



KRANTIGURU SHYAMJI KRISHNA VERMA KACHCHH UNIVERSITY

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To,

**Members of the Board of Research
Krantiguru Shyamji Krishna Verma Kachchh University
Bhuj, Kachchh - 370001**

Subject: Minutes of the Board of Research Meeting held on 29th Novemebr 2025

Respected Members,

Please find the attached minutes of the 4th meeting of Board of Research held on 29th November, 2025 at Conference Room.

Thanking You..

Sincerely,

Dr. Anil Gor
Registrar

Krantiguru Shyamji Krishna Verma Kachchh University



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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF RESEARCH, KRANTIGURU SHYAMJI KRISHNA VERMA KACHCHH UNIVERSITY

The fourth meeting of the Board of Research at Krantiguru Shyamji Krishna Verma Kachchh University was held on November 29, 2025, at 4:00 P.M. onwards in the Conference Hall, Administrative Building, Krantiguru Shyamji Krishna Verma Kachchh University. The following members were present.

Sr. No.	Name of the Committee Member	Present/Absent
1.	Dr. Mohan Patel , Honourable Vice-Chancellor, Krantiguru Shyamji Krishna Verma Kachchh University and Chairperson	Present
2.	Dr. Anil Gor , Registrar, Krantiguru Shyamji Krishna Verma Kachchh University	Present
3.	Prof. (Dr.) Kalpana Satija , Dean, Faculty of Arts	Present
4.	Prof. (Dr.) Vijay Vyas , Dean, Faculty of Commerce	Present
5.	Prof. (Dr.) Subhash Bhandari , Dean, Faculty of Science	Attended Online
6.	Prof. (Dr.) D. M. Bakrania , Dean, Faculty of Education	Present
7.	Dr. Narendra Hirani , I/C Dean, Faculty of Medicine	Absent
8.	Dr. Jaydipsinh Gohil , I/C Dean, Faculty of Law	Absent
9.	Prof. (Dr.) Kashmira Mehta , I/C Dean, Faculty of Vocational Studies	Present
10.	Prof. (Dr.) Mahesh Thakkar , Director, B.S.I.P.- Lucknow	Absent
11.	Dr. Ajaysinh Chauhan , Central University of Gujarat	Absent
12.	Dr. G. S. Gupta , Retired Professor, I. I. M.- Ahmedabad	Absent
13.	Dr. Vijay Kumar , Director, Gujarat Institute of Desert Ecology (GUIDE), Bhuj	Present
14.	Dr. Pankaj Thaker , Associate Professor, Krantiguru Shyamji Krishna Verma Kachchh University	Absent
15.	Dr. Mrugesh Trivedi , Associate Professor, Krantiguru Shyamji Krishna Verma Kachchh University	Present
16.	Dr. C. S. Zala , Principal, Shri R. R. Lalan College, Bhuj	Absent
17.	Dr. Manish Pandya , Principal, Tolani Commerce College Adipur	Absent
18.	Dr. Gaurav D Chauhan , Member Secretary, Director of Research, Krantiguru Shyamji Krishna Verma Kachchh University	Present

The meeting commenced with a welcome note from the Member Secretary, who then invited the Chairperson to begin the discussion of the agenda. The objectives of the meeting were outlined, and an open discussion was encouraged among the Board members.



Agenda 1: To read and confirm the minutes/resolutions of the 3rd Meeting of the Board of Research held on 25th July 2025, published on 29th July 2025: The Member Secretary presented the agenda with minutes/resolutions of the third meeting for confirmation. The minutes were circulated to all members, and no further comments or suggestions were received.

Resolution 1: The Board of Research unanimously confirmed the minutes/resolutions of the third meeting, taking into consideration the revised Resolution No. 12 as referred to in Resolution No. 2 of this document.

Agenda 2: To consider the revised Resolution No. 12 of the 3rd Meeting of the Board of Research as per Resolution No. 2 of the Meeting of the Board of Deans held on 3rd September 2025 (published on 11th September 2025): The Member Secretary presented the revised Resolution No. 12 of the 3rd Meeting of the Board of Research in accordance with Resolution No. 2 of the Meeting of the Board of Deans held on 3rd September 2025 (published on 11th September 2025). The revised resolution was circulated to all members, and no further comments or suggestions were received.

Resolution 2: The Board resolved to consider the revised Resolution No. 12 of the 3rd Meeting of the Board of Research as aligned with Resolution No. 2 of the Meeting of the Board of Deans held on 3rd September 2025 (published on 11th September 2025).

Agenda 3: To discuss the application of Ms. Garva Tulsi and her current Ph.D. Guide Dr. Kaushik Dalvi regarding a change of Ph.D. guide to another eligible faculty member in the subject of Commerce.

Resolution 3: The Board of Research thoroughly reviewed the applications of Ms. Garva Tulsi and her current Ph.D. Guide, Dr. Kaushik Dalvi. After detailed discussion, the Board resolved to recommend a change of Ph.D. guide for Ms. Garva Tulsi from Dr. Kaushik Dalvi to another eligible faculty member in the subject of Commerce who has a vacant seat under his/her supervision. The Board further resolved that the change of Ph.D. guide shall be processed only upon obtaining the written consent of the eligible faculty member in the subject of Commerce who has a vacant seat.

Agenda 4: To discuss the application of Ms. Radha Dangar, a Ph.D. student of Gujarat Vidyapith and UGC-NET JRF qualified candidate, who completed her Master's in Gujarati from this University, seeking transfer to Krantiguru Shyamji Krishna Verma Kachchh University as a supernumerary Ph.D. student under the guidance of Dr. Ramjan Hasaniya.

Resolution 4: The Board thoroughly reviewed the application of Ms. Radha Dangar. The Board unanimously resolved that, the candidature of Ms. Radha Dangar may be considered under the Supernumerary Category for Ph.D. admission at Krantiguru Shyamji Krishna Verma Kachchh University, as she has qualified the UGC NET-JRF Examination and is eligible to avail the UGC NET-JRF Fellowship sponsored by the Government of India. Furthermore, it was unanimously resolved that, as per the same revised resolution, Ms. Radha Dangar is eligible to register for the Ph.D. programme at any time during the academic year, being exempted from the Ph.D. Entrance Test due to her UGC NET-JRF qualification. However, all other admission requirements and procedures applicable to regular Ph.D.

applicants, such as the Personal Interview and Research Advisory Committee Meeting shall be applicable to Ms. Dangar for admission for the Ph. D. program under the supernumerary category. As Ms. Radha Dangar is presently pursuing her Ph.D. from Gujarat Vidyapith and wishes to transfer to Krantiguru Shyamji Krishna Verma Kachchh University under the supernumerary category, it was further resolved that she shall be required to fulfill the following conditions..

1. If Ms. Radha Dangar seeks registration at Krantiguru Shyamji Krishna Verma Kachchh University in the same subject (Gujarati) and on the same research topic as approved at Gujarat Vidyapith, she must obtain written consent from her existing Ph.D. Guide, Head of the concerned Department and Head of the Institution at Gujarat Vidyapith, explicitly stating that they have no objection to her registration at Krantiguru Shyamji Krishna Verma Kachchh University on the same topic.
2. Ms. Radha Dangar shall obtain a written consent from Dr. Ramjan Hasaniya, confirming that he has no objection and agrees to accept Ms. Radha Dangar for Ph.D. registration under his guidance in the Supernumerary Category at the Krantiguru Shyamji Krishna Verma Kachchh University.
3. Before initiating the Ph.D. registration process at the Krantiguru Shyamji Krishna Verma Kachchh University, Ms. Radha Dangar must complete the cancellation of her current Ph.D. registration at Gujarat Vidyapith and submit all relevant documents, including proof of cancellation, a Consent Letter and NOC from her Ph.D. Guide, concerned HoD and Head of the Institution, as well as a Migration Certificate.
4. Ms. Radha Dangar shall be solely responsible for the transfer of her UGC NET-JRF Fellowship from Gujarat Vidyapith to Krantiguru Shyamji Krishna Verma Kachchh University. In the event of any technical issues or failure in the direct benefit transfer of the said fellowship, the University shall bear no responsibility.

Agenda 5: To review the applications of Ms. Priyanka Thacker, Ms. Kruti, and Ms. Dalapati from the Department of Commerce regarding the implementation of the waiting list for the Ph.D. Admission Process - 2025.

Resolution 5: The Board of Research thoroughly reviewed the applications of Ms. Priyanka Thacker, Ms. Kruti, and Ms. Dalapati, as well as the application of Mr. Arvind Goyal. The Board also reviewed the Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) for the Personal Interview Process-2025, the Research Advisory Committee (RAC) Meeting Process-2025, and the minutes of the Ph.D. Admission Process meeting held with the Heads of Departments and a Member of the SC, ST, OBC and Equal Opportunity Cell on 8th July 2025 at 12:30 p.m. in the Conference Hall, Administrative Building, which were approved in the third meeting of the Board of Research. After detailed discussion, the Board unanimously resolved that Ms. Priyanka Thacker, Ms. Kruti, Ms. Dalapati, and Mr. Arvind Goyal did not secure a place in the merit list declared after the personal interview process against the available vacant seats prior to the declaration of the merit list. It was further noted that the Ph.D. Admission Process (Document Verification, Personal Interview Process and Research Advisory Committee Meeting) in the subject of Commerce has already been completed by the Department of Commerce and the qualified candidates have been registered for the Ph.D. Programme. Therefore, the Board unanimously resolved that Ms. Priyanka Thacker, Ms. Kruti, Ms.

Dalapati, and Mr. Arvind Goyal may appear as fresh candidates in the forthcoming Ph.D. admission process of Krantiguru Shyamji Krishna Verma Kachchh University.

Agenda 6: 6. To review and discuss the application of Dr. Vijay Jhathiya regarding the allotment of Ph.D. students from the Ph.D. Admission Process - 2025.

Resolution 6: The Board reviewed the application of Dr. Vijay Jhathiya, along with the Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) for the Personal Interview Process-2025, the Research Advisory Committee (RAC) Meeting Process-2025, and the minutes of the Ph.D. Admission Process meeting held with the Heads of Departments and a Member of the SC, ST, OBC and Equal Opportunity Cell on 8th July 2025 at 12:30 p.m. in the Conference Hall, Administrative Building, which were approved in the third meeting of the Board of Research. After detailed discussion, the Board unanimously resolved that the number of vacant seats cannot be increased after the declaration of the merit list following the Personal Interview Process. Therefore, new candidates may be allocated to Dr. Vijay Jhathiya from the forthcoming Ph.D. admission process of Krantiguru Shyamji Krishna Verma Kachchh University.

Agenda 7: To review and discuss the application of Ms. Monali Thacker requesting the postponement of her Ph.D. Viva-Voce through the offline mode.

Resolution 7: The Board reviewed the application of Ms. Monali Thacker. After detailed discussion of her case, the Board unanimously resolved to grant an extension of three months to conduct the final Ph.D. viva-voce examination in offline mode from the date of publication of this document.

Agenda 8: To review and discuss the application of Dr. Pranav J. Pandya regarding access to the instrumentation facilities of the Centre of Excellence in Chemical Sciences for Ph.D. research purposes.

Resolution 8: The Board reviewed the application of Dr. Pranav J. Pandya concerning access to the Centre of Excellence in Chemical Sciences' instrumentation facilities for Ph.D. research. After detailed discussion, the Board resolved that Ph.D. students of the university may utilize the instrumentation facilities available on campus. However, students will be required to pay nominal analysis charges for usage, and the fees amount will be determined by the Director of the Centre of Excellence in Chemical Sciences through a proper process with approval from university authorities.

Agenda 9: To review and discuss the application of Dr. Pranav J. Pandya seeking consideration of his existing Ph.D. student (with NET-JRF qualification) as a supernumerary candidate.

Resolution 9: The Board reviewed the application of Dr. Pranav J. Pandya seeking consideration of his existing Ph.D. student (with NET-JRF qualification) as a supernumerary candidate. After detailed discussion, the Board unanimously resolved that existing Ph.D. students cannot be converted into supernumerary candidates as they have already taken admission under the relevant category. Therefore, the Board unanimously resolved to disapprove the request of Dr. Pranav J. Pandya.



Agenda 10: To review and discuss the draft Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) for the submission of the panel of referees for Ph.D. thesis evaluation through the concerned subject's Research and Recognition Committee.

Resolution 10: The Member Secretary presented the Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) and associated formats for submitting the panel of referees for Ph.D. thesis evaluation through the concerned subject's Research and Recognition Committee (attached to this document). The Board unanimously approved the SOP and the associated formats.

Agenda 11: To review and discuss the draft Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) and format proposed to the Board of Deans regarding the process of recommending Ph.D. guideships through the Research and Recognition Committee.

Resolution 11: The Member Secretary presented the draft Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) and associated format for recommending Ph.D. guideships through the Research and Recognition Committee to the Board of Deans (attached to this document). After detailed discussion, the Board unanimously approved the draft SOP and the associated formats.

Agenda 12: To discuss the progress of the Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs), formats, and the new Ph.D. Ordinance of the University being developed by the Committee on "SOPs and Formats of Ph.D. Process," constituted during the 2nd Meeting of the Board of Research.

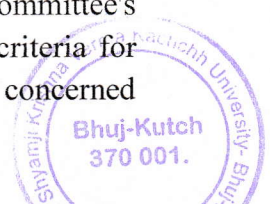
Resolution 12: The Board requested the Committee Chairman, Prof. Vijay Vyas, to prepare the SOPs and formats for the Ph.D. process, along with the new Ph.D. Ordinance, before 10th December 2025, given the urgency of the matter and the upcoming Ph.D. admission process. These documents will be submitted to the Board of Deans, Academic Council, Executive Council, and Board of Management for further approval and consideration.

Additional agenda items proposed by the Chairman or Board of Research Members:

After deliberating on all scheduled agenda items, the Board of Research invited any further proposals from the Chairman or its members. In response, the Chairman and members proposed the following on-table agenda items:

Agenda 13 (Additional Agenda by Prof. Kashmira P. Mehta): To discuss the status of approval for Research Centres at Tolani Commerce College-Adipur, Tolani Commerce and Arts College-Adipur, Shri Kutch Machhoya Ahir Kanya Vidya Mandir-Adipur, Dr. H.R. Gajwani College of Education-Gandhidham, Gajwani Institute of Science & Technology-Gandhidham, GMDC Sponsored M.V. & M.P. Ramani Arts & R.K. Khetani Commerce College-Nakhatrana, and Government Arts and Commerce College-Dayapar.

Resolution 13: Prof. Kashmira P. Mehta, IQAC Director, presented the status of assessment of applications for Research Centres from the aforementioned colleges based on onsite visits. Some colleges lack the required facilities for establishing Research Centres as prescribed by Krantiguru Shyamji Krishna Verma Kachchh University. After reviewing the assessment report and clarifications from Prof. Kashmira P. Mehta based on the visit committee's findings, the Board unanimously resolved that colleges fulfilling all prescribed criteria for establishing Research Centres may be recommended for recognition in the concerned



subjects, as approved by IQAC, for consideration by the Board of Deans. Colleges lacking these facilities shall be granted one week to fulfill all criteria and submit proper evidence to the Research Centre assessment committee members. If the committee and IQAC are satisfied with the evidence, the application with their recommendations may be placed before the Board of Deans for approval and consideration of Research Centres at the specific colleges. In case of a required onsite revisit to any college, the college shall bear the expenses of TA and DA for the committee members.

Agenda 14 (Additional Agenda by Dr. Mrugesh Trivedi): Dr. Trivedi stated that the university has initiated the scrutiny of Ph.D. guideship applications for Life Science subjects (including sub-disciplinary subjects such as Botany, Microbiology, Zoology, and Marine Science) through the Research and Recognition Committees (RRCs) of the respective sub-disciplines. Similarly, all further Ph.D. processes- including personal interviews, Research Advisory Committee (RAC) meetings, Ph.D. referee panel selection, etc. - should be conducted by the RRC of the concerned sub-discipline, as these require specialized expertise from subject experts in Botany, Microbiology, Zoology, and Marine Science. Therefore, it is recommended that the Ph.D. processes for these Life Science sub-disciplines be conducted through their individual RRCs. For this purpose, the Chairman of the Board of Studies of the concerned sub-discipline, in consultation with the Head of the Department of Environment and Life Science, shall oversee the Ph.D. admission processes to ensure smooth functioning at the Department of Environment and Life Science.

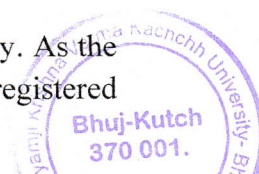
Resolution 14: The Board reviewed the request and clarification from Dr. Mrugesh Trivedi regarding the need for specialized handling of Ph.D. processes for Life Science sub-disciplines (Botany, Microbiology, Zoology, and Marine Science). After detailed discussion, the Board unanimously approved that all Ph.D. processes- including guideship scrutiny, personal interviews, RAC meetings, and referee panel selection etc.- for these sub-disciplines shall be conducted by the respective Research and Recognition Committees (RRCs), with the Chairman of the Board of Studies of the concerned sub-discipline coordinating in consultation with the Head of the Department of Environment and Life Science.

Agenda 15 (Additional Agenda by Chaiman Dr. Mohan Patel, Hon Vice-Chancellor): To discuss the progress of the Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) for project implementation (Research/Consultancy).

Resolution 15: Pursuant to Resolution No. 14 of the third meeting of the Board of Research, the Board had constituted a committee for drafting the SOP for project implementation (Research/Consultancy). The Board reviewed the progress of the SOP, and the committee member presented the current status. Considering the urgency of the matter, the Board unanimously resolved to request the committee to prepare and finalize the draft SOP for project implementation (Research/Consultancy) before 10th December 2025.

Agenda 16 (Additional Agenda by Secretary: Dr. Gaurav D. Chauhan): To discuss initiation of the Ph.D. Admission Process-2026.

Resolution 16: The Board heard the request from Dr. Gaurav D. Chauhan, Secretary. As the Ph.D. Admission Process-2025 is nearly completed, with all eligible candidates registered



and the university has started the process of commencing the Ph.D. coursework for those who qualified and registered successfully. The university can now proceed with the next admission cycle. Accordingly, the Board unanimously resolved that the Department of Research and Development shall initiate the process of counting Ph.D. seats guide-wise and subject-wise, along with category bifurcation, during December 2025. The university shall issue the advertisement for the Ph.D. Admission Process-2026 in January 2026 (after declaration of NET/GSET results).

The meeting concluded with a clear understanding of the next steps and a collective commitment to fostering research and development activities within the university.



Dr. Anil H. Gor
Registrar

Krantiguru Shyamji Krishna Verma Kachchh University

