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G-5/2, Islamabad
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To:

All Vice Chancellors/ Rectors/ Heads
HEIs in Pakistan.

Subject: Sharing of Resources/ Labs/ Library etc for Engineering Programs

Dear Sir/ Madam,

PEC in its 46th Governing Body meeting held on May 23-24, 2023 has decided the following for adherence by HEIs offering engineering programs in Pakistan:

1. The availability of resources at the HEI should be best utilized to avoid duplication based on the students intake and programs being imparted:
 - i. Common labs like workshop practice, computer labs, drawing labs, etc. should be allowed to share among different programs, ensuring sufficient time to the students and proper maintenance of the facility.
 - ii. Further, the dedicated core labs should be established/ ensured for each specific program. However, based on provision in the time table, such labs could be allowed to share with other program(s) without compromising the quality, accessibility to the students and teaching learning utilization.
 - iii. The departmental library may not be mandatory if central library is located within the same building or adjacent to the department. In case of central library beyond certain distance involving transportation, then departmental library would be mandatory.
 - iv. A separate endowment fund for launching each new engineering program should not be required rather a common endowment fund for all engineering programs in all HEIs, provided reflecting ceiling of 25 million rupees per program for private and half for public sector. Foregoing in view, the policy of program-wise endowment fund need to be amended.
 - v. The hard copy for journals may not be mandatory if online access is available with ample bandwidth to the undergraduate students as well, to curtail the financial implications on the HEI.
2. All the program labs should be established on campus for easy access to the students as per HEC/ PEC curriculum with relevant trainers/ lab engineers. Any hi-tech labs of other stakeholders out of HEI premises would be considered as additional facility for broader exposure to the students.

Regards,

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