

CHILDREN'S RESEARCH UNIVERSITY, GANDHINAGAR**54th Meeting of the Executive Council, Date: 01/04/2026****Minutes of the Meeting**

Pursuant to the Meeting Notice, 54th meeting of the Executive Council of the Children's Research University was held in Hybrid mode on 01/04/2026 at 02:00 PM. The members of the Executive Council are as follows:

Sr. No.	Name of the Member	Designation	Remarks
1	Vice Chancellor, CRU	Chairperson	Present
2	The Secretary to the Government of Gujarat, Higher Education	Member	Not Present
3	The Secretary to the Government of Gujarat, Finance Department	Member	Not Present
4	The Commissioner of Higher Education, Gujarat State	Member	Not Present
5	Director General, CRU	Member	Vacant
6	Dr. Bhadrayu Vachharajani, Former. Vice Chancellor, Lokbharati Uni. for Rural Innovation, Sanosara	Member	Present Online
7	Prof. Jayna Joshi, Professor, Indian Institute of Teacher Education, Gandhinagar	Member	Present
8	Shri. Uday Desai, President, Dr. K.R. Shroff Foundation, Ahmedabad	Member	Present
9	Shri. Bharat Dhokai, Director, Kutch Kalyan Sangh, Gandhidham	Member	Present Online
10	Dr. Jayendrasinh Jadav, Mahamatra, Gujarat Sahitya Akademi, Gandhinagar	Member	Present Online
11	Dr. Mahendra Chotaliya, Former Professor in Education, SP University, VV Nagar, Anand	Member	Present
12	Finance and Accounts Officer, CRU	Member	Present
13	Registrar, CRU	Member Secretary	Present

A seat of Director General, Children's Research University is Vacant.



After ascertaining the quorum required for the meeting, Registrar- Member Secretary welcomed all the members of the Executive Council and sought the permission from the Chairperson to start the discussion on the Agenda matters.

Hon'ble Vice Chancellor has welcomed august Executive Council Members and expressed his gratitude for their gracious presence and grant permitted for the discussion on the agenda matters.

The agenda of the Executive Council meeting were discussed and deliberated at length by the members and resolved as under:

Agenda 01: The Minutes of the 53rd Executive Council Meeting held on 23rd February, 2026 is put for the confirmation along with the Action Taken Report. **(Annexure-01) (Academic Branch)**

Resolution 01: The members of the council confirmed the minutes with the following amendments in the circulated minutes.

1. Prof. Jayna Joshi is marked as absent.
2. In Resolution No. 05, Secondary Teacher in Music (Tabla) is replaced with Secondary Teacher in Music.

Agenda 02: The matter regarding a draft of the Statutes of Children's Research University submitted to the Commissionerate of Higher Education on 24th February, 2026 was returned to the University on 27th March 2026 for the approval of the below mentioned matters incorporated by the CHE as suggested by the Education Department, GoG. The matter is put for the consideration and approval.

(Academic Branch)

Sr. No.	Proposed Matter by CRU	Corrected Matter by CHE
1.	Cha-I 2[2] "Academic Council" means the Academic Council of the University	Cha-I 2[2] "Academic Council" means the Academic Council of the University established under section 23.

2.	Cha-VII Partnership with Existing Schools, Research Institutions and Other Organizations.	Removed
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Resolution 02: The matter regarding the draft of the Statutes received from the Commissionerate of Higher Education, the members of the council discussed and approved the above modifications made by the Commissionerate of Higher Education. Further, it was resolved that the University shall submit the statutes to the Commissionerate of Higher Education for further approval process.

Agenda 03: The committee was formed as per resolution No. 05 of 53rd Executive Council meeting held on 23/2/2026 to prepare the recruitment rules for the post of Research Assistant, Senior Clerk and Secondary teacher. The recommendation report submitted by the committee is put for the consideration and approval.

(Annexure-02) (Establishment Branch)

Resolution 03: The recommendation report submitted by the committee was discussed at length and approved the Recruitment rules prepared for the Research Assistant, Sr. Clerk and Secondary School Teacher in Music.

Agenda 04: The University advertised for the post of Professor and Assistant Professor (PWD category) (3rd Attempt) in the Special Education subject on 20/02/2026 and has not received any application for the same. The matter is put for the consideration and decision.

(Establishment Branch)

Resolution 04: The University advertised for the post of Professor and Assistant Professor (PWD category) (3rd Attempt) and has not received any application, hence it was unanimously resolved to consult the State Government for the further process.

Agenda 05: The University advertised for the post of the Associate Professor (PWD category) (1st Attempt) in Education subject on 20/02/2026.



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The University has not received any application for the same. The matter is put for the consideration and decision.

(Establishment Branch)

Resolution 05: The matter was discussed at length and resolved to re-advertise the same as 2nd attempt.

Agenda 06: The matter regarding the affidavit submitted by the University for the court case No. SCA/15033/2024 on 27/03/2026 is put for consideration and ratification.

(Annexure-03) (Establishment Branch)

Resolution 06: The matter regarding the affidavit submitted by the University for the court case No. SCA/15033/2024 on 27/03/2026 was discussed and unanimously ratified.

Agenda 07: The report of the University Internal Complaint Committee (ICC) is put for consideration and ratification.

(Annexure-04) (Establishment Branch)

Resolution 07: The report of the Internal Complaint Committee was discussed at length and ratified unanimously by the executive council members. Further, it was resolved to form Primary Investigation Committee through Establishment Branch of the following members to submit the detailed investigation report for the complaint received from Dr.Hemangi Mehta, Associate Professor, CRU.

1. Prof. B. D. Dhila, Professor
2. Dr. Rupam Upadhyaya, Associate Professor
3. Dr. Minalba Jadeja, Assistant Professor
4. Shri. Kamlesh Sagar, Deputy FAO
5. Smt. Rajeswariba Rana, Head Clerk

Agenda 08: As per the resolution No. 07 of 52nd Executive Council meeting held on 06/01/2026 to float both the bids i.e. Class-4 Multitasking Staff (Expired on 31/12/2025) and Class-4 House Keeping Staff (Getting expired on 30/04/2026) together for smooth administration, the University initiated the process on GeM and extended the bid of



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Class-4 Multitasking Staff (Expired on 31/12/2025) as the scrutiny process is in process on GeM. The matter is put for the discussion and ratification. (Annexure-05) (Establishment Branch)

Resolution 08: The matter was discussed at length unanimously ratified by the members.

Agenda 09: The matter of the extension provided to the Research Project Directors for the University funded research project is put for the discussion and ratification. (Dept. of Testing and Evaluation)

Resolution 09: The matter regarding the research project was discussed and unanimously resolved that the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor is empowered to make the necessary decision regarding various matters related to CRU funded research projects.

Agenda 10: The following agenda is put for the ratification.

A. The Personal Interview for the promotion under CAS from Level 13A to 14 of Dr. Rakeshkumar Raghubhai Patel (Sanskrit) was conducted on 23/03/2026 and the Selection committee recommended him for the promotion. (Establishment Branch)

B. Gijubhai Badekha Award for the Shrestha Balguru shall be awarded upto 05 teachers with amount Rs. 11,000/- each and any one Shrestha Balvatika with amount Rs. 51,000/- during every academic year. (Centre of Training)

Resolution 10: The members of the executive council unanimously ratified both the matters.

Agenda 11: The following agenda is for information.

A. The University advertised for the Ph.D. Admission (Special Call_Full Time students qualified UGC NET/CSIR-NET/GSET) in 8 various subjects. The University received 15 applications. (Education-03, English-03, Psychology-05, Performing Arts-01, Environmental Sciences-01, Physical Education-00, History-02 and Physics-00).

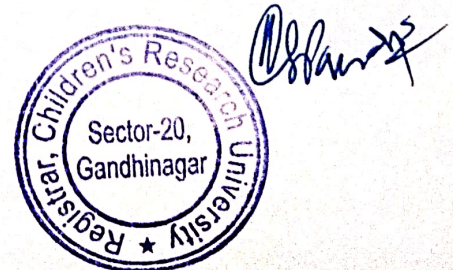
B. The Ph.D. Research work of Dr. Jitendra Gavli guided by Prof.



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Prashant Patel in Gujarati featured in the documentary by ANI. The research was on the effectiveness of lullabies of tribal areas of Gujarat.

- C. Ms. Devangi Bipinbhai Sondagar, Research Assistant of the University has been permitted to pursue Ph.D. in Commerce subject on Part Time basis at Gujarat University, Ahmedabad from the Academic Year 2025-26.
- D. The following sponsored events were organized at the Children's Research University.
- I. The five-day Faculty Development Program on "Quantifying Quality: Measurement in Research" sponsored by KCG, RUSA was held from 09/03/2026 to 13/03/2026.
 - II. International Conference on "Literature and Holistic Child Development: Multiforms, Functions and Global Insights" sponsored by KCG, RUSA was held on 10/03/2026.
 - III. A National Seminar on "Child Centric Case Studies, Action & Applied Research and Life Transforming Phenomenon" sponsored by KCG, RUSA was held on 15/03/2026.
 - IV. The University conducted PM SHRI School Teachers Training funded by Samagra Siksha Abhiyan in March, 2026. In all, 4214 teachers participated (2178 of Balvatika to Std- 2 and 2036 Teachers of Std-3 to Std-5).
 - V. All India Open FIDE Rated Rapid Chess Tournament was held at Veer Savarkar Sports Complex, Ahmedabad supported by leading institutions. The prizes of Rs. 11 lakhs were awarded to the winners. 994 participants from 88 districts of 19 states in Under-18 category on 28/03/2026 and 1004 participants from 108 districts of 24 states in open category on 29/03/2026.
 - VI. Children's Research University, Gandhinagar, in collaboration with Kalam Innovative School and Anagh Technology, launched the "Techno Rath – Technology on Wheels"



initiative which was visited by the IFFCO Chairman Shri Dilipbhai Sanghani. The mobile program was visited over 95 schools in Amreli district and more than 21000 students benefited through the hands-on training in robotics, electronics, and modern technology. Rudra Robot, showcases AI interaction inspired rural students toward science and innovation.

Resolution 11: The members of the executive council took a note of all the activities and appreciated the University initiatives.

Agenda from the Chair : Nil

The Registrar-Member Secretary of the council expressed his gratitude to all the members for their gracious presence, active participation and constructive remarks during meeting. A meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair & members.

Date: 01/04/2026

Place: Children's Research University, Gandhinagar


Registrar (I/c)

