MINUTES OF THE 38th MEETING OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE OF NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY CALICUT HELD AT THE OFFICE OF CAPGEMINI INDIA Ltd, NAVI MUMBAI ON 22nd April 2017, AT 11.00 AM

Members Present

1.	Ms. Aruna Jayanthi	Hon. Chairperson
	Hon. Chairperson, BoG, NIT Calicut	
2.	Dr Sivaji Chakravorti	Member
	Director, NIT Calicut	
3.	Shri Sanjeev Kumar Sharma	Member
	Director, NITs (Representing JS(NITs) MHRD)	
4.	Dr P.K. Rajendrakumar	Member
	Nominee of the BoG, NIT Calicut	
5.	Lt Col Pankajakshan K (Retd)	Secretary
	Registrar, NIT Calicut	

The Hon Chairperson, Finance Committee, NIT Calicut, called the meeting to order at 11 .00 am. The Director welcomed the members. The Agenda points and the decisions taken are enumerated below:-

Subject	Confirmation of the minutes of the 37 th FC meeting
FC 38.01	
Decision	The minutes of the 37 th FC meeting held on 30/03/2017 at NIT Transit House
	New Delhi were circulated among the members. Shri Sanjeev Kumar Sharma,
	Director NITs, suggested minor corrections in the minutes. The FC confirmed
	the minutes by incorporating the suggestions given by the Director NITs.
Subject	Report of action taken and action pending on the decisions taken in the 37 th
FC38.02	meeting of the FC
Decision	FC noted the report of the action taken/pending on the decisions taken at its 37 th
	meeting.
Subject	Consideration of the items of the BWC meeting dated 21st April 2017 that
FC.38.03	requires FC recommendation
	BWC.2017:02:02-Consideration of the proposal for the
	Construction of Additional Block of Ladies Hostel for 500 girls at NITC.

Decision

Decision:

The FC was apprised that the earlier estimate for the proposed Girls Hostel for 500 capacity has been reworked, the value of the estimate has been brought down from Rs.67.02 Crores to Rs.55.97 Crores with the modifications. Though the projected deficiency is approximately 550, however the NIT administration is of the opinion that with some minor modifications in the existing capacity of the hostel, the proposed capacity of 500 may cater to the projected housing requirement of 500 and above. Considering the above justification, FC recommended to the BoG the proposal for construction of additional block of ladies hostel for 500 seating capacity for an estimate of 55.97 Crores.

BWC. 2017:02:03-Consideration of the proposal for the Interior work of Senate hall & Director's room in Administrative Block of NIT Calicut.

Decision: FC was apprised that an area of 242 Sqm have been lying unutilized which is the wastage of the investment (approx. Rs 3.9 Crores) done to create the total space for Administrative block. This is particularly important because, due to lack of space the meetings of Senate, Finance Committee and Board of Governors are being held at some other venues, which create operational difficulties. The FC discussed the major components of the estimate and observed the following:-

- (a) The quality of the furniture may be good, but the preliminary estimate seems to be exorbitantly high.
- (b) The Institute should make all efforts in achieving maximum savings in the construction cost wherever it is feasible.
- (c) The work should be completed by the end of 2018 to facilitate timely utilization of the above space.

With the above remarks the FC recommended to the BoG the preliminary estimate of Rs.2.59 Crores for the interior work of Senate hall, Director's room and the Board room in Administrative Block.

BWC.2017:02:04-Consideration of the proposal for maintenance work to D-Hostel Mess hall and Kitchen 2017-18.

Decision: The FC observed that the project, on the basis of cost, falls within the Competent Financial Power of BWC. Therefore, the item was not considered in the FC meeting.

	BWC.2017:02:05-Consideration of a Building for Mega Hostel-I -Termination of the Contract.
	Decision: The FC was apprised that because of incompletion of the works, the dining block, Block A and reception block have not been put in to use, which is not only wastage of investment but has been a source of operational difficulty and causing problems for the students of NITC.
	Further M/s.Era Infra Engineering Ltd has not been carrying out any construction activities since 31 October 2016. Thus there is a requirement to get the above mentioned work completed to facilitate the utilization of above mentioned hostel facilities.
	Therefore, following are proposed to the FC: (a) Termination of contract of M/s.Era Infra Engineering Ltd. (b) To get the work done on the basis of risk and cost by any other agency.
	The FC recommended the above proposal to the BoG with the condition that the extant instructions of the Statutes and Government of India may be followed.
Subject FC 38.04	Consideration of the Rule for distribution of Institutional Overhead from Inspire Faculty Scheme of Department of Science & Technology, Government of India.
Decision	The FC was apprised that the INSPIRE Faculty is not a regular Faculty of NIT Calicut. They bring the projects from DST, GOI, and work in NIT for the duration of the project.
	FC was also apprised that the proposed mode is being followed for the sponsored project brought by the regular faculty by NIT Calicut. After detailed deliberations, the FC recommended the following to the BoG: (a) Broad structure, which is currently being followed in the case of sponsored project, may be followed in this case also. However, the component of "Personal Contingency Fund" is not required. But, there is a requirement to motivate the Inspire Faculties. The same can be achieved by facilitating the Inspire faculty and his/her team by allowing them to use the part of overheads to participate in conferences, travel etc. This may be accounted to Cumulative Professional Development Fund (CPDA). Therefore, the guidelines of CPDA may also be adopted for the

same. (b) The following would be the structure: -(i) Institutional Development Fund (IDF) - 60% (same guidelines to be followed as being followed in sponsored project) (ii) Departmental Development Fund (DDF) - 20% (same guidelines to be followed as being followed in sponsored project) (iii) Professional Development Fund (PDF) - 20% (for Inspire Faculty and his/her team. The guidelines of CPDA may be followed.) Further any deviation from the guidelines may be approved by the Director on case to case basis. Above guidelines are recommended to the BoG. FC.38.05 Consideration of the revision of remuneration for Visiting Faculty, Studio **Faculty and Jury Examiners** Director, NIT Calicut, apprised that as was desired in the 34th Finance Decision Committee meeting held on 09th August 2016, vide FC.34.08, the data of remuneration to Visiting Faculty, Studio Faculty and Jury Examiners has been asked from NIT Trichy & IIT Mumbai. NIT Trichy provides a remuneration of Rs.2000/-per hour for Visiting Faculty and Rs.5000/- per session for Studio Faculties. While IIT Mumbai has provided Rs.3000/- per hour for external experts with no limit for the day. The following proposal was again submitted for the consideration of the FC:-Category Existing scheme Proposed Scheme Other allowances to be of Renumeration Renumeration included Visiting Fauclty Inclusive of TA Category A 1500/hour 2000/hour & DA Category B 1000/hour 1500/hour **Expert Faculty** Inclusive of TA Category A 2000/hour & DA 1500/hour Category B 1000/hour 1500/hour Studio Faculty Inclusive of TA Category A 1000/hour 1500/hour Category B 750/hour 1250/hour & DA UG - 150/student UG - 200/student PG - 150/student PG - 350/student Jury Examiner Excluding TA Subject to a Subject to a & DA minimum of Rs of Rs minimum 2000/per subject 4000/- per day. The maximum remuneration is fixed at Rs. 6,000/- per day. The categorisation of Visiting Faculties, Expert faculties-Studio Faculty was

also explained to FC. The category "A" comprises Architecture professional

with 10 year or more experiences, while category "B" comprises professionals with less than 10 years, therefore the differential remunerations have been proposed.

It was also mentioned that the Architecture professionals are proposed more incentives compare to other departments to attract them.

The FC considered the proposal and in view of above justification, the FC recommended the proposal to the BoG.

The meeting concluded at 12.00 noon with vote of thanks to the Chair.