Minutes of the 15th Meeting of the Finance Committee (FC) of Ghani Khan Choudhury Institute of Engineering and Technology (GKCIET), Malda, West Bengal held on 31.03.2021 (Wednesday) at 10.30 AM in Ministry of Education, 'C' - Wing, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi.

Following members were present in the meeting.

1. Shri Saumitra Sarkar Malda, West Bengal Chairman

 Shri Madhu Ranjan Kumar Joint Secretary (A)
 D/HE, Ministry of Education Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi

Member

3. Shri Anil Kumar
Director,
Ministry of Education
Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi
(Represented JS & FA, IFD, MoE)

Member

4. Prof. S. S. Pattnaik Director, NITTTR Chandigarh Member

5. Prof. Ayon Bhattacharjee NIT, Meghalaya, Shillong

Member

6. Prof. P. R. Alapati Director, GKCIET, Malda

Member Secretary

While Shri Saumitra Sarkar, Hon'ble Chairman and Prof. Ayon Bhattacharjee have attended the meeting through virtual mode, all other members have attended the meeting physically from Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi.

Chairman welcomed all the members and asked the member secretary to take up the agenda items, after having ensured that the quorum is present. Member secretary presented the agenda items.

Agenda Item No. FC 15.01: To consider and confirm the minutes of the 14th meeting of the FC held on 28.01.2021 at 11.00 AM.

Resolution: Approved

Agenda Item No. FC 15.02: To consider the action taken report on the minutes of the 14th FC of GKCIET, Malda held on 28.01.2021 at 11.00 AM

Resolution: Approved.

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Agenda Item No. FC 15.03: To consider the report on earth filling works completed during 2012 -2014 as resolved at FC: 14.04.

Resolution: After a thorough discussion and considering the fact that there has been no overlap visible in earth filling works done by NBCC and private contractors, Director is advised to submit an additional reply to C & AG along with these documents bringing out these points; and keep informing the FC and BoG.

Agenda Item No. FC 15.04: To consider DPR for Phase-II development works at GKCIET during 2022-23 and 2024-25.

Resolution: After a threadbare discussion considering the original cabinet note approved at the time of establishment of the institute it has been observed that Cabinet approval (November, 2008) was available for the following:

- (i) 8 courses with an intake capacity of 30 in each course in a 6 year modular pattern of E & T education. Therefore total student strength becomes 1440 when 1st batch reaches final year of degree module (8x30x6 = 1440).
- (ii) A teacher student ration of 1:12 has been approved in the same pattern as that of NITs. It was mentioned in the cabinet note that this institute will come up on the lines of an NIT.
- (iii) Total faculty positions of 120 and non-teaching positions of 132 were approved.
- (iv) An amount of Rs. 97 crore has been sanctioned with a grant of Rs. 58.42 crore for infrastructure development (Civil works only).
- (v) The approved grant was to cover hostel accommodation to only 750 students and 161 staff quarters; and did not include a boundary wall, main gate, campus roads, campus LAN etc., However, provision for a small guest house and gymkhana buildings was kept but could not be included in the contract given to NBCC.

Considering all of these aspects and need for creating total infrastructure required to complete the establishment of this institute at par with any NIT, BoG approved the submission of a Detailed Project Report (DPR) including all of these required facilities along with fund requirement, as soon as possible, for further processing by the Ministry. It was submitted in the FC that tentative cost for construction of phase II will thus be about Rs. 103 cr. The Director was advised to get a detailed DPR, include the requirement of additional equipment and plant and also include the OH 31 and OH 36 requirement.

Agenda Item No. FC 15.05: Reporting Items:

Resolution: (i) Noted and advised to follow all formats as per Ministry of Education, GoI as suggested in the audit report for 2019-20

(ii) Noted

Meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Chair.

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