

## MINUTES OF THE TWENTYNINTH EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

Minutes of the Twentyninth Meeting of the Executive Committee held on August 11, 1998 at 10.30 a.m. in the Council Room, All India Council for Technical Education, Indira Gandhi Sports Complex, New Delhi.

The following members attended the meeting :

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| 1.  | Dr. S. Rame Gowda            | Chairman         |
| 2.  | Prof. D.V. Singh             | Member           |
| 3.  | Shri P R Dasgupta            | Member           |
| 4.  | Prof. M. Anandakrishanan     | Member           |
| 5.  | Dr. M.D. Tiwari              | Member           |
| 6.  | Prof. V.C. Kulandaiswamy     | Member           |
| 7.  | Prof. K.S. Hegde             | Member           |
| 8.  | Prof. V. Rajaraman           | Member           |
| 9.  | Prof. H.S. Chandrasekharaiah | Member           |
| 10. | Shri N.S. Rattan             | Member           |
| 11. | Shri P. Selvam               | Member           |
| 12. | Prof. Ashok Chandra          | Member           |
| 13. | Prof. J.S. Qadry             | Special Invitee  |
| 14. | Prof. J.R. Bhalla            | Special Invitee  |
| 15. | Prof. J.P. Gupta             | Member Secretary |

The following members could not attend the meeting :

1. Dr. (Ms.) A.S. Desai
2. Shri M. Venkateswaran Iyer
3. Dr. N. Seshagiri
4. Dr. R.S. Paroda
5. Prof. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam
6. Prof. B. Nag
7. Shri H.D.S. Sharma

Chairman, AICTE apprised EC members that Dr. Mashelkar, Director General, CSIR, has been elected as a Fellow of the Royal Society. It was decided that Dr. Mashelkar may be congratulated on behalf of Executive Committee. A resolution of EC felicitating Dr. Mashelkar may be sent to him.

Section - 1

(Confirmation of the Minutes of the Previous Meeting)

Item No. 1.01 : To confirm the minutes of the Twentyeighth meeting of the Executive Committee held on 25.05.98.

The minutes were confirmed.

Section - 2

(Action Taken Report)

Item No. 2.01 : To receive the note on actions taken on the decisions and recommendations made in the Twentyeighth meeting of the Executive Committee held on 25.05.98.

This was noted.

Section - 3

(For kind information of the Members)

Item No. 3.01 : To receive the launching of AICTE web-site.

This was noted. It was advised that the Norms & Standards and Model curricula for various subjects developed by the Council may also be put on the web-site.

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Item No. 3.02 : To receive a note on the reconstitution Board of Research (BOR).

This was noted. It was advised that Council should assess the contributions by the Board and report to EC for perusal.

Item No. 3.03 : To receive a note on the reconstitution Board of Industry Institute Interact (BOII).

This was noted. It was advised that Council should assess the contributions by the Board and report to EC for perusal.

Item No. 3.04 : To receive a note on constitution Monitoring and Disciplinary Committees.

This was noted.

Item No. 3.05 : To receive a note on reconstitution of Committee for Technical Institution different States.

This was noted. It was agreed that the Committees in the remaining States may be constituted immediately. AICTE should write letters to defaulting States to send nominations informing them that a failure to do so may result in contempt of the Supreme Court. A copy of such letters may also be sent to Education Secretary, MHRD.

Item No. 3.06 : To receive a note on Grades awarded to the Institutions by National Board of Accreditation.

This was noted and approved. It was decided that the Chairman AICTE may appoint a 3-member committee to prepare a policy paper on NBA and put up before EC for discussion. Some suggestions such as withdrawal of approval, if accreditation results are below a threshold, opportunity for performance improvement and reassessment, linking of performance to the financial assistance provided by the Council, were given by the members.

#### Section - 4

(For the perusal of the Members)

Item No. 4.01 : To receive the salient recommendations of the All India Boards of Studies (AIBS).

This was noted and approved.

#### Section - 5

(For Ratification of the Actions Taken)

Item No. 5.01 : To ratify the Development Fee fixed by AICTE to be charged from various categories of students, by institutions offering Degree and Diploma Engineering course in Private un-aided Educational Institutions.

This was ratified. It was agreed that the rationale for fixing the Development Fee shall be put up before the EC in its next meeting. It was decided that in future the clearance of EC may be taken before finalising the development fee for various

Item No. 5.02 :

To ratify the proposed calendar for processing of applications for establishment of new institutions in Engineering (Degree Diploma), Pharmacy (Degree), HMCT (Degree Diploma), Applied Arts (Diploma) and Architecture (Degree.)

This was ratified.

#### Section - 6

(For Discussion and Consideration)

Item No. 6.01 :

To consider the recommendations of the Standing Committee for Grant of Autonomy to Technical Institutions.

Executive Committee did not approve the recommendations of the standing committee for the constitution of a joint committee of AICTE and UGC to consider the proposals from technical institutions for grant of autonomy. The remaining part of the recommendations was approved with the observation that AICTE alone would consider applications for autonomy.

Item No. 6.02 :

To consider the recommendations made by the Board of Staff Development and Continuing Education in its meeting held on March 25, 1998.

The recommendations of the Board were approved in principle. It was decided that an Approach Paper may be prepared by AICTE and views of the National Council for Teacher Education (NCTE) and IGNOU may also be obtained.

Item No. 6.03 :

To consider qualifications and experience of faculty positions in Applied Arts & Crafts discipline of Degree and Diploma Level Institutions recommended by the Expert Committee appointed by the Council.

This was approved.

Item No. 6.04 :

To consider the amendment in AICTE's Norms and Guidelines for Fees and Guidelines for Professional Colleges (GSR 476 (E) dated May 20, 1994) in response to Supreme Court Judgement 1997 and subsequent Resolution of MHRD dated March 18, 1997.

This was approved. It was decided that the Council may examine the clause 8(4) of AICTE's norms and guidelines for fees and guidelines for admissions in professional colleges, GSR 476(E) dated May 20, 1994, for any incompatibility purported to have crept in between the Supreme Court Judgement of Unnikrishnan versus Others-1993 and clause 8(4) referred to above. If clause 8(4) is in contravention of Supreme Court direction, then action would be taken to get clause 8(4) deleted.

Item No. 6.05 :

To consider Entry Qualification and other related issues for 4 years Degree Engineering programme.

It was agreed that the Council may have feed back from States from the Secretaries of Technical Education.

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(J.P. Gupta)

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(S. Rame Gowda)  
Chairman