GOVERNMENT ENGINEERING COLLEGE IDUKKI
MINUTES OF THE 14th MEETING OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS

(SELECTED UNDER SUB-COMPONENT 1.1 OF TEQIP PHASE – II)

Date: 24-09-2016   Venue: GEC Idukki   Time: 10.30 hours

Members Present

1. Prof. A. Veeraragavan, IIT Madras, Chennai - Chairman

2. Prof. Abraham T Mathew, NIT Calicut   - Government Nominee

3. Prof. K P P Pillai   - AICTE Representative

4. Shri. Aby Angelose   - Joint Secretary, Higher Education

5. Prof. P. Vijayan   - Principal

6. Prof. Jalaja M. J.   - Faculty Representative

7. Prof. Sumesh Divakaran   - Faculty Representative

Prof. A. Veeraragavan, Chairman, Board of Governors presided over the meeting. The Chairman welcomed the members to the 14th BoG and invited the Principal to present the agenda items for discussions and approval.

Minutes

Part A

Procedural

Item No.A1:   Confirmation of minutes of 13th Meeting of BoG held on 12-02-2016.

Minutes of the 13th BoG meeting held on 12-02-2016 were read and confirmed.

Item No.A2:   Report on the action taken/action pending on the pertinent decisions in the Minutes of the 13th Meeting of the Board of Governors held on 12-02-2016at GEC Idukki.

The Principal presented the future expansion plans of the institution considering the introduction of new UG, PG and Research programmes. Requirements of class rooms, tutorial rooms, laboratories, seminar halls, and amenities centre and hostels were presented. Budget requirements up to 2026-

27 were also presented. It was decided to submit the master plan to the Government.

Part B

Discussion, consideration and ratification

Item No. B1: **Discussion on accreditation of UG programmes**

The NBA has stipulated the minimum eligibility criteria for an institute to apply for accreditation. The institution fails to meet these criteria and is ineligible to apply. The college lack minimum requirements such as placement rate, faculty student ratio, faculty cadre ratio and number of Ph. D holders.

Under the above circumstances, BoG suggested to withdraw the application for accreditation. It was also decided to represent the matter to Government to take necessary steps for filling up vacancy positions in the college, while continuing with all the preparatory works for accreditation.

Item No. B2: **Ratification of the various in-house training programs for the faculty, technical staff and administrative staff.**

The BoG ratified the conduct of various in-house training programmes, given in **Appendix B2,** for the faculty, technical staff and administrative staff.

Item No. B3: **Ratification of the various in-house training programs for the students.**

BOG ratified various in-house training programmes, as per the details given in **Appendix B3,** for the students.

Item No. B4: **Ratification of the various training program attended by faculty, technical and administrative staff outside the institution.**

The BoG ratified the in house training programs conducted as per the **Appendix B4.**

Item No. B5: **Ratification of procurements made**

SPFU directed to utilize 55% of the interest component of the amount in bank, for procurement activity. The institution procured 24 numbers of tablets for a total amount of 9.84 lakhs. BoG ratified the procurement.

Item No. B6: **Ratification in change of Academic Nodal Officer**

Mr. Muhammed Salih K K is given the charge of Academic Coordinator in place of Ms. Linu Shine, who got transferred. BoG approved the change of Nodal Officer.

Item No. B7: **Action plan for remaining project period**

The Principal presented the action plan for the remaining period of project. BoG approved the planned activities given in **Appendix B7**.

Item No. B8: **Ratification in purchase of consumables and minor change of Academic Nodal Officer**

BoG ratified the purchase of consumables and other minor items, as given in Appendix B8, for the TEQIP Phase II.

Part C
Reports

Item No. C1: **Status of Fund Position as on 10-09-2016**

The Principal presented the status of fund as on 31-01-2016.

Item No. C2: The status of faculty position as on 31-08-2016

The Principal presented the faculty position as on 31-08-2016.

Item No. C3: Transfer and posting after 13th BoG meeting

The Principal reported the transfer and postings after the 13th BoG.

Item No. C4: Result Analysis

The Principal presented the result analysis. The reason for failures in some subjects were discussed. This is mostly attributed to the quality of input students. Most of the students admitted to the college are having low entrance rank, which is primarily due to the floating reservation policy of the Government.

Item No. C5: Report on Remedial Classes

        The Principal presented report on the remedial classes.

Item No. C6: Major Challenges Faced

        Improving learning capabilities of academically weak students, shortage of senior faculty, shortage of staff in Laboratories, Library, Hostel and College Office, and limited building space for academic and extra-curricular activities are identified as the major challenges.

Part D

Other items with permission of the Chair

BoG considered and discussed the other items as presented below

1. Mr. Peter Abraham, Assistant Professor in Electrical & Electronics Engineering was posted in the institution after successfully completing his M Tech. from NIT, Calicut. He joined on Leave without Allowance (LWA) for M Tech. availing the leave from Rajiv Gandhi Institute of Technology, Kottayam. He requested the reimbursement of tuition fees paid at NIT, Calicut from TEQIP funds. BoG considered his request. As he joined for M Tech, availing his leave from RIT, Kottayam, TEQIP funds from this institution cannot be utilized for the reimbursement of fees. BoG decided to recommend his request and forward to SPFU for favourable action.

2. The comments and suggestions sent by Dr. K R S Krishnan, BoG member, to the Chairman, were discussed.

Actions to be taken

1. All activities under TEQIP II must be monitored and 100% utilization of funds should be ensured.
2. Master plan approved by the BOG shall be submitted to the Government.