

**STRICTLY CONFIDENTIAL**

**MINUTES OF THE FOURTH (4<sup>th</sup>) MEETING OF THE  
PLANNING AND MONITORING BOARD**

**VENUE : BOARD ROOM,  
Administrative Block  
GRI, Gandhigram**

**DATE : 28.09.2016**

**TIME : 11.00 A.M.**



**THE GANDHIGRAM RURAL INSTITUTE – DEEMED UNIVERSITY  
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**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

<b>S.No</b>	<b>Name of the Member</b>	<b>Membership</b>
1.	Dr. S . Natarajan Vice-Chancellor Gandhigram Rural Institute (DU), Gandhigram.	Chairperson
2.	Dr. S. Ganesh Dean Faculty of Agriculture & Animal Husbandry Gandhigram Rural Institute (DU), Gandhigram.	Member
3.	Dr. P. Shanmugavadivu Head Department of Computer Science & Applications GRI, Gandhigram.	Member
4.	Dr. N. Narayanasamy Professor Department of Extension Education Gandhigram Rural Institute (DU), Gandhigram.	Member
5.	Dr. K. Somasundaram Professor Department of Computer Science & Applications Gandhigram Rural Institute (DU), Gandhigram	Member
6.	Dr. M. Sundaravadelu Professor, Dept. of Chemistry, GRI (DU), Gandhigram	Member
7.	Dr. A. Easwaran Associate Professor Department of Extension Education Gandhigram Rural Institute (DU), Gandhigram.	Member
8.	Shri S. Ravindran Associate Professor Department of Lifelong Learning & Extension, Gandhigram Rural Institute (DU) Gandhigram	Member
9	Dr. P. Kanagasabapathy Visiting Professor, Amirtha Institute 403, Surya Apartments Bharathi Colony, Peelamedu Coimbatore 641 004.	Member

10	Dr. P. Chinnathurai Director Centre for Agriculture & Rural Development Studies (CARDS) Tamilnadu Agricultural University (TNAU) Coimbatore.	Member
11	Prof. Jagrup Singh Sekhon Dept. of Political Science Guru Nanak Dev University, Amristar Punjab – 143 005.	Member
12	Dr.P. Balasubramaniam Registrar ,GRI (DU), Gandhigram	Secretary
13	Dr. M.G. Sethuraman Director, IQAC GRI, Gandhigram	Special Invitee
14	Shri.V. Balasubramanian Special Officer (Finance) GRI(DU),Gandhigram	Special Invitee

The meeting commenced at 11.00 am with a silent prayer.

The Chairperson welcomed all the members and thanked them for attending the meeting amidst their busy schedule. The Chairperson introduced Dr. S. Ganesh, Dean, Faculty of Agriculture and Animal Husbandry, GRI, Dr. P. Shanmugavadivu, Professor and Head, Dept. of Computer Science and Applications, GRI, Dr. M. Sundaravadivelu, Professor, Department of Chemistry, GRI who were nominated by the Vice-Chancellor in the capacity of Dean, Head and Professor on seniority respectively, He also introduced Dr. P.Kanagasabapathy, Visiting Professor , Amirtha Institute and Dr. P. Chinnathurai, Director, Centre for Agriculture & Rural Development Studies, Tamil Nadu Agricultural Universities, Coimbatore. He requested the members to contribute their ideas to improve the growth and development of the Institute. Before initiating the agenda, the Vice- Chancellor has made a presentation on the various activities and programmes carried out by GRI during the last eight months. After the presentation the following agenda were taken up for discussion.

**1. Item No.11/PMB. 2016.IX**

To consider and approve the Minutes of the meeting of the Third Planning and Monitoring Board held on 27.01.2016

**The Planning and Monitoring Board considered and resolved to approve the minutes of the meeting of the Third Planning and Monitoring Board held on 27.1.2016**

**2. Item No.12/PMB. 2016.IX**

To consider and approve the action taken on the minutes of the meeting of the Third Planning and Monitoring Board held on 27.01.2016

The Planning and Monitoring Board considered and resolved to approve the action taken on the Minutes of the Third Planning and Monitoring Board held on 27.1.2016

**3. Item No.13/PMB. 2016.IX**

To consider and approve the Annual Quality Assurance Report for the year 2015-2016

**After deliberations, the Planning and Monitoring Board considered and approved the AQAR report for the year 2015-2016**

**4. Item No.14/PMB. 2016.IX**

To entrust additional responsibilities to the Director – Admission and the Director – Research & Development. In view of this, the Director (Admission) may be designated as Director (Academics) and he shall look after all academic related matters while the Director (Research and Development) shall look after the research works in addition to the coordination of Research and Consultancy works.

**After deliberations, it was resolved as follows:**

- i. Committees may be constituted to redesignate the Director of Admission as Director – Academic and to list the duties and responsibilities of the Director (Academic) and Director (Research and Development).**
- ii. The recommendations of the Committees may be placed before the Board of Management for its approval.**

**5. Item No.15/PMB. 2016.IX**

To establish Research and Extension Councils for identifying and promoting research and extension activities of the Centres/Departments/Faculties in tune with the mandate of the Institute.

**After detailed discussions, it was resolved to approve the establishment of Research Advisory and Extension Advisory Councils for identifying thrust areas of research and promoting research and extension activities of the Centres/Departments/Faculties in tune with the mandate of the Institute by inviting few expert members. The existing Research Advisory Committee can be redefined for designing guidelines for the courses of Ph.D. and M.Phil. Programmes. Further, it is resolved that a Committee may be constituted to develop the frame work on the functioning of Research Advisory and Extension Advisory Councils.**

**6. Item No.16/PMB. 2016.IX**

To request the Dean, Faculty of Agriculture and Animal Husbandry to get accreditation by ICAR for B.Sc. Agriculture Programme before the end of academic year 2016-17

**After deliberations, it was resolved to inform the Dean, Faculty of Agriculture and Animal Husbandry to get accreditation by ICAR for B.Sc. Agriculture Programme before the end of academic year 2016-17**

### **7. Item No.17/PMB. 2016.IX**

To take suitable steps for networking with Gandhian and Rural Development Institutions in India and abroad besides networking with local institutions engaged in the rural development and extension activities.

**After deliberations, it was resolved to approve the above proposal for academic, research and extension related collaborative activities.**

### **8. Item No.18/PMB. 2016.IX**

To approach Government of India for setting up a Multi-skill Development Centre for providing training and employment opportunities to the rural youth in Tamil Nadu.

**It was resolved to approve the proposal and the Vice-Chancellor is permitted to take necessary action in this regard to submit proposals to the Ministry of Skill Development, Ministry of Health etc.**

### **9. Item No.19/PMB. 2016.IX**

Alumni Cell has to be registered and its activities have to be extended and executed periodically.

**It was resolved to approve the proposal.**

#### **SUGGESTIONS MADE BY THE PMB :**

- 1. IQAC may be reconstituted by including members from Industries, and a few experts and stake holders including students.**
- 2. “Unnath Bharath Abiyan” has been introduced in full spirit for Village extension programme by involving 4 or 5 cluster villages for each Department/Centre/Faculty.**

#### **GENERAL:**

**The Planning and Monitoring Board appreciated the works done by the Vice-Chancellor, Director, IQAC and staff members who have worked for getting “A” Grade by NAAC on reaccreditation.**

**The meeting ended at 1.30 pm. with thanks by the Chairman.**

**Gandhigram  
28.9.2016**

**Dr. P. BALASUBRAMANIAM  
REGISTRAR**

**Dr. S. NATARAJAN  
Vice-Chancellor**