



INDIAN INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY BOMBAY

MINUTES OF

THE 272<sup>ND</sup> MEETING

OF THE

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BOARD OF GOVERNORS

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HELD ON

FEBRUARY 22, 2025 (SATURDAY)

**MINUTES OF THE 272<sup>ND</sup> MEETING OF  
BOARD OF GOVERNORS HELD ON  
FEBRUARY 22, 2025 (SATURDAY)  
AT 11.30 A.M.**

**AT  
BOARD ROOM, FIRST FLOOR, NANDAN NILEKANI MAIN BUILDING  
INDIAN INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY BOMBAY**

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The Meeting Number 272 of the Board of Governors of the Indian Institute of Technology Bombay was held on February 22, 2025 (Saturday) at 11.30 am through Hybrid Mode.

**MEMBER PRESENT AT THE MEETING**

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| 1. | Dr. Sharad Kumar Saraf | : Chairperson |
| 2. | Prof. Shireesh Kedare  | : Member      |
| 3. | Prof. A. B. Pandit     | : Member      |
| 4. | Prof. Paresh K. Joshi  | : Member      |
| 5. | Shri Venugopal Reddy   | : Member      |
| 6. | Prof. Swati Patankar   | : Member      |
| 7. | Prof. B.G. Fernandes   | : Member      |
| 8. | Shri Ganesh Bhorkade   | : Secretary   |

**Invitee**

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| 1. | Prof. Milind Atrey     | : Deputy Director (Academic & Infrastructural Affairs)         |
| 2. | Prof. K.V. Krishna Rao | : Deputy Director (Finance, Infrastructure and Administration) |

**LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

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| 1. | Administrator,<br>U.T. of Dadra and Nagar Haveli | : Member |
| 2. | Ms. Saumya Gupta                                 | : Member |

The Government of Maharashtra, Higher & Technical Education Department, Mumbai vide letter dated 17.02.2025 informed that Shri B. Venugopal Reddy, IAS, Additional Chief Secretary has taken charge from Shri V.C. Rastogi, IAS to the Board of Governors of IIT Bombay.

At the outset, the Chairperson extended a warm welcome to all members and the invitees present in the meeting.

The Board **NOTED** that comments were received from the Ministry of Education (MoE) for the 109th Finance Committee agenda items and no specific comments were received for the rest of the agenda items of the 272nd BoG meeting.

Item No. 1:

**CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE TWO HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-FIRST (271<sup>ST</sup>) MEETING OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS HELD ON 6<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER, 2024**

- i) The Board **NOTED** that the Minutes of the Two Hundred and Seventy-first (271<sup>st</sup>) meeting were circulated.
- ii) The Board **RESOLVED to CONFIRM** the minutes of the Two Hundred and Seventy-first (271<sup>st</sup>) meeting of the Board of Governors held on 6<sup>th</sup> December, 2024.

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Item No. 2:

**REPORT OF ACTIONS TAKEN ON THE ITEMS OF MINUTES OF THE TWO HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-FIRST (271<sup>ST</sup>) MEETING OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS**

- i) The Board **NOTED** the actions taken on the Minutes of the Two Hundred and Seventy-first (271<sup>st</sup>) Meeting of the Board of Governors.

Item No. 3:

**TO NOTE THE SUMMARY OF THE INSTITUTE PROGRESS (DASHBOARD)**

- i) The Board **PERUSED** the Progress of the Institute during the period 1<sup>st</sup> October, 2024 to 31<sup>st</sup> December, 2024.

Item No. 4:

**APPROVAL OF THE AWARD OF DEGREES/ DIPLOMA TO BE CONFERRED AT INTERIM SESSION OF SIXTY-THIRD (63<sup>RD</sup>) CONVOCATION OF THE INSTITUTE ON 22<sup>ND</sup> FEBRUARY, 2025**

- i) The Board **CONSIDERED** the list of recipients of the award of degrees to the students as recommended by the Senate in the Interim session (of the 63<sup>rd</sup> Annual Convocation) held on 22<sup>nd</sup> February, 2025.

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- ii) The Board **ACCORDED ITS APPROVAL** to the award of degrees to be conferred at the Interim Session of the 63<sup>rd</sup> Convocation held on 22<sup>nd</sup> February, 2025 as recommended by the Senate as mentioned below:

**Programme wise no. of Degrees to be awarded and no. of Degree recipients in the Interim Session of the 63<sup>rd</sup> Convocation to be held on 22<sup>nd</sup> February, 2025**

(as on 22-02-2025)

Sr. No.	Name of Degree/Diploma	No. of Recipients	No. of Degrees
1.	Degree of Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.)	203	203
2.	Joint Degree of Doctor of Philosophy (Jt. Ph.D.) of IITB-Monash Reciprocal	2	2
3.	Dual Degrees (M.Tech.+Ph.D.) *	9	18
4.	Dual Degrees (M.Sc.+Ph.D.) *	5	10
<b>Total Ph.D.</b>		<b>219</b>	
5.	Degree of Master of Science by Research (M.S. by Research)	10	10
6.	Dual Degrees (M.Tech./M.Sc.+M.S. by Research) *	2	4
7.	Degree of Master of Technology (M.Tech.)	15	15
8.	Degree of Master of Design (M.Des.)	2	2
9.	Dual Degree (B.Tech.+M.Tech.) *	1	2
10.	Master of Business Administration for Executives (E-MBA) Jt. Degree of IIT Bombay and Washington University, St. Louis, USA	36	36
11.	Degree of Master in Development Practice (MDP)	6	6
12.	Degree of Master of Science (M.Sc.)	7	7
13.	Postgraduate Diploma of IIT (PGDIIT)	8	8
14.	Degree of Bachelor of Technology (B.Tech.)	21	21
15.	Degree of Bachelor of Design (B.Des.)	2	2
16.	Degree of Bachelor of Science (B.S.) - 4 years	1	1
17.	Degree of Bachelor of Science (B.Sc.) - 3 years	7	7
<b>Total (A)</b>		<b>337</b>	<b>354</b>

\*: Award of two separate degrees of respective programmes in the same academic unit to each recipient

**Item No. 5:**

**TO CONSIDER THE PROPOSAL FOR INTRODUCTION OF ACADEMIC PROGRAMMES**

- i) The Director briefed the Board on the Item.
- ii) The Board **CONSIDERED** the proposal for:
1. Correction in Institute Silver Medal awarded to C-MInDS for IDDDP in 62<sup>nd</sup> Convocation

2. Introduction of e-Postgraduate Diploma (ePGD) in Analog/Mixed-Signal/RF IC Design in Practice in Department of Electrical Engineering
3. Introduction of e-Postgraduate Diploma (ePGD) in Interaction Design in IDC-SD
4. Introduction of e-Postgraduate Diploma (ePGD) in Computer Science and Engineering (CSE) in Department of Computer Science & Engineering
5. Introduction of IDDDP in Metallurgical Engineering and Materials Science (MEMS) in two specializations - (a) Process Engineering (b) Ceramics and Composites from 2022 batch onwards
6. Creation of Academic Bank of Credits (ABC) ID for all students
7. Introduction of B.S. in Applied Geophysics in Dept. of Earth Sciences
8. Change in nomenclature of Executive Postgraduate Diploma (EPGD) to e-Postgraduate Diploma (ePGD)

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- iii) The Board **RATIFIED** the proposal for the introduction of Academic Programmes.

Item No. 6:

**TO CONSIDER THE PROPOSAL FOR ESTABLISHMENT OF CENTRE FOR TRADITIONAL INDIAN KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS (CTIKS)**

- i) The Director briefed the Board on the Item.
- ii) Prof. K. Ramasubramanian, Department of Humanities and Social Sciences made a presentation on the item.
- iii) The Board **CONSIDERED** the proposal for establishment of Centre for Traditional Indian Knowledge and Skills (CTIKS).

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- iv) Prof. K. Ramasubramanian **explained** to the Board about the requirements and job opportunities available for the students joining the course.
- v) The Board **DELIBERATED** and **RESOLVED** to **APPROVE** the establishment of the Centre for Traditional Indian Knowledge and Skills (CTIKS) and **NOTED** that the Courses offered by the Centre are to be approved by the Senate.
- vi) The Board **APPRECIATED** the initiative of the Institute to establish the Center for Traditional Indian Knowledge and Skills (CTIKS).

Item No. 7:

**TO CONSIDER THE PROPOSAL FOR ESTABLISHMENT OF A NEW ACADEMIC CENTER: CENTRE FOR DEFENCE TECHNOLOGY INNOVATIONS AND STRATEGIES (CDTIS)**

- i) Prof. Makrand S. Kulkarni, Department of Mechanical Engineering made a presentation on the item.
- ii) The Board **CONSIDERED** the proposal for the establishment of a new Academic Centre: Centre for Defence Technology Innovations and Strategies (CDTIS).
- iii) The Board **DELIBERATED** and **RESOLVED** to **APPROVE** the establishment of a new Academic Centre: Centre for Defence Technology Innovations and Strategies (CDTIS) and **NOTED** that the Courses offered by the Centre are to be approved by the Senate.
- iv) The Board **APPRECIATED** the initiative of the Institute to establish a new Academic Centre: Centre for Defence Technology Innovations and Strategies (CDTIS).

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Item No. 8:

**TO CONSIDER THE PROPOSAL FOR APPOINTMENT OF 30 TEMPORARY EMPLOYEES ON CONSOLIDATED SALARY ON COMPASSIONATE GROUND**

- i) The Dean (Administrative Affairs) made a presentation on the item.

- ii) The Board **CONSIDERED** the proposal for Appointment of 30 Temporary Employees on Consolidated Salary on Compassionate Ground.
- iii) The Board **NOTED** that there will not be any additional financial implications upon their appointment.
- iv) The Board **DELIBERATED** and **AUTHORISED** the Director to take the decision on behalf of the Board.

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Item No. 9:

**TO CONSIDER THE PROPOSAL FOR AMENDMENT IN THE ACCOMMODATION ALLOTMENT RULES (RULE 4.4- CHANGE IN ACCOMMODATION)**

- i) The Board **CONSIDERED** the proposal for Amendment in the Accommodation Allotment Rules (Rule 4.4-Change in Accommodation).
- ii) The Board **DELIBERATED** and **RESOLVED** to **APPROVE** the Amendment in the Accommodation Allotment Rules (Rule 4.4-Change in Accommodation).

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Item No. 10:

**TO CONSIDER THE MINUTES OF THE HUNDRED AND NINTH (109TH) MEETING OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE SCHEDULED ON 22ND FEBRUARY, 2025**

- i) The Board **NOTED** that as per the provision of Section 5(7) of the Statute, a copy of minutes of the (109th) Finance Committee meeting held on 22<sup>nd</sup> February, 2025, were placed before the Board.
- ii) The Deputy Director (FIA) briefed the Board about the items and recommendations of the Finance Committee.
- iii) The Board **RESOLVED** to **APPROVE** all the recommendations of the (109<sup>th</sup>) Finance Committee meeting held on 22<sup>nd</sup> February, 2025.

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Item No. 11:

**TO CONSIDER MODIFIED PURCHASE PROCEDURE FOR  
NON-GOVERNMENT FUNDED PROJECTS**

- i) The Dean (Research and Development) made a presentation on the item.
- ii) The Board **CONSIDERED** the proposal in detail. The Board **NOTED** that Research & Projects are an integral part of the operations of the Institute. The Institute receives funds for the projects either from Government sources i.e. Grant in aid or Non-Government sources i.e. industry-sponsored projects, consultancies received from various industries.
- iii) The Board **NOTED** that industry-sponsored projects and consultancy projects received from various industries are for very short duration and sometimes have specialized requirements. In order to survive in the market competition these projects are required to be delivered on or before time since they are linked to the industry's other programs. Due to the short span of projects, it is very difficult to follow detailed and time-consuming procedures as given in GEM or CPP portal. The Board **OPINED** that in order to ensure timely completion/ delivery of the projects moderate purchase procedures should be followed for Non-Government funded projects.
- iv) The Board **CONSIDERED** the comment received from the Ministry on this matter in which it is stated that for purchases from the public funds, procurement should be done through GEM or CPP Bidding portal as per the availability of the product. Otherwise, also procurement procedure as laid down in GFR 2017 should be followed. The Board after discussing this comment in detail, reinforced the need to make this modified purchase procedure for Non-Government funded projects applicable, only if there is real justification relating to time gain and specialized requirements, if any.
- v) The board **RESOLVED to APPROVE** the modified purchase procedure for Non-Government funded projects, as recommended by the Finance Committee.

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Item No. 12:

**TO CONSIDER THE PROPOSAL FOR REVISING THE RENT FOR LEASED OFF-CAMPUS ACCOMMODATION)**

- i) The Associate Dean-II (Infrastructure Planning & Support) made a presentation on the item.
- ii) The Board **CONSIDERED** the need for revising the rent for leased off-campus accommodation due to the steep rise of rent in Powai area.
- iii) The Board also **CONSIDERED** the comments received from the Ministry of Education on this proposal. According to the Ministry, rent for leased off-campus accommodation is higher than HRA payable to those categories of post, so the Institute should make a policy and prioritize the faculty/ staff required to stay near the Institute based on assigned duties.
- iv) The Board **NOTED** that the Institute's main purpose is to provide higher education in the field of engineering and undertake research in various areas. The faculty can spend more time on research activities if accommodation is provided in nearby areas. Also, more interactions with other faculties and students are possible since faculties are within reach. These interactions can create new ideas which will flourish the Research. More interactions with students will also help in the development of students from which leaders and innovators of tomorrow emerge. Sometimes, lectures are also scheduled late in the evenings or early in the morning if accommodations are provided in nearby areas there will be no difficulties in attending the same. The Board **OBSERVED** all these indirect benefits and **OPINED** that providing leased off-campus accommodation in the nearby area for faculty/staff is the best option.
- v) The Board also noted the efforts of the Institute in improving the housing situation within the campus, in the next 3 to 5 years.
- vi) The Board **APPROVED** the following revisions in rent for off-campus housing, as recommended by the Finance Committee:

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Cadre Title	Pay Level	Present Rent	Proposed base rent
Officer Grade I & II	10 & 11	45,000/-	55,000/-
Sr. Officer/SE/ Sr. Officer B	12 & 13	55,000/-	75,000/-
Assistant Professor/Associate Professor/Professor/Professor of Practice	10 to 14 A & HAG	55,000/-	75,000/-

- The base rent will be increased by 5% every year.
- The revised rates will be effective only for the leave and license (L&L) agreements signed after the due approval of the proposal. The terms and conditions for existing L&L agreements will remain unchanged
- If a faculty already staying off-campus requests a new L&L agreement to avail of the revised rates; the rent will start at the prevailing base rent.
- The off-campus rents should be revised every two years based on the local rent survey.

Item No. 13:

**TO REPORT THE CIRCULAR RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE CLAUSE 9(16) OF STATUTES OF INDIAN INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY BOMBAY**

- i) The Board **NOTED** the Circular Resolution as given below:

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The Board **“RESOLVED AND ACCORDED ITS APPROVAL”** to amend Clause 9(16) of Statutes of Indian Institute of Technology Bombay as given below:

“In the event of the occurrence of any vacancy in the office of the Chairperson of Board of Governors by reason of expiry of tenure, death, resignation or otherwise or in the event of the Chairperson being unable to discharge his functions owing to absence, illness or any other cause, **one of the Chairperson of the Institutes of National Importance (INIs), as nominated by the Visitor, may discharge any or all the functions assigned to the Chairperson under Statute 7 for a period of six months or appointment of regular Chairperson, whichever is earlier. In case of expiry of tenure, the Visitor may extend the term of the incumbent Chairperson for a period of six months or till appointment of regular Chairperson, whichever is earlier”.**

**Item No. 14:**

**“CONFIDENTIAL ITEM”  
(Only for Board Members)**

Item No. 15:

**ITEMS APPROVED BY THE CHAIRPERSON**

- i) The Board **NOTED** and **RATIFIED** the following actions approved by the Chairperson as given in the Agenda, Item No. 15:
  - a) Selection of Employees
    - i) **Faculty Positions**
  - b) Visit of Prof. Shireesh Kedare, Director & Professor, Department of Energy Science and Engineering

Item No. 16:

**ITEMS APPROVED BY THE DIRECTOR**

- i) The Board **NOTED** and **RATIFIED** the actions taken by the Director in approving certain matters as authorized by the Board.
- ii) The Board **RESOLVED** that the actions taken by the Director relating to the following item, as given in the Agenda Item No. 16, be approved:

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- a) Appointment of
  - i) **Adjunct Professor**
  - ii) **Adjunct Assistant Professor**
  - iii) **COEOGE Visiting Chair Professor**
  - iv) **Visiting Professor**
  - v) **Honorary Visiting Professor**
  - vi) **Visiting Associate Professor**
  - vii) **D.J. Gandhi Visiting Professor**
  - viii) **Adjunct Associate Professor**
  - ix) **Adjunct Faculty (VAJRA)**
  - x) **Institute Post Doctoral Fellow**
  - xi) **Research Associate**
- b) Extension of Appointment of
  - i) **Adjunct Professor**
  - ii) **Adjunct Professor (VAJRA)**
  - iii) **Institute Post Doctoral Fellow**

- c) Regularization as Assistant Professor Grade - I
- d) Appointments of Functionaries
- e) Grant of Lien
- f) Grant of leave and financial assistance for attending International Conferences / Symposiums / Congress abroad and visits related to Project work
- g) Survey Committee Reports

**Item No. 17:**

**TO NOTE THE PROGRESS REPORT (DETAILED) FOR THE PERIOD FROM 1<sup>ST</sup> OCTOBER, 2024 TO 31<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER, 2024**

- i) The Board **PERUSED** Progress Report (Detailed) of the Institute for the period from 1<sup>st</sup> October, 2024 to 31<sup>st</sup> December, 2024.

**Item No. 18:**

**TO NOTE THE REPORT OF SIGNING OF MEMORANDA OF UNDERSTANDING (MoUs)**

- i) The Board **NOTED** the signing of the following Memoranda of Understanding (MoUs):
  1. Adani Vakya System of Astronomy in India
  2. Family Values and Entrepreneurial Success
  3. Sh Lalit Keshre – Student Racing Team – Research for EV Lab
  4. Arjun Raghavan - Young Faculty Award – 10
  5. Mr. Deepak Satwalekar - Space Tech Lab
  6. Manu Varma – Project Evergreen
  7. Surendra & Karen Gupta LT 105
  8. Project Prosper - Swayam Shikshan Prayog
  9. Airpac – Scholarship
  10. Bhukhanvala Brothers Fellowship
  11. Evonik- Lab Equipment – Chemical
  12. Sahadev A Chirayath Memorial Awards
  13. Lalatendu Dash: Project Evergreen naming
  14. Autodesk
  15. Drone-Based Water Quality Monitoring
  16. Jitendra Mohan Swapana Samant\_H9
  17. Shrikanth Shetty Evergreen

18. Demonstration of Electrodes and electrodeposition in Alumni for high-power electronics applications
19. TU Dortmund Forge New Academic Partnership
20. Directorate General of Hydrocarbons (DGH), Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas, Government of India
21. GISE Hub signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Government of Maharashtra (GoM), represented by YASHADA at Mantralaya, Mumbai
22. Tohoku University, Japan
23. ABB India
24. Dana India & Forvia Hella
25. Samsung R&D Institute, Noida

**Item No. 19:**

**TO NOTE THE REPORT OF VARIOUS AWARDS/  
DISTINCTIONS AND FELLOWSHIPS RECEIVED BY  
INSTITUTE / FACULTY MEMBERS**

- i) The Board **NOTED** the information relating to various awards/ distinctions and fellowships received by faculty members.
- ii) The Board recorded its **APPRECIATION** for the work carried out by the faculty members and congratulated them on their achievements. The Board further desired that a “**Letter of Appreciation**” in this regard by the Director / Dean (Faculty Affairs) may be sent to these faculty members.

**Item No. 20:**

**TO CONSIDER RATIFICATION OF PURCHASE OF  
EQUIPMENT FOR THE PERIOD 1<sup>ST</sup> OCTOBER, 2024 TO 31<sup>ST</sup>  
DECEMBER, 2024 IN RESPECT OF VARIOUS  
DEPARTMENTS/ PROJECTS**

- i) The Board **CONSIDERED** the ratification of the Purchase of Equipment for the period 1<sup>st</sup> October, 2024 to 31<sup>st</sup> December, 2024, in respect of various Departments/ Projects.
- ii) The Board **NOTED** and **RATIFIED** the approval to the purchase of the Equipment from 1<sup>st</sup> October, 2024 to 31<sup>st</sup> December, 2024, as given in the Annexure 20.1 of Agenda Item No. 20.

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## SUPPLEMENTARY ITEMS

Item No. 21:

**TO CONSIDER THE PROPOSAL TO SET UP AN ACADEMIC UNIT FOR MEDICINE AND TECHNOLOGY AT IIT BOMBAY**

- i) Prof. Jayesh Bellare, Department of Chemical Engineering made a presentation on the item.
- ii) The Board **CONSIDERED** the proposal to set up an Academic Unit for Medicine and Technology at IIT Bombay.
- iii) The Board **DELIBERATED and APPROVED IN PRINCIPLE** to set up an Academic Unit for Medicine and Technology at IIT Bombay and **SUGGESTED** to form a Committee with all the terms & conditions and to prepare a time-line based proposal/plan to be presented to the Board.
- iv) The Board also **NOTED** that the Courses offered by this Academic Unit are to be approved by the Senate.
- v) The Board **APPRECIATED** the Institute for taking the initiative to set up an Academic Unit for Medicine and Technology at IIT Bombay.

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The Meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.



(SHIREESH B. KEDARE)

DIRECTOR



(SHARAD KUMAR SARAF)

CHAIRPERSON