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Engineering Accreditation Department

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To:

All Vice Chancellors/ Rectors/ Head of Universities/ HEIs in Pakistan

Subject: PEC Policy Guidelines for Online Teaching-Learning and Assessment Implementation during COVID-19 Pandemic

Dear Sir,

In pursuance of Government Directives, EAB-PEC has formulated interim policy guidelines to facilitate HEIs for online readiness and blended/ hybrid learning in engineering programs during the outbreak of COVID-19 pandemic, which is in consistent with HEC Policy Guidance Series on COVID-19 No. 4, dated 28 March 2020.

- 2. As accreditation process focuses on the Outcomes based on the internal QA/ CQI mechanism developed by HEIs to ensure that the graduates are adequately prepared to enter in the engineering profession by attaining 12 Graduate Attributes (GAs/PLOs) covering all three domains. However, the mode of demonstrating the mechanism for such attainments by HEIs, adopting any suitable secured hybrid mode of online (synchronous/ asynchronous) LMS and Teaching-Learning & Assessment (TLA) system shall be considered. For this purpose, HEIs opting for a well-prepared and secured mechanism during pandemic situation shall have to satisfy the essential requirements as per subject guidelines. These guiding principles are intended to assist all PEC accredited programs in maintaining the education quality standards as per accreditation Manual 2014 and will be effective from the stipulated schedule of an HEI opting paradigm of online TLA system in intimation to PEC/HEC until the COVID-19 pandemic is under adequate control by the respective Governments. Copy of subject PEC Guidelines is attached for information and compliance.
- SARs/ Compliance submitted by HEIs will be evaluated in two phases for the purpose of granting provisional accreditation to graduating batch followed by a normal re-accreditation in physical mode after normalization of the lockdown situation.

Looking forward to work together towards imparting quality education and social economic development of the country in this difficult testing time.

This is issued with the approval of the Competent Authority.

With regards,

Engr. Dr. Nasir M. Khan Secretary EAB/Head EAD

Encl: as stated above.

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