MINUTES OF
THE
FIFTIETH MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF GOVERNORS

Held on 03.07.2026 at 4.30 p.m.

INDIAN INSTITUTE OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY GUWAHATI

Minutes of the Fiftieth Meeting of Board of Governors of Indian Institute of Information Technology Guwahati held on 3rd July-2026.

Members present:

Mr. Satyabrata Dey, Chairperson BOG.

Prof. Sarat Kumar Patra, Director IIIT Guwahati

Prof. Devendra Jalihal, Director IIT Guwahati (through VC)

Prof. Ranjan Bose, Former Director, IIIT Delhi (through VC)

Prof. P. J. Narayanan, Former Director, IIIT Hyderabad (through VC)

Prof. Ferdous Ahmed Barbhuiya, Professor CSE, Dean(Admin.) IIIT Guwahati

Dr. Surajit Panja, Associate Professor ECE, Associate Dean(Academics-PG), IIITG

Dr. P.Baruah, Registrar(i/c), IIIT Guwahati was present in his capacity as the Secretary of the Board.

Item No. IIITG/50-BOG/01: Reporting for new senate nominee to the Board in place of Dr. Bidisha Dasgupta, Associate Prof. ECE

Board was informed about the nomination of Dr. Surajit Panja, Associate Professor ECE as the new Senate nominee to the Board in place of Dr. Bidisha Dasgupta, Associate Professor ECE.

Resolution No: IIITG/50-BOG/01: *Board welcomes Dr. Surajit Panja as a new entrant to the Board and also offered thanks to the outgoing member Dr. Bidisha Dasgupta for her contribution during her tenure.*

Item No. IIITG/50-BOG/02:

Confirmation of the Minute of the Forty Ninth Meeting of the Board of Governors of the Institute held on 23-03-2026:

The Minute of the 49th meeting of the Board held on 23.03.2026 was circulated amongst all the members. No comments were received on the subject minutes and no observation received during course of discussion in 50th meeting for the minute placed.

Resolution No: IIITG/50-BOG/02:

*Board **resolved to confirm** the minutes of the 49th meeting of the Board of Governors held on 23.03.2026.*

Item No. IIITG/50-BOG/03:

Action taken report on decisions of last board meeting:

Action Taken Report on the decisions of the last meeting (49th BOG held on 23 March 2026) was apprised to the Board. Latest developments regarding the HEFA loan application status vis. a vis. approval of Building estimates by BWC based on CPWD PAR rates 2025 was also briefed to the Board.

Resolution No: IIITG/50-BOG/03:

*Board **noted** the actions taken by the Institute. It further advised the Institute to go for seeking Building wise HEFA loan considering the CPWD PAR-2025 estimates as approved by the BWC. On priority, loan for a 300 capacity hostel may be sought first.*

Item No. IIITG/50-BOG/04:

Director's report as on date (3rd July-2026):

The Director, Prof. S.K. Patra presented his report for the period of April-2026 to June-2026.

In his detailed presentation, he briefed the Board about the Institute's current student profile including futuristic plans for increasing the intakes. Faculty and staff status, construction activities, placement statistics, startup initiative etc., besides the problems faced by the Institute, particularly in the financial front were also apprised to the Board.

Board appreciated Institute's initiative for opening up new B. Tech programme in Electronics, Communication and Artificial Intelligence from the upcoming Academic session. Board also appreciated steps taken for opening up of Executive M. Tech programme in the Institute.

Board while expressing satisfaction at the overall placement scenario of the Institute, advised for improvement through wider networking with the Industries. It also suggested for looking into opportunities from semiconductor manufacturing areas, particularly in view of the mega semiconductor plant coming up in the state of Assam. Startup initiative in this connections may be welcoming steps. The Board also suggested inclusion of higher education statistics of graduating students in future placement reports.

Board also stressed the need for alumnae engagement in future planning & developmental issues.

Resolution No: IIITG/50-BOG/04:

*Board **noted** the Director's report.*

Item No. IIITG/50-BOG/05: Proposal for Introduction of a new B.Tech Programme in "Electronics, Communication and Artificial Intelligence" under the Dept. of ECE

Detailed proposal to introduce a new B. Tech Programme in "Electronics, Communication and Artificial Intelligence" under the Dept. of ECE with an intake capacity of 80, was apprised to the Board. The seat matrix for this was also placed before the Board. It was also apprised to the Board that this proposal was placed in 34th Senate meeting of the Institute and the Senate had recommended the proposal for Board's approval. Board appreciated the proposal and also advise to include industry & academic experts from other reputed Institute during development of the curriculum for the programme.

Resolution No: IIITG/50-BOG/05:

*Board **approved** the proposal for introducing a new B. Tech Programme in "Electronics, Communication and Artificial Intelligence" under the Dept. of ECE with an intake capacity of 80.*

Item No. IIITG/50-BOG/06: Seat Matrix for B.Tech 2026 Admission

Seat matrix for B. Tech 2026 Admission, as recommended by Senate was placed before the Board.

Resolution No: IIITG/50-BOG/06:

*Board **resolved to approve** the seat matrix for B.Tech 2026 Admission (as given in **Appendix BOG-50/06-1** to this minutes).*

Item No. IIITG/50-BOG/07: Proposal for Introduction of Executive M.Tech. Programme

In line with the institute's vision to expand academic offerings and cater to the evolving needs of industry professionals, the proposal to introduce an Executive M.Tech. Programme as approved & recommended by the senate, was placed before the Board. Justification to introduce this programme were also elaborated. The Executive M.Tech programme is intended for working professionals seeking to upgrade their knowledge and skills in emerging areas of engineering and technology without interrupting their careers. To ensure effective delivery, scalability, and wider outreach, it was further proposed to collaborate with a suitable EdTech partner to be identified through appropriate bidding process.

As suggested by Senate following conditions are to be ensured:
a) At least 50% royalty to be paid to IIIT Guwahati.
b) No placement action from IIIT Guwahati is required as the candidates are working professional.
c) Nomenclature of the programme has to be as per industry orientated courses.
d) Workload will be optional for the faculty members. Faculty workload will be on a remunerative basis.
e) Classes will be conducted mostly in the evening and on holidays.

Board deliberated on the issues and advised that the programme be implemented in such a manner that it does not affect the smooth conduct of the Institute's regular B.Tech. and M.Tech. programmes. It was also advised that, if any remuneration is paid to faculty members for teaching in the Executive M.Tech. Programme, such remuneration will be met separately and will not be adjusted against the Institute's minimum 50% revenue (royalty) share from the programme.

Resolution No: IIITG/50-BOG/07:
*Board **approved** the proposal for Introduction of Executive M.Tech. Programme as recommended by the senate and with incorporation of the suggestions as above.*

Item No. IIITG/50-BOG/08: Approval of Seat Matrix for M.Tech 2026 Admission
Seat matrix for M. Tech admission as recommended by Senate was placed to Board. Board was also apprised about the senate recommendation regarding modifying the curriculum of the M.Tech. programme in ECE with the specialization "Communication and Signal Processing" and renaming the specialization as "Electronics, Communication and Artificial Intelligence."

Resolution No: IIITG/50-BOG/08:
*Board **resolved to approve** the seat matrix for M.Tech 2026 Admission (as given in **Appendix BOG-50/08-1** to this minutes).*

Item No. IIITG/50-BOG/09: *Graduating List of Students for the year 2026*

Graduating list of students as approved and recommended by 35th Senate was placed before the Board.

Resolution No: IIITG/50-BOG/09:
*Board **resolved to approve** the graduating list (as given in **Appendix BOG-50/09-1** to this minutes).*

Item No. IIITG/50-BOG/10: Award of Medals for the year 2026
Names of medal winners as approved & recommended by 35th senate were placed before the Board.

Sl. No.	Name of the Award/Medal	Name of the Student	Course/Department
1	President's Medal	Ms. Deepanika Gupta	B. Tech, CSE Deptt.

2	Governor's Medal	Mr. Kolakaluri Siva Teja	M. Tech, ECE
3	Chairman's Medal	Mr. Naman Jain	B. Tech, ECE

Resolution No: IIITG/50-BOG/10:
*Board **resolved to approve** the names of medal winners and congratulated the winners.*

Item No. IIITG/50-BOG/11: Nominees to the Senate of the Institute
Board was apprised about the clauses 18(1) e & f of the IIIT_PPP Act (2017), whereby 3(three) persons from amongst educationist of repute or person from another field related to the activities of the Institute who are not in service of the Institute, are to be nominated by the Board as external members of the Senate. It was further apprised that earlier nominated 3 members have completed their tenure and 3(three) new members were to be nominated.

Board considered the following names of academicians as placed before it, for external nominees to the Senate, in order of preference. It was apprised that if any nominee declines the invitation, the next person on the list may be nominated.

1) Prof. Gaurav Trivedi, Department of Electronics and Electrical Engineering, IIT Guwahati;
2) Prof. Diganta Goswami Department of Computer Science and Engineering, IIT Guwahati;
3) Prof. Eeshankur Saikia, Department of Applied Sciences, Gauhati University;
4) Prof. Amitava Chatterjee, Department of Electrical Engineering, Jadavpur University;

Resolution No: IIITG/50-BOG/11:
*Board **resolved to approve** the names external senate members as placed before it.*

Item No. IIITG/50-BOG/12: Adoption of the Annual Accounts of FY 2025-26 for submission to CAG for audit
Annual accounts for the FY 2025-26 was placed before the Board. It was apprised that the finance committee of the Institute in its 23rd meeting on 3rd July-2026 had already agreed to the Annual accounts as audited by the Internal Auditor of the Institute. The FC accordingly recommended it for adoption by the Board.

Resolution No: IIITG/50-BOG/12:
Board **resolved to adopt** the annual accounts for FY 2025-26 as given in **Appendix-BOG-50-12.**

Item No. IIITG/50-BOG/13: Proposal for revision of the institute accumulated leave encashment policy upon resignation by an Employee
Board deliberated on this issue. However, in want of detailed financial involvement in connection with past employees of the Institute, decided to defer this item.

Resolution No. IIITG/50-BOG/13
Item **deferred.**

Item No. IIITG/50-BOG/14: Faculty Development Program
Board was apprised about receiving of **Rs.2.50Cr**.from the MoE, Govt. of India. with respect to faculty development Programs. Head-wise blueprint for utilization of this fund was also placed before the Board, which is as per the guidelines forwarded by the Ministry.
Board suggested for incorporation of suitable programmes related to semiconductor skill development in alignment with the Government of Assam's Semiconductor Policy. The Board further advised the Institute to strengthen its computational infrastructure to support AI-related teaching and research.

Resolution No: IIITG/50-BOG/14:
The Board approved the Faculty Development Programme as proposed, with the suggestion as given above.

IIITG/50-BOG/ Addl. Item No.1: Permission to Trade in equity & Derivative market
Board was apprised that Dr. Hari Kanta Choudhury (Associate Professor, HSS) was planning to undertake academic research on the Indian stock market, with a particular focus on NIFTY 50 and SENSEX. Aligning with his focus, Dr. Choudhry had already written research paper on "Attention-Based LSTM and BiLSTM Models for predicting stock price movement: Evidence from Indian and US stock markets" and which is to be published in relevant journal. He had also developed a Course on "HS408 Understanding the Fundamentals of Stock Market" and offered the course earlier to the 7th Semester students of IIIT Guwahati. To enhance practical experience, Dr. Choudhury had sought permission to trade in Indian equity and derivative (F&O) markets. The Director of the Institute has accordingly approved his request to carry out trade in F&O market for research purpose, without involving the name of the Institute.

Board deliberated on the issue and agreed for the permission granted subjected to the conditions that Dr. Choudhury will not be involving himself in speculative stock market.

Resolution No: IIITG/50-BOG/Addl. No.1:
*Board **agreed** for the permission subjected to non-involvement in speculative stock market.*

IIITG/50-BOG/ Addl. Item No.2: Reporting of Minutes of 29th BWC meeting held on 18th June-2026.
In terms of the Statute clause (23) sub-Clause (8), the minutes of the 29th BWC meeting was placed before the Board

Resolution No: IIITG/50-BOG/Addl. No.2:
*Board **noted** the minutes of BWC-29*

IIITG/50-BOG/ Addl. Item No.3: Reporting of the Minutes of Thirty-Fourth and Thirty Fifth meeting of the Senate
Minutes of the Thirty-Fourth meeting of Senate, held on 19.03.2026 and Thirty-Fifth meeting of Senate, held on 19.06.2026, were placed before the Board.

Resolution No: IIITG/50-BOG/Addl. No.3:
*Board **noted** the minutes of 34th and 35th Senate meetings.*

IIITG/50-BOG/ Addl. Item No.4: Reporting of Minutes of the 20th, 21st and 22nd Finance Committee meeting:
In terms of the Statute clause (22) sub- Clause (5), minutes of the 20th, 21st and 22nd Finance Committee meetings were placed before the Board.

Resolution No: IIITG/50-BOG/Addl. No.4:
*Board **noted** the minutes of 20th, 21st and 22nd Finance committee meetings.*

IIITG/50-BOG/ Addl. Item No.5: Matter relating to Departmental Promotion Committee (DPC) for Non-Teaching Staff.
Board was apprised about the delay in holding DPCs as per the staff promotional policy of the Institute dated 19-10-2020 (for the Non-teaching staff). It was explained that continued delay may affect assured timely career progression of eligible Non-Teaching Staff, resulting in loss of seniority and consequential financial benefits despite becoming eligible for promotion/upgradation.

Board deliberated on the whole issue in light of the decision taken in its 45th Board meeting and the subsequent developments. Board was also apprised about the financial implication arising out of granting promotions/upgradations to the eligible Non-teaching staff with notional effect from the respective dates of eligibility.

Resolution No: IIITG/50-BOG/Addl. No.5:
*Board **advised** the Institute to go for holding the DPCs for Non-teaching staff as per the promotional policy dated 19-1-2020 at an early date. Application process for this may be completed by 31st July-2026 as directed earlier by the Competent Authority.*

IIITG/50-BOG/ Addl. Item No.6: Reporting for change of Associate Dean Academic Affairs (UG) and HOD (ECE)

Board was apprised about the changes for Associate Dean (Academic Affairs -UG) and HOD ECE. It was informed that Dr. Mourina Ghosh, HOD of ECE would be the new Associate Dean (Academic Affair-UG), while Dr. Shovan Barma, Associate Professor, ECE would be the new HOD of ECE Department. These changes were required in view of Dr. Moumita Roy's request to relieve her from the post of Associate Dean (Academic affair-UG), on personal ground.

Resolution No: IIITG/50-BOG/Addl. No.6:
*Board **noted** the changes and also offer its thanks to the outgoing Associate Dean, Dr. Moumita Roy for her contributions during her tenure.*

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the chair.

(Dr. Pallav Baruah)
Registrar(i/c) and Secretary,
Board of Governors, IIIT Guwahati

Approved

(Mr. Satyabrata Dey) Chairperson,
Board of Governors, IIIT Guw