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GOVERNMENT OF PAKISTAN
**MINISTRY OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AND
TELECOMMUNICATION**
(Information Technology and Telecommunication Division)

NOTIFICATION

Islamabad, the 22nd December, 2025

S. R. O. 2518(I)/2025.—In exercise of the powers conferred by section 20 of the National Information Technology Board Act, 2022 (Act No. XVII of 2022), read with sections 5(4), 7, 8, 12, 13 and 23 thereof, the National Information Technology Board hereby makes the following regulations, namely:

**NATIONAL INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY BOARD (DELEGATION
OF POWERS) REGULATIONS, 2025**

1. **Short title and commencement.**—(1) These Regulations may be called the National Information Technology Board (Delegation of Powers) Regulations, 2025.

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- (2) They shall come into force at once.

2. **Definitions.**—(1) In these Regulations, unless the context otherwise requires:

- (a) “**Act**” means the National Information Technology Board Act, 2022 (Act XVII of 2022);
- (b) “**Acting CEO**” means a person appointed under the regulations to temporarily perform the duties of the CEO;
- (c) “**Board**” or “**NITB**” means the National Information Technology Board constituted under section 3;
- (d) “**CEO**” means the Chief Executive Officer of the Board appointed under section 5 of the Act; and
- (e) “**Schedule**” means the Schedule attached to these Regulations.

(2) All other terms and expressions used but not defined in these Regulations shall have the same meaning as assigned to them in the Act, rules or regulations made thereunder.

3. **Delegation of Powers.**—(1) The CEO shall perform functions and exercise powers as delegated and subject to the conditions specified in the Schedule:

Provided that if an Acting CEO is appointed in accordance with the applicable rules and regulations, the delegation of powers of the CEO shall apply *mutatis mutandis* to the Acting CEO.

(2) Where the CEO is not available at the principal office for a period exceeding seven days, such delegated powers may be exercised by an officer authorized in writing by the CEO, and such actions shall be subject to ratification by the CEO upon resumption of duties.

(3) The Board may review any matter delegated to the CEO where considered necessary.

(4) The powers delegated to the CEO shall not be further delegated to subordinate officers except with prior approval of the Board, provided that routine administrative and financial powers may be exercised by directors or officers not below the level of departmental heads in accordance with the prescribed limits.

(5) The powers delegated shall be exercised subject to the observance of applicable laws, rules, regulations, notifications, orders, and instructions issued by the Federal Government from time to time.

(6) The powers of the Board shall remain concurrent with those delegated to the CEO, and the Board may exercise such powers at any time notwithstanding their delegation. In case of any question or conflict regarding whether a function is to be performed or a power exercised by the Board or the CEO, the decision of the Board shall be final.

4. Matters requiring approval of the Board.—(1) Notwithstanding anything contained in these Regulations, the following matters shall require approval of the Board:

- (a) approval of annual budget and re-appropriation of funds between major heads of account;
- (b) approval of audited accounts and audit reports;
- (c) approval of organizational structure and creation or abolition of posts;
- (d) approval of IT projects, programs, or initiatives exceeding financial thresholds specified in the Schedule;
- (e) approval of contracts, agreements, and MoUs exceeding limits specified in the Schedule;
- (f) acceptance of foreign aid, grants, and loans;
- (g) approval of national IT policies, standards, and frameworks falling within NITB mandate; and

- (h) settlements involving policy implications or financial impact beyond limits specified in the Schedule.

5. **Saving.**—All powers, functions, and actions exercised or taken under previous delegations, notifications, or orders by the erstwhile NITB shall, to the extent not inconsistent with the Act or these Regulations, be deemed to have been validly exercised or taken.

SCHEDULE

(Delegation of Powers under section 20 of the Act, read with sections 5(4), 7, 8, 12, 13 and 23 thereof)

2. This is issued with the approval of Competent Authority.

[F. No. NITB/Act(XVII)-2022/BoD.]

MUHAMMAD ASLAM LASHARI,
Director.

Sr. No.	Nature of Power	Extent of Delegation	Remarks
1	Project Approvals & IT Initiatives	Board: Approval required for projects exceeding Rs. 25 million or involving cross-government policy implications. CEO: Full powers up to Rs. 25 million for approved projects.	Projects to comply with PC-I/PC-II approval requirements under the applicable laws of Public Procurement Regulatory Authority (PPRA).
2	Contracts, Procurement & Agreements	Board: Approval required for contracts exceeding Rs. 25 million. CEO: Full powers up to Rs. 25 million.	Subject to applicable laws of PPRA.
3	Human Resource Management	Board: Approval of creation/abolition of posts, and appointments at C-Level or equivalent. CEO: (i) Appointment, promotion, posting, transfer, and disciplinary control of officers and staff within approved structure, as prescribed under the regulations. (ii) Notwithstanding anything contained in the notification issued by the Federal Government, the CEO may create / sanction, abolish or re-designate in different cadres.	As per regulations under the Act.

4	Financial Management	Board: Approval of annual budget, re-appropriation between major heads, foreign aid utilization, and investments. CEO: Full powers of re appropriation within minor heads; sanction of expenditure up to Rs. 25 million per case.	Subject to Public Finance Management Act, 2019.
5	Legal Matters	Board: Approval of settlements implications exceeding Rs. 1 million or involving policy considerations. CEO: Full powers to institute, defend, withdraw, settle suits, petitions, appeals, and related proceedings, to appoint legal counsel where the professional fee does not exceed Rs. 1 million, and to approve settlements up to Rs. 1 million provided they do not involve policy considerations.	CEO may authorize officers to sign pleadings, affidavits, vakalatnamas.
6	Foreign & Inter-Governmental Collaboration	Board: Approval of all MoUs/agreements involving foreign governments, donors, or organizations. CEO: Full powers for operational agreements/MoUs with local entities within mandate.	Must be reported to Board.

7	Travel & Training	Board: Approval for foreign training and delegations involving expenditure exceeding Rs. 2.5 million. CEO: Approval for official travel and training up to Rs. 2.5 million.	Must be reported to Board.
8	Miscellaneous Administrative & Operational Matters	CEO: Full powers to approve day-to-day administrative, operational, and IT support matters not reserved for Board.	Subject to applicable rules/regulations.
9	Unbudgeted Expenditure Approval	Any amount exceeding Rs. 25 million that is not covered under the approved annual budget plan shall require the prior approval of the Board. Such approval may be obtained either in a meeting through the physical presence of Members or via a resolution by circulation.	