

## સરदार वल्लभभाई राष्ट्रीय प्रौद्योगिकी संस्थान, सूरत SARDAR VALLABHBHAI NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY, SURAT સરદાર વલ્લભભાઈ રાષ્ટ્રીય પ્રૌદ્યોગિકી સંસ્થા, સુરત

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: 06.12.2024

To, All the Members Finance Committee SVNIT, Surat

SUB: Minutes of the 52<sup>nd</sup> Meeting of the Finance Committee of SVNIT, Surat held on 20.11.2024

Sir/Madam,

Please find enclosed the Minutes of the 52<sup>nd</sup> meeting of the Finance Committee 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 Finance Committee.

Encl.: As above

(Dr. Pramod Mathur)
REGISTRAR
& MEMBER SECRETARY -FC

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## SARDAR VALLABHBHAI NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY, SURAT.

## MINUTES

Minutes of 52<sup>nd</sup> Finance Committee meeting of the Sardar Vallabhbhai National Institute of Technology, Surat held on Wednesday, 20<sup>th</sup> November 2024 at 3:00 p.m. at Sardar Vallabhbhai National Institute of Technology, Surat in hybrid mode (online & offline). 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

: Member (Online)

Deputy Secretary, Finance (IFD)
Ministry of Education,
Shastri Bhavan, New Delhi 110115
Representative of:
Joint Secretary & Financial Advisor,
Ministry of Education, GOI, New Delhi

5. Prof. Keyur P. Desai

: Member (On Line)

Professor, Deptt. of Mechanical Engineering, SVNIT, Surat.

6. Dr. Shweta N. Shah

: Member

Associate Professor, Deptt. of Electronics Engineering, SVNIT, Surat

7. *Dr. Pramod Mathur* Registrar, SVNIT, Surat

: Member Secretary

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At the outset, the Director welcomed the Chairman, BoG, Professor Bhim Singh and all the members present in the meeting. The Committee was informed about the comments received from IFD on the Agenda items of this meeting. After preliminary discussions, the following agenda items were taken up for discussion with the permission from Chair:

- Item 52.01: To confirm minutes of the 51st Finance Committee Meeting held on 29.08.2024.
- **Reso 52.01:** It was informed to the members that no comments were received on the minutes of 51<sup>st</sup> Finance Committee Meeting. After deliberations, it was:

"Resolved to confirm minutes of the 51st Finance Committee Meeting held on 29.08.2024."

- Item 52.02: To note the action taken on the resolutions adopted by the Finance Committee in its 51<sup>st</sup> meeting held on 29.08.2024
- Reso 52.02: The action taken on the resolutions of the Finance Committee was discussed. The members were informed about the developments made in the resolution no. 51.06 for Termination of contract for the existing housekeeping agency which is under process. The tendering process for the new contract will be initiated with updated area and cost. As per preliminary estimates the area for housekeeping services will be 37,76,680 Sq.Ft. against earlier 34,69,300 Sq.Ft. and the estimated cost of new tender will be about Rs.357 lakh against earlier estimated of Rs. 308 lakhs. It was advised that the said matter may be taken up as an additional item in this meeting. After deliberation it was;

"Resolved to note the action taken on the resolutions adopted by the Finance Committee in its 51st meeting held on 29.08.2024."

- Item 52.03: To note the minutes/recommendations of the 81st Meeting of the Building & Works Committee to be held on 25.10.2024
- Reso 51.03: "Resolved to note the minutes/recommendations of the 81st Meeting of the Building & Works Committee to be held on 25.10.2024."
- Item 52.04: To consider and approve revised estimate for the Projects to be executed in Phase-II through HEFA funding at SVNIT Campus, Surat
- **Reso.52.04:** The matter was deliberated at length. During discussion, the Ministry officials desired for justification for increase of 33.75% in the revised estimates for Construction of Medical Technology Research Centre (Health Centre). In this connection, it was clarified that the increase of 33.75% in the revised estimate

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is due to the fact that initial proposal for the Health Centre was submitted in July 2022 based on PAR 2021 wherein the cost index was not taken, whereas all quantities in the revised estimate are same as per initial estimates. Also in item no. 2.4 of civil works of Health Centre related to deep foundation (every 3 meter) initially the rate (PAR 2021) was incorrectly taken as Rs.370/- per sqm in place of Rs.1200/- per sqm. As per the comments from IFD, the DPR of the project may be prepared as per norms and guidelines of MoE with regard to total area (sq.m.)/student may be complied with. After deliberation it was;

"Resolved to recommend to the Board of Governors 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.	Name of Projects	Initial Cost of the	Revised cost of the
No.		Projects (PAR-2021)	Projects (PAR-2023)
1	Construction of 900 seater	Rs.1,15,37,63,000/-	Rs.1,17,21,68,000/-
	Boys Hostel		4
2	Construction of Medical	Rs. 6,54,96,000/-	Rs.8,76,05,000/-
	Technology Research		
	Center (Health Center)		
3	Construction of New	Rs.67,18,50,000/-	Rs.67,18,50,000/-
	Department of Artificial		
	Intelligence at SVNIT		
	Campus, Surat		
4	Equipment & Furniture	Rs. 49,00,000/-	Rs. 49,00,000/-
	for Medical Technology		
	Research Center (Health		
	Center)		
	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 52.05: 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 52.05: The Dean (P&D) informed the Members that, the condition of old buildings i.e. Old Production Department & Ext. Production Engineering Department (built-up area 593.06 Sq. M.), Old Hostel – II (H – 2) (built-up area 2499.00 Sq. M.) and Old Hostel - V (H – 5) (built-up area 3528.00 Sq. M.) is dilapidated and it is necessary to demolish the said buildings to maintain the clean campus and to avoid any unfortunate incident. The brief information about the buildings for demolition is tabulated below:

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Sr. No.	Building	Built- up Area (sqm)	Date of Constructio n	Cost of Construction (Rs.)	Book value as on 31/03/2024 (Rs.)	Estimated salvage Value (Rs.)
1	Old	593.06	1990	1,94,430.00	66,106.20	2,65,781.00
	Production					
	Engg. Dept.		>			
	Ext.		30/04/2006	32,04,200.00	21,14,772.00	
	Production					
	Engg. Dept.					
2	Old Hostel –	2499	30/06/1969	21,60,100.00	NIL	11,19,795.00
	II (H – 2)			3		
3	Old Hostel - V	3528	17/08/1984	56,78,986.00	12,49,376.92	15,80,891.00
	(H - 5)					
	Total Book Val	ue & Estim	34,30.255.12	29,66,467.00		

After deliberations.

"Resolved to recommend to the Board of Governors 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 52.06: 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 52.06: It was informed that the existing annual contract for providing Security Services to the Institute with M/s Bhakti Management Services will be completed on 28.02.2025. Therefore, fresh tendering process has to be made for the said work through GeM as per GFR 2017. The total estimated cost for the same is estimated to be Rs.5,07,37,456/- including 18% GST & 5% Service Charge and wages as per the minimum wages for watch and ward as prescribed by Ministry of Labour and Employment. The total number of manpower required (skilled) in three shift is 112 (38+38+36=112). It was informed to the Members that, the 46th Board of Governors meeting held on 06.10.2018 resolved that the Institute will follow the order of Ministry of Labour, Government of India with regards to payment of minimum wages strictly. As per the comments from IFD the tendering process will be as per GFR 2017 and through GeM only subject to availability of fund. After deliberations,

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"Resolved to recommend to the Board of Governors 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 may be empowered to approve for placing the work order to the eligible lowest evaluated bidder after bidding process through GeM."

- Item 52.07: To consider the proposal for availing Housekeeping, Reception, Room Services, Catering, Laundry Services & Facility Management Services at SVP Bhavan, Surat at the estimated cost of Rs.81,33,144/- (plus applicable GST) per year.
- Reso 52.07: It was noted that the existing contract for providing 'Housekeeping, Reception, Room Services, Catering, Laundry Services, & Facility Management Services for Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel Bhavan Guest House, SVNIT Surat' will be completed on 31/03/2025. Fresh tendering process has to be made for the same as per provisions of GFR 2017. The yearly total estimated cost for the same is Rs.81,33,144/- (plus applicable GST). As per earlier decision of the 46<sup>th</sup> BoG meeting held in 2018 the institute is following the order of Ministry of Labour, Government of India with regards to payment of minimum wages. As per the comments from IFD, the tendering process will be through GeM as per GFR 2017 only subject to availability of fund. After deliberations,

"Resolved to recommend to the Board of Governors 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 may be 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 52.08: 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 52.08: It was informed that as per decision of the 36<sup>th</sup> Finance Committee meeting and 53<sup>rd</sup> BoG meeting held on14.3.2020, the Institute is allocating the Seed Money Grant of Rs.10.00 lakhs to newly joined Assistant Professors of the Institute. As per the comments of the IFD, the expenditure for Seed Money grants may be considered in line with the practice being followed in other NITs. During discussion the members desired proper justification for requirement of server/ work station with different specification and amount

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and same should be vetted by the committee constituted for the same. The same may be placed again with the recommendation of the committee. After deliberations,

"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 52.09: 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 52.09: "Resolved to recommend to the Board of Governors 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".

A.O.B.

Item 52.10.1: 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 52.10.1:

It was informed to the Committee that, the Department of Computer Science and Engineering (DoCSE) and Department of Artificial Intelligence (DoAI) are running two UG programmes, three PG programmes and one Five Years Integrated Program. One more PG program in DoAI is planned to start from the next academic year. At present there are total 1300+ students studying in DoCSE and DoAI. The UG, PG and PhD students and faculty members are working in various areas which requires high amount of computational power and the existing computing facilities are not sufficient. It has been proposed to procure the High End GPU rack-server towards HPC cluster setup at the institute that can be utilized by these two departments and others. The high end NVIDIA GPU server is very important as part of enhancing the computing facility at the institute. This will help in Research and Consultancy as well training the students for their Placement by working on the real time applications, i.e., industry ready engineers. The proposed procurement will be helpful as initial facility for establishing the Centre for Excellence in Artificial Intelligence at SVNIT, Surat. The following items are recommended for the procurement of High-End NIVIDA GPU H-100 server:

SR. NO.	DESCRIPTION	QUANTITY IN UNITS	UNIT RATE	TOTAL RATE in INR
1	MASTER NODE	1	1182200.00	1182200.00
2	GPU NODE	2	4826800.00	9653600.00
3	10G SWITCH	1	127750.00	127750.00
4	1G SWITCH	1	64700.00	64700.00
5	STANDARD RACK	1	110400.00	110400.00
6	UPS 20KVA	1	350000.00	350000.00
	TOTAL Ba	1,14,88,650/-		
	TOTAL Value	1,35,56,607/-		

After deliberations,

"Resolved to recommend to the Board of Governors 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 may be empowered to approve for placing the work order 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 52.10.2:

To consider the estimated cost for the tendering for annual cleaning and sanitation services at SVNIT Surat with modified area and cost.

Reso 52.10.2:

As discussed in the earlier Finance committee meeting vide resolution no. 51.06 the tendering process for new contract for annual cleaning and sanitation services are under process. The tendering process for the new contract will be initiated with updated area and cost. As per preliminary estimates the area for housekeeping services will be

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37,76,680 Sq.Ft. against earlier 34,69,300 Sq.Ft. and the estimated cost of new tender will be about Rs.357 lakh against earlier estimated of Rs. 308 lakhs. The increased cost is due to increase in area and frequency of services in a day. The tendering will be made as per updated area and cost of Rs. 357 lakhs. The Director of the institute was empowered for award of work to the lowest bidder selected after proper bidding process through GeM. After deliberations it was advised that the said matter may be taken up as an additional item in this meeting. After deliberation it was;

"Resolved to recommend to the Board of Governors 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 may be empowered to approve to place the work order to the eligible lowest bidder selected after bidding process through GeM."

The meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Chair.

(Dr. Pramod Mathur) REGISTRAR & MEMBER SECRETARY SVNIT, SURAT (Prof. Anupam Shukla DIRECTOR & MEMBER SVNIT, SURAT

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