#### GOVERNMENT ENGINEERING COLLEGE IDUKKI

# MINUTES OF THE 13<sup>th</sup> MEETING OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS

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

Date: 12-02-2016 Venue: Mascot Hotel, Trivandrum Time: 10.00 hours

#### **Members Present**

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

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

3. Dr. K P P Pillai - AICTE Representative

4. Dr. K R S Krishnan - Industry Representative

5. Mr. M. Sherif, - Additional Secretary, Higher Education

6. Mr. James Joseph, - Joint Secretary, Finance

7. Prof. K. Vijayakumar, - Director, Technical Education

8. Mr. Sajin RS, - SPFU Representative

9. Dr. Ashalatha Thampuran, - Mentor

10. Dr. P. C. Reghu Raj, - Principal

11. Prof. Jalaja M. J., - Faculty Representative

12. Dr. Sumesh Divakaran, - Faculty Representative

Prof. A. Veeraragavan, Chairman, Board of Governors presided over the meeting. The Chairman welcomed the members to the 13<sup>th</sup> 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 12<sup>th</sup> Meeting of BoG held on 05-10-2015.

Minutes of the 12<sup>th</sup> BoG meeting held on 05-10-2015 were read and confirmed.

Item No.A2: Report on the action taken/action pending on the pertinent decisions in the Minutes of the 12<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Board of Governors held on 05-10-2015 at GEC Idukki.

Principal reported the action taken on pertinent decisions in the minutes of 12<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Board of Governors held on 05-10-2015. The BoG approved the report. It was suggested to prepare the detailed master plan of the campus as a report and to circulate it among the BoG members. It should specify how much space (classrooms, seminar halls, hostels etc.) will be required to provide all facilities in 10 years, how much we have achieved now, etc. Space for general amenities, sports facilities and medical facilities to be included in the Master plan. Co-op store may be expanded so that items required by the families staying in quarters are also available.

## Part B

# Discussion, consideration and ratification

### Item No.B1: Presentation by the Principal

Principal presented the activities and gave an overview of the achievements of the college under TEQIP. BoG suggested the following

- Regarding placement, number of candidates eligible for placement is to be improved.
- Training on product design/engineering design should be given to faculty and students.
- Communication skill development programmes to be arranged for faculty.
- Entrepreneurship development activities to be organized. Principal reported that an MSME program for training the students on Entrepreneurship is scheduled on 17th Feb
- Arrange bridge courses for incoming students to improve their mathematical and programming skills.
- Regarding the feedback on remedial courses and other such programmes, collect feedback from students on why it was not excellent (good, fair etc).
- The Chairman and Dr KPP Pillai wanted IIIC activities to be improved. In this connection, the Industry representative Dr K R S

Krishnan offered to visit the college and help. IIIC Coordinator is entrusted to proceed further.

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 for the faculty, technical staff and administrative staff given in **Appendix B1**.

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

BOG ratified various in-house training programmes for the students as per the details given in **Appendix B2**.

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 B3.

Item No. B5: Ratification of presentation of a research paper at an international conference under International Travel Support Scheme.

> An application by Ms. Sreeja S, Assistant Prof. in Electrical & Electronics Engineering, for presentation of a research paper at International Conference of AIAA Guidance, Navigation, and Control at San Diego, USA under International Travel Support Scheme was received after the 12th BoG. As directed by the Chairman, the application was circulated among the BoG members after getting approval from the Screening committee. Based on the comments received, the proposal was approved by the Chairman. BoG ratified the international travel.

Item No. B6: Consideration of the various programmes planned for faculty, technical staff, administrative staff and students.

The fund position was presented by the Principal. The split up for the balance amount was presented and the BoG approved the re-appropriation of funds among various heads.

Head	Split up as per IDP (lakhs)	Expenditure	Committed	Committed + Actual Expenditure	Balance	Revised Split up * (lakhs)	Balance (including interest amount)
Procurement	550	549.85	0	549.85	0	550	0.15
Assistantship	100	93.73	8.08	101.81	-1.81	169.21	67.4
R & D	30	12.34	6.78	19.12	10.88	31	11.88
FSD	150	74.04	18.75	92.79	57.21	100	7.21
IIIC	15	11.24	8.76	20	-5	30	10
IMC	25	13.33	0.51	13.84	11.16	15	1.16
Reforms	20	11.09	1.08	12.17	7.83	13	0.83
EAP	40	26.01	4.06	30.07	9.93	37.16	7.09
IOC	70	40.42	5.32	45.74	24.26	71	25.26
Total	1000	832.05	53.34	885.39	114.46	1016.37	130.98

<sup>\*</sup> Including interest of Rs. 16.37 lakhs

Including interest of Rs. 16.37 lakhs, there is a balance amount of 130.98 lakhs. The fund earmarked for different heads/activities as given below are approved.

IOC= 25.26 lakhsAssistantship= 67.40 lakhsFor collaborative research project= 10.60 lakhsPedagogy training= 2.5 lakhsIIIM Programmes= 1.16 lakhsRemedial classes= 3.5 lakhs

Total = 110.42 lakhs

Remaining amount available for programmes = 20.56 lakhs

The BoG approved the programmes planned for faculty, technical staff, administrative staff and students given in **Appendix B6**.

#### Item No. B7: Purchase of consumables and other minor items for the TEQIP Phase II

BoG ratified the purchase of consumables and other minor items for the TEQIP Phase II as given in **Appendix B7.** 

### Part C

## **Reports**

#### Item No. C1: Status of Fund Position as on 31-01-2016

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

#### Item No. C2: The status of faculty position as on 31-01-2016

Principal presented the faculty position as on 31-01-2016.

## Item No. C3: Transfer and posting after 12<sup>th</sup>BoG meeting

Principal reported the transfer and postings after the 12<sup>th</sup>BoG.

#### Item No. C4. Report on MoU with CDAC

Principal reported the signing of MoU with CDAC, Trivandrum. The BoG approved the same.

#### Item No. C5. Report on the Symposium on Intelligent Systems and Networks

Principal presented the report on Symposium on Intelligent Systems and Networks. It was suggested to obtain ISBN number for the proceedings of conference/ symposium.

#### Item No. C6. Accreditation status of the UG programs

Principal reported that the eSAR for the 4 UG courses has been uploaded.

#### Item No. C7. Result Analysis

Principal presented the result analysis.

#### Item No. C8. Report on Remedial Classes

Principal presented report on the remedial classes.

#### Item No. C9. Major Challenges Faced

Shortage of senior faculty, technical staff, library staff, hostel staff and administrative staff, limitations (space) in setting up student amenities inside the campus are identified as the major challenges.

### Other items with the permission of the Chair

BoG considered and discussed the other items presented.

1 Principal reported that 36 students have obtained placement with 47 offers in various multinational companies like Infosys, Wipro, Emphasis, UST Global, IBS, VVDN technologies etc.

- 2. Prof. Philumon Joseph was given permission to present a paper in an international conference. Unfortunately he could not make it due to the sudden illness of close family member. However, his paper was included in the conference proceeding on a special request. He has requested for financial support for the expenses incurred for conference registration fees, visa fees etc. The issue was taken for consideration during 11th BoG meeting, and suggested to contact SPFU for further clarification. A request was sent to SPFU (Letter No. TEQIP/1366/15 dated 09/06/2015). The Director SPFU Kerala clarified (No. SPFU/143/2015 dated 27/10/2015) that in view of the efforts taken by Sri. Philumon Joseph to present paper in the conference held at Malaysia during 14-16 October 2014, expenses incurred by him in this connection may be reimbursed to him with the approval of BoG. As directed by SPFU, the matter was discussed by the BoG and decided to reimburse the amount to Prof. Philumon Joseph.
- 3. Prof. Sunilkumar P R, AP EEE joined for PhD at IISc Bangalore under QIP, but he couldn't complete the research during the QIP period of 3 years. Now, he has requested for financial assistance from TEQIP for the tuition fees of Rs. 58400/- during the period after his QIP tenure. BoG discussed the issue and rejected the request as the Ph. D was done under QIP and not under TEQIP.
- 4. Principal reported that Prof. Varghese Paul, CUSAT has taken charge as Senior Research Advisor. He visited the College and interacted with faculty and students.
- 5. The Chairman also wanted the college to take advantage of the GIAN program on academic networking coordinated by IIT Kharagpur.

## List of Actions to be taken:

1. Detailed Project Report/ Master Plan for converting GEC, Idukki to a residential campus to be presented in the next BOG