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शिक्षा मंत्रालय, भारत सरकार द्वारा NITSER अधिनियम के तहत स्थापित राष्ट्रीय महत्व का संस्थान  
(An Institute of National Importance, Established under NITSER Act by Ministry of Education, Govt. of India)

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Date: 19.05.2025

To,  
All the Members  
Board of Governors  
SVNIT, Surat

19 MAY 2025


SUB: Minutes of the 78<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Board of Governors held on 16.05.2025

Sir/Madam,

Please find enclosed the Minutes of the 78<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Board of Governors for Sardar Vallabhbhai National Institute of Technology, Surat held on 16.05.2025 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

  
19.05.2025  
(K. K. Singh)  
I/C REGISTRAR  
& SECRETARY - BoG's

Copy to:  
Director



**SARDAR VALLABHBHAI NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY, SURAT**

**MINUTES**

Minutes of the Seventy Eighth (78<sup>th</sup>) meeting of the Board of Governors of the SVNIT, Surat held on Friday, the May 16, 2025 at 4:00 PM through Hybrid mode (Online and Offline) at SVNIT Surat. The following members were present:

1. **Prof. Bhim Singh** : Chairman (Online)  
SERB National Science Chair & Emeritus  
Professor, IIT Delhi
2. **Prof. Anupam Shukla** : Member  
Director, SVNIT, Surat
3. **Ms. Garima Sharma** : Member (Online)  
Deputy Secretary (NITs)  
Ministry of Education,  
Shastri Bhavan, New Delhi 110115  
**Representative of:**  
Joint Secretary, Department of Higher  
Education, Ministry of Education, New Delhi
4. **Shri Harihara Sundaram S** : Member (Online)  
*Under Secretary, Finance (IFD)*  
*Ministry of Education,*  
*Shastri Bhavan, New Delhi 110115*  
**Representative of:**  
Joint Secretary & Financial Advisor, Ministry  
of Education, GOI, New Delhi
5. **Professor Chinmay Ghoroi** : Member (Online)  
Professor, Chemical Engg. Deptt.  
IIT Gandhinagar
6. **Prof. Keyur P. Desai** : Member  
Professor, Deptt. of Mechanical Engineering,  
SVNIT, Surat.
7. **Dr. Shweta N. Shah** : Member  
Associate Professor, Deptt. of Electronics  
Engineering, SVNIT, Surat
8. **Shri K. K. Singh** : Secretary  
I/c Registrar, SVNIT, Surat

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. After preliminary discussions and briefings, the following agenda items were deliberated:

**Item 78.01: To confirm minutes of the 77<sup>th</sup> Board of Governors Meeting held on 20.03.2025.**

**Reso 78.01:** It was informed to the members that no comments were received for the minutes of 77<sup>th</sup> Board of Governors Meeting.

*"Resolved to confirm the minutes of 77<sup>th</sup> meeting of Board of Governors held on 20.03.2025."*

**Item 78.02: To note the action taken on the resolutions adopted by the Board of Governors in its 77<sup>th</sup> meeting held on 20.03.2025.**

**Reso.78.02:** *"Resolved to note the action taken on the resolutions adopted by the Board of Governors in its 77<sup>th</sup> meeting held on 20.03.2025."*

**Item 78.03: To note the recommendations of the 55<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Finance Committee held on 16.05.2025.**

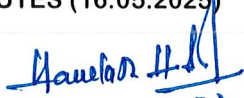
**Reso 78.03:** The members were briefed about the decisions taken in the Finance Committee meeting held on 16.05.2025.

*"Resolved to note the recommendations of the 55<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Finance Committee held on 16.05.2025."*

**Item 78.04: To approve the recommendations of the 55<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Finance Committee held on 16.05.2025**

**Reso 78.04:** The following recommendations made by the 55<sup>th</sup> FC Meeting dated 16.05.2025 were approved.

Item 78.04.1: To consider and approve the proposal of the estimate for the work of "Internal & External Painting, Water Proofing Treatment and Miscellaneous minor Civil works of Type V staff quarters (G+10) storey Building at SVNIT Campus, Surat" for the estimated cost of Rs.4,95,85,000/- (Rupees Four crore Ninety-Five lakh Eighty-Five thousand only) [including 3% contingencies and 11.03% EPF and ESI Charges].



**Res. 78.04.1:** *“Resolved to approve the proposal of the work of Internal & External Painting Work, Water Proofing Treatment and Miscellaneous minor Civil works of Type V staff quarters (G+10) storey Building at SVNIT Campus, Surat at the estimated cost of Rs 4,95,85,000/- (Rupees Four Crore Ninety-Five Lakh Eighty-Five Thousand Only) [including 3% contingencies and 11.03% EPF and ESI Charges]. The work will be executed through the CPWD and the expenditure will be made under the Budget Head OH-31 subject to the availability of fund.”*

*“Further resolved that upon completion of the Internal & External Painting Work, Water Proofing Treatment and Miscellaneous minor Civil works of Type V staff quarters (G+10) storey Building at SVNIT Campus, Surat, CPWD will assure defect liability of the work for three years.”*

**Item 78.04.2:** To consider the proposal of Additional Electrical and Mechanical Works at the Administrative Building and 02 nos. of Lecture Hall Complexes in the SVNIT Campus, Surat at the estimated cost of Rs. 83,73,816/- (Rupees Eighty-Three Lakh Seventy-Three Thousand Eight Hundred Sixteen only) [including 3% contingencies and 11.03% EPF and ESI Charges].

**Reso 78.04.2:** *“Resolved to approve the proposal of Additional Electrical and Mechanical Works at Administrative Building and 02 nos. of Lecture Hall Complexes in the SVNIT Campus, Surat at the estimated cost of Rs. 83,73,816/- (Rupees Eighty-Three Lakh Seventy-Three Thousand Eight Hundred Sixteen only) [including 3% contingencies and 11.03% EPF and ESI Charges]. The work will be executed through the single tender. The work will be executed through the CPWD and the expenditure will be made under the Budget Head OH-35 subject to the availability of fund.*

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*“Further resolved that upon completion of the work of Additional Electrical and Mechanical Works at Administrative Building and 02 nos. of Lecture Hall Complexes, CPWD will assure defect liability of the work for five years.”*

Item 78.04.3: To consider and approve the revision of the financial limit for placing proposals before the Building & Works Committee from above Rs.5.00 lakh to above Rs.10.00 lakh, for construction/repair and maintenance works.

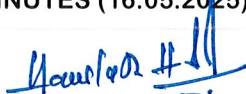
**Reso 78.04.3:** *“Resolved to approve that proposal placed before the BW&C for original works, minor works & repair works at the estimated cost above Rupees Five Lakhs (Rs 5.00 Lakhs) be revised to Rupees Ten Lakhs (Rs 10.00 Lakhs).”*

Item 78.04.4: To consider and approve the revision of the financial limit for assigning original/minor works to CPWD from above Rs.30.00 lakh to above Rs.60.00 lakh

**Reso 78.04.4:** *“Resolved to approve the repair works estimated to cost up to Rupees Sixty Lakhs be undertaken in-house after following due procedure as indicated in General Financial Rules 2017 (GFR-2017) and its amendments.”*

*“Further resolved to recommend to the Board of Governors to approve the repair works estimated to cost above Rupees Sixty Lakhs and Original / minor works of any value can be assigned to any Public Works Department, i.e. Central Public Works Department (CPWD), State Public Works Department, other Central Government Organizations authorized to carry out Civil or Electrical Works as per GFR-2017 and its amendments.”*

*“Further resolved that in the event of non-availability of Public Works Department to undertake such works/urgency of the such works, the repair works estimated to the cost above Rupees Sixty Lakhs and Original/Minor works of any value shall be executed by the Estate Section*



*of the Institute with due approval of Building & Works Committee / Finance Committee and Board of Governors."*

Item 78.04.5: To consider the proposal for Supply, Installation, Commissioning and training of ultra-high performance liquid chromatography (UPLC) coupled with quadrupole-time of flight (QToF) mass spectrometer (UPLC-QToF-MS/MS) - 01 unit for Department of Chemistry from the DST- FIST Project (Ref. No: SR/FST/CS-1/2022/269, dated 19th December 2021- project code is 4/328) at the estimated cost of Rs.170.0 lakhs.

**Reso 78.04.5:** *"Resolved to approve the proposal for Supply, Installation, Commissioning and training of ultra-high performance liquid chromatography (UPLC) coupled with quadrupole-time of flight (QToF) mass spectrometer (UPLC-QToF-MS/MS) - 01 unit for Department of Chemistry from the DST- FIST Project at the estimated cost of Rupees One hundred Seventy Lakhs (Rs.170.0 lakhs). The expenditure will be met under the budget head of the project code 4/328. The Director of the institute is empowered to place the work order to the eligible bidder after processing through GeM / CPPP."*

Item 78.04.6: To consider the proposal for Supply, Installation, Commissioning and training of PoreMaster 60 (Mercury Intrusion Porosimeter) from the sponsored research project titled "Calculation of compressive strength and permeability of concrete through microstructural features" at the estimated cost of Rs.68.00 lakhs.

**Reso 78.04.6:** *"Resolved to approve the proposal for Supply, Installation, Commissioning and training of PoreMaster 60 (Mercury Intrusion Porosimeter) from the sponsored research project titled Calculation of compressive strength and permeability of concrete through microstructural features at the estimated cost of Rs.68.00 lakhs from the project fund. The expenditure will be met under the budget head of the project code 4/410. The Director of the institute is*

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*empowered to place the work order to the eligible bidder after due processing through GeM/CPMP."*

Item 78.04.7: To note the increase in number of students for Summer Internship Program for students from 50 Nos. to 100 Nos. with stipend of Rs.5000/- per month for a maximum duration of two months, if he/she is not supported financially by any other agency/institute.

**Reso 78.04.7:** *"Resolved to note that number of interns to be considered for Summer Internship Program be revised to 100 from existing 50 number. However, they will be provided with stipend @ Rs.5000/- per month at a total cost of Rupees Ten Lakhs (Rs 10 Lakhs) for a maximum duration of two months, subject to the condition that they will not be supported financially from another agency/institute. The maximum ceiling in the department shall not be more than 10% of the sanctioned strength. The expenditure of the Summer Internship program will be met from the IRG of the Institute."*

**Item 78.05:** To consider and approve the recommendations of the Committee constituted to assess the performance of Group B & C employee for probation clearance and confirmation of services.

**Reso 78.05:** The Board noted the recommendations of the Committee constituted to assess the performance of the following employees for probation clearance and confirmation of services for those who were appointed through Direct Recruitment and are on probation.

Sr. No.	Name, Designation & Department	Date of Joining
1.	Shri Muzammil, Technical Assistant, CCC	28.03.2024
2.	Shri Kundan Kumar, Technical Assistant, DoME	12.04.2024
3.	Kum. Desai Zankhna Ramanlal, Technician, Estate Section	24.04.2023

It was apprised that, 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 to assess their eligibility for Confirmation.

It was also informed to the Board that, Ms. Zankhna Desai has joined to the post of Technician (Group C) through Direct recruitment on 24.04.2023 and

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her probation was extended for a period of one year w.e.f. 24.04.2024 by the 73rd BoG Meeting held on 22.05.2024 with an instruction that her performance will be closely monitored during extended period due to her unsatisfactory performance. A Committee was constituted to assess her performance. Her performance was found to be unsatisfactory during the extended period of probation. The Board of Governors in its 75<sup>th</sup> meeting, empowered the Director of the Institute to approve the confirmation of probation of the employees of Group 'C' appointed through Direct recruitment. Accordingly, the recommendations submitted by the Committee for following Group C employee has been approved by the Director of the Institute.

Sr. No.	Name, Designation & Department	Date of Joining	Remarks
1.	Kum. Desai Zankhna Ramanlal, Technician, Estate Section	24.04.2023	The probation is extended further for six months w.e.f. 24-04-2025 on account of unsatisfactory performance.

The recommendation of the Committee for Probation Clearance and confirmation for Group B and C employees was also placed before the Board. After deliberations, the Board

***“Resolved to approve the recommendations of the Committee constituted to assess the performance of employees for confirmation of following Group ‘B’ employees who were appointed through Direct Recruitment. The confirmation / Extension of probation will be effective from the date as mentioned against their name.”***

Sr. No.	Name, Designation & Department	Date of Joining	Remarks
1	Shri Muzammil, Technical Assistant, CCC	28.03.2024	Probation is Confirmed w.e.f. 28.03.2025
2	Shri Kundan Kumar, Technical Assistant, DoME	12.04.2024	The probation is extended further for one year w.e.f. 12/04/2025 on account of unsatisfactory performance.

***“Further, noted the recommendations of the Committee constituted to assess the performance of Group C employee Ms. Desai Zankhna Ramanlal, Technician (Pay Level 3) regarding extension of probation further for a period of six months w.e.f. 24-04-2025 on account of her unsatisfactory performance. The Director of the institute has been empowered to take decision in the matter.”***

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*“Further, resolved to confirm above resolution during the meeting itself so as to issue necessary orders by the institute.”*

**Item 78.06: To note the panel of Experts for direct recruitment for the post of Deputy Registrar and to approve the recommendations of the Selection Committee meeting for direct recruitment to the post of Deputy Registrar.**

Reso 78.06: The Board was informed that the recruitment for the post of Deputy Registrar was held during 2-3 May 2025. The approval from Chairman BoG was taken for the nominee of the Expert and Board to the Selection Committee. After deliberation, the Board

*“Resolved to note the panel of Experts and Board nominee for direct recruitment for the post of Deputy Registrar.”*

The Board noted that the number of applications received, eligible candidates called for written test/ personal interview for the post of Deputy Registrar as given below;

Name of Post	No. of Post Advt.	No. of Application received (Hard Copy)	No. of eligible candidates for written test	No. of eligible candidates called for personal interview	No. of candidates appeared for personal interview
Deputy Registrar	UR-02, OBC-NCL-01	109	76	12	12

The envelope of the selection committee recommendation was opened in the presence of members of the Board and names of selected candidates were read by the Director, SVNIT Surat.

*“Resolved to approve the recommendations of Selection Committee meeting held on 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2025 for the post of Deputy Registrar (Pay Level 12 as per 7 CPC Pay Matrix) and authorized the Director of the Institute to issue offer of appointment to the selected candidates as per NIT Act/ Statutes. List of selected candidates is given below:-*

**Deputy Registrar**

Sr. No.	Name	Selection Category	Remarks
1	Ashok Kumar Dev	UR-1	SVNITNT22
2	Shardul Vikram	UR-2	SVNITNT94
3	Ravi Kumar	OBC-1	SVNITNT195

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*“Resolved further that all the new entrants shall be covered under the New Pension Scheme based on defined contributions as per Central Government directions / rules from time to time.”*

*“Resolved, further that all other allowances admissible to central Government employees shall be admissible as per NIT Statutes 24(3) and as amended from time to time.”*

*“Resolved further that Medical reimbursement facility shall be applicable to new entrants as per rules of the Institute. However, upon their retirement on attaining the age of superannuation, Medical facilities / reimbursement will be as per prevailing rules of the Institute / government directives from time to time.”*

*“Resolved, that new entrants be appointed subject to medical examination of candidates, verification of character and antecedents, Police Verification, Degree & Caste certificate etc.”*

*“The Board further resolved to confirm the above resolution during the meeting itself so as to issue necessary orders in this regard.”*

**Item 78.07: Noting Items for consideration of Board of Governors.**

- 78.07.1 To note the abroad visit of faculty of the Institute**
- 78.07.2 To note the issue of office order for extension of contract (for 5th Year) for the Assistant Professor Grade - II (Pay Level 10) recruited during 2021 in various departments**
- 78.07.3 To note the withdrawal of Voluntary retirement of Prof. Dhiren R. Patel, Professor, Department of Computer Science & Engineering.**
- 78.07.4 Resignation of Employees.**
- 78.07.5 To note the submission of MoU to be signed between Sardar Vallabhbhai National Institute of Technology, Surat and Department of Higher Education, Ministry of Education (MoE), Govt. of India for the year 2025-26.**
- 78.07.6 To note the re-constitution of Purchase Committee for a period of six months vide notification No. C/PC/169 dated 29.04.2025.**

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78.07.7 To note the status of court cases at CGIT Ahmedabad, RLC-Baroda and Hon'ble High Court of Gujarat.

78.07.8 Appointment/ Extension of Deans/ HODs/Associate Dean

Reso.78.07: "Noted."

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**Item 78.08.1:** To note the assignment of additional charge of the post of the Registrar to Shri Kamlabh Kumar Singh, Deputy Registrar- Establishment (now Joint Registrar), SVNIT, Surat with effect from 11<sup>th</sup> February 2025, in addition to his own duties and responsibilities, till further orders or joining of regular Registrar, whichever occurs earlier.

**Reso 78.08.1:** Upon completion of 5 year's tenure of Dr. Pramod Mathur as Registrar, SVNIT, Surat on deputation from IIT (ISM) Dhanbad on 10.02.2025 (A.N), Shri Kamlabh Kumar Singh, Dy. Registrar- Establishment was assigned the additional charge of Registrar, SVNIT, Surat w.e.f. 11.02.2025 (F.N.) in addition to his own duties and responsibilities, till further orders or joining of regular Registrar, whichever is earlier vide office order No. E/3057 dated 10.02.2025. After deliberation, it was,

*"Resolved to note that Shri Kamlabh Kumar Singh, Deputy Registrar (now Joint Registrar) has been assigned the charge of Registrar, SVNIT Surat w.e.f. 11.02.2025 (F.N.). Shri Kamlabh Kumar Singh will act as Incharge Registrar in addition to his own duties and responsibilities, till further orders or joining of regular Registrar, whichever occurs earlier.*

**Item 78.08.2:** To note the increase in intake from 30 to 60 students for the 5-Year Integrated B.Tech (AI) and M.Tech (AI) program during the academic year 2025-26

**Reso 78.08.2:** It was informed that, the 72nd Board of Governors meeting held on 15.02.2024 approved the introduction of a new '5 years Integrated B.Tech+M.Tech program in Artificial Intelligence' from the academic year 2024-25 with an intake of 30 students. The nomenclature of the program has been changed to 5 year integrated B.Tech (AI) and M.Tech (AI) effective for the students admitted from the academic year 2024-25 in 75<sup>th</sup> BoG Meeting. Due to increase in demand for AI professionals across sectors in Industries and also to build strong alignment with the Government of India's AI Mission promoting education and innovation in this field it has been decided to increase the intake from 30 to 60 students in the said program from the academic year 2025-26. After deliberation it was,

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*“Resolved to note the increase in intake from 30 to 60 students for the 5-Year Integrated B.Tech (AI) and M.Tech (AI) program during the academic year 2025-26.”*

**Item 78.08.3 : To postpone the increase in the seat of UG courses due to limited availability of Hostel accommodation as a few hostels/parts of the hostels is under renovation.**

**Reso 78.08.3:** It was informed that in the 66<sup>th</sup> Special Meeting of Board of Governors held on 12.04.2023, the proposed increase in student intake at various levels during 2023-24 and onwards in Phase manner (every year for 5 years) under NEP implementation was noted with reference to emails dated December 31, 2022 and 06 January 2023 from Ministry of Education .

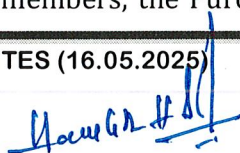
The matter was placed before the 50th Finance Committee and 73rd Board of Governors meeting held on 22.05.2024, wherein it was resolved to postpone the proposed increase in student intake at UG level for the academic year 2024-25 in the present scenario as the few hostels/parts of the hostels are under renovation, and until then, there will be no space to accommodate the additional student strength.

As the renovation of few hostels/parts of hostels are yet going on and hence, there will be no space to accommodate the additional student strength. Hence, the Board is requested to note the postponement in increase of UG seats looking into the present scenario of hostel accommodation at the institute. After deliberations, it was:

*“Resolved to postpone the increase in the seat of UG courses for the academic year 2025-26 in present scenario as few hostels / parts of the hostels are under renovation, and until then, there will no space to accommodate the additional students strength.”*

**Item 78.08.4: To consider to increase the financial limit of Rs. 5.00 lakh to Rs. 10.00 lakh for evaluation/ recommendation of the Purchase Committee.**

**Reso 78.08.4:** It was informed, that the Board of Governors in its 51<sup>st</sup> meeting authorized the Institute Director for reconstitution of Purchase Committee. As per existing practice, the proposal for purchase/ services of all major equipment/ instruments/ fixture/ furniture /materials/goods/ printing & stationary and awarding Annual Maintenance Contract for various services like security, Internet, computer & peripheral services, house- keeping etc. of Rs. 5.00 lakh and more are being placed before Purchase Committee for recommendation and are being approved/sanctioned accordingly. Apart from internal members, the Purchase Committee consists of two external members. The



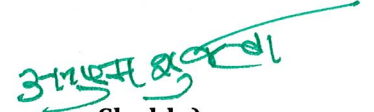
limit of Rs. 5.00 lakh needs to be reviewed and proposed to increase to Rs. 10.00 lakh for placing before Purchase Committee as the majority procurement is being made through GeM/CPPP. After deliberations, it was:

***“Resolved to approve to revise the financial limit to Rs. 10.00 lakhs and more for purchase/service proposals to be placed before the institute level Purchase Committee for evaluation/recommendation after tendering process as per GFR 2017 for approval/sanction to issue the Contract / Purchase Order.”***

The meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Chair.



(Shri K. K. Singh)  
I/C REGISTRAR &  
SECRETARY, BOG's  
SVNIT, SURAT



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