सरदार वल्लभभाई राष्ट्रीय प्रौद्योगिकी संस्थान, सूरत
SARDAR VALLABHBHAI NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY, SURAT
सरदार વલ્લભભાઈ રાષ્ટ્રીય પ્રૌદ્યોગિકી સંસ્થા, સૂરત
शिक्षा मंत्रालय, भारत सरकार द्वारा **NITSER** अधिनियम के तहत स्थापित राष्ट्रीय महत्व का संस्थान
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Date: 06.12.2024

To,
All the Members
Board of Governors
SVNIT, Surat

SUB: Minutes of the 75th Meeting of the Board of Governors held on 20.11.2024

Sir/Madam,

Please find enclosed the Minutes of the 75th meeting of the Board of Governors for Sardar Vallabhbhai National Institute of Technology, Surat held on 20.11.2024 for your kind perusal and comments, if any.

The comments, if any, may please be sent back preferably within 5 days to take appropriate action as per decision of the Board of Governors.

Encl.: As above

(Dr. Pramod Mathur)
REGISTRAR
& SECRETARY – BoG's

Copy to:
Director

SARDAR VALLABHBHAI NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY, SURAT

MINUTES

Minutes of the Seventy Fifth (75th) meeting of the Board of Governors of the SVNIT, Surat held on Wednesday, the 20th November 2024 at 3:30 PM through Hybrid mode (Online and Offline) at SVNIT Surat. The following members were present:

1.	**Prof. Bhim Singh** SERB National Science Chair & Emeritus Professor, IIT Delhi	:	Chairman (Online)
2.	**Prof. Anupam Shukla** Director, SVNIT, Surat	:	Member
3.	**Mrs. Veena Dunga** Deputy Secretary (NITs) Ministry of Education, Shastri Bhavan, New Delhi 110115 *Representative of :* Joint Secretary, Department of Higher Education, Ministry of Education, New Delhi	:	Member (Online)
4.	**Shri N. S. Bisht** Deputy Secretary , Finance (IFD) Ministry of Education, Shastri Bhavan, New Delhi 110115 *Representative of:* Joint Secretary & Financial Advisor, Ministry of Education, GOI, New Delhi	:	Member (Online)
5.	**Shri Manaharbhai Sanspara,** Chairman, Euro India Fresh Food Ltd., Surat	:	Member (Online)
6.	**Professor Chinmay Ghoroi** Professor, Chemical Engg. Deptt. IIT Gandhinagar	:	Member (Online)
7.	**Prof. Keyur P. Desai** Professor, Deptt. of Mechanical Engineering, SVNIT, Surat.	:	Member (Online)
8.	**Dr. Shweta N. Shah** Associate Professor, Deptt. of Electronics Engineering, SVNIT, Surat	:	Member
9.	**Dr. Pramod Mathur** Registrar, SVNIT, Surat	:	Secretary

At the outset, the Director welcomed the Hon'ble Chairman, BoG and the members present and thanked them for sparing their valuable time for this meeting. The Board was informed about the comments received from IFD on the Agenda items of this meeting. The leave of absence was noted for Shri Rajiv Gandhi, CEO & Managing Director, Hester Biosciences Ltd., Ahmedabad. After preliminary discussions, following agenda items were deliberated with the permission from Chair:

Item 75.01: **To confirm minutes of the 74th Board of Governors Meeting held on 29.08.2024.**

Reso 75.01: It was informed to the members that no comments were received for the minutes of 74th Board of Governors Meeting.

"Resolved to confirm the minutes of 74th meeting of Board of Governors held on 29.08.2024."

Item 75.02: **To note the action taken on the resolutions adopted by the Board of Governors in its 74th meeting held on 29.08.2024.**

Reso.75.02: The action taken on the resolutions of the BoG was discussed. The members were informed about constitution of committee against Resolution No. 74.11.1 to propose the norms for permitting retention of the quarter during appointment to the Statutory Tenure Position of the Government of India. The recommendations of the Committee has been received and was placed on the table. It was decided to take the report as additional item in this meeting.
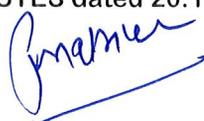
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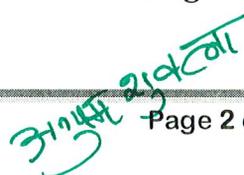
Item 75.03: **To note the recommendations of the 52nd meeting of the Finance Committee held on 20.11.2024**

Reso 75.03: The members were briefed about the decisions taken in the Finance Committee meeting held on 20.11.2024. The members noted the same.

"Resolved to note the recommendations of the 52nd meeting of the Finance Committee held on 20.11.2024."

Item 75.04: **To approve the recommendations of the 52nd meeting of the Finance Committee to be held on 20.11.2024**

Reso 75.04: The following recommendations made by the 52nd FC Meeting dated 20.11.2024 were approved.

Item 75.04.01: To consider and approve revised estimate for the Projects to be executed in Phase-II through HEFA funding at SVNIT Campus, Surat.

Reso 75.04.01: *"Resolved to approve the revised estimate of Rs.1,93,65,23,000/- (including equipment and furniture for Health Centre) for the three Projects to be executed through HEFA Phase-II funding at SVNIT Campus, Surat as per following:*
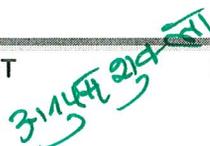
Sr. No.	Name of Projects	Initial Cost of the Projects (PAR-2021)	Revised cost of the Projects (PAR-2023)
1	Construction of 900 seater Boys Hostel	Rs.1,15,37,63,000/-	Rs.1,17,21,68,000/-
2	Construction of Medical Technology Research Center (Health Center)	Rs. 6,54,96,000/-	Rs.8,76,05,000/-
3	Construction of New Department of Artificial Intelligence at SVNIT Campus, Surat	Rs.67,18,50,000/-	Rs.67,18,50,000/-
4	Equipment & Furniture for Medical Technology Research Center (Health Center)	Rs. 49,00,000/-	Rs. 49,00,000/-
	Total	Rs. 1,89,60,09,000/-	Rs.1,93,65,23,000/-

The required modification/ correction with revised DPR be prepared and submitted alongwith modified HEFA Loan applications after approval of BoG."

Item 75.04.02: Approval for "Demolition of Old Production Department & Ext. Production Engineering Department, Old Hostel - II (H – 2) and Old Hostel – V (H – 5) buildings at SVNIT Campus, Surat."

Reso 75.04.02: *"Resolved to approve for Demolition of Old Production Department & Ext. Production Engineering Department, Old Hostel - II (H – 2) and Old Hostel – V (H – 5) buildings at SVNIT Campus, Surat. The demolition should be done following the procedure, work manual and tendering process through CPPP/ Institute website. Necessary entries should be made for the same in the appropriate*

register/ records and books of accounts of the institute."

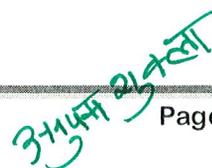|	
Item 75.04.03:	To consider the proposal for availing Security Services at SVNIT, Surat at the total cost of Rs.5,07,37,456/-including Taxes under the Account Head of (1/138) under OH-31.
Reso 75.04.03:	*"Resolved to accord approval to initiate the tendering process for availing Security Services at SVNIT, Surat at the total estimated cost of Rs.5,07,37,456/- including Taxes under OH-31. The Director of the institute is empowered to approve for placing the work order to the eligible lowest evaluated bidder after bidding process through GeM."*
Item 75.04.04:	To consider the proposal for availing Housekeeping, Reception, Room Services, Catering, Laundry Services & Facility Management Services at SVP Bhavan, Surat at the estimated yearly cost of Rs.81,33,144/- plus taxes.
Reso 75.04.04:	*"Resolved to accord approval to initiate the tendering process for availing Housekeeping, Reception, Room Services, Catering, Laundry Services & Facility Management Services at SVP Bhavan, Surat at the yearly estimated cost of Rs.81,33,144/- (plus applicable GST). The Director of the institute is empowered to approve for placing the work order to the eligible lowest evaluated bidder after bidding process through GeM and fund availability under OH-31."*
Item 75.04.05:	To consider the proposal for procurement of 17 nos. of workstation(s) for faculty members under Seed money at the Estimated cost of Rs.59.00 lakh.
Reso 75.04.05:	*"Resolved to defer the proposal and be placed again after obtaining the justification from the indenters for requirement of specific servers / workstation with specifications and cost duly vetted by the Institute level Committee."*
Item 75.04.06:	To approve adoption of Separate Audit Report (SAR) of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India on the Accounts of Sardar Vallabhbhai National Institute of Technology, Surat for the Financial year 2023-24.

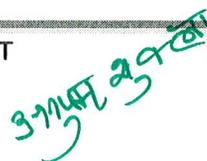| Reso 75.04.06	*"Resolved to adopt the Separate Audit Report (SAR) issued by the Comptroller and Auditor General of India on the Accounts of Sardar Vallabhbhai National Institute of Technology, Surat for the financial year ending on 31st March 2024".*
Item 75.04.07:	To consider the proposal for procurement of High-End NVIDIA H-100 GPU Server for Department of Computer Science and Engineering and Department of Artificial Intelligence.
Reso 75.04.07:	*"Resolved to approve the proposal for procurement of High-End NVIDIA H-100 GPU Server for Department of Computer Science & Engineering and Department of Artificial Intelligence at the estimated cost of Rs.1,35,56,607/- (Inclusive of 18% GST). The expenditure will be met through OH-35. The Director of the institute is empowered to approve for placing the work order to to the eligible lowest evaluated bidder after bidding process through GeM and subject to availability of fund."*
	"Resolved further, that initially the set up will be installed in the Department of Computer Science & Engineering and after construction of new Building for Department Artificial Intelligence, the same may be shifted to the Department of Artificial Intelligence."
Item 75.04.08:	To consider the estimated cost for the tendering for annual cleaning and sanitation services at SVNIT Surat with modified area and cost.
Reso 75.04.08:	*"Resolved to approve the tendering for annual cleaning and sanitation services with modified area and total cost of Rs. 357.00 lakhs including Taxes under OH-31 for 37,76,680 Sq.Ft. The Director of the institute is empowered to approve to place the work order to the eligible lowest bidder selected after bidding process through GeM."*

Item 75.05: **To consider and approve the recommendations of the Committee constituted to assess the performance of Group 'A' & 'C' employees for probation clearance and confirmation of services**

Reso 75.05: The Board noted the recommendations of the Committee constituted to assess the performance of the Group 'A' & 'C' employees for probation clearance and confirmation of services for those who joined the institute during August to November 2023. It was apprised that, for assessment for confirmation, the

Committee has gone through the quarterly assessment report of the employees, medical verification report, character antecedent, vigilance clearance and the copy of Appointment orders and Joining Reports etc. The members observed that as per NIT Act 2007 all appointments made on the non academic staff of Group C post should be made by the Director of the institute. After referring the relevant provision of NIT section 24(a) & (b) it is indicated that the Board is the appointing authority if the appointment is made only on the Academic Staff in the post of Lecturer or above or if the appointment is made on the non-academic staff in the cadre the maximum of the pay scale for which exceed Rs. 10500/-. Since the pay scale has now been changed in the year 2006 & 2016 the corresponding pay scale shall come under Group 'C' Non Teaching post. Accordingly, the Director SVNIT Surat is authorized to approve for probation clearance and confirmation of services of following Group C employees at SVNIT Surat:

Sl. No.	Name, Designation & Department
1	Ashok Kumar Pandit, Technician, Technician, DoCSE
2	Shri Kamle Nikhil Bandu, Office Attendant, DoME
3	Shri Ajaykumar Gadiwaddar, Office Attendant, DoHSS
4	Shri Bhavsar Rohan Satishbhai, Office Attendant, DoME (W/S)
5	Shri Kosambia Kaushal Bhupendra, Office Attendant, DoC
6	Shri Pankaj Kumar, Technician, Estate & Store Section
7	Shri Ritesh Kumar Sonwani, Technician, DoC
8	Shri Suraj Kumar, Technician, DoAI

"Resolved to approve the recommendations of the Committee constituted to assess the performance of employees for confirmation of following Group 'A' employee who was appointed through Direct Recruitment. The confirmation of probation will be effective from the date as mentioned in the list."

Sr. No.	Name, Designation & Department	Date of Joining	Date of confirmation
1	Shri Suhasish Munshi, Executive Engineer, Estate & Store Section	19.09.2023	19.09.2024

"Resolved futher that, the Director of the Institute is empowered to approve the confirmation of probation of the employees of Group 'C' appointed through Direct recruitment."

"Further resolved to confirm above resolution during the meeting itself so as to issue necessary orders by the institute."

Item 75.06: To approve the recommendations of the Departmental Promotion Committee for grant of promotion to the eligible Non-Teaching employees of the Institute (Group 'B' & 'C')

Reso 75.06: The Board noted that the Institute had constituted Departmental Promotion Committee(s) to assess the suitability of the Non-Teaching employees of the Institute for promotions in line with MHRD letter No.F.35-5/2018-TS.III dated 20/02/2019 regarding recommendations of Oversight Committee for removal of anomalies of non-teaching staff and revised Recruitment Rules (RRs). It was noted that total 16 applications were received from the employees of the institute for consideration of Promotions and total 06 (Group B) and 10 (Group 'C') employees were found eligible for assessment through DPC. It was noted that, out of total 06 Group 'B' employees, 03 Group B employees were eligible for the post of Scientific/ Technical Officer (Group A) and 03 Group 'B' employees were eligible for the post of Technical Assistant SG-I. The interview for promotion to Group 'A' post was conducted on 16.10.2024 and The Departmental proficiency test/ written test/ trade test for Group 'B' & 'C' posts were held on 16.10.2024. The recommendations of the DPC are kept in a sealed envelope. After deliberations, as discussed in the agenda item 75.05, the Director of the institute is empowered to approve the recommendation of DPC for group 'C' Post. The recommendations of Departmental Promotion Committee for Group 'B' and 'A' is given below:

S No	Post & Pay Scale	Name of person recommended
1	Scientific / Technical Officer Group 'A', (Pay level -10)	1. Shri Ganpatbhai S. Shah
2	Technical Assistant SG-I Group 'B' (Pay level -09)	1. Shri Gav B. Master 2. Shri Bharatkumar D. Mistry 3. Shri Gajendra J. Panchal

"Resolved that the Director is authorized to approve the recommendation of the Departmental Promotion Committee (DPC) for grant of promotion to the selected Non-Teaching employees (Group 'C') of the Institute."

"Resolved further, to issue order for promotion to the selected Non-Teaching employee of the Institute as per the recommendation of the committee. For Group 'A' the promotions will be effective from the date of the Departmental Promotion Committee meeting i.e. 16.10.2024 and for Group 'B' the promotions will be effective from the date of the Departmental Promotion Committee meeting i.e. 18.10.2024."

"Further resolved to confirm the above resolution during the meeting."

Item 75.07: To note the updating of Reservation Roster for faculty cadres and issue of advertisement for recruitment

Reso 75.07: It was informed that, the existing sanctioned strength for the faculty is 296 and the distribution of faculty in various cadres (Professor: Associate Professor: Assistant Professor) is in the ratio is 1: 1.2: 2.15 (as per 72-BoG Meeting dated 15.02.2024). In view of opening of new departments and requirement of the institute, the flexibility in the cadre strength at each levels of faculty cadre is required. The vacancies for the post of Professor & Associate Professors in all the respective departments are not adequate, hence it is required for re-distribution and re-casting of roster for faculty cadres. A committee was constituted to update the Cadre Wise Reservation Roster for Faculty as per Central Educational Institutions (Reservation in Teacher's Cadre) Act, 2019 and instructions issued by Ministry of Education, Govt. of India. The ongoing recruitment notices were amended after obtaining the approval of the Hon'ble Chairman BoG's for the Reservation Roster Register of the faculty cadre posts and following vacancies as on 30th September, 2024. The amended advertisement for faculty position was shown to the members.

Post	UR	SC	ST	OBC	EWS	Total
Professor	5	2	1	3	1	12
Associate Professor	6	2	1	3	1	13
Assistant Professor	17	5	5	3	3	33
Total	28	9	7	9	5	58

After deliberation it was;

"Resolved to note and approve the distribution of faculty posts in various cadres, updation of Reservation Roster for faculty cadres and issue of amended advertisement for recruitment of faculty posts."

Item 75.08 To approve Annual Report of the institute for the year 2023-24.

Reso 75.08: *"Resolved to approve the Annual Report of the Institute for the year 2023-24. The Annual Report alongwith Audited Annual Accounts for the year 2023-24 may be sent to the Ministry of Education, Govt. of India in Hindi/English immediately."*

Item 75. 09: Noting Items for consideration of Board of Governors

75.09.1	To note the abroad visit of faculty of the Institute
75.09.2	Appointment/ Extension of Deans/ HODs
75.09.3	To note the adoption of following O.M./ Instructions received from Ministry of Education, Govt. of India and Ministry of Finance, Govt. of India.

(1)   Letter No.F.No.33-3/2022-TS.III dated 18.06.2024 regarding implementation of Special Provision for Scientific Ministries/ Departments in General Financial Rules (GFRs), 2017

(2)   O.M No. F.-1/3/2024-PPD dated 10.07.2024 regarding amendment in General Financial Rules 2017.

75.09.4   To note the standard settlement deduction made by TATA AIG GIC limited for Rs.141125/- out of total Insured Declared Value (IDV) of Rs.922000/- for Institute Bus which met with accident on 12.12.2023.

75.09.5   To note the nomination of following external members on the Senate of the Institute.
1. Prof. Maya Kant Awasthi, IIM Lucknow
2. Prof. Swarnlata Saraf, Prof. & Ex Director Uni. Institute of Pharmacy
3. Prof. Debasish Ghose, Deptt. of Aero Space Engg. IISc Bangalore

Reso.75.09:   *"Noted."*

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Item 75.10.1: **To consider and approve to change the nomenclature of 5 years Integrated B.Tech+M.Tech program in Artificial Intelligence to 5 Years Integrated B.Tech (Artificial Intelligence) and M.Tech (Artificial Intelligence)**

Reso.75.10.1: It was informed that, the 72nd Board of Governors meeting held on 15.02.2024 approved for introduction of new '5 years Integrated B.Tech+M.Tech program in Artificial Intelligence' from the academic year 2024-25 with intake of 30 students. The program has been started from the academic year 2024-25. While uploading the new program on various government portal/ agencies, it has been observed that there is no specific nomenclature available for B.Tech+M.Tech instead, program like B.Tech and M.tech is available. It was proposed to change the nomenclature of the same as 5 years Integrated B.Tech. (Artificial Intelligence) and M.Tech (Artificial Intelligence) After deliberations it was;

"Resolved to approve to change the nomenclature of 5 years Integrated B.Tech+M.Tech program in Artificial Intelligence to 5 Years Integrated B.Tech (Artificial Intelligence) and M.Tech (Artificial Intelligence). This will effective for the students admitted from the Academic Year 2024-25 and onwards."

Item 75.10.2: To approve the recommendation of the committee constituted to propose the norms for permitting retention of the quarter during the appointment to the Statutory Tenure Position of the Government of India.

Reso. 75.10.2: While discussing the action taken on the resolutions No. 74.11.1 of the BoG it was informed that a committee was constituted to propose the norms for permitting retention of the quarter during appointment to the Statutory Tenure Position of the Government of India. The recommendations of the Committee has been received which was placed on the table. The Committee has recommended retention of quarter for the appointments made to the statutory tenure positions of Govt. of India till the period of such Statutory tenure position (5 years) with payment of normal license fees. After deliberation it was;

"Resolved to approve the recommendations of the committee for the norms of retention of the quarter at SVNIT Surat during appointment made to the Statutory Tenure Position of the GoI and to retain the quarter at SVNIT Surat till the period of Statutory tenure position of GoI with payment of normal license fees".

The meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Chair.

(Dr. Pramod Mathur)
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SVNIT, SURAT

(Prof. Anupam Shukla)
DIRECTOR &
MEMBER, BOG's
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