INDIAN INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY GANDHINAGAR

DISCIPLINE PROMOTION ACCOUNT (DPA)

(As approved by the Board of Governors in its 25th meeting held on 03 December 2018)

The Institute has been growing in its size of faculty strength and the effort is being made to create more local ownership and enable decision making at discipline level. To provide more autonomy to disciplines to manage their requirements and expenditure, it is necessary that various disciplines start generating their own resources through various means possible within the Institute norms.

For the above purpose, the Board has approved creation of 'Discipline Promotion Account' with acronym as 'DPA' for the various disciplines in the office of Dean, Research and Development. This account will be operated by the Discipline Coordinator as PI and it will follow the process of approval as an R&D project. It also includes Central Instrumentation Facility (CIF) to have DPA. The Chairman of CIF committee will be considered equivalent to Discipline Coordinator, who will act as PI of its DPA.

The disciplines are encouraged to contribute to this account through their various discipline level activities, such as short-courses, workshops, conferences, consultancy project, laboratory usage charges, etc.

The available funds can be used to promote their academic programmes, develop and maintain laboratories, support various academic and research activities, encourage student activities, provide travel support to students and supporting many other such expenses. Individual disciplines can form their own strategy and make policies, over and above the policies at the Institute level, to generate resources and manage expenditure.

Mode of operation of Discipline Promotion Account is outlined below:
- Discipline coordinator will be the PI for this account and the purchases above financial authority of PI will need approval of Dean, R&D.
- Discipline coordinator will maintain records of expenditure and discuss the plans and priorities with discipline faculty from time to time.