

**National Institute of Technology
Rourkela**

MINUTES

49th Meeting of Finance Committee



DATE : 21st June, 2019 (Friday)

Time : 10:30 – 12:30 Hours.

Venue : Conference Hall, Hotel Taj, New Delhi



राष्ट्रीय प्रौद्योगिकी संस्थान, राउरकेला
National Institute of Technology, Rourkela

MINUTES OF THE 49TH MEETING OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE, NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY, ROURKELA HELD DURING 10.30 A.M- 12.30 P.M. ON 21.06.2019 (FRIDAY) IN THE CONFERENCE HALL, HOTEL TAJ, NEW DELHI.

Members Present:

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Leave of absence was granted for the above members.



FC-49(2019)-01: Welcome to the members by the Chairman.

The Chairman welcomed all the members and the newly joined Registrar, Prof. Pradip Kumar Das, on 7th May 2019, on deputation from VSSUT, Burla for a tenure of five years vide the letter of appointment, No. NITR/RG/2019/L/016/ , Dated 4th March 2019 to the meeting .

FC-49(2019)-02: Confirmation of the minutes of the 48th Meeting of the Finance Committee held on 28.02.2019 at Bhubaneswar.

The minutes of the 48th Meeting of the FC held on 28.02.2019 at Bhubaneswar were sent by E-mail to the members. The copy of the minutes and comments received from the member(s) were given in the Annexure.

The minutes of 48th meeting of Finance Committee was approved except minutes of FC-48(2019)-02 and was deferred to next meeting of Finance Committee.

[Annexure- A1, Page 14-19]

FC-49(2019)-03: To report on the Action Taken on the minutes of 48th meeting of the Finance Committee held on 28.02.2019 at Bhubaneswar.

The report on the action taken on the decisions made in the 48th Meeting of the Finance Committee held on 28.02.2019 was presented for FC's consideration.

Reported actions on the minutes of 48th meeting of the Finance Committee were noted.

[Annexure- A2, Page 20]

FC-49 (2019)-04: To approve the Statement of Accounts for the Financial year 2018-19.

The Statement of Accounts for the financial year 2018-19 was enclosed for consideration of the FC.

The FC approved the Statement of Accounts for the Financial year 2018-19 and recommended to place in the BOG.

[Annexure- A3,Page 21-60]

FC-49 (2019)-05: Amendments in the implementation of National Pension System (NPS).

MHRD vide letter No.F.No.33-1/2019-TS.III(Pt.II), dated 9th April, 2019, directed herewith copy of the IF.I Section's Letter No.23011/1/2019-IF.I dated 03.04.2019 and therewith M/o Finance's Gazette Notification dated 31.01.2019 regarding amendments in the National Pension System (NPS).

As per the notification, in partial modification of para 1(i) of Ministry of Finance's Gazette Notification No. No.5/7/2003-ECB-PR dated 22nd December, 2003 on National Pension System (NPS), the monthly contribution has been enhanced by the Central Government from the present 10% to 14% of the Basic Pay plus DA vide notification dated 31st January, 2019. This is to be implemented w.e.f. 01.04.2019 in the autonomous bodies covered under NPS.

The additional financial implication for NPS per month will be Rs.14,51,560/- approximately.

The FC noted Amendments in the implementation of National Pension System (NPS) and recommended to place in the BOG.

[Annexure-A4, Page 61-72]

FC-49 (2019)-06: Proposal for revision in remuneration paid to the Stipendiaries after 7th CPC implementation.

The Board vide resolution No.BOG-28(2011)-07 dated 02.12.2011 had approved the following conditions for appointment of Stipendiary Engineers, technicians and the following amendments were approved by the Board.

- 1) *Considering the* increase in size and activities of the Institute, the number of stipendiaries at any given time should not be more than forty. Trainees posted in construction work not to exceed twenty times out of the forty.
- 2) The stipend payable to the stipendiaries may be decided as per market conditions from time to time, but not to exceed 60% of gross pay (Pay + GP + prevailing DA) of PB-2 entry level for candidate with Diploma (engineering) or Diploma (IT/Computer) or MCA or equivalent and 60% of gross pay of PB1 (entry level) for ITI etc.
- 3) Extension to 3rd year will be given only as on exception in cases where the HOD confirms that the incumbent is sufficiently trained.

The Institute has been following this policy mentioned in it to calculate the stipend payable to them. One request has been received from the Stipendiaries for enhancement of their salary.

Since 7th CPC is implemented in our institute, it is proposed to consider the pay level of 7th CPC for Stipend calculation of Stipendiaries. The financial implication of the stipendiary in level 1 and level 6 will be as follows:

Pay Level	Year	6th CPC	7th CPC	Additional expenditure
Level 1	Year 1	10420	11780	1360
	Year 2	10740	12140	1400
	Year 3	11070	12510	1440
Level 6	Year 1	20090	23160	3070
	Year 2	20700	23860	3160
	Year 3	21330	24580	3250

All the member expressed that the engagement of Stipendiaries can be looked as CSR activities by the institutes and such outreach activities shall help to add up NIRF ranking of the institute, which is placed in the tribal belt of Odisha. However, the members felt that there should have an Impact Analysis on value addition in a six month time frame by the Department of Humanity. In a phased manner the Stipendaries and trainees, engaged in the Institute, to be phased out. The selection process of Stipendary should be such that relatives of Institute's employee should not be part of the scheme.

[Annexure-A5, Page 73-78]

FC-49 (2019)-07: To approve the Minutes of 33rd BWC meeting held on 30.04.2019.

The minutes of 33rd BWC meeting of the Building & Works Committee held on 30.04.2019 is given in the Annexure and the New Project proposals with financial implications are as follows:

BWC: 33 (2019)-06: Proposal for New Projects.

1. Up gradation of two lawn tennis courts and one basketball court.

There was a proposal from students to build 2 international standard asphalt base synthetic flooring lawn tennis courts and 1 basketball court. In this regard, CPWD submitted an estimate of Rs.1,49,08,000/- (Copy enclosed as Annexure).

The BWC decided to discuss with CPWD and try to reduce the estimate as far as possible by dropping a few items from the list. It also decided to seek clarification from MHRD if this expenses can be made out of IRG.

Members felt that the estimated cost of the project is in higher side and there is a need to reduce it by truncating some of the features/items after due consultation with CPWD and the Chairperson of BOG was authorized to approve the changed estimate and it need not come again to Finance Committee as the expenditure is to be met from IRG.

2. Construction of Green House for Nursery & Research Purpose and Mud House for Organic Farming.

There was a proposal from Life Science department to construct Green House for Nursery & Research Purpose and Mud House for Organic Farming. Approximate estimated cost is Rs.37 lakhs. Detailed Speciation was attached in the Annexure.



The FC recommended the proposal t approved the proposal.

In next BWC meeting, a Prospective Planning with regards to construction project for next three years should be placed .Further it was suggested that the cash inflow for ongoing construction project to be prepared , based on commitment of fund.

3. Safety of Electrical Science, Biomedical Building and FR Building.

Electrical Science and Biomedical building was constructed by M/s UPRNN and handed over to NIT in 2013-14. The cladding material is falling down at regular intervals. Since the safety of the building is at stake. This matter was already discussed in 29th BWC meeting and it was decided to engage CPWD for safety assessment of above mentioned building with remedial measure. But the report from CPWD is still awaited. For preventive measure works for putting the fencing around the electrical science building was started and the same works for bio- medical building is yet to be started.

Six blocks of faculty residence (constructed as part of Major Projects Phase - I) is in severe distress. Continuous leakage of sewage from concealed drainage line and the sunken slabs for a long time is affecting the strength and durability RC structural elements of the building in addition to the damage of public health and hygiene. Keeping these building unattended in such exposure condition further will lead to their premature collapse. An immediate action is necessary to protect these assets.

In view of the above, it was proposed to hire a renowned consultant for safety assessment of above mentioned buildings.

The BWC approved the proposal.

Members felt that CPWD to be approached once more to study to improve the safety of the said building and simultaneously notice to be served to the M/ S UPRNN on the matter of poor construction leading to falling of cladding material and causing serious safety issues.

(5) Issues regarding construction of Golden jubilee building

It has been found that some cracks were developed in the cantilever slabs on the north, south and west side of the building at various levels and the matter was immediately brought into the notice of our consultant M/S Inform Architects and the contractor M/S SPCL (ref. Letter of Dr. A.K. Panda Nos. NITR/CT/AKP/16/L/142 dated 31/03/2016 and NITR/CT/AKP/16/L/385 dated 31/08/2016). Structural group of M/S Inform Architects visited the site on 29/03/2016 and submitted a technical report on the crack via email dated 13/04/2016. In their report M/S Inform Architects have indicated some construction flaws as the reason for these cracks. From the available documents, it is observed that M/S Inform Architects have submitted some strengthening scheme



for west side balcony. This retrofitting scheme was forwarded to M/S SPCL for their comment (ref. NITR/CT/AKP/16/L/239 dated 03/06/2016). However, there is no record available on further action about this strengthening scheme. M/S Inform Architects have further confirmed via email dated 28/08/2016 that design is safe and sound for north and south balconies. NIT Rourkela has requested M/S SPCL (through a letter No. NITR/CT/AKP/16/L/394 dated 26/09/2016 issued by Dr. A. K. Panda) to put hold on the flooring work of cracked cantilever slabs of Golden Jubilee Building.

At present work is completed on all the fronts except for west side balcony. An internal review of the structural drawings has revealed that flexural cracks developed due to inappropriate placement of supports on the cantilever slab at west side balcony. However, the cracks on the soffit or top of the sunken slab near the west side balcony may be due to inadequate shear design as pointed out by M/S SPCL (ref. letter of M/S SPCL No. SPCL/1067/NITR/17-18/0928 dated 22/09/2017). NIT Rourkela unsuccessfully tried to engage third party expert to find out a way forward ensuring the safety of the structure. At this situation, any one of the following actions were proposed:

- (1) Allow M/S SPCL to complete their work including the cracked slabs and complete the project within the time limit given to them considering the non-progressive nature of the crack. The structural evaluation (and retrofitting if required) can be conducted by a third party after the completion of the project keeping the responsibility of this defect to both M/S SPCL and M/S Inform Architects.
- (2) Ask M/S SPCL to complete the project including fixing the problems associated with the developed cracks within the given time and handover the building.

It was appraised that a committee has already been constituted to look into the above matter. The BWC decided to wait till the report of the committee is received.

All the members were concerned about completion of construction work of the Golden Jubilee building and suggested to send notice to M/S Inform Architects to give solution for the crack portion of the building which is to be implemented by M/S SPCL in a specific time frame to be allowed by BWC. Further, it was stressed upon that the future capital expenditure to be planned in proper way.

[Annexure-A6, Page 79-85]

FC-49 (2019)-08: To approve the Minutes of 34th BWC meeting held on 24.05.2019.

The minutes of 34th BWC meeting of the Building & Works Committee held on 24.05.2019 are given in the Annexure and the New Project proposals with financial implications are as follows:



BWC: 34 (2019)-02: Proposal for New Projects.

3) Construction of 33/0.433 KV sub-station for Golden Jubilee Building.

An estimate of Rs.69,80,425/- was made for construction of sub-station for golden jubilee building, the details of which was given in Annexure.

In principle it is approved. However, 80% of the estimated amount to be spent in Current FY and remaining 20% amount to be spent in next FY.

Recommended for approval in BOG.

BWC: 34 (2019)-03: Proposal for approval of Deviation and extra items for various works:

1. Extra Items for Construction of Major Project Phase (II)

The work order for the above work was issued to M/s Shapoorji Pallonji Co (P) Ltd. at value of **Rs.302.82 crores**. During the course of the execution, it has been found necessary to execute some items which are not contained in the BOQ. As such, these become extra items. Since most of the items are substitute items, no additional fund is necessary. The extra items statements are given in the Annexure.

During the course of execution, it is decided to provide some additional items such as aluminum roller, aluminum sliding windows, Armstrong metal false ceiling, parquet flooring etc. which were not envisaged in the original scope of work. Hence these have become extra items. Since most of the extra items are substitute items, no additional fund is necessary. The estimated cost of the same comes to **Rs.29.11 Lakhs**.

2. Deviation for construction of a RCC Reservoir Sump and Connecting Pipe line.

The deviation statement for construction of RCC reservoir and connecting pipe line is given in the annexure. The work was awarded to M/s Sarat Sahoo vide work order no. NITR/PWWO/CT/15/18-19/17 dated 30.08.2018 for value **Rs.53,40,954/-**.

During the course of execution due to adverse site condition, revision of drawing and design there has been deviation in the quantity indicated in the bill of quantities as per contract. However, the overall deviation amounts to **(+) 15.27%**

In this context member felt the ministry comment vide file no.14-13/2019-TS-III dt.29/04/2019 should be taken into account and accordingly ministry to be appraised that 25% deviation in



the estimated cost is permissible as per general contract Clause-12 of CPWD.

Members felt, even though the deviation is within limit, stipulated as per general contract Clause-12 of CPWD, it is essential that in tendering process, there should be some clause on site condition inspection by the prospective contractor before quoting the price for the work.

BWC: 34 (2019)-04: Discussion on Arbitration Proceeding No.20/2018 M/s. Udra Construction Pvt. Ltd.

- 1) Arbitration Proceeding No.20/2018 M/s. Udra Construction Pvt. Ltd., Versus National Institute of Technology & others. They claimed an amount of Rs.7,53,795/- (in the form of Bank Draft) as Arbitrator's Fee as assessed by the Advisory Council on 22.04.2019 in the name of "The High Court of Orissa Arbitration Centre".

Total Arbitrator's Fee assessed by the Advisory Council is Rs.7,53,795/-.

Claimant – Rs.3,76,897.50(p)

Respondents – Rs.3,76,897.50(p)

Further, they claimed to deposit Rs.25,000/- in the Account Section of Orissa High Court (in the form of Bank Draft) as Administrative Cost in favour of "Registrar (Judicial), Orissa High Court" payable at SBI, Main Branch, Cuttack.

Total administrative cost is Rs.25,000/-

Claimant – Rs.12,500/-

Respondents – Rs.12,500/-

BWC noted the fact and the BWC was advised, after consultation with Mr. Nirod Kumar Sahoo, advocate Odisha high court, that the Institute should try for out of the court settlement, if the agency restrict their claim only for the balance security deposit amount with bank interest incurred against that FD. Otherwise, the institute will context the case if the agency is not agreed to above said proposal.

- 2) Discussion on Arbitration Proceeding No.26 of 2019 date:07/03/2019 filed by M/s Shapoorji Pallonji Ltd. vrs NITR.

Arbitration Proceeding No.26 of 2019 date:07/03/2019 filed by M/s Shapoorji Pallonji Ltd. for clamming an amount of Rs. 2.00 Crs. Mr. N. K. Sahoo, Institute Paneled Advocate, Odisha High Court filed a preliminary objection on behalf of the Institute.



BWC noted the above proposal. However, after detailed discussion with Mr. Nirod Kumar Sahoo, Institute's panelled advocate, Odisha high court, BWC was advised that institute may continue the arbitration proceedings.

Noted the fact.

BWC: 34 (2019)-05: Proposal for Installation of Solar Light Post in the Campus.

Solar Light post installments in the Camps (selected location) @ Rs.21,000/- approximately with all taxes which include installation fixing.

Height of Lamp Post = 20', 15W LED, 75 AH Battery, Solar Pannel: 2.1/2' x 2'

Looking into the benefit of harnessing the natural resource like sunlight and cost/unit of lamp post all the members appreciated the proposal to install 200 units of lamp post in first phase at the places where the electricity lighting are not available. However in second phase this work to be wide spreaded in the campus and special fund allocation is to be made for the purpose, as this project shall help to contribute in a positive way during accreditation process of the Institute.

The FC discussed on the issues.

All the members appreciated the proposal which is the need of the hour. Approved Rs42.0 lakhs (appx.) to implement such project in first phase and subsequently more fund should be allocated for this purpose and the government agency like ORIDA may be contacted to install such independent solar lamp post .

[Annexure-A7, Page 86-92]

FC-49 (2019)-09: Proposal to consider and approve of one dedicated vehicle for Registrar of the Institute through outsourcing mode adopted by Transport Section of the Institute to create facility for his mobility.

The nature and services provided by Registrar needs the transport facility, as the nature of most of his jobs are of emergency nature and the expenses may be meet from Institute Transport head.

The agenda was withdrawn.



FC-49 (2019)-10: Proposal for Revision of TA/DA for Project/Contractual Staff and Students for FC/BOG.

Existing rules for payment of TA/DA to the Project/Contractual staff and students were approved by the BOG vide Resolution No-BOG-23(2010)-05, dated 09/07/2010 based on the recommendation of the FC vide Resolution No.F.C-12(2010)-07, dated 09/07/2010.

Considering increase in cost over the past 9 years, it is proposed to revise TA/DA for Project/Contractual Staff and Students w.e.f 1st July 2019 as follows:-

Existing Rate:

TA / DA for contractual staff of the institute/pdf/research associates including staff engaged in SRICCE projects:

MINIMUM QUALIFICATION REQUIRED FOR THE CONTRACTUAL OR PROJECT POST	COMPARABLE/ ENTITLED PAY BAND	TRAVEL WITH INSTITUTE FUND */ TRAVEL WITH SPONSORED FUND			
		Journey	Accommodation	Fooding	Local Travel
Staff appointed on contract basis against a regular post	Same as applicable for the regular position.				
	Equivalent Pay Band	Class	(Rs.)	(Rs.)	(Rs.)
M. Tech. / Ph. D	PB – 3	II AC	1500	200	150
MBA/CA/ICWA/LLB	PB – 3	II AC	1500	200	150
P. G. in Arts / Sc./Com. B. Tech. / B. Pharma	PB – 3	II AC	1500	200	150
B. Sc. (1 st Class) / Dip. in Engg. / Pharmacy	PB – 2	II AC	500	150	100
All other staff	PB – 1	III AC	300	100	50

TA / DA FOR STUDENTS:

CATEGORY OF STUDENTS (Course enrolled in)	TRAVEL WITH INSTITUTE FUND		TRAVEL WITH SPONSORED FUND				Comparable/ Entitled Pay Band
	Journey	Food + Accommodation per day (Rs.)	Journey	Accommodation (Rs.)	Food (Rs.)	LT (Rs.)	
B. Tech. / M. Sc.	II SL	200 / day	III AC	300	100	50	PB-1
M. Tech. / M. Tech. (R)	III AC	200 / day	II AC	500	150	100	PB-2
Ph. D	III AC	200 / day	II AC	1500	200	100	PB-3

Proposed Rate:

- ❖ TA/DA for contractual staff of the institute, Post Doctoral Fellows (PDFs), Research Associates (RAs) and SRFs/JRFs/other staff engaged in SRICCE projects:

❖ Minimum Qualification required for the Contractual* and Project^ Post	Journey	Lodging	Boarding	Local Travel
	Class/Mode	(Rs.)	(Rs.)	(Rs.)
MBA/CA/ICWA/LLB/MBBS/BDS M. Tech. / Ph. D	II AC / AC Taxi	2000	750	300
P. G. in Arts / Sc./Com. B. Tech. / B. Pharma / B. Arch.	III AC / Non-AC Taxi	1250	600	300
B. Sc. (Hon's) / Dip. in Pharmacy / Dip. in Engineering /		750	500	200
Any other (lower) Qualification	II SL / Non-AC Taxi	450	300	100

- ❖ Entitlement of staff appointed in Institute on contract basis against a regular post will be same as applicable for the corresponding regular position against which contractual appointment is made without consideration of qualification of the contractual staff.

^ Staff engaged in any project of SRICCE are not entitled for any TA/DA from the institute fund except when specifically sent on institute work with approval of Director.

- ❖ TA/DA for Students (Institute Fund):

Category of Students	Journey	Lodging	Boarding	Local Travel
	Class/Mode	(Rs.)	(Rs.)	(Rs.)
PhD	III AC / Non-AC Taxi	750	250	nil
M. Tech. (R) / M. Tech.	III AC / Non-AC Taxi	600	200	nil
Others	II SL / Non-AC Taxi	500	150	nil

TA/DA for Students (Project/External* Fund):

Category of Students	Journey	Lodging	Boarding	Local Travel
	Class/Mode	(Rs.)	(Rs.)	(Rs.)
PhD	II AC / AC Taxi	2000	750	300
M. Tech. (R) / M. Tech.	II AC / AC Taxi	1250	600	300
Others	III AC / Non-AC Taxi	750	500	200

The FC recommended the proposal.



FC-49 (2019)-11: Any other item with the permission of the Chair.

The meeting ended with thanks to the Chair.



[Prof. P. K. Das]
Registrar and Secretary
Finance Committee, NIT, Rourkela



[Dr. Santrupt B. Misra]
Chairman
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