

# **INDIAN INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY GANDHINAGAR**

## **COMMUNITY OUTREACH POLICY OF THE INSTITUTE**

**(As approved by the Board of Governors in its 4<sup>th</sup> meeting held on 03 September 2011)**

Indian Institute of Technology Gandhinagar (IITGN) believes in being an involved member of the community and a good neighbour. It believes in engaging with the community of which it is a part. Our presence should have a positive impact not only on those who are formally part of the Institute (its students, staff, and faculty), but also on those who surround us, and whose lives are affected by the presence of the Institute in one way or the other.

As educators, we will like to pursue means to bridge the knowledge and communication gaps that exist between the privileged and the underprivileged. It is a high priority for IITGN to sensitize its students about the importance of community engagement, and to encourage them to see the world from the eyes of those who are far less privileged. The Institute will like its students to be aware of the fundamental and structural problems facing our country and the communities that lie within it, so that they could become a part of the solution to such problems.

IITGN will constantly look for ways to be engaged with and contribute to the local community. It will do this through formal and informal initiatives, outreach activities, and educational engagement. The Institute will support and raise funds for voluntary activities driven primarily by students, staff, and faculty which foster social responsibility, and social sensitivity.