29th MEETING OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS

Agenda Notes



Date: 27.03.2023, Time: 6.30 pm

Venue: Online (Google meet)

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BACKGROUND

The 29th meeting of the Board of Governors of GEC Kozhikode is being convened online on the 27th of March 2023, focussing on accreditation of various programs and closing activities of TEQIP II. The agenda items are given below:

Agenda Items

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PART A

(Procedural)

A1. CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE 28TH MEETING OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS HELD ON 20.09.2022.

The Minutes of the 28th Meeting of Board of Governors of GEC Kozhikode held on 20.09.2022 was sent to the Chairman and upon his consent, copies were circulated among the other members of the BoG. A copy of the Minutes is given in Appendix I for confirmation.

PART B

B1. BRIEF SUMMARY ON THE CURRENT STATUS OF THE INSTITUTION.

The NBA expert team visited the institute from 02-12-2022 to 04-12-2022, for the accreditation of the B. Tech. Program in Electronics and Communication Engineering, M. Tech program in Computer Aided Process Design and M.Tech program in Energy Systems Analysis and Design. The detailed evaluation report is received and all three programs have been accredited for three years up to 30 June 2025.

The application process have been started for re-accrediting the four UG programs namely Applied Electronics and Instrumentation Engineering, Chemical Engineering, Civil Engineering and Mechanical Engineering for which the accreditation period is ending by 30.06.2023. The pre-qualifier for these programs have been accepted by NBA and the SAR for all four programs has been uploaded on 09-03-2023 and the accreditation fee is remitted.

Dr Leena Mary has been appointed as the Principal of the institute by the Government of Kerala. Dr Leena Mary took charge as the Principal on 07 March 2023.

The roof top solar photovoltaic power plant of 72 kW capacity installed in the institute under SOURA scheme of Kerala State Electricity Board was commissioned on 23 February 2023.

B 1.1 Programs offered in the Institute.

Currently the institute offers 6 UG and 4 PG programs. This includes the two new courses, namely B. Tech in Computer Science and Design (Intake strength 60) and M. Tech in Structural Engineering (Intake strength of 18) commenced this academic year onwards.

UG Programs

Sl. No.	Name of UG Program (Sanctioned Intake of 60)	Year of Starting	Status of Accreditation
1	Applied Electronics and Instrumentation Engineering	1999	Accredited till 30 June 2023 (SAR for re-accreditation uploaded on 09-03-2023)
2	Chemical Engineering	1999	Accredited till 30 June 2023 (SAR for re-accreditation uploaded on 09-03-2023)
3	Civil Engineering	2006	Accredited till 30 June 2023 (SAR for re-accreditation uploaded on 09-03-2023)
4	Mechanical Engineering	1999	Accredited till 30 June 2023 (SAR for re-accreditation uploaded on 09-03-2023)
5	Electronics and Communication Engineering	2012	Accredited till 30 June 2025
6	Computer Science and Design	2022	NA

PG Programs

Sl. No.	Name of PG Program (Sanctioned intake of 18)	Year of Starting	Status of Accreditation
1	Computer Aided Process Design (Chemical Engineering)	2011	Accredited till 30 June 2025
2	Energy systems - Analysis and Design (Mechanical Engineering)	2012	Accredited till 30 June 2025
3	Signal Processing (AE&I)	2012	Not accredited
4	Structural Engineering (Civil Engineering)	2022	NA

B 2. REVIEW OF NBA EXPERT TEAM VISIT REPORT.

The details of marks awarded, strengths, weaknesses and other key observations made by the NBA expert team who evaluated one UG program and two PG programs for accreditation are summarised below.

B 2.1 B.Tech in Electronics and Communication Engineering, Department of Applied Electronics & Instrumentation Engineering

Details of marks given by evaluators						
SL No	Criteria	Maximum marks	Marks awarded			
1	Vision, mission and program educational objectives	60	39			
2	Program curriculum and teaching - learning processes	120	65			
3	Course outcomes and program outcomes	120	71			
4	Students' performance	150	88			
5	Faculty information and contributions	200	144			
6	Facilities and technical support	80	64			
7	Continuous improvement	50	28			
8	First year academics	50	37			
9	Student support systems	50	35			
10	Governance, institutional support and financial resources	120	99			
	Total marks	1000	670			

Program strengths:

- 1. Faculty and staff members are enthusiastic.
- 2. Faculty retention and their participation in FDPs/STTPs are good.
- 3. All the seats are filled.
- 4. Good infrastructure for classes and laboratories.
- 5. Adequate number of qualified technical staff.

Weakness / Areas of improvement:

- 1 Teaching learning process need more attention to align with OBE.
- 2 Less initiative on feedback and gap analysis.
- 3 Lack of understanding on OBE among the stake holders.
- 4 Quality of projects is a concern.
- 5 Success rate without backlog is poor.
- 6 Placements of students in core companies require attention.
- 7 Limited participation of students outside the state events.
- 8 Assignments towards higher order thinking are weak.
- 9 No industry supported laboratories.

Deficiencies:

- 1 No sponsored core research projects and no consultancy from industry.
- 2 No visiting/Adjunct faculty appointed.
- 3 No entrepreneurs are evident during two assessment periods.

Other observations if any:

- 1 ICT facilities in classrooms and labs are not adequate.
- 2 Insufficient space for faculty cabins.

B. 2.2 M.Tech in Computer Aided Process Design, Department of Chemical Engineering

Details of marks given by evaluators						
Sl. No.	Criteria	Maximum marks	Marks awarded			
1	Program Curriculum and Teaching- Learning Processes	125	91			
2	Program Outcomes	75	49			
3	Students' Performance	75	38			
4	Faculty Contributions	75	41			
5	Laboratories and Research Facilities	75	50			
6	Continuous Improvement	75	43			
	Total marks	500	312			

Program strengths:

- 1 Faculty members are enthusiastic and student friendly.
- 2 Students are well disciplined in behaviour.
- 3 Good number of faculty members including those with Ph. D.
- 4 Technical staff is well qualified.
- 5 Students regularly go for industry internship.

Weakness/ Areas of improvement:

- 1 Projects are not adequately complex and thought provoking for the PG level.
- 2 Many courses do not have appropriate links with program outcomes.
- 3 The examinations questions do not challenge higher order thinking
- 4 The number of students admitted is low.
- 5 Industry supported laboratory not present.
- 6 Some courses are not adequately distinguished above UG level.

Deficiencies:

- 1 GATE qualified candidates are not joining the program.
- 2 Placement and higher studies are low and almost no entrepreneurship.
- 3 No placement through campus placement.
- 4 Research activities of faculty members inadequate; very little sponsored project and consultancy work
- 5 Very less Ph. D guided.

Other observations if any:

- 1 No involvement of industry in course conduct.
- 2 Industry connect of faculty members is low.
- 3 Faculty cabins shared and small
- 4 An elaborate course diary is maintained.

B 2.3 M.Tech in Energy Systems Analysis & Design, Department of Mechanical Engineering

	Details of marks given by evaluators						
Sl No	Criteria	Maximum marks	Marks awarded				
1	Program Curriculum and Teaching – Learning Processes	125	79				
2	Program Outcomes and Course Outcomes	75	54				
3	Students' Performance	75	36				
4	Faculty Contributions	75	38				
5	Laboratories and Research Facilities	75	53				
6	Continuous Improvement	75	46				
	Total marks	500	306				

Program strengths:

- 1 Vision & Mission are well articulated
- 2 Student-Faculty Ratio (SFR) is Good
- 3 Faculty is well qualified
- 4 More than 50% PhDs of faculty members are from Premier Institutes
- 5 Quality of Project is Good
- 6 Laboratories are adequately equipped
- 7 Good Number of supporting staff
- 8 Faculty Participation in FDPs is excellent.

Weakness/ Areas of improvement:

- 1 Interaction with industry, industrial tours and training needs improvement
- 2 Student enrolment through GATE needs improvement
- 3 Sponsored research needs improvement
- 4 Consultancy needs improvement

Deficiencies:

1 No industry supported Laboratories

Other observations if any:

- 1 Good number of faculties specialized in program specific areas.
- 2 Program evaluated has reasonable admissions, considering the present scenario of Masters admission in engineering programs
- 3 Laboratory facilities to run the program are adequate and the concerned department is making efforts to improve the facilities further.

B 3. FINANCE REPORT: STATUS OF FOUR FUNDS

The four funds -Corpus Fund, Faculty and Staff Development Fund, Equipment Replacement Fund and Equipment Maintenance Fund are functioning to ensure sustainability of the reforms brought by TEQIP II beyond the Project Period from July 2017 to July 2023. The details of allotted fund and expenditure incurred are given below.

B 3.1 CURRENT STATUS OF FOUR FUNDS

The consolidated expenditure and balance statement of FOUR Funds is given in the table below. The details of expenditure in each head are given in subsequent tables.

Four Fund Heads	Total Allotted (A)	Total Utilization as on 20-03- 2023	Bills received after 20-03- 23	Purchase Order /Work order issued	BOG Approved* & Expected Expenses	Total Expected Expenditure (B)	Balance Rs. (A-B)
Corpus	59,35,479	48,90,325	3,04,177		11,91,875	63,86,377	-4,50,898
Faculty and Staff development	18,08,665	12,80,584	44,351			13,24,935	4,83,730
Equipment Replacement	41,50,445	34,80,284	56,404	3,03,721		40,35,899	1,14,546
Equipment Maintenance	14,11,068	7,07,067	2,593	4,17,100		11,62,160	2,48,908
Total	1,33,05,657	1,03,58,260	4,07,525	7,20,821	11,91,875	1,29,09,371	3,96,286
% of Expenditure		77.85 %				97.02 %	

^{*}The 28th BOG meeting approved Rs.10,00,000/- from CORPUS fund towards meeting the expenses of International conference

B 3.2. DETAILS OF EXPENSES FROM FOUR FUNDS:

	CORPUS					
Sl No	Particulars	Bills Received	Expected Expenses			
1	NPTEL course fee reimbursement for students	1,06,770				
2	Reimbursement of final year students project expenses (2021-2022)	10,583				
3	Reimbursement of final year students project expenses (2022-2023)	1,05,828				
4	Industrial Visit of students	2,997				
5	Industrial Visit of students	25,230				
6	Remedial class for students (ME)	1,800				
7	Remedial class for students (AE&I)	10,800				
8	Expert talk for students (AE&I)	5,862				
9	Training program for students (ME)	21,627				
10	Training program for students (CSD)	12,680				
11	International Conference Yukthi 2023		10,00,000			
12	BoG Meeting (1) March 2023		23,000			
13	BoG Meeting (2) July/August 2023		23,000			
14	Salary of TEQIP office staff		1,05,875			
15	Fee for audit of TEQIP four funds (2021-22, 2022-23, 2023-24)		35,000			
16	Petty cash (including stationary and other expenses)		5,000			
	Sub Total	3,04,177	11,91,875			
	TOTAL		14,96,052			

	Faculty and Staff Development Fund						
Sl No	Particulars						
1	Registration fee - International conference	25,831					
2	NPTEL exam fee	1,000					
3	Workshop registration fee	6,540					
4	ICHE Membership fee	8,650					
5	IEEE Membership fee	2,330					
	Sub Total	44,351					
	TOTAL		44,351				

	Equipment Replacement Fund						
Sl No	Particulars	Bills Received	PO/WO Issued				
1	Replacement of Air Conditioner		57,900				
2	Replacement of faulty electrodes of chloride and Dissolved oxygen for Research Grade Analyzer		2,45,821				
3	Replacement of laptop	56,404					
4	Replacement of A3 Multifunction Printer		1,30,000				
5	Replacement of Inkjet Printer		46,551				
6	Replacement of A4 Printers		18,939				
	Sub Total	56,404	4,99,211				
	TOTAL		5,55,615				

Equipment Maintenance Fund						
Sl No	Particulars	Bills Received	PO/WO Issued			
1	Repair of UTM		269600			
2	Repair of Biomass gasifier	2,593				
3	Repair of Total Station		35400			
4	Up-gradation of ETab software		147500			
	Sub Total	2,593	4,52,500			
	TOTAL		455093			

PART C

(Future Activities/Proposals)

C1. Proposals for Re–appropriation of FOUR FUNDS, Progress of preparations for International conference

C1.1 Re-appropriation of FOUR FUNDS

Four Fund Heads	Total Allotted (A)	Total Expected Expenditure (B)	Balance Rs. (A-B)	Proposed Re- appropriati on	Balance after Re- appropriati on
Corpus	59,35,479	63,86,377	-4,50,898	+6,13,454	1,62,556
Faculty and Staff development	18,08,665	13,24,935	4,83,730	-2,50,000	2,33,730
Equipment Replacement	41,50,445	40,35,899	1,14,546	-1,14,546	0
Equipment Maintenance	14,11,068	11,62,160	2,48,908	-2,48,908	0
Total	1,33,05,657	1,29,09,371	3,96,286		3,96,286

It is proposed to transfer the balance amount in ERF and EMF to CORPUS Fund. Additionally an amount of Rs.2,50,000/- from FSD fund should be transferred to CORPUS Fund for meeting all the pending and upcoming expenditures.

C1.2 International Conference on Emerging Trends in Engineering – Yukthi 2023

The International Conference on Emerging Trends in Engineering – Yukthi 2023 organised by the institute is scheduled from 10th to 12th of April 2023. A total of 166 manuscripts have been received and the initial screening with plagiarism checking and review is completed. Other preparations are nearing completion.

End of Notes