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Report on 'Good Governance Day'

With reference to the to the Circular received from Regional Office ,Directorate of Technical education ,Aurangabad Government College of Engineering has celebrated the 25 th December 2015, the birth anniversary of Ex- Prime Minister honourable Shri Atal Bihari Vajpayee as Good Governance Day.

On this occasion Institute has organised the following programme for the Faculty and staff

I) Stress management (23/12/2015):

In this session Honourable Principal, Dr. P.S.Adwani has guided the entire faculty, staff regarding this and focused on the techniques to reduce the stress at work place and in daily routines.

Smt. Sunita Bharuka, a expert member from Ramchandra Mission was invited to guide about Meditation techniques. She has delivered the importance of Heartfulness meditation and practiced some relaxation techniques. She has also practiced actual Meditation to all the faculty and staff for about 20-30 minutes. After meditation she has interacted with faculty and staff to share their experiences, ideas, views regarding the meditation

All the faculty and staff of the institute appreciated and expressed their gratitude for her dedicated service through Ramchandra Mission to the society.

II) Group discussion and presentation on Good Governance(25/12/2015)

In this programme, all the faculty, administrative staff of the institute invited to share their ideas and expectations to improve the overall governance in the Institute. Honourable I/C Principal, Dr.Pranesh Murnal, Dr. U.J.Kahalekar,

Dr.Regulwar,Dr.ChikalthankarDr.A.S.Bhalchandra,Dr.S.M.desai,Dr.K.A.Patil,Prof.S.D.Amb ekar ,Dr.S.A.Patil,Prof .K.H.Kshirsagar, Prof. Ratnaparkhi, Shri Purandare (Account section) participated in this Group discussion and shared their ideas and expectations for good governance. Professor Dr. U.J.Kahalekar has presented his ideas and expectations through a paper on this topic to improve Governance of an educational institute in general.All the Faculty, Principal, Dr. Pranesh Murnal appreciated his views expressed in this paper on the topic of Good Governance.

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The Director, Regional office, Technical Education Aurangabad

Good Governance

Celebrating good governance day every year all over the India on 25th of December has been declared by the Government of India. Our prime minister has said that "Good Governance is the key to a nation's progress. Our government is committed to providing a transparent and accountable administration which works for the betterment and welfare of the common citizen". The same feelings are applicable to Govt. College of Engineering, Aurangabad.

Governance is "the process of decision-making and the process by which decisions are implemented (or not implemented)".

Good governance is an indeterminate term used in international development literature to describe how public institutions conduct public affairs and manage public resources.

Good governance is about the processes for making and implementing decisions. It's not about making 'correct' decisions, but about the best possible process for making those decisions.

THE MAIN CHARACTERISTICS OF GOOD GOVERNANCE

Good governance is accountable

Accountability is a fundamental requirement of good governance. Local government has an beligation to report, explain and be answerable for the consequences of decisions it has made on behalf of the community it represents. Our institute has been established in the year 1960 to meet the growing demand for technical man power in the state of Maharashtra. We have developed our vision as-Institute Vision :

'In pursuit of global competitiveness, the institute is committed to excel in engineering education and research with concern for environment and society'

The vision of the institute indicates the accountability of the institute towards the expectations of Govt. and community of the state. Each student and staff members shall have feeling that he/she is accountable for his/her duties.

Good governance is transparent

People should be able to follow and understand the decision-making process. This means that they will be able to clearly see how and why a decision was made – what information, advice and consultation council considered, and which legislative requirements (when relevant) council followed. Our product is our students. Involving the students in making decisions will lead the procedure more transparent. The sincere, intelligent students shall be involved in decision making, e.g. we are on the verge of making decision of rotation of charge of Heads of the Departments. Along with faculty members' opinion, taking the opinion of students will make the system more transparent. The decisions such as purchase of equipments/books/softwares etc., finalization of dates for various activities, infrastructure development shall be known to students. Involving the students for such decisions shall lead the system more transparent.

Good governance follows the rule of law

This means that decisions are consistent with relevant legislation or common law and are within the powers of council. We must follow the Maharashtra Universities Act. The rules and regulations related with academics and examinations, discipline shall be relevant with directives of AICTE, Govt. These rules and regulations shall be displayed on college website. When a student seeks admission in the institute, at the same time a hard/(or soft) copy of these rules shall be handed over to him/her.

Good governance is responsive

Local government should always try to serve the needs of the entire community while balancing competing interests in a timely, appropriate and responsive manner. We have grievance redressing system. The system shall be used efficiently.

Good governance is equitable and inclusive

A community's wellbeing results from all of its members feeling their interests have been considered by council in the decision-making process. This means that all groups, particularly the most vulnerable, should have opportunities to participate in the process. The decentralization of power is very much important. The rotation of charges for which extra remuneration is being given is an essential feature for the same. Similarly the charges of Deans shall be in rotation and they should have separate office and powers too.

Good governance is effective and efficient

Local government should implement decisions and follow processes that make the best use of the available people, resources and time to ensure the best possible results for their community. Manpower is important for running of the institute. In fact more powers and clear instructions from the higher authorities are essential for running the system more efficiently. We are appointing the temporary faculty members for conducting the classes. However sometimes, the output of these faculties is matter of concern. The dedication of each one is important and for which development of attitude is very much important. No doubt, we have to believe our faculty, but strict implementation of rules is also equally important.

Good governance is participatory

Anyone affected by or interested in a decision should have the opportunity to participate in the process for making that decision. This can happen in several ways – community members may be provided with information, asked for their opinion, given the opportunity to make recommendations or, in some cases, be part of the actual decision-making process. Such participation can be assured through the regular meetings. Taking the feedback of students regularly can be one of the best tools. The faculty member can be asked to submit the report weekly, about their work and analyzing the same will lead to development of our institute. The thorough discussion on above said aspects will help for Good Governance of institute.

[Views are expressed by : Dr.U.J.Kahalekar, Professor in Civil Engineering, Kindly consider the views in positive way. The views are expressed just for consideration and not to hurt anyone.]

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