



# Minutes of Hostel Council Meeting

IIT Goa Hostel Council

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## Time and Venue

September 16, 2018 at 22:00 at Mess Area New Hostel

## Members of The Meeting

- Himanshu (General Secretary Hostel Affairs)
- Piyush Doke (Mess Secretary)
- Vishrut Maheshwari (Maintenance Secretary)
- Vasant (Medical Representative)
- Radhika (Co-Girls Representative)
- Mr. Thirupathi (Ph.D.Students Representative)
- Abhishek Varghese (Wing Representative (First Floor New Hostel))
- Piyush Singh (Wing Representative (Ground Floor Wing 1-10 Old Hostel))
- Abhay Sharma (Wing Representative (Ground Floor Wing 11-20 Old Hostel))
- Jitendra Yadav (Wing Representative (First Floor Wing 1-10 Old Hostel))
- Darshay Naik (Wing Representative (First Floor Wing 11-20 Old Hostel))

## Agenda of the Meeting

### Mess

- Discussion on mess menu decided in Mess Meeting Held on September 7, 2018
- Jain food shortage in mess.
- Water purifier for mess kitchen.
- Canteen setup.

### Maintenance

- **Fans for old Hostel.**
- **Water Coolers for new Hostel.**
- Water cooler's cleaning at old hostel.
- Report of works that were planned, completed and not completed after the first meeting. (July 23, 2018).
- Meshing in mess.
- **Internet Speed and connectivity.**

## Medical

- Requirements of first aid kit.
- **Pest control and mosquito control spray**
- Vehicle problem for hospital.

## Initiatives and plans

- Hostel website.
- Hostel Constitution.
- Common room requirements.

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### Points discussed related to mess

- Discussion on mess menu lead to various shifting of dishes and below mentioned complaints.
  - Gravy for most of the dishes remains the same.
  - Boiling of eggs is not proper.
  - Mess menu is changed by the mess manager without prior information to the council members and this happens 3 to 4 times a week.
  - Sometimes food items finishes before the meal time.
  - Quality of curd is very poor it remains diluted.
  - Brand items mentioned in tender are not used by the mess manager, he is providing *Surbhi Jam* instead of *kisaan Jam*.
  - Plates are not properly cleaned.
- Jain food shortage is because there is quality difference between jain food and normal food so non jain students used to take jain food.
- A Google form will be shared with all the students by the Mess Secretary, jain students will have to fill that form (we know who are jains) and only those students who will be registered there will be allowed to take jain food.
- We are working for the betterment of the quality of the normal food, I request all the students to please write the complaints related to the quality in the complaint register stating, what type of thing is being served to you and what type you want. This will help to give you people what actually you like. Please don't say *khana bakbaas hai*. because this can not help us to improve the quality. For example if you have complaint with daal, please write which type of daal, what ingredients in it you will like. Also if you have complaint regarding non spicy food, I would like to tell you people that there are many students who don't want spicy food so there will be an optimum level of it. Use external spice.
- Cleaning of area around mess, already informed to estate.
- **Requirement of the Water Purifier for mess kitchen. It was informed to the administration (Mail dated August 19, 2018, Subject : Requirements in the mess) and at it was planned to buy a commercial grade water purifier for the kitchen. Not yet came.**
- Meshing of mess to prevent entry of insects inside mess. As per the reply from estate, they brought the mesh but because of the lack of manpower it is pending.
- We are working for setting up canteen. Problems are the place where to house and who will run, if it is kept open for all the students (GEC) then it may happen that we will not be able to get things on time and priority.

## Points discussed related to Maintenance

- **Fans for old hostel.** All the information, status till the date of meeting is listed below.
  - List of fans that were damaged was made on July 28, 2018 having 27 fans for first floor and 3 for ground floor.
  - It was sent to estate office and I got a reply that soon the fans will be repaired by electrician who works in our institute.
  - After one week, I got a reply that fans will be sent to some other electrician. Because repair cost is going high.
  - 10-11 fans were sent on August 16, 2018. It was assumed that in one week or 10 days they will be sent back after repair.
  - I was following up as the replying were coming.
  - Around August 30, 2018 I came to know that the fans are totally damaged and they can not be repaired.
  - On September 3, 2018 I had a meeting with Estate. There we decided we will either buy new fans or will hire some on rent.
  - The problem in buying new fans is that, we will have to buy 30 fans and cost of one fan is Rs. 2000 so we will spend Rs 60,000 for the fans and after 1 months we will have to leave those fans in the old hostel itself. Because we are not allowed to take anything that is installed by us in GEC buildings.
  - They checked for the fans if they can be hired, but could not find.
  - On September 10, 2018 ,matter of fans was forwarded to Registrar's office.
  - Some changes regarding quantity of fans were made by the authorities, the quantity now is 14 fans.
  - As per the information that I have, they are planning to buy 14 fans. I do not know the distribution.
  - If we hope positive, fans may come but it may also happen that now only 15 days are left (as per the information that the new block will be handed over by the first week of the October) new fans may not come. Students have survived for one and half months without fans, I hope students will have to live like the same for the remaining days.
- **Water coolers for the new hostel :** As per my discussion with Estate on September 3, 2018. In the contract with CPWD for the new hostel, there are only two water coolers for each block. But I asked to bring water coolers for the first and second floor too, because students can not come each and every time to the ground floor for filling their bottles. Order for the water coolers is placed (as per the information that I have). Soon they will come.
- I have already informed for the water cooler's cleaning at old hostel. Soon it will be done.
- Maintenance works that was done at the new hostel.
  - Hooks fixing and other maintenance problems in 9 rooms on the first floor on August 8, 2018
  - Hooks and hanger fixing in 17 rooms on the first floor on August 24, 2018.
  - Hooks and hanger fixing in 5 rooms on the ground floor on September 1, 2018.
  - Hanger fixing in 10 rooms on the second floor (Girls side) on September 6, 2018.
  - Drying area arrangement.
- Maintenance work that is remaining for the new hostel.
  - Hooks fixing in girls rooms (second floor).
  - Hanger fixing and other maintenance works on the second floor boy's side.
  - Cleaning of gutter at the main gate.
  - Water leakage from Urinals on the first and second floor.
  - Water leakage from the Washbasin at the ground floor. (It was fixed but again it is leaking).
- Maintenance work that was done at the old hostel.
  - List is shared with the estate office. Only civil work is almost completed except Mesh for windows, remaining will be done by this week.
  - 2 washing machine are not working on the ground floor, it was reported but their repair cost is high so they are not being repaired. **(I request all the students please do not put wet cloths on the washing machine, because their PCB get damage by water. Please keep your bucket beside the washing machine so that if you are not on time to take back your cloths someone else will put your cloths in your bucket. This is for your help only .)**

- 3 times water tap inside bathrooms were broken, it was fixed within next 2 days. **(I request all the students please do not put weight like bucket, wet cloths or any other weight and do not apply pressure on the taps because they are PVC pipes and can not support things like this, Use them properly otherwise at the end you people faces problems.**
- Drainage cleaning at the backside of mess.
- Maintenance work that is remaining for the old hostel.
  - Electrical related issues such as lights and switch boards. Still pending.
  - Repairing of washing machines.
  - Meshing in mess, as per the information that I have mesh is brought by the estate but because of lack of manpower it is pending.
  - **Water tanks cleaning.**
  - Grass cutting around the hostel.
- Several issues related to plumbing, switch boards, and light problems were solved by the electrician of the new hostel at the new hostel.
- Remaining will be done this weekend.
- **Internet Speed and connectivity** I am regularly asking the concerned department for the same. They are working but because of the lack of manpower they are not able to shift the APs. They also informed me that they will provide boosters for the rooms that are not having internet connectivity. They are also working to provide LAN as soon as possible.

## Points discussed related to Medical

- One First aid kit is to be provided for Ph.D. students.
- Will add *Jhandu Baam* and *ENO* in the first aid kits.
- Will ask for the food serving at the Savaikar hospital.
- Plan for mosquito control and pest control spray is proposed to the administration. Soon the action will be taken.
- Net will be fixed on the corridor's window to avoid mosquito's entry inside hostel.
- We have distributed mosquito repellent for each room. Please use them properly, keep the windows of the room closed. **(Refilling of mosquito repellent will be done by the students. We provided on an urgent basis otherwise we could have asked you to buy. Since now they are given by the institute please do not throw them out after first use. Refill them and use, They are for your good health.)**
- Two new doctors have joined, Vasant has sent a poll to decide their timings. Please give your valuable input for the same. Otherwise the timing will be 12:00 PM to 2:00 PM and 4:00 PM to 6:00 PM.
- Proposal for the Ambulance is placed many a time. We are hoping that the Ambulance may come.
- We requested the administration to fix one car for the hospital purpose only, it should not give priority to faculty, if any student is going to the hospital and some other faculty member is sitting inside the vehicle. I request the administration to first drop the student at the hospital and then go to the residence of the faculty.

## Initiatives and plans

- Hostel website is completed and given to sysad on August 29, 2018. There are some problems related to their server. They are working to change the server. As per my information it will be done by this week.
- Hostel constitution is in drafted state, it was written by one of my council member in the month of June and July when we were at home. I gave priorities to other hostel related issues and the constitution remained where it was.
- A committee of 6 students from the hostel council is formed now to complete the hostel Constitution. We will try to complete it as soon as possible.
- For common room at the new hostel I will ask for a TV, a fridge and for the sitting facilities.