

FEE REGULATORY COMMITTEE (TECHNICAL)

(Constituted under Section 9(1) of the Gujarat Professional Technical Educational Colleges or Institutions (Regulation of Admission and Fixation of Fees) Act, 2007)

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To
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S.G. Highway, Ahmedabad 382 210.

Sub: Refund of excess fees charged by the institute – Complaint of Shri Valmik L. Buch.

Please refer to our earlier correspondence with regard to the subject noted above. By our letter dated 12.07.2013 the authorized representative of the institution was directed to remain present before the Committee on 16.07.2013. However, on that day you were not remained present before the Committee. The Committee granted final opportunity of hearing on 22.08.2012 and in pursuance of the said direction Mr. Manish Shah, Vice President remained present. He has admitted before the Committee that the institution has charged excess fees under various heads from the students in the year 2009-10 and 2010-11. Due to complaints received from the students, the institution discontinued the practice of taking the excess fees from 2011-12 onwards. His submission was that the fees of Rs.20000/- per annum approved by the Committee is on ad-hoc basis only. Therefore, to meet the actual expenses the excess fees under various heads were collected from the students. He has stated that the institute is ready in complying with directions issued by the Committee.

After hearing of the matter, the Committee observed that the institute has illegally collected excess amount from the students. The fees approved by the Committee vide Order No.FRC/FEE/25/2008-09to2010-11/152 dated 14.10.2008 was not on adhoc basis. The Committee, therefore, decided to direct the institute to refund the excess fees collected from the students of 2009-10 batch by contacting each of them latest by 15.09.2013.

In view of the same, you are directed to take appropriate steps to refund the excess amount collected from the students latest by 15.09.2013 and submit the proof of the same to this Committee.

Sd/-
OFFICER ON SPECIAL DUTY