

## Report on MoU ceremony between GTU & Survey of India

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**Date:** 01<sup>st</sup> December 2025

**Time:** 03.00 PM - 04.00 PM

**Venue:** A-104 Conference Hall, GTU Main Building, Chandkheda Ahmedabad

Gujarat Technological University (GTU), Ahmedabad, entered a landmark Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Survey of India (Sol) on 1st December 2025 at the A-104 Conference Hall. The ceremony took place in the esteemed presence of Hon'ble Vice Chancellor Dr. Rajul Gajjar, who appreciated the initiative as a significant step toward advancing geospatial education and research at GTU. The MoU was formally executed by Dr. K. N. Kher, Registrar, GTU, and Shri Dhiraj Shah, Director, Gujarat, Daman & Diu Geo-spatial Directorate, Survey of India.

The primary purpose of this MoU is to strengthen collaboration between academia and India's premier national mapping agency to enhance the technical competence of students, faculty, and professionals in the rapidly growing field of Geospatial Technology. The agreement emphasizes creating opportunities that support technological upgradation, innovation, and skill development. Both institutions aim to establish a robust knowledge-sharing platform that contributes to national needs in surveying, mapping, geodesy, remote sensing, and advanced spatial analytics.

The MoU outlines several key objectives, including facilitating access to geospatial data, Directed Research Projects (DRP), organizing expert lectures, and conducting joint workshops, training programs, and seminars. It further supports academic assistance in areas such as automated feature extraction, deep mathematical applications in Geodesy and Astronomy, and hands-on exposure to modern tools like professional GIS/RS software, DGPS/CORS networks, and drone-based survey systems.

The event was attended by senior officials from both organizations, including Shri A. K. Lal, Shri Jai Prakash Mahaur, Shri Ratnesh Pratap Sonker, and Miss Shivangiben Suthar from the Survey of India, and Dr. Jignesh Amin, Dr. Rajesh Thakkar, Dr. Keyur Darji, Prof. Mridul S. Seth, Prof. Rasik V. Makwana and Dr. Kaushik Gondaliya from GTU. The ceremony concluded with discussions on implementing priority activities under the MoU to ensure impactful outcomes.

### Glimpses of the MoU Ceremony

