

**Minutes of the 5<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Academic Council (9<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Academic Committee) of Ghani Khan Choudhury Institute of Engineering & Technology, Malda held on 22<sup>th</sup> December, 2023 at 10:30 AM in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Meeting Room, Administrative Building, GKCIET Malda**

The following members attended the meeting:

<b>Dr. Parameswara Rao Alapati</b> Director, GKCIET Malda	Chairman
<b>Prof. Alok Kanti Deb</b> Professor, Dept. of EE, IIT, Kharagpur, W.B – 721302 <i>Present through video-conferencing</i>	Member
<b>Prof. Rajive Mohan Pant</b> Professor, Centre for Management Studies, NERIST; V.C., Assam Univ. <i>Present through video-conferencing</i>	Member
<b>Dr. Suparna Mukhopadhyay</b> Addl General Manager (Fuel Management Department), NTPC <i>Present through video-conferencing</i>	Member
<b>Dr. Sandip Chanda</b> Dean- Student Welfare; HoD, EE Dept	Member
<b>Dr. Kshirod Kumar Dash</b> Dean- Research & Consultancy; HoD, FT Dept	Member
<b>Dr. Kiran Yarrakula</b> Dean-Student Welfare; HoD, CE Dept	Member
<b>Prof. Sutanu Samanta</b> Professor, ME Department	Member
<b>Dr. Dalbir Singh</b> Professor, ME Department and Prof-in-Charge, Non-Formal	Member
<b>Dr. Babul Prasad Tewari</b> HoD, CSE Department	Member
<b>Dr. Dharmeswar Dash</b> HoD, ME Department	Member
<b>Dr. Soutick Nandi</b> HoD, Chemistry Department	Member
<b>Dr. Rakesh Das</b> HoD, Physics Department	Member
<b>Dr. Shib Shankar Chowdhury</b> ( <i>represented by Dr. Chhandita Das</i> ) HoD, Humanities and Social Science Department	Member
<b>Dr. Bikarna Tarafdar</b> HoD, Mathematics Department	Member
<b>Md. Uttam Kumar Ghosh</b> Assistant Librarian	Member
<b>Md. Abdur Rajjaque</b> Deputy Registrar	Special Invitee
<b>Dr. Koushik Paul</b> Dean (Acad., P & D)	Member/Member-Secretary

The Chairman welcomed the distinguished experts of the Academic Council and expressed his thanks to Prof. Rajive Mohan Pant of NERIST (present online), Dr. Suparna Mukhopadhyay (present online) and Prof. Alok Kanti Deb of IIT Kharagpur (present online) for sparing their valuable time for participating in the meeting. Thereafter the Chairman welcomed all the other members of the Academic Council and requested the Member-Secretary to present the Agenda Items before the Committee. With the permission of the Chairman, the Member-Secretary then took up the Agenda Items:

**Item no. A.C. 05-01: To consider and confirm the minutes of the 4<sup>th</sup> Academic Council (8<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Academic Committee) of GKCIET, Malda held on 20<sup>th</sup> September, 2021**

**Resolution:**

As no comments were received, the minutes of the 4<sup>th</sup> Academic Council (8<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Academic Committee) of GKCIET, Malda held on 20<sup>th</sup> September 2021 were confirmed.

**Item no. A.C. 05-02: To consider the action taken report of the 4<sup>th</sup> Academic Council (8<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Academic Committee) of GKCIET, Malda held on 20<sup>th</sup> September, 2021**

**Resolution:**

The members reviewed and noted the progress as detailed in the action taken report and accepted the same.

**Item no. A.C. 05-03: To consider increase of admissions through WBSCT&VE&SD-conducted JEXPO exams from existing 50% to 80% in the Diploma programs.**

**Resolution:**

Considering the fact that the Diploma admissions through GET/SET is very low in contrast with JEXPO admissions, and that this reflects poorly on the Diploma enrolment ratio, adversely affecting Institute prospects in NBA accreditation/NIRF rankings, the Academic Council agreed for allocating 80% of total Diploma seats for WBSCT&VE&SD-conducted JEXPO counselling and recommended to place before BoG.

Thus, from A.Y. 2024-25, 20% of Diploma seats (non-West Bengal domicile candidates) will be filled through GET/SET and 80% will be

filled from West Bengal candidates through JEXPO, if approved by BoG.

**Item no. A.C. 05-04: Proposal for establishment of Centre of Excellence in Agriculture and Food Processing Systems integrating AI, ML, IoT, and Network management.**

**Resolution:**

Prof. Kshirod Kumar Dash of Department Food Processing Technology presented the proposal/Detailed Project Report (DPR) for establishment of Centre of Excellence (CoE) in Agriculture and Food processing systems integrating AI, ML, IoT, and Network Management at Ghani Khan Choudhury Institute of Engineering and Technology, Narayanpur, Malda, West Bengal. The CoE was proposed jointly by the Department Food Processing Technology and Computer Science and Engineering GKCIET Malda.

The proposal (DPR) was approved after a thorough discussion. The distinguished external and internal experts added few suggestions. The proposers were advised to incorporate the suggestions in the concept note.

**Item no. A.C. 05-05: Reporting items.**

**5.1 Recruitment of new faculties.**

**Resolution:**

The Academic Council members noted the list of 20 new faculties recruited in 2021-22 and 9 new faculties recruited in the session 2023-24.

**Item no. A.C. 05-06: Any other items with permission of the Chair.**

- i. The Academic Council, with the approval of the Chairman, Academic Council, noted the inclusion of Dr. Sandip Chanda, Dean (Faculty Welfare) in BoG in the place of Dr. Nilkanta Barman who resigned in July 2022.
- ii. The Academic Council members noted and approved the Minutes prepared w.r.t. the meeting held 21st December 2023 pertaining to defining the jobs roles of the Non-Formal section and the SOPs

that will be followed henceforth vis-s-vis Non-Formal section. In this regard, Dr. Suparna Mukhopadyay suggested including clarifications regarding “ownership” of the Non-Formal section while Dr. Deb opined deputing a Co-Professor-in-Charge who may assist the Professor-in-charge in the activities of the Non-Formal section.

The meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Chair.

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