MINUTES OF THE 48th MEETING OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS

Date: **24th April 2026**

Time: **11.00 AM**

Venue:

NIT Manipur
(In hybrid mode)

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MINUTES OF THE 48th MEETING OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS (BoG) OF NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY MANIPUR HELD ON 24th APRIL 2026 AT 11.00 AM. ONWARDS IN NIT MANIPUR.

The following members were present:

Sl. No.	Members Present		Designation
1.	**Shri Bajarang Lal Bagra** Chairperson, NIT Manipur	:	Chairperson
2.	**Prof. (Dr.) DVLN Somayajulu** Director, NIT Manipur.	:	Member
3	**Shri Varun Bhardwaj** Director Dept. of Higher Education Ministry of Education, Govt. of India **(attended through Video Conferencing)**	:	Member
4	**Smt. Rangasamy Mythili** **Director (Budget)** **Ministry of Education, Govt. of India** **(attended through Video Conferencing)**	:	Member
5	**Prof Uday Kumar Dixit** Professor of Mechanical Engineering IIT, Guwathi **(attended through Video Conferencing)**	:	Member
6	**Prof. Lolit Kumar Singh** Professor of ECE and Dean (FW) NIT Manipur	:	Member
7	**Dr. W. Vandana Devi** Assistant Professor of ECE NIT Manipur	:	Member
8	**Prof. Kh. Tomba Singh** Registrar, NIT Manipur	:	Member Secretary

The Chairperson welcomed and thanked all the members of the Board of Governors for sparing their valuable time to attend 48th Board meeting of NIT Manipur in hybrid mode at NIT Manipur and briefed various activities related to infrastructure development of this campus to the members and placed on record the services rendered by members of MoE, Smt. Garima Sharma, Deputy Secretary and Shri Narayansingh Bist, Director (Finance) and welcomed new members of the Board, Shri Varun Bharadwaj , Deputy Secretary, MoE and Smt. Rangasamy Mythili, Director (budget), MoE. Later, Chairman of the Board permitted Director, NIT Manipur to present the agenda items.

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Item No. 48.1	**To consider and confirm the minutes of the 47th meeting of the Board of Governors of the National Institute of Technology Manipur, held on 16th December, 2025, at the NIT Transit House, New Delhi (in hybrid mode).** The minutes of the 47th meeting of the Board of Governors of the National Institute of Technology Manipur, held on 16th December 2025, at the NIT Transit House, New Delhi (in hybrid mode) were circulated to all members of the Board. **No comments/observations were received.** The minutes are placed at ***Annexure–1*** for kind perusal. **Resolution(s):** ***RESOLVED THAT*** *the minutes of the 47th meeting of the Board of Governors held on 16th December 2025 are confirmed.*
Item No. 48.2	**To consider and confirm the minutes of the 46th meeting of the Board of Governors of the National Institute of Technology Manipur, held on 9th December, 2025, at the Director Chamber, NIT Manipur (in hybrid mode).** The minutes of the 46th meeting of the Board of Governors of the National Institute of Technology Manipur, held on 9th December 2025, at the Director Chamber, NIT Manipur (in hybrid mode) were circulated to all members of the Board. **No comments/observations were received.** The minutes are placed at ***Annexure–2*** for kind perusal. **Resolution(s):** ***RESOLVED THAT*** *the minutes of the 46th meeting of the Board of Governors held on 9th December 2025 are confirmed.*
Item No 48.3	**To consider the Action Taken Report(s) on the resolutions of 46th and 47th meeting(s) of the Board of Governors, held respectively on 9/12/2025 and 16.12.2025 in hybrid mode at NIT Transit House, New Delhi and Director Chamber, NIT Manipur.** Action Taken Report(s) on the resolutions on the decisions of 46th and 47th meeting(s) of the Board of Governors, held on 09/12/2025 and 16.12.2025 respectively are placed in **[Annexure 3].** **Resolution(s):** Noted the actions taken against the resolutions of 46th and 47th BoG meetings. Board suggested the following suggestions on actions taken on items 46.2 and 47.2 a) **Item 46.2**: Board suggested to take immediate termination of the employee Mr Shirram Mishra. b) **Item 47.2**: Director appraised to the members that the Institute received the Writ petition 292 of 2026, dated 17th April 2026 on the suspension of Mr L Dorondro Singh and presented various actions taken as on date. Upon discussions, Board suggested to file affidavit immediately by taking support from already engaged legal advisors & Senior Panel Counsel for Govt. of India, High Court of Manipur, ii) complete the enquiry and present report in the next Board meeting.

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Item. 48.4

To consider and confirm the minutes of the 40th meeting of the Senate of the National Institute of Technology Manipur, held on 23rd February, 2026, at the Director's Chamber, NIT Manipur (in hybrid mode).

The minutes of the 40th Senate the National Institute of Technology Manipur, held on 23rd February 2026 at **the Director Chamber is enclosed in Annexure 4.**

Resolution(s):

RESOLVED THAT *the minutes of the 40th Senate of the National Institute of Technology Manipur held on 23rd February 2026 are confirmed with the condition that there are no financial implications on the decisions taken on the agenda items.*

Board suggested to place the minutes of Senate in next FC meeting.

Item 48.5

To consider and approve the confirmation of faculty members who have completed their probation period.

Committees were constituted vide Office Order No. **NITM.1/(2a-Estt)/MP/REG/2023(Pt)/R-1622 dated 30/12/2025** to examine and recommend confirmation of faculty members who have completed the probation period.

Each faculty member of the Department submitted a one-page summary of their work and made a presentation before the Committee. Based on the presentations and interaction with the experts, the Committee has recommended that probation be declared successfully completed from the date of completion of one year of service in respect of the following four faculty members.

S No	Faculty name	Designation	Joining Date
1	Prof. Lourembam Lolit Kumar Singh	Professor (ECE)	20/08/2024
2	Dr. Loitongbam Surajkumar Singh	Associate Professor (ECE)	01/08/2024
3	Dr. Prabhat Kumar	Assistant Professor (ME)	01/08/2024
4	Dr. Sabindra Kachhap	Assistant Professor (ME)	01/08/2024

The committee constituted for CSE reviewed the progress and suggested to work for some more time for the following candidate:

S No	Faculty name	Designation	Joining Date	Recommendations
1	Dr Oinam Bidyapathi Chanu	Assistant Professor (CSE)	20/08/2024	Based on interaction with the applicant, committee recommended not to confirm her probation & suggested to work more and attend next time.

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In addition, review by the committee for 09 (nine) more faculty in various departments held on 18th April 2026 were also presented.

Resolution(s):

- Based on the recommendations of the Review Committee(s) constituted for various Departments, it is recommended to confirm the service of the following 13 (thirteen) faculty members:

S. No	Faculty name	Designation	Joining Date
1.	Prof. Lourembam Lolit Kumar Singh	Professor (ECE)	20/08/2024
2.	Dr. Loitongbam Surajkumar Singh	Associate Professor (ECE)	01/08/2024
3.	Dr. Prabhat Kumar	Assistant Professor (ME)	01/08/2024
4.	Dr. Sabindra Kachhap	Assistant Professor (ME)	01/08/2024
5.	Dr Mayengbam Sunil Singh	Associate Professor (CE)	19.10.2023
6.	Dr Khwairakpam Sachindananda	Assistant Professor (Level) 12 (CE)	19.10.2023
7.	Dr Khelchandra Thongam	Associate Professor (CSE)	19.10.2023
8.	Dr Khundrakpam Johnson Singh	Assistant Professor (Level 12) (CSE)	19.10.2023
9.	Dr Benjamin A Shimray	Associate Professor (CE)	19.10.2023
10.	Prof Aheibam Dinamani Singh	Professor (ECE)	19.10.2023
11.	Dr Kalyan Mondal	Assistant Professor (ECE)	19.10.2023
12.	Dr Sunil Pandey	Associate Professor (Mathematics)	19.10.2023
13.	Dr Sagolsem Lenin Singh	Associate Professor (Physics)	19.10.2023

- Recommended to conduct the performance review again for the candidates a) Dr Oinam Bidyapati Devi, Assistant Professor (Level 11) in CSE and b) Dr K Somorjit Singh, Assistant Professor in (Level 10) in Mathematics and submit their performance reports for approval of the Board.

- Recommended to communicate the suggestions given by the committee to the Candidate Dr Sorokhaibam Nilkanta Meitei, Assistant Professor in EE (Level 10) by following Act and Statutes.

Item 48.6

To discuss and approve the recommendations of the review committee for appointment in various cadres of Visiting professors/Adjunct professors /Professor of Practice.

Institute gave rolling advertisement for appointment in various cadres of Visiting Professors/Adjunct professors/Professor of Practice as per resolutions of 42nd Board meeting in the month of August 2025.

Institute level review committee constituted with two eminent academicians and one

Industry expert along with Dean (FW) and the Director. Institute level committee met on 16.2.2026 and reviewed the recommendations received from the departments of Mathematics and Humanities and Social Sciences and recommended the following candidates:

S No	Name of the Candidate	Post Recommended	Dept. Name
1	Prof Rajendra Kumar Sharma (Retd. Faculty from IIT Delhi)	Adjunct Professor	Mathematics
2	Prof N D R Chandra	Adjunct Professor	HSS(English stream)
3	Dr Kingsuk Sarkar	Adjunct Associate Professor	HSS (Management)

The brief biodata along with the recommendations of the Institute level review committee are given in **Annexure -6**.

Resolution(s): Approved the recommendations of the Institute level committee for the appointment of 02 (Two) Adjunct Professors and 1(One) Adjunct Associate Professor, in the Departments of Mathematics and HSS for a period of two years with the terms and conditions approved earlier vide resolutions of item 42.11 of 42nd Board Meeting.

Item 48.7

To discuss and approve the recommendations of the proceedings of the Selection committee for recruitment of Assistant Professors (Grade II – Level 11) in the Departments of Civil Engineering, Computer Science& Engineering, Electronics and Communication Engineering, Mechanical Engineering, Electrical Engineering and Mathematics.

Institute gave notification vide reference No. NITM.1/(2a-Estt)/MP/REG/2019/R- 1715 Date:28/01/2026) to submit the application forms from the eligible faculty who are working at NIT Manipur as Assistant Professors (Grade II, Level 10) for four vacant posts (UR-02, OBC-1 and SC-1). There were 07 total posts available. Out of 7 (seven) posts, 3 (three posts) were already filled.

Before discussion of this item, one of the internal Board member was recused as part of this agenda item as she was applicant for the post of Assistant Professor (Grade II, Level 11). Total of Seven (07) applications were received within the specified deadline from various Departments (Civil Engineering (01), Computer Science and Engineering (01), Electronics and Communication Engineering (02), Mechanical Engineering (01), Electrical Engineering (01) and Mathematics (01)). Panels of experts, as per Statutes, for various Departments were approved by the Chairman.

Selection committees were constituted and scheduled presentations followed by Interviews on March 28, 2026 and all seven were attended. Selection committee recommendations of various Departments were presented in the meeting. Institute followed guidelines without any deviation for this recruitment and enclosed the filled

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check list received from MoE on September 25, 2025 for the faculty recruitment of Assistant Professor (Grade II, Level 11) (**refer Annexure I).**

Summary of the Proceedings of the Selection committee recommendations of various Departments for the post of Assistant Professor (Grade II, Level 11) are given below:

S No	Department Name	Post Name	Candidate Name	Selected Category
1	Civil Engineering	Assistant Professor (Grade II, Level 11)	Dr Nabajit Sarkar	UR
2	Computer Science & Engineering	Assistant Professor (Grade II, Level 11)	None found Suitable	-
3	Electronics and Communication Engineering	Assistant Professor (Grade II, Level 11)	Dr Wankheirkpam Vandana Devi	OBC
4		Assistant Professor (Grade II, Level 11)	Dr Manoj Kumar	SC
5	Electrical Engineering	Assistant Professor (Grade II, Level 11)	Dr Sorokhaibam Nilkanta Meitei (OBC) (under Schedule E)	OBC
6	Mechanical Engineering	Assistant Professor (Grade II, Level 11)	Dr Ashutosh Kumar Singh	UR
7	Mathematics	Assistant Professor (Grade II Level 11)	None found suitable	-

Hence, members of the Board are requested to consider and approve i) the selection committee proceedings, ii) permit the Institute to announce the results and issue appointment orders to the selected candidates and iii) approve to give advertisement for the vacant faculty positions of Assistant professors (Grade II, Level 10).

Resolution(s): Upon deliberations, the following are the decisions taken:

i. Approved the *proceedings of the selection committees of various departments for the recruitment of Assistant Professors (Grade II, Level 11).*
ii. *Permitted to announce and issue appointment orders immediately.*
iii. *Approved to issue Advertisement immediately for the recruitment of vacant positions of Assistant Professor (Level 10) by duly updating the roster and complete the recruitment process preferably before beginning of next academic year.*

In addition, Board also approved to issue Advertisement for vacant non-teaching posts by updating rosters and complete the recruitment process preferably before beginning of next academic year.

Item 48.7 — **To discuss and approve to issue notification for the recruitment of Professors in (HAG) as per flexible four tier structure and recruitment rules of NIT system and conduct review of the received applications by the external committee with eminent experts.**

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	Internal faculty of NIT Manipur serving at the position of Professors who completed minimum six years of experience at the Institute at the level of Professor are eligible to apply for the post of Professor – HAG scale (Pay level 15) as per four tier flexible structure and NIT Statutes. Members of the Board is requested to issue internal notification and conduct review of the received applications through external review committee with eminent experts from the Institute of repute. **Resolution(s):** Approved to issue notification for the Post of Professor (HAG) by strictly following the eligibility conditions and present the recommendations of duly constitute Selection Committee as per Statutes in the subsequent Board meeting.
Item 48.9	**Ratification of starting of Dual degree programme from AY 2026-27 at NIT Manipur.** As part of NEP 2020, commencement of the Dual degree programme will help in enhancing interdisciplinary oriented courses and collaboration with reputed IITs. Institute earlier already signed MoUs earlier with four IITs (IIT Madras, IIT Guwathi, IIT Hyderabad and IIT Jodhpur) to pursue a few courses by interested NIT Manipur students in the Final year as part of internships/Projects. To strengthen academic collaboration and provide opportunities for the students, it is proposed to start five year dual degree programme in the existing five engineering disciplines with intake of 10 seats each. This item was discussed at length in the 40th Senate Meeting held on 23rd February 2026 vide item No 40.6 and item No 40.10 As the Institute needs to submit the Seat matrix to CSAB as part of B Tech Admission process before 10th March 2026, Institute obtained approval from the Chairman to start a five year B Tech Dual degree programme in existing five engineering Departments with intake only 10 seats each. Details are provided in **Annexure- 7.** Members of the Board is requested to consider and ratify the proposal. **Resolution(s):** Ratified the proposal of starting Dual Degree programme from the Academic Year 2026-27 without any financial implications.
Item 48.10	**Information items:** **a) Progress of Campus infrastructure development** **b) Progress of Accreditation of Eligible Programmes under NBA.** **c) Status of recruitment of teaching and non-teaching posts** **d) Progress of EAPs and ESDPs training activities under MSME ESDP scheme "Project Street Vendor Entrepreneurship Programme"** **e) Steps initiated to provide alternate hostels for students during rainy season** **f) Establishment of Computer Laboratory, Language Lab and Open Source Labs.** **g) Details of MoUs signed with Institutions/Industries.**

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a) Progress of Campus Infrastructure development: As per the directions from MoE and support from the State Govt. of Manipur, the Institute has shifted the entire Computer Science Department the building, with sufficient class rooms and Labs, at Salam Campus, Patsoi, Imphal. Institute is also pursuing with State Govt. of Manipur to provide adequate land at suitable place for building new campus infrastructure as per the directions of MoE. Also the Director and Registrar have attended the meeting organized by Chief Secretary, Govt of Manipur for which Secretary, MoE has chaired the meeting held in the month of January 2026.

b) Progress of Accreditation of Eligible Programmes under NBA: Visiting team, consisting one Chairman and 6 subject experts visited NIT Manipur during March 13-15, 2026 to assess the performance of three eligible undergraduate programmes.

c) **Status of recruitment of teaching and non-teaching posts:** Institute has completed the scrutiny of applications received as part of First and Second Cohorts with reference to the Rolling advertisement issued in November 2025. Institute is waiting for clearance from the Court due to filling of case by the Contract faculty. Once clearance is given from the High Court of Manipur, it is proposed to conduct interviews immediately for the recruitment of faculty.

d) **Progress of EAPs and ESDPs training activities under MSME ESDP scheme "Project Street Vendor Entrepreneurship Programme":** Under this proposal, Institute conducted successfully 10 Entrepreneurship Awareness Programmes (EAPs) and 20 Entrepreneurship and Skill Development programmes (ESDPs) with the Agency M/s Cleveratti Skills Pvt Limited, Gurgaon, India at various training centres of Manipur State. The Institute received overhead of Rs 56,000/- and transferred to IRG Account. MSME gave grant of Rs 27 lakhs to conduct these programmes at Manipur.

e) Steps initiated to provide alternate hostels for students during rainy season: Institute is finding different hostel accommodation to accommodate students currently staying in Hostel 2 and Hostel 3 as these Hostels will have serious problems during rainy season.

f) Establishment of Computer Laboratory, Language Lab and Open Source Labs: As per the recommendations of the Board, Institute has procured 75 computer systems and established one new computer Laboratory at Salam Campus and Language Lab/Open Source Lab for imparting Soft skills and skills on usage of open source tools for students at NIT Manipur campus. Remaining systems were assigned to different Administrative and other sections for usage as per recommendations of FC and BoG.

g) Details of MoUs signed with Institutions/Industries: Institute signed MoU with IIT Jodhpur on 20.2.202. The broad objectives of MoU is towards i) student internship

	opportunities, ii) direct Ph.D admissions for meritorious students without GATE score and iii) joint research proposals. **Resolution(s):** **a)** Noted. b) Noted. c) Noted. d) Noted. e) Noted. f) Noted. g) Noted.
Item No. 48.11	**Any other item with the permission of the Chair:** Nil

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Annexure – 1

CHECKLIST FOR FACULTY RECRUITMENT of Assistant professor (Grade II, Level 11) at NIT Manipur

Institute has prepared this Check list as per the directions of the Board by following the template received through e-mail from the Ministry of Education on September 29, 2025.

Pre-Selection (Advertisement State)	Response from NIT Manipur
(i) Whether reservation roster approved by BoG?	Prepared by the Institute Roster Committee and approved by the Competent authority.
(ii) Has roster been prepared by dividing post into Pre CEI-Act i.e. filled up post and application of roster on vacant post as on date of implementation of CEI Act i.e. 09.07.2019	Yes.
(iii) No. of recruitment done after implementation of CEI Act	Conducted Two times for the post of Assistant professor (Level 11)
(iv) Have Backlog vacancies been included in the Current recruitment?	Not Applicable for this notification
(v) Category-wise and post-wise break up of vacancy chart.	UR-02; OBC-01; SC:01
(vi) Whether Note 1 (5) is being used in current recruitment?	Yes.
(vii) Whether Justifications for inclusion of Note 1 (5) has been approved by BoG?	Not placed for this post as approval was taken prior to September 29, 2025. Will be taken approval from BoG in future recruitments.
(viii) No. of internal candidates eligible against vacant positions?	As per Act and Statutes, Assistant Professor (Grade II, Level 11) are only for internal candidates
(ix) Whether for movement from level 10 to level 11, only internal candidates are included or External application have also been invited.	Notification was issued only for Internal candidates as per Act and Statutes.
(BoGs minutes should- (i) include number & category of posts being advertised. (ii) Include confirmation on pre-selection points.	Approval was taken to issue advertisement vide item 42.14(c) of 42nd BoG minutes. Institute Roster Committee and ACoFAR recommended the vacant posts by following the roster for this cadre. Notification was issued to call for applications on 28.1.2026.

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Post-Selection (Appointment Stage)	Response from NIT Manipur
(i) Breakup of shortlisted internal & external Candidates.	Internal Candidates: 07 External Candidates: 00 (as this post earmarked for internal as per Statutes)
(ii) Shortlisting criteria for internal & external candidates? Whether criteria for internal candidates and external candidates is same? Reasons for any deviation?	Strictly followed required minimum credit points of 10 for the post of Assistant Professor (Level 11).
(iii) Has enough Participation of candidates been received against reserved vacancies?	Not Applicable as the Post of Assistant professor (Grade II, Level 11) is for internal candidates.
(iv) Whether reservation has been complied with? No. of reserved posts being filled?	Yes. Filled 1(OBC) and 1(SC) under this level 11 as per vacant posts.
(v) Whether reasons for not eligible and not- shortlisted candidates displayed on website?	Not Applicable as this recruitment is not through Open Advertisement as per Statutes.
(vi) Grievances / Complaints / Court Cases associated or pending in the current recruitment matter?	Nil for this post.
(vii) Any case of conflict of interest of team associated with shortlisting and Selection Committee.	No
(viii) Whether eligibility of internal and external Candidates checked carefully?	Yes
(ix) Number of candidates from IITs and other CFTIs?	07
(x)Whether the Institute strived to maintain all India character during recruitment.	Not Applicable
(xi) Measure taken to avoid inbreeding during regular faculty selection.	Not applicable
(xii) Whether "institute of reputed" criteria has been adhered to after due decision in BoG.	Not Applicable
BoGs minutes should- (i) include the detailed justification for deviation as per above checklist. (ii) Include Department-wise list of selected candidates in the main body of the minutes along the category status. (iii) Indicate the positions remained unfilled against the initiated recruitment. (iv) Whether date of appointment is same as date of BoG in which selection result is approved.	Included all the relevant items in the minutes of the BoG for this item.

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