Proceeding

of

8th Meeting of Board of Governors of

Government College of Engineering, Keonjhar

(A Constituent College of BPUT, Odisha)



Date: Friday, 16th March, 2020

Venue: Seminar Hall, GCE, Keonjhar

GOVERNMENT COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING, KEONJHAR 8th Meeting of Board of Governors

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Date & Time: 16.03.2020 at 11.30 AM

Minutes

The following members of the BOG were present:

1.	Prof. Dhanusdhari Mishra, Chairman, Ex- Professor, IIT(ISM), Dhanbad	Chairman
2.	Dr. Ajay Kumar Nayak, Joint Secretary to Govt., SD&TE Department, Govt. of Odisha (Representative of Commissioner-cum-Secretary, SD&TE Dept. Govt. Of Odisha)	Member
3.	Wing. Commander Kiran Sankar Sahu, M.D. Utkal Minerals Pvt. Ltd., Keonjhar	Member
4	Dr. Banabehari Mishra, Former Prof. & HOD, D.D. Autonomous College, Keonjhar	Member
5	Dr. Ramesh Mohapatra, HOD, Mechanical Engineering, GCE, Keonjhar (nominated member of GCE, Keonjhar)	Member
6	Prof. (Dr.) Subhransu Sekhar Dash, Prof. & Head, EE Dept., GCE, Keonjhar (nominated member of GCE, Keonjhar)	Member
7.	Prof. Trilochan Sahu , Principal, GCE, Keonjhar, Ex-Officio Member	Member Secretary

The AICTE member could not attend the meeting as AICTE has not yet nominated the name of the AICTE nominee though a letter of request has been sent to RO, AICTE, Kolkata vide letter no. 658 dt. 06.04.2018.

8.1 Welcome address by the Principal and Address by the Chairman, Board of Governors

At the outset, Principal welcomed Hon'ble Chairman and the members present in the 8th BoG meeting and thanked them for attending the meeting. The Chairman, Board of Governors addressed the members present in the meeting and gave his kind consent to start the meetings as per the agenda.

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8.2 Confirmation of minutes of the 7th meeting of the Board of Governors held on 13.12.2019

The proceedings of the 7th meeting of the Board of Governors (attached as Annexure-I of the agenda notes) held on 13.12.2019 was circulated among all members, since no comment was received from any member; the proceeding of 6th BOG is confirmed.

8.3 Action Taken Report on the Minutes of the Meeting

The Action Taken Report (attached as Annexure-II of the agenda notes) on the decisions/recommendations of 7th meeting of the Board of Governors held on 13.12.2019 is reviewed and recorded.

8.4 Approval of Expenditure already incurred after 7th BOG meeting

Principal appraised the Board about various activities and the expenditures from 7th BOG to till date (attached as Annexure-III of the agenda notes) towards quality improvement in Technical Education in the college and placed the same for approval of BOG. The Statutory Audit Report for the financial year 2018-19 by SPIU and its compliance was also placed before the BOG. The BOG approved the same.

8.5 Action plan of the Quarter – 1 (April 2020 to June 2020)

Principal appraised to the members of BOG that as sought by NPIU, action plan for various activities of TEQIP-III needs to be uploaded in the portal of NPIU in each quarter of a financial year. As per requirement of NPIU, the action plan from April 2020 to June 2020 (attached as Annexure IV in the agenda notes) has already been uploaded. In the case of restoration funds from NPIU, a revised action plan may be sent including the additional grant. The BOG members went through the action plan and approved it.

8.6 Centre of Excellence by Dassault Systems through Odisha Skill Development Corporation

Principal apprised the Board that one delegate from Dassult Systems has visited the institute on 20th February 2020 for establishing a Centre Excellence in the area of Mining, Mineral and Metallurgical Engineering. The representative of the Company has been asked to submit a detail proposal with the institute in consultation with Odisha Skill Development Corporation. The same will be placed in the next board for approval.

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8.7 Centre of excellence on Mining, Mineral and Metallurgy Engineering through DMF

Principal apprised the Board that the project proposal has been submitted to the DMF and it will be placed in the coming DMF Trust Board meeting for approval.

8.8 Approval of the estimate for Repair work of Academic Block-I, Academic Block-II, Gents' Hostel Part-I and Gents Hostel Part-II of the college.

Principal apprised the Board that the colour wash of Academic Block-I, Academic Block-II and Gents' Hostel have got damaged and some crakes have developed at different places. As the NBA visit was scheduled to be conducted in the month of March/April 2020, IDCO was requested to submit the estimates for taking up these repair works. IDCO submitted the estimates as per the following.

i. Academic Block-I

Rs. 17,13,429/-

ii. Academic Block-II

Rs. 17,14,596/-

iii. Gents' Hostel Part-I

Rs. 13,79,839/-

iv. Gents' Hostel Part-II

Rs. 14,26,351/-

v. Interior works and Supply of Furniture for Computer Lab for Electrical

Branch Rs. 16,82,000/-

The expenditure will be met from the interest earned from the planned budget funds deposited in the bank. Due to urgency the administrative approval has already been extended to IDCO and work has already been started. The Board extended the post facto approval for the above works.

8.9 Approval for leave for delivering lecturer at other institutes, attending DRC meeting, final Ph.D. presentation etc.

Principal apprised the Board that many faculty members are invited to deliver talk in different engineering colleges, to attend DRC meeting and final Ph.D. presentation meeting as external examiner. These will be helpful to get scores in NBA accreditation process. Presently faculty members are allowed 15 days of leave for attending workshop conference etc. as per the decision taken in the 2nd BoG meeting. The faculty members are requesting to allow them to attend the above mentioned meetings/ deliver talk/ attending conference workshop etc. within these 15 days of leave in a year. The Board approved the same.

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8.10 Renovation of HoD cabins

Principal informed the members that there is a request from HoDs to renovate the HoD cabins with furniture, AC, projectors etc. The funds from the development fund may be utilized and the work may be carried out through IDCO. The Board approved the same. The members also approved to provide Desktop Computers to all regular and contractual faculty members and printers on sharing basis.

8.11 Statutory Audit Report of TEQIP-III programme for the financial year 2018-19 by SPIU and its Compliance

The statutory audit for the TEQIP programme for the financial year 2018-19 conducted by SPIU in June 2019 and the compliance of the audit observation was place before the Board for information.

8.12 Any other points

8.12.1 Fixation of remuneration to faculty members for teaching CISCO Networking Course, SAP Course and any other similar course

Principal informed that the institute is going to start many skill development and employability enhancing courses like CISCO Networking Course, SAP Course etc. and the faculty members after taking the training will impart the same to the students. So a remuneration of Rs.500/- per hour of class was approved and is to be disbursed either from TEQIP or from college fund.

8.12.2 Submission of research proposal to different funding agencies and Government of India Ministries

Chairman, Prof. D.D.Mishra stressed again that all the department must prepare and submit research proposals to different funding agencies like CSIR, DST, NMDC, Coal India, Board of Research on Nuclear Science, Ministry of Coal through CMPDI, Ministry of Mines etc. and requested the principal to give a notification regarding this. Dr. Ajay Nayak also stressed that every department must submit a consultancy proposal to the Industries.

8.12.3 Procurement of Photo Copy machine for the Library

For facilitating photocopy of materials from the Library, the Board approved the procurement of a good and high speed photocopier for the library. The expenditure is to be met from development fund.

8.12.4 Reimbursement of publication fee in Open Access Journal indexed in Scopus

Sri Nimai Charan Patel, Assistant Professor, Electrical Engineering has published a
research article as a second and corresponding author in "International Journal of

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Renewable Energy Research" a SCOPUS indexed Journal. He has submitted an application for reimbursement of the publication fee of 75 Euro from TEQIP fund as per the decision of the 5th BoG meeting. The Board asked to get the clarification from SPIU/NPIU regarding the permissibility of this expenditure from TEQIP grant and then place the same in the next board.

8.12.5 Contempt case in the Honorable Odisha High Court and BPUT instruction on the issue.

A decision had been taken by the BoG in its 2nd meeting held on 15.12.2018 to change the designation of Lecturer(Contractual) to Assistant Professor(Contractual) as per the Government Notification and as prevalent in other Government Institutions and a notification was published by the Principal's office in this regard. Sri Sudhansu Sekhar Mishra, Assistant Professor, Mechanical Engineering and other ten regular faculty members have filed a writ petition in Hon'ble Odisha High Court vide WP(C) no. 17313/2019 challenging the above decision of the Board and seeking to quash the same. The Hon'ble court in its order on 18.10.2019 have disposed of the writ petition and directed the opposite paty no.3 (Vice Chancellor, BPUT) to consider and dispose of representation of the petitioner in Annexure-11 of the writ petition and pass appropriate order in accordance with law within a period of three months from the date of communication of the order. The petitioners again filed a contempt case vide Cont. No. 459 of 2020 for calling upon the opposite parties and issuing show cause for contempt of the court order. On receiving the above High Court order and the contempt petition, registrar BPUT has given a letter to the Principal to withdraw the notification by the Principal in this regard. Principal informed the University that as the decision was taken by the BoG in accordance with AICTE and Government notification, the matter will be placed in the next BoG. The members expressed serious concern on the issue and asked the Principal to consult legal expert immediately and submit the reply in the Hon'ble High Court.

(Prof. Trilochan Sahu)

Principal

(Prof. Dhanusdhari Mishra)

Chairman, BoG