

SARDAR VALLABHBHAI NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY, SURAT

Minutes of the *Thirty Ninth* meeting of the *Senate* of the Sardar Vallabhbhai National Institute of Technology, Surat which was held on *Saturday, the 29th April 2017, at 11:00 a.m.* onwards in the *Conference Room of the Institute Guest House at Surat.*

The following members were present in the meeting:

- 1) Dr. S. R. Gandhi, Director : Chairman
- 2) Dr. Amit Prashant, Dean (Academic) IITGN : External Member
- 3) Dr. P. L. Patel, Dean (Academic) SVNIT, Surat : Member
- 4) Dr. J. E. M. Macwan, Prof. & Head, CED, SVNIT, Surat : Member
- 5) Dr. C. H. Solanki, Prof. & Head, AMD, SVNIT, Surat : Member
- 6) Dr. Z. V. P. Murthy, Prof. & Head, CHED, SVNIT, Surat : Member
- 7) Dr. H. R. Jariwala, Prof & Head, EED, SVNIT, Surat : Member
- 8) Dr. B. K. Samtani, Professor, CEO, SVNIT, Surat : Member
- 9) Dr. J. N. Patel, Professor, CED, SVNIT, Surat : Member
- 10) Dr. R. V. Rao, Professor, MED, SVNIT, Surat : Member
- 11) Dr. D. V. Bhatt, Professor, MED, SVNIT, Surat : Member
- 12) Dr. P. A. Parikh, Professor, CHED, SVNIT, Surat : Member
- 13) Dr. D. R. Patel, Professor, COED, SVNIT, Surat : Member
- 14) Dr. H. J. Nagarsheth, Professor, MED, SVNIT, Surat : Member
- 15) Dr. R. G. Mehta, Head, COED, SVNIT, Surat : Special Invitee
- 16) Dr. J. N. Sarvaiya, Head, ECED, SVNIT, Surat : Special Invitee
- 17) Dr. Kalpana Maheria, Head, ACD, SVNIT, Surat : Special Invitee
- 18) Dr. Vipul Kheraj, Head, APD, SVNIT, Surat : Special Invitee
- 19) Dr. H. P. Bulsara, I/c Head, AMHD, SVNIT, Surat : Special Invitee
- 20) Dr. R. A. Christian, Dean (SW), SVNIT, Surat : Special Invitee
- 21) Dr. A. K. Khambete, Dean (P&D), SVNIT, Surat : Special Invitee
- 22) Dr. P. V. Bhale, Asso Dean(R&C), SVNIT, Surat : Special Invitee
- 23) Dr. S. Kumar, Asso. Dean (Acad), SVNIT, Surat : Special Invitee
- 24) Dr. U. D. Dalal, Asso. Dean (FW), SVNIT, Surat : Special Invitee
- 25) Dr. D. P. Vakharia, I/C. Registrar : Secretary

Prof. Vivek Bhandari, Vice Chancellor, AURO University, Surat and Prof. Rekha Kulkarni, Professor, Department of Mathematics, IIT, Bombay, conveyed their inability to attend the meeting due to their pre-occupation.

Further, Dr. H. S. Patil, Professor (AMD), Dr. C.D. Modera, Professor (AMD), Dr. A. K. Desai, Professor (AMD), Dr. S.A. Vasanwala, Professor (AMD), Dr. S. A. Channiwala, Professor (MED), Dr. H .K. Raval, Professor (MED) & Dean (R&C), Dr. K . P. Desai, Head (MED), Dr. D. C. Jinwala, Professor (CoED), Dr. S. M . Yadav, Professor (CED), Dr. H. B

Naik, Professor (MED) and Dean (A&R), Dr. V. H. Pradhan, Asso. Professor (AMHD) & Asso Dean (SW), Dr. D. A. Patel, Asst. Professor (CED) & Asso Dean (P&D), Shri. Suraj Pal Jangid – SGS & Shri. Shamtanu Kulkarni, Academic Affair Secretary could not attend the meeting.

At the outset of the meeting, the Chairman of the Senate warmly welcomed all the members of the Senate.

The following business was transacted:

Item 1: To confirm the minutes of 38th meeting of the Senate held on January 13, 2017.

Res. 1: “Resolved that the minutes of the 38th meeting of the Senate held on January 13, 2017 be confirmed.”

Item 2: To note and approve the action taken on the resolution adopted at the 38th meeting of Senate held on 13/01/2017 in the Conference Room of the Institute Guest House.

Res. 2: “Resolved that the resolutions adopted in the 38th meeting of the Senate held on January 13, 2017 be noted and approved. Further, it is resolved that a committee for framing the policy for consideration of proposals from Alumni and Public for instituting the medals at the institute level during convocation in future be requested for expediting their recommendations at the earliest”.

Item 3: To note and approve recommendations made by the Institute Academic Advisory Committee (IAAC) at its 29th meeting held on March 08, 2017.

Res. 3 : It is resolved that the action taken in 29th meeting of Institute Academic Advisory Committee (IAAC), held on March 08, 2017 be noted and approved. Further, following resolutions were adopted with reference to 29th meeting of IAAC resolutions (Res: 12, Res: 13, Res: 24.2 and Res: 24.6).

a) With reference to Res : 12 of the 28th IAAC meeting held on March 08, 2017, it is resolved that M.Sc (Physics) department be requested to bring the proposal for starting 2 years M.Sc programme (Physics) within one year after complete justification of requirement of faculty, staff and laboratories, for starting the programme.

b) Res : 13 of the 29th IAAC meeting, regarding not providing answer scripts of students involved in Summer semester (May – July, 2016) to the

committee (constituted vide 37th Institute Senate Meeting (Res 5a)) by the course Coordinator Shri D. B. Gohil for the subject Mechatronics (ME 204), was discussed at length. The august house noted the violation of code of conduct by Shri D. B. Gohil, course Coordinator (ME 204) Mechatronics for not complying the directives of the 37th Senate resolution (Res : 5a).

The august house also viewed seriously the disrespect shown by Shri D B Gohil for not complying the Para (9) of NIT statutes, invoked by the Institute Senate Chairman vide Dean (Acad)/139/2016-2017, dated August 30,2016 for addressing the grievances of students.

It was further resolved to give another chance to Shri D B Gohil to produce the answer scripts at the earliest before the committee constituted vide 37th Institute Senate Meeting (Res 5 a) for addressing the grievances of students. The committee has been requested to give its findings to the Institute Senate Chairman for further action.

c) The matter related with the evaluation of existing pattern of theory subjects at UG/PG levels in the institute was discussed at length with reference to Res : 24.2 of IAAC held on March 08, 2017 With due deliberations, the following evaluation pattern of theory subjects at the UG/PG levels were approved which would be effective with effect from AY 2017-18.

- Mid Semester Examination : 30 Marks.
(Duration 01hr 30 min)
- End Semester Examination : 50 Marks. **
(Duration 03 hrs)
- Continuous Evaluation : 20 Marks.
(quizzes and assignments).

** The question papers will be for 100 marks or 50 marks as per the discretion of course coordinator.

d) The draft MoU as recommended by 29th IAAC dated March 08,2017 were noted and approved by the august house for signature with the following organizations :-

- i) Sahajanand Medical Technology Pvt Limited, Surat.
- ii) Myelin innovation Pvt Limited, Noida.

Item 4: To note and approve recommendations made by the Institute Academic Advisory Committee (IAAC) at its 30th meeting held on April 18, 2017.

Res. 4: It is resolved that action taken in the 30th meeting of IAAC held on April 18,2017 be noted and approved. Further, following resolution were adopted with reference to 30th IAAC meeting (Res: 1, Res: 3, Res: 11, Res: 14, Res: 15, Res: 17.1, Res: 17.2, Res: 17.3, Res: 17.4, Res: 17.5, Res: 17.6, Res: 17.7) and note of dissent by Prof Z.V.P. Murthy of Ched on Res : 1 and Res : 17.3 of the 30th IAAC meeting held on April 18, 2017.

- a) With ref to Res (1) of 30th IAAC meeting and discussion held in august house, it is resolved that the Summer semester (May-July 2017) be run for FIRST year students only. Further, it is resolved that Summer semester be discontinued with effect from Academic Year 2017-18.
- b) Due to shortage of time, Res: 3, Res: 17.1, Res: 17.5, Res: 17.6, Res: 17.7 of 30th IAAC meeting held on April 18, 2017 were not discussed and will be tabled for discussion on ensuing meeting of the Senate.
- c) The recommendations of the committee for conversion of CGPA into percentage at institute level, constituted vide Dean(Acad)/688/2016-2017, dated March 01, 2017 as forwarded by 30th IAAC meeting held on April 18, 2017 (Res. 11) was discussed at length and approved as follows :-

- % Marks = CGPA (10 point scale) x 10.

The above conversion would be applicable for students passing from AY 2016-17 onwards only.

- d) The draft MoU to be signed between SVNIT and DSL Venture Limited , Ahmedabad (Digital Depositories authorized by MHRD/UGC, New Delhi) on recommendation by 30th IAAC meeting (Res : 14) held on April 18, 2017 be noted and approved. The MoU will be implemented at the

institute level after discussing the financial issues arising due to implementation of aforesaid MoU.

- e) “ Resolved to approve the recommendation of the 30th IAAC meeting held on April 18, 2017 (Res : 15) related with signatories on corrected degree certificates issued after the convocation is over. Further, it is resolved that degree certificates to be issued in English version from the institute in future.
- f) With reference to Res : 17.20 of the 30th IAAC held on April 18,2017 , following ceiling limits for registration in UG/PG programmes have been approved in department level electives:-

| PROGRAMMES | MAX | MIN |
|-------------------|----------------|------------|
| UG | 50 | 20 |
| PG | Class Strength | 06 |

- g) With reference to Res : 17.3 of the 30th IAAC meeting held on April 18, 2017, the matter was discussed at length for not allowing the student Mr. Akshat Kunwar (U15045) who reported late in the MID Sem examination. There is a provision in the circular No : Acad/MIDSem/Even/618/2017 dated 14/02/2017 issued by the Chief Coordinator , Examinations that student be not allowed to enter into the examination hall , if he/she reports after 15 minutes since the commencement of the examination. While going through application of student and information given by Head, MED, it came to notice that student reported within 10 minutes after commencement of MID Sem examination (AY 2016-17) of ME 204 Mechatronics. As the student Mr. Akshat Kunwar (U150045) was not allowed to appear in the MID Sem. examination (AY 2016-17) of ME 204 Mechatronics, the student be permitted to appear in the make up test.
- h) The Res: 24.4 of 28th IAAC meeting was discussed in line with the response of funding agency, dated April 21, 2017 (through email) to the Dean (R&C) of the institute. It is resolved that category conversion request of Ms. Ankita Chadha (D15EC002) from FIR to PEC be kept on

hold as the funding agency has not given its consent for such category conversion as per the terms and conditions of the PhD fellowship under Vishveshwaraaya Scheme under Meity.

Sd/-

(Dr. D. P. VAKHARIA)
SECRETARY – SENATE

Sd/-

(Dr. S. R. GANDHI)
CHAIRMAN - SENATE