



राष्ट्रीय प्रौद्योगिकी संस्थान राउरकेला
NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY ROURKELA

MINUTES OF THE 76TH MEETING OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE, NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY ROURKELA HELD FROM 04:30 PM TO 04:45 PM ON 30.06.2026 (TUESDAY) IN THE BOARD ROOM OF NIT ROURKELA THROUGH OFFLINE/VC MODE.

FC-76(2026)-01: Welcome to all members, including a new member, Prof. Santos Kumar Das (nominated member from the Senate, NIT Rourkela), to the meeting by the Chairman, followed by a note of appreciation to the outgoing member, Prof. Manmath Narayan Sahoo (nominated by the Senate, NIT Rourkela).

The Chairman welcomed all members to the meeting, including the newly nominated member from the Senate, Prof. Santos Kumar Das, and placed on record the valuable contributions made by the outgoing Senate nominee, Prof. Manmath Narayan Sahoo, during his tenure in the Finance Committee.

FC-76(2026)-02: Confirmation of the minutes of the 75th Meeting of the Finance Committee held on 10.03.2026 in the Board Room, NIT Rourkela, through offline/VC mode.

The minutes of the 75th Meeting of the FC, held on 10.03.2026 at NIT Rourkela in offline/VC mode, were circulated by e-mail to all the members. No comments were received from the members. A copy of the minutes is given in the Annexure.

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The FC confirmed and approved the Minutes.

FC-76(2026)-03: To approve the Statement of Accounts for the FY 2025-26.

The Statement of Accounts for the financial year 2025-26 is placed before the FC for kind consideration.

[Annexure-A2, Page 13 – 44]

The FC considered the proposal and recommended it for BOG approval.

FC-76(2026)-04: Approval of the Minutes of the following agenda items discussed in the 56th BWC meeting held on 27.03.2026.

S. No.	BWC Agenda Item No.	Agenda Item / Name of the project(s)	Approx. cost of the proposed project	Source of funds	View of the BWC
1.	BWC: 56(2026)-04	Review of ongoing Civil Projects	-	-	The BWC perused the report and took note of it.
2.	BWC: 56(2026)-05	Review of ongoing Electrical Projects	-	-	
3.	BWC: 56(2026)-11	Annual Civil Maintenance Work for Academic Area, Student Hostels, and Staff Residential Area.	Rs. 5 crores (excluding GST)	OH-31	BWC recommended this proposal to FC/BOG for approval.
4.	BWC: 56(2026)-13	Acoustic Wall Paneling and False Ceiling in 11 Classrooms of Lecture Hall Complex-I at NIT Rourkela.	Rs. 5.37 crores	OH-35	BWC recommended this proposal to FC/BOG for approval.
5.	BWC: 56(2026)-14	Reimbursement to CPWD towards Differential GST for Construction of Sports and Common Facilities and 1000-Seated OAT at NIT Rourkela.	Rs. 1,85,06,764/- crores	Institute's Corpus fund	BWC recommended this proposal to FC/BOG for approval.
6.	BWC: 56(2026)-15	Construction of Electrical Substation Building for Upcoming Infrastructure in South-East Campus at NIT Rourkela.	Rs. 1,08,34,000/-	N/A	BWC recommended this proposal to FC/BOG for approval.

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After a thorough discussion, including IFD's observations, the FC considered the agenda item and recommended it to the BOG for approval, with a suggestion to engage CPWD to carry out the said new projects.

FC-76(2026)-05: Approval for procurement of furniture and digital equipment for Shankh (LA-2).

PIC (Common Classroom & Facilities) has requested the procurement of furniture and digital equipment for Shankh (LA-2). The procurement shall be made through the GeM portal. The total cost will be Rs. 69,90,000 (Rupees sixty-nine lakh ninety thousand only), and the source of funding shall be Grant-In-Aid / Internal Revenue Generation.

As per the extant Delegation of Financial Powers of the Institute, expenditure for the procurement of Goods & Services exceeding Rs. 50.00 lakhs requires the approval of the Finance Committee/Board of

Governors. The matter is therefore placed before the Finance Committee for consideration and recommendation to the BOG for approval of the award of the contract to the L1 bidder at the above cost.

[Annexure – A4, Page 56 – 58]

The FC considered the proposal and recommended it for BOG approval.

FC-76(2026)-06: Establishment of a Modern Data Center at NIT Rourkela and approval of additional funds for replacement of Data Center equipment.

The Computer & Informatics Center (CIC) has proposed establishing a modern Data Center to support the Institute's growing digital infrastructure for academic, research and administrative activities. The existing Data Center, more than a decade old, has reached its operational and technological limits in terms of space, power, cooling, safety, scalability, and support for high-performance computing (HPC) and GPU-based workloads.

The proposed Data Center will provide state-of-the-art infrastructure with enhanced power distribution, advanced cooling systems, improved safety and monitoring mechanisms, increased rack capacity, and support for future expansion of the Institute's digital services. The facility is planned to accommodate network equipment, servers, storage systems, Disaster Recovery (DR) infrastructure, and high-density HPC infrastructure, including GPU clusters.

The Board of Governors, in its Resolution No. BOG-99(2025)-05 had earlier approved Rs. 10 crores from the OH-35 head for the replacement of Data Center equipment, including servers, storage systems, and the Disaster Recovery (DR) site. Subsequently, due to unprecedented global demand for server memory and storage driven by rapid growth in Artificial Intelligence (AI) applications, a **USD-to-INR price hike and increased freight charges** have significantly increased prices for servers and storage equipment.

In view of the above, CIC has requested approval for the establishment of a modern Data Center along with additional funds of Rs. 15 crores to cover cost escalation arising from the replacement of Data Center equipment and associated infrastructure.

Approximate cost: Rs. 25.00 crores (Rs. 10.00 crores for establishment of the Modern Data Center and Rs. 15.00 crores towards additional requirement for Data Center equipment replacement)

Fund source: Institute Corpus Fund.

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The Committee deliberated the above proposal in detail, and after thorough discussion, it was decided that the proposal may be revised and resubmitted in the next meeting, incorporating a comprehensive assessment of future requirements and provision for increased capacity of the Data Center by approximately three to four times to meet the Institute's long-term needs.

FC-76(2026)-07: Comprehensive Maintenance Contract (CMC) of the Transmission Electron Microscope (TEM) at the Central Research Facility (CRF) at NIT Rourkela.

To restore the functional condition of the Transmission Electron Microscope (TEM) at the Central Research Facility (CRF) at NIT Rourkela, the Comprehensive Maintenance Contract (CMC) is required.

Thermo Fisher Scientific India Pvt. Ltd., the OEM Service Provider, has given a quotation for a 2-year CMC for the TEM as per the following details:

Year 1: Rs. 62,95,958 + GST

Year 2: Rs. 66,10,756 + GST

Estimated cost (For 2 years, including GST) – Rs. 1,52,29,923 (Rupees one crore fifty-two lakh twenty-nine thousand nine hundred and twenty-three only)

Fund source – IRG / Institute Corpus

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The FC considered the proposal and recommended it for BOG approval. The FC also directed the Institute to obtain the Price Fall Clause Certificate and the Lowest Price Certificate, as applicable, from the OEM Service Provider.

FC-76(2026)-08: Mess Tender for different Halls of Residence at NIT Rourkela.

The Mess Tender for the different Halls of Residence at NIT Rourkela will be floated through the GeM/e-Procurement portal. As per the Institute's delegation of financial powers, BOG approval is required to invite bids, select and award the contract to the L-1 bidder.

Approximate cost: Rs. 1,25,00,000/- (Rupees one crore twenty-five lakh only)

Fund source: Chief Warden Account

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The FC considered the proposal and recommended it for approval by the BOG, with a direction to select suitable vendors offering quality services by maintaining hygiene and cleanliness in the Hall areas.

FC-76(2026)-09: Tender for Housekeeping & Sanitation services (Cleaning services) at NIT Rourkela.

The Housekeeping and Sanitation Services tender at NIT Rourkela will be floated through the GeM/e-Procurement portal. As per the Institute's delegation of financial powers, BOG approval is required to invite bids, select and award the contract to the L-1 bidder.

Approximate cost: Rs. 2,26,50,309/- (Rupees two crore twenty six lakh fifty thousand three hundred nine only)

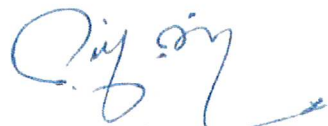
Fund source: OH-31

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The FC considered the proposal and recommended it for approval by the BOG, with a direction to select suitable vendors offering quality services.

FC-76(2026)-10: Any other item with the permission of the Chair.

The meeting ended with thanks to the Chair.


06/07/2026
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Registrar and Member Secretary
FC, NIT Rourkela


[Shri S. N. Subrahmanyam]
Chairperson (Ex-Officio)
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