



National Institute of Foundry and Forge Technology

**Minutes of the
106th Meeting of the
BOARD OF GOVERNORS**

Date: February 28, 2019

Time: 3.30 PM

Venue

**Shastri Bhavan
New Delhi**



**National Institute of Foundry and Forge Technology
Hatia, Ranchi – 834 003, Jharkhand**



Minutes of the 106th meeting of the Board of Governors of National Institute of Foundry and Forge Technology, Hatia, Ranchi, held on Thursday, the 28th February, 2019 at 3:30 pm in the Meeting Room of Library, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi.

The following members were present in the meeting:

1.	Shri Ajai Choudhary Founder Member, HCL	Chairman
2.	Shri Madhu Ranjan Kumar, Joint Secretary (DL&BP) Room No.122 B-C Ministry of Human Resource Development, Department of Higher Education, Govt.of India, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi-110115	Member
3.	Smt. Darshana M. Dabral JS & FA Ministry of Human Resource Development Department of Higher Education Government of India, New Delhi 110 115	Member
4.	Professor Amol A Gokhale Department of Mechanical Engineering (Manufacturing Group) Indian Institute of Technology, Bombay IIT Area, Powai, Mumbai, Maharashtra 400076	Member
5.	Professor D. Ravi Kumar Department of Mechanical Engineering Indian Institute of Technology, Delhi Hauz Khas New Delhi 110 016, India	Member
6.	Professor M.K. Tiwari Department of Industrial Engg. and Management Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Kharagpur 721 302 (W.B)	Member
7.	Professor Amitava Mandal Dept. of ME NIFFT, Hatia, Ranchi-3	Member
8.	Professor Binod Kumar, Dept.of MME, NIFFT, Hatia,Ranchi-3	Member
9.	Professor P P Chattopadhyay Director NIFFT, Hatia, Ranchi-3	Member Secretary
10.	Professor R.K. Ohdar Prof. I/c Admin NIFFT, Hatia, Ranchi-3	Invited Member



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The meeting commenced with the warm welcome to the members of Board of Governors (BoG) by the Member Secretary. Members of BoG extended their hearty welcome to the Hon'ble Chairman of BoG, Shri Ajai Choudhary. The Chairman of BoG entrusted the Member Secretary to continue the proceeding of the meeting. Accordingly, the Agenda Items were presented and discussed as following:

Item No. I-1 **To confirm the minutes of 105th meeting of the Board of Governors (BoG), held on 26th September, 2018 at Shastri Bhavan, New Delhi.**

The minutes of the 105th meeting of the BoG as approved by the Chairman, BoG was circulated to all the members of the Board. No comment has been received from other members of the BoG on the minutes. The minutes of the meeting is furnished as Annexure 'I'.

Placed for confirmation.

Resolution: *The minutes of 105th meeting of the Board of Governors was considered to be confirmed, since no comments were received from the members on circulation of the minutes.*

Item No. I-2 **To report on the action taken on the minutes of 105th meeting of the BoG held on 26th September, 2018**

The action taken report on the minutes of 105th meeting of the BoG is furnished as Annexure 'II'.

Placed for consideration.

Resolution: *The action taken report was noted by the members.*

Item No. II-1 **To report on the activities of the institute since the 105th meeting of BoG**

The regular activities of the institute have been conducted as per schedule, except the first semester examination of B Tech and M tech students. The details of activities are furnished as Annexure 'III'.

Placed for information.

Resolution: *The BoG noted the report on the activities of the Institute.*

Item No. II-2 **To report on the activities of Placement Cell.**

The placement record of students up to February 15, 2019 is furnished as Annexure-IV.

Placed for information.

Resolution: *The BoG noted the report on the Placement of students.*

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Item No. II-3

To report the status of various court cases.

The status of Various Court Cases is furnished as Annexure 'V'.

Placed for information.

Resolution:

The BoG noted the report on the court cases. The Board advised the Institute to update the information on Court Cases in the LIMBS portal with due priority.

Item No. III-1

To consider the status of recruitment since the last Board meeting.

- (a) The Institute has conducted the selection committee meeting for direct recruitment and promotion under CAS in different faculty positions during 19th -22nd January, 2019 at Goa. The details of the recruitment process alongwith the resolutions of the selection committee will be placed on the table.
- (b) The Institute has conducted the selection committee meeting for recruitment in different Group-A positions during 27th -28th February, 2019 at Delhi. The details of the recruitment process alongwith the resolutions of the selection committee will be placed on the table.
- (c) The Institute has constituted the committees for MACP, DPC and Confirmation of employees of the Institute (Annexure-VI).

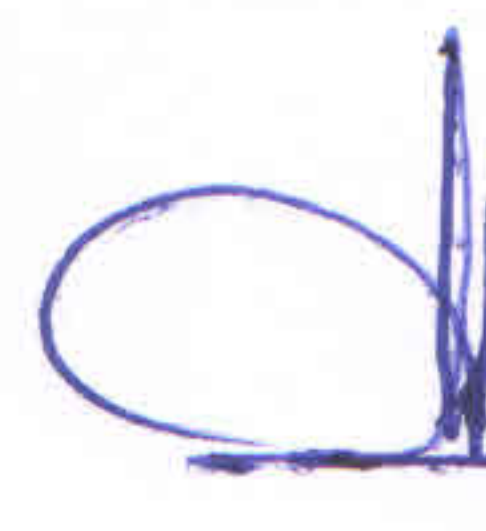
Placed for consideration and approval.

Resolution:

- (a) (i) Board noted that the current sanctioned strength of faculty is 84. As per AICTE current norms of 1:20 (for faculty) the sanctioned strength comes to 46. However, with the proposed recruitment of 14 additional faculties the faculty strength will be $36+14=50$. Board was also appraised of increase in the student strength from session 19-20 by upto 25% on account of EWS reservation. This will require corresponding increase in faculty strength. It was further brought out during the discussion that in the original stipulation with respect to CFTIs, MHRD had allowed faculty student ratio of 1:12 for CFTI as cleared by DoE Note No. Min of Fin (D/o Exp) I.D. No. F.229/JS (Per)/E.coord.1/2008 dated 19.3.2008, as dealt in MHRD F.No.22-13/205-TS.II. Based on this, the current sanctioned strength of faculty 84 was made.

In light of this, Board approved recruitment of 14 faculties in accordance with the resolution approved by selection committee during January, 2019 at Goa.

- (ii) The Board also approved the implementation of the effect of CAS promotion from the date of eligibility as per AICTE 2012 rule in the case of following faculty members in view of the resolution taken in the Selection Committee meeting held on January 21, 2019 at Goa:

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Name of the Faculty member	Present date of effect	Date of eligibility
Dr. K. K. Singh	25-08-2015	16-02-2011
Dr. R. K. Ohdar	25-08-2015	10-05-2012
Dr. S. R. Kumar	25-08-2015	08-02-2013
Dr. A. K. Pathak	25-08-2015	29-05-2013

- (b) The Board approved the recruitment of the Registrar and Deputy Registrar (one each) in Group A positions in accordance with the resolutions taken unanimously by the selection committees, in the meetings held during February 27-28, 2019 at IIT, Delhi.
- (c) The Board approved the proposed committees for conducting the MACP, DPC and Confirmation of employees of the Institute.

Item No. III-2

To consider the affiliation of the Institute under Jharkhand Technical University.

To consider the content of the letter (No. JUT-05/2018-849 dated 16.08.2018) from Director (Technical Education), Dept. of Higher, Technical Education and Skill Development, Govt. of Jharkhand (**Annexure VII A**), a special Academic Council meeting was held on 12.09.2018. In adherence with the resolutions of the academic council, the Institute had submitted an appeal to the Hon'ble Governor of Jharkhand and MHRD, GoI, in respect of maintaining the *status quo* of its affiliation under Ranchi University (**Annexure-VII B**).

The Institute had also received a copy of the letter written to the Hon'ble Chief Minister of Jharkhand by the Hon'ble Minister of Human Resource Development, GoI (**Annexure-VII C**).

In the course of the aforesaid process of persuasion, the examination schedule of the First semester B.Tech and M.Tech students are delayed inordinately.

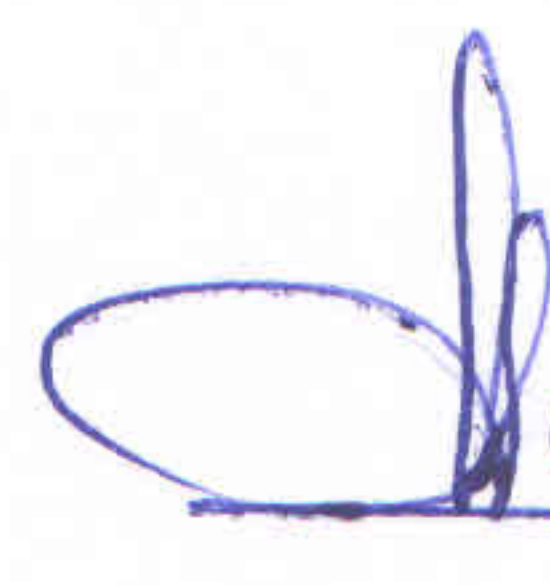
With an aim to resolve the matter, the Institute communicated a letter to the Department of Higher Education seeking the advice on the process of its affiliation under Jharkhand University of Technology (**Annexure-VII D**). The advice from the Government of Jharkhand is still awaited.

Recently, The Institute has received a letter from Government of Jharkhand mentioning the Institute cannot continue its affiliation with Ranchi University (**Annexure-VII E**).

Placed for consideration and approval.

Resolution:

Board advised the institute that it should expedite its affiliation with Jharkhand Technical University without any further delay.

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Item No. III-3 **To consider the minutes of the 105th meeting of the Administrative and Finance Committee.**

The minutes of the 105th meeting of the Administrative and Finance Committee held at Shastri Bhavan, New Delhi on September 21, 2018 is furnished as **Annexure 'VIII'** (to be placed on the table)

Placed for consideration and approval.

Resolution: *The Board approved the minutes of 106th meeting of AFC.*

Item No. III-4 **To consider the Recruitment Rule for non teaching employees.**

In accordance with the resolution of 105th meeting of BoG (**Item no.III-3**), The Institute has prepared the comparison statement of the proposed recruitment rule of NIFFT and the Recruitment Rule of NITTTR and NIT (**Annexure-IXA**). The comparison statement and revised Recruitment Rule is placed as (**Annexure-IXB**).

Placed for consideration and approval.

Resolution: *The Board advised the Institute to submit the draft Recruitment Rule to the Ministry for consideration and necessary approval.*

Item No. III-5 **To consider the current status on the cases of Grievance submitted by the employees of the Institute.**

The cases of Grievance submitted by the employees of the Institute were placed before the committee constituted in 101st meeting of BoG. The resolution of the committee in its meeting **held on 05.11.2017** is furnished in (**Annexure-XA**).

In view of the comment received from Professor M. K. Tiwari, the grievance received from Mr. R. K. Mishra, Sr. Librarian (**Annexure XB**) and concerned resolution of the grievance committee (**Annexure XC**) is placed separately.

Placed for consideration and approval.

Resolution: *The Institute is advised to refer the matter to MHRD for its consideration and thereby guidance to NIFFT. Decision of MHRD will be convey to NIFFT separately. The decision of MHRD will be place in the next meeting of the Board of Governors for consideration.*

Item No. III-6 **To consider the submission of application for Deemed University status under *de novo* category.**

In view of the current status of upgrade of Institute under NITSER Act, the Institute proposes to apply for the status of Deemed University under the *de-novo* category. The application fees stipulated by UGC in connection with application for deemed university under the *de-novo* category is Rs.15 Lakh (**Annexure-XI**).

Placed for consideration and approval.

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Resolution: *The Board approved the proposal of the Institute for submission of application for obtaining the status of Deemed University under the de-novo category. The Board also approved the payment of the stipulated application fees.*

Item No. IV **Any other item(s) with the permission of the Chair**

Item No. IV.1 **Proposal for Ministry of Steel Chair Professor at NIFFT during 2018-2023.**

Recently, in January 2019, Ministry of Steel, GoI has informed NIFFT, Ranchi that they are introducing a new 'Ministry of Steel Chair' scheme for the five (5) year duration 2018-2023, which will presently be valid from February to July 2019 (6 months). The terms and conditions, which are mostly in conformity to the previous scheme, have been sent to NIFFT, Ranchi for examination. If agreeable, MoS have further requested that NIFFT, Ranchi may submit a formal proposal for the implementation of the new scheme in its institute.

It is, therefore, proposed that NIFFT, Ranchi should respond to the intimation of MoS and send a formal proposal for continuance of the 'Ministry of Steel Chair' scheme in the institute for **2018-2023**.

Placed for consideration and approval

Resolution: *The Board approved the implementation of Ministry of Steel Chair Professor at NIFFT during 2018-2023. The Board also advised the Institute to conduct the recruitment in the position of Steel Chair Professor, in adherence with the rule, after obtaining due approval from the Ministry of Steel. .*

Item No. IV.2 **Renewal of Lease Agreement with HEC**

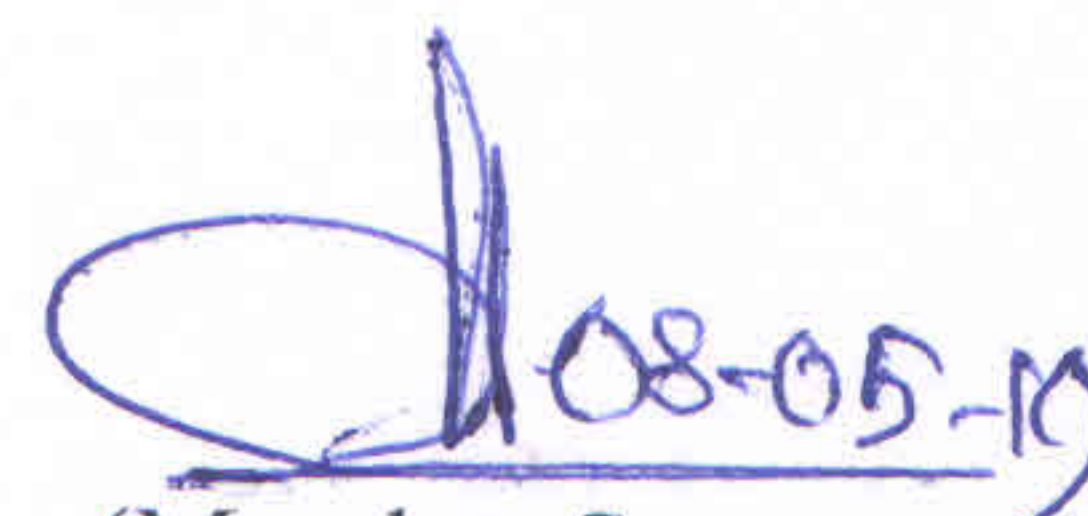
Recently the Institute has received a letter from HEC Ltd. in connection with renewal of lease agreement in respect of land belonging to HEC and in occupation of National Institute of Foundry & Forge Technology. The issue has been pursued over the years at different levels. However, the renewal of lease agreement remains pending since 1996.

(Annexure-XII)

Placed for consideration and approval

Resolution: *The Board advised the Institute to submit the detail background and current status of the Lease Agreement to the Ministry for consideration and to proceed for renewal of the Lease Agreement in accordance with the advice of the Ministry.*

The meeting ended at 5:00 PM with thanks to the Chair.


(Member Secretary)