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Dear Sir/Madam,

Kindly refer to my D.O. letter No. 16-29/2009, TS-VII, dated 10th December, 2009 regarding initiating of preparatory activities for participation in the Technical Education Quality Improvement Programme (TEQIP) Phase-II.

2. As is known to you, 200 AICTE approved engineering institutions (Government funded/aided, private unaided and centrally funded institutions) will be competitively selected to (i) improve the learning outcomes and employability of graduates, and (ii) scale-up post-graduate education, research & development and innovation. The salient features as contained in the Project Implementation Plan (PIP) are summarized at **Annex-I**.

3. The State Governments have a crucial role in the success of the Project through implementation of reforms of technical education and facilitation and monitoring of the institutional quality grants. Therefore, a set of eligibility criteria for States and UTs will have to be enforced to achieve a high and sustained impact of TEQIP-II. These seek to give the project institutions adequate decision-making powers that will enable and encourage them to deliver quality education and undertake research in an efficient manner. The primary focus is to transform the traditional control of inputs towards a reformed role of focusing on outcomes, and incentivizing improvements in engineering education. Your attention is drawn to the key eligibility criteria listed at **Annex-II**.

4. In order to participate in the Project, the States will have to make a commitment that they are agreeable to the eligibility criteria as enclosed at Annex-II and accordingly plan participation through an application. The application may be sent to the National Project Implementation Unit (NPIU) by **8th April, 2010** in triplicate. The same may be sent in the electronic form (pdf file) at npiuwb@hotmail.com. The States will be selected based on the merit of their proposal. Applications must be prepared using the template annexed to this letter as **Annex-III**.

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5. The State/UT which has not participated in the 1st Phase of Technical Education Quality Improvement Programme (TEQIP) may require assistance in preparing the proposal. A list of experts has already been sent to the States on 10th February 2010 by NPIU. You may like to choose an expert from the panel and the expenditure towards the experts' honorarium, travel, boarding and lodging will be borne by National Project Implementation Unit (NPIU). For details, you may like to contact the National Project Implementation Unit (NPIU).

6. The Institutions proposals are required to be based on a SWOT (Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities and Threats) analysis and also require attachment of a Faculty Development Plan for 18 months based upon a Training Needs Analysis (TNA). To improve the quality of proposals, **the Project** offers financial support (maximum up to Rs 20.00 lakhs for States and Rs 5.00 lakhs for UTs, in the ratio of 75:25 for all the States except Special Category States for which the ratio is 90:10) for consultant services engaged for **guiding** institutions carry out high quality SWOT and TNA. The financing is conditioned upon States subsequently signing of an MOU with this Ministry.

7. A copy of the PIP has already been sent earlier vide my D.O.of even number dated 10th December 2009. However, a soft copy of the PIP is annexed in the form of CD as **Annex-IV**. The proceedings of the Orientation Workshop are enclosed as **Annex-V** for your kind attention and perusal.

8. For any further detail you are free to call the National Project Implementation Unit (NPIU) or email to : npiuwb@hotmail.com and Mrs. Rashmi Chowdhary, Director of this Ministry. For additional details, log on to NPIUs website www.npiu.nic.in / or contact at phone no. 0120-2513928.

With regards,

Sincerely Yours,

(Ashok Thakur)

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