

## CM INAUGURATES ANNEX BUILDINGS AT GEC

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Chief Minister Dr Pramod Sawant inaugurated the Annex Buildings of Civil, Mechanical and Electrical Engineering Departments of Goa College of Engineering (GEC) at Farmagudi, Ponda today in the presence of Minister for Art and Culture Shri. Govind Gaude.

Secretary for Education Smt.Nila Mohanan IAS, Director of Technical Education Shri. Vivek Kamat, Chief Engineer of PWD Shri. Umesh Kulkarni and Principal of GEC Dr. Krupashankar M.S. were present on the occasion.

The Chief Minister unveiled the plaque and inaugurated the annex buildings. He later examined the projects put up by the students and also planted saplings in the campus. The newly built buildings are spread in total area of appx. 7000 sq mt. With a total built up cost Rs. 20 crores. The new buildings have classrooms, drawing rooms, seminar hall and laboratories.

Speaking on the occasion the Chief Minister asked the students to go into the field of research studies after completion of their graduation or post graduation. “A good numbers of engineers pass out from this Institute every year. However, a very few of them take up further research. Government will come up with a scheme very soon to help students to do research. In this way, we shall have more scientists,” the CM stated.

He further added that to create a bright future for this state, youth must take up innovative initiatives. “The Government is looking forward to invest in Education. Skill and Technical Education will be our priority and we shall see that the we reach the economically weakest section of the society,” the CM said. He also appreciated the staff and students for their projects exhibited on the occasion.

Minister Shri. Gaude congratulated team GEC for its progress in past many years and said that the institute has contributed immensely towards India’s economy by producing some of the best Engineers. Recalling days as a student in his Alma-mater Shri. Gaude urged the students to become a job giver than a job seeker. “ I feel very proud to be a student of this institute. This college provided me a platform to improve myself. Practical knowledge is important for an an engineer. Set your goals high and strive to achieve them. Face difficulties with courage,” Shri. Gaude said. He further added that it is due to the vision of our first Chief Minister Shri. Bhausahab Bandodkar, institutions like GEC have stood high since past 50 years.

Earlier, Dr. Krupashankar M.S. welcomed the gathering. Shri. Vernekar presented an invocation song. Shri. Govind Bhagat compered while Shri. Anant Naik proposed the vote of thanks.

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