th>Components</th> <th>Original Estimate as per DPR-2009</th> <th>Expenditure already incurred till 31.03.18</th> <th>RCE proposal recommended by RC Committee</th> <th>Revised Cost recommended after site visit</th> <th>Additioinal fund required. Col (v)-(iii)</th> </tr> <tr> <th>(i)</th> <th>(ii)</th> <th>(iii)</th> <th>(iv)</th> <th>(v)</th> <th>(vi)</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Infrastructure incl. taxes</td> <td>154</td> <td>155.87</td> <td>1102.05</td> <td>474.23</td> <td>318.36</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Components	Original Estimate as per DPR-2009	Expenditure already incurred till 31.03.18	RCE proposal recommended by RC Committee	Revised Cost recommended after site visit	Additioinal fund required. Col (v)-(iii)	(i)	(ii)	(iii)	(iv)	(v)	(vi)	Infrastructure incl. taxes	154	155.87	1102.05	474.23	318.36
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Equipmen	0	51.85	185.03	60	8.15
Furniture	0	3.33	14.00	14	10.67
Total Capital	154	211.05	1301.08	548.23	337.18
Recurrin g	40	63.71	271.91	121.52	57.81
Grand Total	194	274.76	1518.99	669.75	394.99

Also, in the context, "Master Circular for infrastructure projects in centrally funded institutions" issued by MHRD dated 03rd June, 2019 is required to be taken into consideration where it is stated under Clause E.1 that- "*The only mode of construction shall be through EPC mode*"

Placed at Annexure II of BOG 21.19 at page no 417-426.

However, to execute the work the Institute requires to delegate the work for proper supervision to a PMC, to this end the 11th BWC held on 17.12.2018 under BWC 11.4 recommended that- "**the work of building construction to be given to CPWD only**".

Placed at Annexure III of BOG 21.19 at page no 427.

Thus, it is to place before the Building Works Committee, the proposal to nominate CPWD to execute the work as a Project Management Consultant.

The matter was placed before the 13th BWC held on 31.08.2020 for approval, where the 13th BWC decided-
"Approved in principle."

The matter is placed before the Board for approval.

	Comments of the JS&FA, IFD, Ministry of Education: As the forest clearance issue is yet to be resolved, there is no point in awarding the work to CPWD at this stage without resolving the land issue.
	Decision of the Board of Governors: The work shall be awarded to the CPWD only after resolving

	the forest clearance and land issues.						
BOG 21.20	<p>PROPOSAL FOR APPROVAL OF AGENDA ITEMS PLACED AT 12TH SENATE MEETING OF NIT MIZORAM ON 24TH JULY, 2020.</p> <p>Background:</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>SNT</th> <th>Agenda</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>SNT 12.</td> <td>Proposal for earmarking of 3 (three) Associate Professor's posts in the Department of ECE, CSE & ME for the 3 (three) Trainee Teachers.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>SNT 13</td> <td></td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>Background</p> <p>The Institute Committee consisting of the Registrar, Deans and HoDs under the chairmanship of the Director, NIT Mizoram, in its meeting on the 10th July, 2020 has discussed and proposed the under mentioned for approval of the Senate, copy of the Minutes of the Meeting is at Annexure - I of BOG 21.20 at page 428-429.:-</p> <p>As already resolved by the Board of Governors, NIT Mizoram in its 12th Meeting on Dt. 17.12.2018 under BOG 12.15 the "Perspective Recruitment Plan of Trainee Teachers" of NIT Mizoram under MEDUCATION, Govt. of India was notified vide No. NITMZ/BOG/12/2015/79 dated 01.02.2019 copy at Annexure - II of BOG 21.20 at page 430... In line with the Notification, 3 (three) posts of Assistant Professor was earmarked for the year 2020-21. However, since the Institute has no vacancy in the Assistant Professor's posts, the vacant posts of Associate Professors in the Department of ECE, CSE and ME may be allocated for the 3 (three) Trainee Teachers:-</p> <p>Mr. Sushanta Bordoloi, Department of ECE Mr. Lenin Laitonjam, Department of CSE Mr. Saurav Suman, Department of ME</p> <p>As the above mentioned Trainee Teachers are completing their Ph.Ds within 2020, it is vital that vacant posts available in the Institute are earmarked for their absorption as Assistant Professors.</p> <p>The proposed distribution of sanctioned faculty posts as per the MHRD Ratio of 1:2:4, as per TABLE-I, may be taken as a reference, copy at Annexure - III of BOG 21.20 at page 431.</p>	SNT	Agenda	SNT 12.	Proposal for earmarking of 3 (three) Associate Professor's posts in the Department of ECE, CSE & ME for the 3 (three) Trainee Teachers.	SNT 13	
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	<p>The said Associate Professor's posts may be re-appropriated as and when new Assistant Professor's posts are sanctioned by the Ministry within 2022.</p> <p>Projection of faculty posts as per Projected Distribution Teaching Faculty as per approved RCE by the Ministry, copy at Annexure - IV of BOG 21.20 at page 432. indicates that 14 (fourteen) additional Assistant Professor's posts will be due for sanction within 2022.</p> <p>Decision of the Senate: Recommended to BoG for approval.</p> <p>SNT 12.1 4 Proposal for Fresh Advertisement for the vacant faculty posts.</p> <p>Background</p> <p>The Institute Committee consisting of the Registrar, Deans and HoDs under the chairmanship of the Director, NIT Mizoram, in its meeting on the 10th July, 2020 has discussed and proposed the under mentioned, for approval of the Senate, copy of Minutes of the Meeting at Annexure - V of BOG 21.20 at page no 433-434:</p> <p>As already resolved by the Board of Governors, NIT Mizoram in its 12th Meeting on Dt. 17.12.2018 under BOG 12.15 the "Perspective Recruitment Plan of Trainee Teachers" of NIT Mizoram under MHRD, Govt. of India was notified vide No. NITMZ/BOG/12/2015/79 dated 01.02.2019 copy at Annexure - VI of BOG 21.20 at page no 435. In line with the Notification, 3 (three) posts of Assistant Professor was earmarked for the year 2020-21. However, since the Institute has no vacancy in the Assistant Professor's posts, it was proposed under SNT 12.13 that the vacant posts of Associate Professors in the Department of ECE, CSE and ME be allocated for the under mentioned 3 (three) Trainee Teachers, for accommodating their absorption into regular Assistant Professors:-</p> <p>Mr. Sushanta Bordoloi, Department of ECE Mr. Lenin Laitonjam, Department of CSE Mr. Saurav Suman, Department of ME</p> <p>Further, it may be indicated that 1 (one) year has already lapsed since the Advertisement of the Employment Notice for the vacant Teaching Faculty posts, which was floated during February 2019 and Addendum Notice floated during May 2019, it is proposed that a Fresh Advertisement for Recruitment of Teaching Faculty posts be floated as:-</p> <p>Professor - 4 posts Associate Professor - 5 posts Assistant Professor - 1 post TOTAL - 10 posts</p> <p>The Proposed Distribution of Faculty Posts for</p>
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advertisement is given at Table I.

TABLE - I : PROPOSED DISTRIBUTION OF FACULTY POSTS FOR ADVERTISEMENT

Department	R a - ti o	E. E. E	E. C. E	C. S. E	M .E	C .E	B S & H S S	T O T A L
Professor	1	0	1	1	1	1	0	4
Associate Professor	2	2	1	0	1	1	0	5
Asst. Professor	4	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
TOTAL		2	2	1	2	3	0	10

Further, the fresh Advertisement/ Employment Notice may also cater for the recruitment of the Internal Candidates for the Grade/Posts of Assistant Professor Grade - II @ AGP Rs. 7000/-, Assistant Professor Grd-I @ AGP Rs. 8000/- and Associate Professor @ AGP Rs. 9500/- for all Departments

Recommendation of the Senate.

Recommended to BOG as per the Table 2. One post of Associate Professor from the Dept of EEE has been allotted to the Department of CSE. The said post will be reverted as and when sanction for Associate Professor is allotted to the CSE dept within 2022 from the Ministry of HRD, Govt. of India.

TABLE 2

DEPARTMENT	E .E .E	E .C .E	C .S .E	M .E	C .E	B S & H S S	T O T A L
PROFESSOR	0	1	1	1	1	0	4
ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR	1	1	1	1	1	0	5
ASSISTANT PROFESSOR	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
TOTAL	1	2	2	2	3	0	10

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Proposal to include AcSIR, an Institute of National Importance and similar Institutes of National Importance for faculty Recruitment.

Background

Director, NIT Mizoram received a letter from Director, AcSIR to include the students of AcSIR for probable

		<p>candidates for faculty recruitment. AcSIR is an Institute of National Importance. Similarly there are other Institutes of National Importance. The details are placed at Annexure - VII of BOG 21.20 at page no 436.</p>							
		<p>Recommendation of the Senate: Recommended to BoG for approval</p>							
SN T 12. 16	<p>Revised UG Regulations for transfer from first year to second year.</p> <p>Background: In old UG Regulations total credit after first year is 78, whereas in new syllabus effective from 2019, total credit after first year is 42. Hence in the meeting of Director with Deans and HoDs on 17.07.2020, proposed change in the Regulations for transfer from first year to second year was decided:</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Old Regulations</th><th>Proposed Regulations</th></tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td> <p>Clause 9.5 To be able to register in the second year and continue his/her study in the Institute at the end of the first year a student must</p> <p>i. Complete satisfactorily at least minimum 60 credits for B. Tech Program.</p> </td><td> <p>Clause 9.5 To be able to register in the second year and continue his/her study in the Institute at the end of the first year a student must</p> <p>i. Complete satisfactorily at least minimum 32 credits for B. Tech Program.</p> </td></tr> <tr> <td> <p>AND</p> <p>ii. Obtain a Cumulative Grade Point Average (CGPA) of not lower than 4.00 calculated on the basis of some combination of best grades obtained by him/her to attain the minimum 52 credits in B. Tech Program.</p> </td><td> <p>AND</p> <p>ii. Obtain a Cumulative Grade Point Average (CGPA) of not lower than 4.00 calculated on the basis of some combination of best grades obtained by him/her to attain the minimum 28 credits in B. Tech Program.</p> </td></tr> <tr> <td> <p>iii. A student failing to complete satisfactorily both the above conditions i.e. 9.5 (i) and (ii), even after going through Re/Special Examinations in first year of admission then he/ she is required to take readmission in next academic session, and repeat the course curricula afresh.</p> </td><td> <p>NO CHANGE</p> </td></tr> </tbody> </table>	Old Regulations	Proposed Regulations	<p>Clause 9.5 To be able to register in the second year and continue his/her study in the Institute at the end of the first year a student must</p> <p>i. Complete satisfactorily at least minimum 60 credits for B. Tech Program.</p>	<p>Clause 9.5 To be able to register in the second year and continue his/her study in the Institute at the end of the first year a student must</p> <p>i. Complete satisfactorily at least minimum 32 credits for B. Tech Program.</p>	<p>AND</p> <p>ii. Obtain a Cumulative Grade Point Average (CGPA) of not lower than 4.00 calculated on the basis of some combination of best grades obtained by him/her to attain the minimum 52 credits in B. Tech Program.</p>	<p>AND</p> <p>ii. Obtain a Cumulative Grade Point Average (CGPA) of not lower than 4.00 calculated on the basis of some combination of best grades obtained by him/her to attain the minimum 28 credits in B. Tech Program.</p>	<p>iii. A student failing to complete satisfactorily both the above conditions i.e. 9.5 (i) and (ii), even after going through Re/Special Examinations in first year of admission then he/ she is required to take readmission in next academic session, and repeat the course curricula afresh.</p>	<p>NO CHANGE</p>
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		<p>Further due to the COVID 19 pandemic, the first year students of 2019-20 academic session could complete a maximum credit of 35 instead of 42 for first year. Hence, for 2019-20 only, the credits for clause 9.5 (i) and (ii) may be revised as 27 and 23 respectively. The Minutes of the Meeting is placed at Annexure-VIII of BOG 21.20 at page 437-439.</p>
		<p>Recommendation of the Senate :</p> <p>Recommended to BoG for approval</p> <p>Comments of the JS&FA, IFD, Ministry of Education:</p> <p>In view of the provisions under Section 1 (2) and 2 (1) of the Central Educational Institutions (Reservations in Teachers Cadre) 2019, w.e.f 07.03.2019, reservation is to be made at each pay level of the faculty posts. Compliance in this regard may be ensured before taking further recruitment action.</p>
		<p>Decision of the Board</p> <p>With regard to SNT.12.14, the comments of JS&FA, IFD, Ministry of Education are noted.</p> <p>Fresh advertisement for recruitment is to be floated for the 10 vacant teaching positions as well as for Internal Candidates for the Grade/Post of Assistant Professor Grade-II @ AGP Rs.7000/-, Grade-I @AGP Rs.8000/- and Associate Professor @AGP Rs.9500/- and Professor @ AGP Rs. 10,500/- for all the Departments.</p> <p>Further, compliance of reservation in Teachers' Cadre is to be ensured.</p> <p>SNT12.13, SNT 12.15 & SNT 12.16 stands approved.</p>
BOG 21.21		<p>RATIFICATION OF APPROVAL OF THE CHAIRMAN, BOG OF NIT MIZORAM FOR PROMOTION OF MR. LALHMUNSIAMA PAUTU FROM THE POST OF MULTI - TASKING - STAFF TO THE POST OF JUNIOR ASSISTANT THROUGH LIMITED DEPARTMENTAL COMPETITIVE EXAMINATION SCHEME</p> <p>Background</p> <p>The Board may kindly be informed the appointment of Mr. Lalhmunsima Pautu through promotion from the post of Multi-</p>

	<p>Tasking – Staff to the post of Junior Assistant PB-1 (Rs. 5200-20200) + GP 2000 in the Pre-Revised Pay or Level 3 with minimum pay of Rs. 21,700.00 as per revised 7th CPC with other Allowances as admissible w.e.f. 01st September, 2020. Copy of the Appointment Order is placed at Annexure I of BOG 21.21 at page no. 440.</p> <p>The aforesaid promotion is made through Limited Departmental Examination Scheme vide Notification No. NITMZ/BOG/12/2018 /78 dated 01.02.2019 as per the Model Recruitment Rules of Non – Teaching Staff of NITs 2011 (Copy placed at Annexure II of BOG 21.21 at page no. 441-443).</p> <p>The matter is placed to the Board for ratification.</p>
	<p>Decision of the Board of Governors:</p> <p>Ratified and approved</p>
BOG 21.22	<p>PROPOSAL FOR APPROVAL OF THE TEQIP-III RELATED MATTERS</p> <p>Background</p> <p>Revised Procurement Manual of TEQIP-III: The Board maybe informed that the Revised Procurement Manual of TEQIP-III was issued by NPIU on 22.06.2020, which is to be automatically applicable to all the participating Institutes. As per the Revised Procurement Manual:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Procurement of Goods & Services through Government e-Market (GEM) is mandatory for Goods and Services available on GEM as per GFR Rule 2017 and further amendments with a maximum ceiling of USD 100,000. The GEM financial limits and procedure will be applicable. The procurement authorities will certify the reasonability of rates. • The NIC CPP portal of e-procurement designed as per World Bank guidelines will be used for processing procurement activities under TEQIP-III project. The Goods & Services above USD 100,000 will be processed using NCB method through NIC CPP portal of e-procurement as per the standard guidelines. Also in event of any items not available under GeM for procurement within maximum ceiling of USD 100,000 than the said procurement may be processed through NIC CPP of e-procurement portal. <p>I. CANCELLATION & CREATION OF PACKAGES IN PMSS:</p> <p>Procurement process of 15 packages (Sl.no. 1-15) mentioned in Part. II below has been cancelled and re-created in</p>

the new Procurement Management Support System (PMSS) as required under the Revised Procurement Guideline which is reported in detail in the next point.

II. Procurement of Goods:

The Institute had already been registered with GeM Portal where few requirements like furniture etc. have been purchased for the Academic classrooms and hostels.

- Registration with NIC-CPP e-procurement portal is still not operational and hence, procurement of items costing Rs. 75.00 lakhs and above is not yet initiated.
- For reason given above, quantity for procurement of the BoG approved items had to be adjusted within the ceiling limit of GeM Portal. Further, there arises need for alteration of few specifications and terms & conditions as available in GeM Portal.
- Approval accorded by the Chairman BoG cum Director NIT Mizoram for initiating procurement process with few adjustments in the GeM Portal is placed before the Board for approval and ratification as under:

S I . N o	Pack age Nam e	Estimat ed Amt approve d in BoG	New Estimat ed Amount (INR)	Report on the action taken against each
1	NIT MZ/ DES KTO P	89,25,00 0.00 @Rs. 85000/-	73,50,00 0.00 @Rs. 75000/-	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Floated tender for 98 desktops @ Rs. 75000/- per number against the approved quantity of 105 desktops to comply with the ceiling of Rs. 75.00 lakhs under GeM as per the Revised Procurement Guidelines. • Since the BoG approved specifications were not available in the GeM portal, the said items are being initiated as per revised specifications and Terms & Conditions of GeM to meet the timeline of 30.09.02020 set forth by NPIU. • Hence, seeking ratification of the approval of Chairman BoG.
2	NIT MZ/ WOR KST ATI ON	1,05,00,0 0.00 @ Rs. 5,00,000 /-	72,00,00 0.00 @Rs. 4,50,00 0/-	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Floated tender for 16 workstations @ Rs. 4,50,000/- per number against the approved quantity of 21 workstations to comply with the ceiling of Rs. 75.00 lakhs under GeM as per the Revised Procurement Guidelines. • Since the BoG approved specifications were not available in the GeM portal, the said items are being initiated as per revised specifications and Terms & Conditions of GeM to meet the timeline of 30.09.02020 set forth by NPIU. • Hence, seeking ratification

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3	NIT MZ/ Xero x Mac hine	1,55,000. 00	1,41,612 .72		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Direct Purchase made through GeM. • Availability of goods at lower cost. Hence, quantity revised from 1 no. to 2 nos. to accommodate the requirement of examination cell. • Hence, seeking ratification of the approval of Chairman BoG.
4	NIT MZ/ Print er	1,60,000. 00	1,64,800 .00		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Direct Purchase through GeM. • Availability of goods at lower cost. Hence, quantity revised from 2 nos. to 4 nos. to accommodate the requirement of the Administrative Office. • Exceeded the approved amount by Rs. 4,800/-. • Hence, seeking ratification and approval of the additional amount of Rs. 4,800/-
5	NIT MZ/ Furn iture	2,50,000. 00	2,50,000 .00		Tender floated through GeM
6	NIT MZ/ CIVI L3	27,46,59 0.00	27,46,59 0.00		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Not available in GeM • Recommended for purchase through NIC-CPP Portal.
7	NIT MZ/ ME1	10,08,10 5.00	10,08,10 5.00		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Not available in GeM • Recommended for purchase through NIC-CPP Portal.
8	NIT MZ/ ECE1 C	34,93,98 0.00	34,93,98 0.00		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Not available in GeM • Recommended for purchase through NIC-CPP Portal.
9	NIT MZ/ EEE1 A	36,21,99 7.00	36,21,99 7.00		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Not available in GeM • Recommended for purchase through NIC-CPP Portal.
0	NIT MZ/ EEE1 B	8,00,000. 00	8,00,000 .00		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Not available in GeM • Recommended for purchase through NIC-CPP Portal.
1	NIT MZ/ EEE1 D	16,00,00 0.00	16,00,00 0.00		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Not available in GeM • Recommended for purchase through NIC-CPP Portal.
2	NIT MZ/ PHY	10,00,00 0.00	10,00,00 0.00		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Not available in GeM • Recommended for purchase through NIC-CPP Portal.
3	NIT MZ/ CHE M	15,51,90 0.00	15,51,90 0.00		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Not available in GeM • Recommended for purchase through NIC-CPP Portal.
4	NIT MZ/ SERV ER	27,00,00 0.00	27,00,00 0.00		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To be surveyed from GeM Portal. If not available from NIC CPP Portal.
5	NIT MZ/ SMA RTC LASS ROO	19,00,00 0.00	19,00,00 0.00		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To be surveyed from GeM Portal. If not available from NIC CPP Portal.

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Softwares:				
1	NITM Z/ ECE1 D	1,60,000.0 0	1,60,000 .00	Direct Contract
2	SPSS softw are	11,29,462. 00	11,29,46 2.00	Direct Contract
3	Origin softw are	2,99,250.0 0	2,99,250 .00	Direct Contract
4	Matht ype Softw are	25,000.00	25,000.0 0	Direct Contract
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6	Lingo Softw are	3,00,000.0 0	3,00,000 .00	Direct Contract
Total Estimated Amount:		3,74,67, 696.72		

III. Action Plan (Oct.- Dec. 2020):

TEQIP-III Project closure has been extended from 30.09.2020 to 31.03.2021 vide mail received from NPIU on 11.09.2020. Hence, the Action Plan for 3rd Qtr (Oct.- Dec., 2020) is required to be submitted to SPIU by 18th Sept 2020. Accordingly, Action plan is submitted. The action plan is summarised as below and the detail is attached at Annexure-I of BOG 21.22 at page no. 444-451:

- **Procurement** :Rs. 1,70,45,125.00
- **Academic** :Rs. 21,77,040.00
- **IOC** :Rs. 5,25,000.00
- **Total** :Rs.1,97,47,165.00

IV. Report on Utilization of Fund: The report of TEQIP-III Fund utilization from the inception period till 28.09.2020 is as follows:

S I . N o	Head	Allocated Amount (INR)	Utilized Amount (INR)	%
1	Procurement	9,00,00,000.00	3,54,12,91 4.00	39.3 4
	PO Issued Amount: Rs.1,37,07,562.72			
2	Academic	4,50,00,000.00	5,03,14,59 4.00	111. 81
	Re-appropriated from Procurement Head: Rs. 53,14,594.00			11.8 1
3	IOC	1,50,00,000.00	1,21,41,99	80.9

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	Total	15,00,00,000.00	9,78,69,498.00	65.24

The allocated fund under Academic Head is fully exhausted. It may no longer possible to execute the different activities under this head.

In this regard, in the 19th BoG circulated on 17.04.2020, the Director was authorized for the head-wise re-allocation of fund as permissible under TEQIP-III guidelines. The amount of re-allocation of fund from Procurement Head to Academic Fund till 28.09.2020 is Rs. 53,14,594.00.

The matter is therefore placed before the BoG for consideration and approval.

Comments of the JS&FA, IFD, Ministry of Education:

May be recommended subject to the condition that TEQIP-III Guidelines have been duly followed.

Decision of the Board:

Approved

BOG 21.23 **Approval and Confirmation of Minutes of the 15th meeting of Finance Committee held on the 06th December, 2019 in the office of the Additional Director General, Room No. 9, C-Wing, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi**

Background

This is to place before the Board of Governors the proposal for approval and confirmation of the minutes of the 15th meeting of Finance Committee held on the 06th December, 2019 in the office of the Additional Director General, Room No. 9, C-Wing, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi. Copy of the minutes of the meeting is placed at **Annexure - I of BoG 21.23 at page no. 452-460.**

The Board may kindly approve and confirm the minutes of the 15th meeting of Finance Committee held on the 06th December, 2019 in the office of the Additional Director General, Room No. 9, C-Wing, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi.

Decision of the Board

Approved and Confirmed

BOG 21.24	<p>Approval and Confirmation of Minutes of the 16th meeting of Finance Committee held on the 12.08.2020 and 19.08.2020 through Circulation at NIT Mizoram.</p> <p>Background This is to place before the Board of Governors the proposal for approval and confirmation of the minutes of the 16th meeting of Finance Committee held on the 12.08.2020 and 19.08.2020 through Circulation at NIT Mizoram. Copy of the minutes of the meeting is placed at Annexure - I of BoG 21.24 at page no. 461-466.</p> <p>The Board may kindly approve and confirm the minutes of the 16th meeting of Finance Committee held on the 12.08.2020 and 19.08.2020 through Circulation at NIT Mizoram.</p> <p>Decision of the Board</p> <p>Approved and Confirmed.</p>
BOG 21.25	<p>Any Other Matter with the permission of the Chair</p> <p>None</p>



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