



**वीरमाता जिजाबाई तंत्रज्ञान संस्था, मुंबई**

**VEERMATA JIJABAI TECHNOLOGICAL INSTITUTE (VJTI), MUMBAI**

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**MINUTES  
OF  
59<sup>th</sup> MEETING  
OF  
BOARD of GOVERNORS (BoG)**

**Held on: 26<sup>th</sup> September 2023 at 10:00 IST**

**VENUE: BOARD ROOM/ Online, VJTI MUMBAI**

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# VEERMATA JIJABAI TECHNOLOGICAL INSTITUTE

## MINUTES OF 59<sup>TH</sup> BOG MEETING

The 59<sup>th</sup> meeting of Board of Governors of Veermata Jijabai Technological Institute (VJTI), Mumbai was held on Tuesday, 26<sup>th</sup> September 2023 @ 10:00am in combined off-line and on-line mode when the following were present

1. Dr. Anand Deshpande	: Chairman
2. Dr. Makarand Kulkarni	: Member
3. Dr. Shreyas Khachane	: Member
4. Dr. V.M. Mohitkar	: Member
5. Dr. Sudhir Mehta	: Member (attend online mode)
6. Shri. Suhas Mehta	: Member (attend online mode)
7. Dr. Sachin D. Kore	: Member Secretary
8. Dr. S.G. Bhirud	: Invitee
9. Dr. Umesh Doshi	: Invitee

Leave of absence was granted to Shri. Jahangir Petit and Prof. R.P. Singh

At the outset the Director welcomed the BoG Chairman and members. Director VJTI introduced himself and presented a brief status of VJTI in terms of academic, research, students activities, infrastructure. Formal Agenda items were taken up and following matters were deliberated and discussion taken:

Item No. 1	Items of Confirmation & information
Item no. 59.01.01	<b>To confirm the minutes of the 58<sup>th</sup> meeting of the BoG held on 25.05.2023.</b>
	BoG noted and approved Minutes of 58 <sup>th</sup> BoG meeting held on 25 <sup>th</sup> May 2023 (encl. as Annexure 59.01.01)
Item no. 59.01.02	<b>To note Action taken report on 58<sup>th</sup> BoG meeting</b>
	BoG noted and approved the action taken on minutes 58 <sup>th</sup> BoG meeting held on 25.05.2023 (encl. as Annexure 59.01.02)
Item No. 2	Items of Approval
Item no. 59.02.01	<b>Information of joining the duties of Director VJTI</b>
	Dr. Sachin D. Kore has joined the duties of Director VJTI on 27 <sup>th</sup> June 2023 (Vide appointment letter no. Chairman Desk/ Director/ Appt. Order/ 1143/ 2023 dt. June 06, 2023). This is for information of BoG.
	BoG noted and Welcomed New Director Dr. Sachin D. Kore. Based on Director's visits to various departments in the Institute he presented the current status with strengths and weaknesses of VJTI and various important activities which need to be undertaken for future developments.
Item no. 59.02.02	<b>To approve purchase All-in- One Desktop Computers (325 Nos.) for various Departments through the GeM portal. (Approx. total cost Rs. 2,50,00,000/-)</b>
	BoG deliberated and approved purchase All-in- One Desktop Computers (325

	Nos.) (enclosed as annexure 59.02.02)
<b>Item no. 59.02.03</b>	<b>To approve the lien application of Dr. D.K. Shinde</b>
	The matter was deliberated and it was confirmed that as per Govt. of Maharashtra, Finance Department, Maharashtra Civil Services Rules 1981 (page no.28) rule no. 25A the Lien cannot be issued for private sector/ places. (enclosed as annexure 59.02.03)
<b>Item no. 59.02.04</b>	<b>To approve the request of registering VJTI -TBI as Section 8 company (Vide Govt. of Maharashtra GR dt. 29.03.2023)</b>
	BoG approved the request for registering VJTI-TBI as the section 8 company with the initial funding of Rs.15 Lakh.
<b>Item no. 59.02.05</b>	<b>To approve the (increase) Salary structure for selected Temporary/ Visiting faculty appointed according to qualification ie. B.Tech./ M.Tech./ MCA / M.Sc./ M.A. and Ph.D. candidates</b>
	BoG approved the (increase) Salary structure for selected Temporary/ Visiting faculty appointed according to qualification i.e. B.Tech./ M.Tech./ MCA/ M.Sc./ M.A. and Ph.D. candidates
<b>Item no. 59.02.06</b>	<b>To approve the list of internal Ph.D. candidates registered in VJTI during 2019-20 to 2022-23</b>
	BoG confirmed the admissions and registrations of internal candidates made during the year 2019-20 to 2022-23. (enclosed as Annexure 59.02.06)
<b>Item no. 59.02.07</b>	<b>To approve minutes of (1<sup>st</sup>) Academic &amp; Research Committee meeting</b>
	BoG noted and approved the minutes of 1 <sup>st</sup> Academic and Research Committee meeting held on 31 <sup>st</sup> August 2023. BoG advised to implement academic bank of credits and NEP. Partnership with other academic institutes can be established for offering various joint courses or credits. BoG advised to encourage offering courses to industry personnel. (enclosed as Annexure 59.02.07)
<b>Item no. 59.02.08</b>	<b>To Approve minutes of (1<sup>st</sup> &amp; 2<sup>nd</sup>) Building Works Committee meeting</b>
	BoG noted and approved minutes Building Works Committee meetings held on 27 <sup>th</sup> March 2023 & 18 <sup>th</sup> August 2023 respectively and advised to expedite the infrastructure development work. BoG also approved the immediate infrastructure development work proposed for academic, classrooms, teaching and research labs and faculty cabins from IRG/ New infra. (enclosed as Annexure 59.02.08)
<b>Item no. 59.02.09</b>	<b>To Approve minutes (46<sup>th</sup>) Finance Committee meeting</b>
	BoG noted and approved the Minutes of 46 <sup>th</sup> Finance Committee meeting held on 22 <sup>nd</sup> September 2023 (conducted in online mode) (enclosed as Annexure 59.02.09)

<b>Item no. 59.02.10</b>	<b>Discussion on confidential report of Internal Complaint Committee (ICC)</b>
	Urgent online BoG meeting was conducted on September 4, 2023, on this matter. BoG approved Minutes of this online meeting and the letter has been issued by the Director VJTI.
<b>Item no. 59.02.11</b>	<b>Discussion on appointment of Chief Vigilance Officer and Committee</b>
	BoG approved the appointment of Chief Vigilance Officer and Committee
<b>Item No. 3</b>	<b>Items of Ratification</b>
<b>Item no. 59.03.01</b>	<b>To allow fees concession or fee waiver in Ph.D. fees to VJTI internal candidates</b> 1. Prof. Rajesh A. Patil, Associate Professor & Research Scholar, Electrical Engineering Department 2. Prof. Shraddha Suratkar, Assistant Professor, Computer Engineering Department.
	As per the Minutes of 12 <sup>th</sup> Academic Council Meeting, Fee waiver for maximum four years (only) may be given to internal candidates. ARC has recommended for the same. BoG also advised to reformulate the policy for offering Ph. D. fee waiver for regular faculty members of VJTI.
<b>Item no. 59.03.02</b>	<b>To ratify extension / appointments of Dy. Director, Head of the Departments and In-charges.</b>
	BoG ratified the extension / appointments of Dy. Director, Heads and Chief Rector appointed since 01.07.2023 for three months
<b>Item No. 4</b>	<b>Items of Information</b>
<b>Item no. 59.04.01</b>	VJTI has received a sanction of Rs. 5 Crores funding from the Higher and Technical Education Department of the Government of Maharashtra for establishment of Centre of Excellence (CoE) in Artificial Intelligence (AI). This includes Rs. 2.85 Crores funding for recurring expenses and 2.15 Crores for non-recurring expenses for AY 2023-24 to FY. 2026-27.
<b>Item no. 59.04.02</b>	VJTI Textile Department Received a sanction of Rs. 10 Crore Grant from National Technical Textile Mission, Ministry of Textiles, Government of India.
<b>Item no. 59.04.03</b>	Dr. Sushma R. Wagh, Assistant Professor, Electrical Engineering Department attended short term visit for collaborative research at SLAC, Stanford University, USA. (Visit period: 31 <sup>st</sup> October 2022 to 31 <sup>st</sup> May 2023) (Total 213 days) During the period she used 90 Days Encashable Leave + 60 Days Non Encashable accrued leaves and 63 days are Leave Without Pay.
<b>Item no. 59.04.04</b>	Information about the approval of the change of nomenclature of two Diploma Courses namely: 1. Diploma in Electronics Engineering 2. Diploma in Textile Engineering The change in nomenclature is completed and Government of Maharashtra has released the relevant GR. (copy attached).
<b>Item no. 59.04.05</b>	Information about the nomenclature of Textile Engineering: The Mumbai University has approved the nomenclature of Textile Manufacturing department to Textile Engineering Department and PG programme M.Tech

	Textile Technology to M. tech Technical Textiles subsequently the name change of PG course was sent to AICTE for their approval and it has been approved by AICTE. (copy enclosed) The PG programme M.Tech Technical Textile is communicated with the State Govt. of Maharashtra for further process.
<b>Item no. 59.04.06</b>	Create 02 VJTI funded stipend PhD. position in each programmes To attract the full time Ph.D. scholar which may enhance the research outcome and help to improve the institute visibility to create 02 such position per programme with monthly stipend of Rs. 35,000/-. The amount shall be debited to IRG account of institute. This has been reported and approved based on the minutes of ARC
<b>Item no. 59.04.07</b>	Existing Ph.D. student after completion of his /her second year, he/ her may be considered as Teaching Assistance after the course work with Honorarium of Rs. 35,000/-
<b>Item No. 5</b>	<b>Any other items with the permission of the chair</b>
<b>Item No. 59.05.01</b>	<b>Approve Committees for Technological University</b> BoG approved the committee constituted by Director and suggested to expediate the process on priority.
<b>Item No. 59.05.02</b>	<b>Appointment of Associate Deans</b> Director VJTI and Dr. Makarand Kulkarni member of BoG interviewed interested associate Professors for the post of Associate Deans and appointed Associate Deans (as given in the Annexure 59.05.02). BoG approved the appointment of Associate Deans.
<b>Item No. 59.05.03</b>	<b>Status of Faculty Recruitment and Regular Faculty Recruitment Procedure to be followed in 2023-24</b> The BoG members were briefed about the Faculty Recruitment procedure. The member were appraised with the data of number of applications received and the subsequent procedures to be followed for the recruitment of Regular faculty. BoG Chairman nominated Dr. Makarand Kulkarni, Professor IIT Bombay and Member of BoG, as BoG nominee for the Regular Faculty recruitment. The BoG approved the selection procedure given in the annexure (enclosed as Annexure 59.05.03) for the recruitment of the Regular faculty. BoG advised to give preference to Ph.D. qualified candidates with good research profiles. BoG also recommended appointment of Professor of Practice, Professor Emeritus and Adjunct Professors by inviting applications.

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

  
**DIRECTOR**  
Member Secretary, BoG

  
**Chairman, BoG**