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Meeting Minutes - External Quality and Accreditation Committee (EQAC) Meeting

Date: 22nd March, 2024

Venue: BFGI, Bathinda

Chairperson: Dr. Gurmeet Singh Dhaliwal, Chairman, BFGI

Attendees:

1. Prof. (Dr) M.P. Poonia, Former AICTE Vice Chairman, New Delhi
2. Prof. (Dr) Devi Singh, Former Director, IIM Lucknow
3. Sh. HS Cheema, Chief Managing Director, Cheema Boilers, Chandigarh
4. Prof. (Dr) D.P.S. Verma, Retd Prof, Delhi School of Economics, Delhi University
5. Prof. (Dr) Rakesh Sharma, Pro Chancellor, Graphic University, Dehradun
6. Sh Chander Mohan, Former Scientist H, Department of Science and Technology, Government of India
7. Prof. (Dr) Ujjawal Kalla, Department of Electrical Engineering, NIT Delhi
8. Dr Tarlok Bandhu, Principal, Khalsa College of Education Muktsar
9. Dr. Bindu Sharma, Department of Management
10. Mr Amitoz Dhaliwal, Director, Administration, BFGI
11. Principals and Deans of BFGI

Absentees:

1. Prof. (Dr.) Rajender Sangwan, Director & Vice Chancellor, AcSIR New Delhi
2. Prof. (Dr) S S Patnaik, Former Director NITTTR Chandigarh & Former Vice Chancellor, Biju Patnaik University of Technology, Orissa
3. Prof. (Dr) Ranvinder Sandhu, Former Professor of Sociology and Urban Studies, GNDU, Amritsar

Agenda:

1. Presentation of Institutional Development Plan by Prof. (Dr) M.P. Poonia
2. Discussion and Suggestions for Improvement of BFGI's Plan
3. Short-term and Long-term Goals Development
4. Implementation Strategies
5. Any Other Business

Meeting Proceedings:

Agenda 01: Presentation of Institutional Development Plan by Prof. M P Poonia

- The meeting commenced with Prof. (Dr) M.P. Poonia presenting the Institutional Development Plan of BFGI for consideration and suggestions for improvement.



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Agenda 02: Discussion and Suggestions for Improvement of BFGI's Plan

- The focus of the discussion was on enhancing the holistic development of students with an emphasis on access, equity, quality, accountability, and affordability of education.
- It was proposed that college should write to affiliated university to upgrade the authors and publishers of the textbooks.
- Suggestions were made to implement socially relevant and industry-specific curriculum, with a provision for teaching beyond syllabus content if necessary.
- It was proposed to teach students in their local mother tongue to improve their high-order thinking skills, problem-solving abilities, team building, and analytical skills.
- Emphasis was placed on training teachers in pedagogical skills, including instructional planning, classroom delivery, and question paper setting.
- Efforts were suggested to identify outcomes of experiments and learning objectives in each lecture.
- More stress was recommended on communication skills, IT skills, mathematics, reasoning skills, and practical work.
- Strengthening of co-curricular and extra-curricular activities, innovative learning, and entrepreneurship skills were highlighted.
- Sports activities were also recommended to be increased.
- It was suggested to focus more on practicals and application of knowledge rather than theory subjects.
- Committee suggested encouraging real-world Live projects that contribute to publications and research output.
- Engineering department finalized 17 live projects, and their complete solutions will be displayed to the EQAC committee in the next meeting scheduled in June.
- BFGI team will design and develop its new website and admission brochures.
- Diversifying the faculty was suggested by recruiting them from outside the state to bring in varied perspectives and experiences.
- Providing opportunities for students to intern at renowned institutions for valuable experience.
- Define Graduate Attributes and Faculty Attributes for each program.
- Plan for Annual Student Development Assessment through a scientifically developed mechanism.
- Provide students with a sheet outlining their core and soft skills competencies annually.
- Arrange skill programs aligned with global standards, specifically for professions such as welders, plumbers, and boiler operators.
- Efforts will be made to establish BFGI Centers in Industries to strengthen industry connections and facilitate collaboration, research, and industry-relevant training programs.



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- Design summer school modules for skill grooming, focusing on reading, writing, listening, and speaking skills. These modules will be aimed at enhancing students' communication abilities and overall employability.
- The Innovation Center will not only focus on technology but also include life sciences and social sciences, fostering innovation across various domains and industries.
- Focus on research and innovation, quality publications, strong IPR, NABL accreditation of laboratories in civil engineering department for enhanced consultancy and testing, leading to better internal revenue generation.
- Create a tool to assess students' psychological growth in areas like happiness, cooperation, and empathy.
- Remove outdated experiments in electrical engineering and increase enrolment in core branches like civil engineering, mechanical engineering, electrical engineering, and electronics engineering.

Agenda 03: Short-term and Long-term Goals Development

- Each faculty member will publish at least one research paper every year
- Groom at least four start-ups.
- Aim to double the income of one neighbouring village each year and earn a revenue of 5 crores annually through faculty initiatives.
- Strive for BFGI to appear in the top 100 institutions of India in NIRF ranking by the year 2029.

Agenda 04: Implementation Strategies

- Each committee member will devote the time for the upliftment of the quality education in BFGI
- Action points were assigned to each committee member based on their strengths.
- Committee members will be supported in implementing their vision through 2-3 faculty members of BFGI.
- The committee will also suggest programs, courses and teaching schemes for the upcoming BFGI university in its next meeting.

Conclusion:

These discussions and proposals underscore the commitment of BFGI towards comprehensive educational development, faculty excellence, industry integration, and innovation advancement. By implementing these strategies, BFGI aims to provide a well-rounded educational experience and prepare students for success in a rapidly evolving global landscape.

In the end, Dr Gurmeet Singh Dhaliwal, Chairman, BFGI proposed the vote of Thanks

Dr Manish Gupta, Dean IQAC, BFGI