

OFFICE OF THE
DIRECTOR OF TECHNICAL EDUCATION
THIRUVANANTHAPURAM

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**Minutes of the meeting of Principals of Government
Engineering Colleges held at 9 AM at the
Conference Hall of the Directorate of Technical
Education, Thiruvananthapuram on 02.06.2010.**

The meeting started at 9 AM and Dr. Kuncheria. P. Isaac, Director of Technical Education has presided over. The following officers attended the meeting.

1	Dr. C. Sam	Senior Joint Director (ECS)
2	Prof. Antony Thomas	Joint Director (IIC)
3	Dr. S. Radhakrishnan	Joint Director, RDTE, Kothamangalam
4	Shri. N. Santha Kumar	Joint Director, RDTE, Kozhikode
5	Dr. J. Letha	Principal, College of Engineering, Thiruvananthapuram
6	Dr. K. Vijayakumar	Principal, Govt. Engineering College, Thrissur
7	Prof. K. Vidyasagar	Principal, Govt. Engineering College, Wayanad
8	Dr. V. Gopakumar	Principal, Govt. College of Engineering, Kannur
9	Prof. K.P. Geetha	Principal, Govt. Engineering College, Barton Hill, Thiruvananthapuram
10	Prof. P.A. Saheeda	Principal, Govt. Engineering College, Kozhikode
11	Prof. V. Santhakumari	Principal, Govt. Engineering College, Idukki
12	Prof. Susas Abe	Principal, Govt. Engineering College, Sreekrishnapuram, Palakkad.
13	Prof. Kuncheria. J.T	Principal, RIT, Kottayam
14	Sri. N. Madhu	Deputy Director (P&T)
15	Sri. T. Rajasekharan Nair	Accounts Officer in charge of Finance Officer

Following agenda items have been discussed and decisions taken in the meeting.

1. **Utilization of Plan Funds:**

Progress of utilization of Plan Fund of all the Government Engineering Colleges had been analyzed and Principals presented the status report. The slow pace of progress in utilization of Fund in RIT, Kottayam and Govt. Engineering College, Thrissur was noted and the Principals concerned were instructed to initiate fruitful action to achieve the targets within the time frame stipulated. All the Principals were intimated to prioritise the remaining proposals and take steps to issue Administrative Sanction as required emergently and procurements and payment should be made by following all purchase formalities.

2. **Establishing of IPR Cells:**

Kerala State Council for Science, Technology and Environment had forwarded a detailed proposals for establishing of intellectual Property Rights (IPR) Protection Cells in all Engineering Colleges under this Directorate. Subsequently vide this office proceedings No. L4/19813/10 dated. 26.05.10, orders were issued to establish IPR Cells in Government and Aided Engineering Colleges of the State. In the meeting the Director of Technical Education has explained the objectives and guidelines of establishing the cell in each institution and directed to initiate action thereof emergently.

3. **Asset Maintenance Fund:**

On analysis it is seen that revised proposals for utilizing Asset Maintenance Fund have not been finalized or submitted from Govt. College of Engineering, Kannur or Govt. Engineering College, Thrissur. It has been suggested that the previous years proposals can be revised and submitted by including the maintenance works of major Assets in these institutions.

4. **PWD Works/NABARD:**

The progress in NABARD assisted works already approved included in Govt. Engineering College Wayanad, Govt. Engineering College, Sreekrishnapuram had been discussed and the Principals were directed to follow up action frequently. The Principal, Govt. Engineering College, Idukki had informed that foundation stones of 5 buildings sanctioned with NABARD assistance can be laid by July. 2010.

The Director of Technical Education intimated that in the last year (2009-10 an amount of Rs.169 crore were provided to various works and constructions in this Department which is rather huge comparing to the provisions in previous years. Because of it, in the current fiscal only a comparatively lesser, provision can be expected for this purpose. Following proposals for major construction works have been approved for obtaining sanctions during 2010-11.

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| (1) | Govt. Engineering College,
Barton Hill, Thiruvananthapuram | - | (i) Workshop building
(ii) Canteen building |
| (2) | Govt. Engineering College, Kozhikode | | (i) New Block
(ii) Staff quarters |
| (3) | Govt. Engineering College, Idukki | | (i) Staff quarters
(ii) Open Pond |

5. Pooled Fund Under SCP/TSP Scheme:

The progress of conduct of courses by utilizing pooled fund under SCP/TSP scheme sanctioned during 2009-2010 were examined. Some Colleges have not been initiated action in this regard so far. Director of Technical Education had viewed it seriously and directions were issued to see that the courses are conducted immediately.

6. Vacation Duty:

Principals of Engineering Colleges reported that certain confusion exists in treating the duties of invigilation, valuation etc. attended by faculty during vacation. In some cases the period spent thereof are treated as vacation duty while similar instances vacation duty is denied. Considering all the aspects in this regard it is decided that duty attended by faculty during vacation in connection with Examination will be treated as vacation duty.

7. Academic Calender:

The Principals have been directed to initiate effort to convince Universities concerned on the necessity to follow the Academic Calender for ensuring at least the minimum days of class work in each semester. The Universities are to schedule examinations taking into accounts of the academic Calender.

8. Admission (M.Tech, Lateral Entry, Part-Time B. Tech):

As part of the admission process for M.Tech, each institution should make a press release containing all the informations. Time schedule has been finalized for lateral entry B.Tech admission and Part Time B.Tech admission 2010.

9. K BASE, ICT:

The Principals were directed to furnish status report on NMICT implementation covering the facts of available connection, number of connections applied for, if connections under NMICT have not been availed yet, reasons thereof etc. Scope of fibre optic connectivity should be explored in the Colleges where fibre optic facility has not been extended. On clarification or enquiries on K BASE the Principals are instructed to contact Smt. Liza Thomas, Asst. Professor in Civil Engineering, College of Engineering, Thiruvananthapuram.

The meeting came to its close at 11.AM.

DIRECTOR OF TECHNICAL EDUCATION

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