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Namaskar,

It gives me great pleasure to extend my greetings through 'Sannidhi' - our college magazine.

Our college, which was founded primarily to cater to the nearby region's aspirations, and was thus known as college of rural and suburban region, has now become one of the premier institutes of Higher Education in Gujarat. In this new avatar it has shed its initial regional image. In keeping with this change we now speak of "pursuit of excellence" instead of "taking education to the people". We now aim to ensure that this pursuit of excellence is transformed into a center of higher learning in India.

We have maintained high standards of teaching and learning, general administration, efficient evaluation etc. We continuously strive to develop a system for conscious, consistent and catalytic action to improve the academic and administrative performance of the college. We firmly believe in comprehensive and all-round development of the students, with sound academic performance and dynamic personality.

Umiya has embarked upon this journey several years ago and continues to carry its goal further by offering quality education to its students; it continues to be a center for sound learning.

Our committed team is highly qualified and well versed in their primary requirement, i.e., teaching. All departments are involved in organizing workshops in technical and non – technical subjects, expert lectures, seminars and various competition and quizzes. Classroom sessions go hand in hand with the practical teaching such as English Language Laboratory and Digital Language Laboratory. We are involved in the activities of transformation of the student both internally and externally. We have to transform them in their attitude, behavior and performance wise also.

I heartily congratulate the team members of 'Sannidhi' Editorial Board for their untiring effort in bringing out each issue diligently, meticulously and with such regularity. **I am happy to say that this is a landmark 10th edition.**

I take this opportunity to thank our honorable President of Shree Umiya K.V.C.

Education Trust Shree Babubhai J. Patel, Ex.Presidents Shree Ishwarbhai M. Patel, Shree Rameshbhai M. Patel, Late Shree Mansukhbhai M. Patel and Late Shree Ramdada, as we call him affectionately. I also thank each and every member of the Trust and college team who have worked relentlessly and in a true spirit for achieving our vision.

New Events At A Glance:

- In order to teach students to express their ideas and views clearly through spoken communication skills, we designed a course module of 3 months on Reading, Writing, Listening and Speaking. 56 students participated in it.
 - We signed MOUs with Gujarati Sahitya Parishad to start a course on 'Bhasha Sajjata' in which 67 students participated. The lectures were delivered by Smt. Tilottamaben, Shri Praffula Dave, Shri Yogendra Vyas and Shri Ratilal Borisapra. They enlightened the students with their views and ideas.
 - We also signed MOU with Rural Development and Management Institute. A 30 hours course on 'Social Reformers of the 20th Century' was conducted in which experts like Dr. Manda Parikh, Dr. Chandrikaben Raval, Dr. Gaurang Jani, Swami Nikhileshwar Anandji, Shri P. J. Divetia, Dr. Anandiben Patel, Shri Kapil Deshval & Dr. Vidhyut Joshi took lectures and provided valuable insight.
 - Another MOU was signed with M/s Munimji Training and Placement Pvt. Ltd. According to which a 30 hours' course on Gujarat Value Added Tax had been constituted which was attended by 327 students.
- Student Support Programme was started in which senior students taught their juniors after college hours. This helped weaker students to cope up with the syllabus. Since students are more open and free with their peers and friends this initiative has become very popular among them.
 - This year we had also organized G.K. Quiz. 173 students participated in the elimination round conducted before the final round.
 - We celebrated 'Nutrition Week' during which a series of lectures and demonstrations were arranged for students aged between 17 to 24 years. The theme was 'Nutrition - A Way To Happiness'.
 - Special initiatives were undertaken under Career Placement Cell. Careers in Law, Higher Education, Banking and Insurance were discussed as alternative career option.
 - We launched Mobile Library for making books easily available.
 - Students participated in various competitions like Poster Making, Quiz, Slogan Writings, Elocution and Debates organized by the Forest Department on O-Zone Day.
 - Under Campus Birds Counting Program our students of Semester II and IV took initiative of bird species' counting. Nearly 16 bird species were registered in and around our campus.

Achievements

No. of Programmes Offered: 06
No. of Final Year Students: 454

- Mayor Smt. Minakshiben Patel awarded medals to the students of Civil Defense for their excellence on 4th July 2015.

- The students of Civil Defense were applauded for their remarkable work done by the Department of Civil Defense as well as the Ahmedabad Municipal Corporation officials.
- Our platoon received the 3rd prize for Republic and Independence Day parade.
- Pooja Bharwad of B.Com Semester IV represented in the Republic Day Celebration Parade held at Delhi. She received the Trophy of Best Company Senior, Cadet Gold Medal. Besides, in the inter-group competition, she was awarded with Guard of Honour Gold Medal.
- In Judo competition held at the Gujarat University, Suhani Prajapati won the Championship Trophy in the under-78kg category.
- Our team won the Champions Trophy in Volley Ball held at Ahmedabad (Rural).
- In Power Lifting competition for 'A' Zone held at the Gujarat University, our students received the Runners Up Trophy.
- Our boys' team was Runners Up at inter-college softball tournament.
- At Gujarat University Youth Festival, our college Team won 9 medals in several areas such as - Mime, Photography, Poster-making, Extempore, Clay-Modeling, Mimicry, Poetry-recitation, Cartooning & Collage-making.
- At Inter Zonal level, our college won four medals in competitions in Photography, Extempore, Poster-making and Collage.
- Our student Simran Kaur won first prize in Collage-making at GLS institute in Inter-College level competition.
- Kinjal won second prize in Cartooning at GLS institute in Inter-College competition.
- Akansha Luhar won second prize at GLS institute in Inter-College competition.
- Deepika Barot won third prize in Gujarati film song in Inter-College competition at MP Arts College.
- In the Inter-college competition held at Umiya College, Nehal Dadga received IInd prize in poetry recitation.
- Shivangi Patel of B.Com Semester VI received the Best Player Trophy in Softball [West Zone].
- Shivangi Patel of B.Com Semester VI received the Championship Trophy in Power Lifting held at University.
- In All India University Judo Competition, Suhani Prajapati was selected for playing at Inter University game.
- In All India Inter-Zone Softball tournament, our two students Shivangi Patel and Bindu were selected and won the third prize.
- 3 Students were selected for Softball tournament which was held at Anantpur.
- In Khel-Mahakumbh, our students received first prize in Judo, second prize in Discus Throw and Shot-Put for District level.
- Six students were selected at Inter University Softball tournament held at Lovely University.
- Patel Bindu qualified for Softball team selection for World Championship. Samrutha Bharwad reached up to selection round for Asia Tournament of

Softball. We are very proud that both the players represented our college at National and International levels.

DEPARTMENTAL ACTIVITIES

Gujarati Department

- Under 'Meet the Author' Programme, we invited Dr. Mithilesh Chaturvedi, a critic and writer, who enlightened the students with his views.
- A seminar was organized on Vaachikam-2 with the help of Gujarati Sahitya Academi at our campus. The programme was presided over by Dr. Balwant Jani, Dr. Jiten Makwana and Prof. Arvind Vaghela.
- 67 students attended a workshop of ten days organized with the help of Gujarat Sahitya Parisad on 'Bhasha Sajjata'.

Commerce Department

- Jigar Shah [CA] conducted a month's workshop on G-VAT at campus. Nearly 157 students attended this workshop.
- Students were taken for industrial visit to Meghmani Ltd. Dahej. The students prepared a project report on their visit.
- 3 students participated in Idol-making competition held at C. U. Shah Commerce College.
- 3 students participated in Pustak Gyan Pratibhashodh Kasoti and Principal .T. J. Rana Trophy.
- Prof. Hemal Pandya of S. D. School of Commerce delivered a lecture on 'Research Methodology' in which nearly 350 students participated.

- Prof. Kandarp Chavda of J. G. College of Commerce delivered a lecture on 'Project Guidance' in which nearly 225 students participated.

- 38 students attended a six months'course on 'Munimji – Practical Accounting'.

English Department

- Under 'Meet the Author' Programme, we had invited Dr. Damodar Mauza, an author and a critic from Goa.
- Organized a 21 days' workshop on 'Social Reformers of 20th Century' from 21-Jan-2016 to 12-Feb-2016. 37 students of Semester IV and Semester VI participated in the workshop.
- Arranged a Seminar on 'Daughter - the Pearl of the Home' by Shri Rajubhai Patel in which nearly 55 students participated.
- Students of B.A. Semester-IV and Semester-VI presented speeches and poetry recitation was held on Shelley's birthday celebration.
- A week-long celebration on Shakespeare was held which was organized by B.A. Semester-VI students. During this, information regarding Shakespeare's Tragedies, Comedies and Historical plays were imparted to the students.
- 25 students participated in a workshop on 'Wedding Album' by Girish Karnad.
- Subject related movies such as - David Copperfield, A Passage to India, Bishop's Candlestick, Romeo Juliet, Julius Caesar and Blue Umbrella were shown to students.

Hindi Department

- Under 'Meet the Author' Programme, we had invited Dr. Suresh Rituparna, a critic and a writer, from Delhi.
- To celebrate Premchand Jayanti, presentations on works of Premchand were made by the students.
- On the Janma Jayanti of Great Saint Tulsidas, Dohas of Saint Tulsidas were recited by the students.
- To create awareness amongst the people about the importance of 'Our Rashtra Bhasha', all students participated in a rally to celebrate Hindi Day, which was organized by Rashtra Bhasha College.
- From 4th September 2015 to 10th September 2015, Hindi week was celebrated in which poetry recitation, regional vocabulary competitions were organized.
- All the students of the department attended a lecture delivered by Dr. Jashwant Pandya of Gujarat Vidhyapith regarding 'The Importance of Hindi' as a National language.
- 19 students participated on 'Social Reformers of 20th Century' workshop organized by Rural Urban Development & management Institute - RUDMI.

Sociology Department

- Students visited Adani Mundra Port, Adani Power and Adani Refinery for educational visit. The students prepared a detailed report on their visit.
- 36 students participated in a workshop on 'Social Reformers of 20th Century' from 21-Jan-2016 to 12-Feb-2016.

- Faculties and students visited Brahma Samaj, an NGO.
- A quiz was organized by the department.

COMMITTEES

CWDC (URMI)

- Lecture on 'Safety and Security of Women' was delivered by Principal Judge Shri D. G. Soni on 1st October 2015. Nearly 300 students attended this lecture.
- 35 students participated in an essay competition organized on 'Women in Present India' on 9th September 2015. Six students were declared winner and awarded certificates.
- Seven students attended a seminar on 'Women Empowerment' held at St. Xavier's College.
- Nearly 250 students attended a lecture on Nutrition delivered by Smt. Rajshri Kajale of Apollo Hospital as a part of Nutrition Week Celebration.
- On 8th March 2016, International Women's Day celebration was organized.
- All students participated in Brain Storming and long forgotten games were organized for the students.
- Nearly 109 students visited the Legislative Assembly to attend the ongoing Assembly Session and met our Chief Minister Smt. Anandiben Patel.
- 330 students appeared for Book Knowledge test organized by CWDC on Nari Shikshan - Avashyak Shikshan.

NCC

- 50 students enrolled in NCC during 2015-16.
- A weekly parade is held in college campus on every Thursday.
- Vaishali, students of Semester-VI was selected as Commander for TSC Delhi.
- Six students were selected for NIC which was held at West Bengal. They represented Gujarat. Suhani, one of our students, bagged the (SW) Trophy.
- Pooja Bharwad, the lone candidate to be selected for the RDC Parade. She was selected as 'The Best Company Senior'. She received the Gold Medal in Inter-group competition and went on to bag the Guard of Honour Gold Medal.

NSS (SARVODAYA)

- Every Saturday our NSS Volunteers visited the adopted village 'Khoraj'. They used to clean temples, taught in primary schools, spread awareness regarding cleanliness and public hygiene.
- Every Friday, the students of NSS unit visited 'Jivan Sandhya Old Age Home'. They help the inmates of 'The Old Age Home' with routine works, organized Kirtans & Bhajans and celebrated festivals like Janmashtami, Uttaran, Holi, Diwali, Rakshabandhan and Navratri, etc.
- Annual camp for a week was organized at Titoda. Various activities and rallies were undertaken such as cleanliness drive, spreading awareness about female infanticide, de-addiction etc.
- NSS unit collected and distributed sweets to the inmates of Old Age Home Jivan

Sandhya and under privileged children in nearby area/primary school.

LIBRARY (GYAN PARAB)

- A Mobile Library was started this academic session.
- New Arrivals of Books in each subject were displayed, so that the students get detailed idea about all type of books, journals, periodicals and magazines available.
- Needy Students' Library is successfully running in our college. Large numbers of students take benefit of the library which remains open from 7:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. including public holidays.

RED RIBBON CLUB

- Various activities were undertaken such as AIDS Day, especially to create awareness about this menace.
- To observe AIDS Day, Road Show was organized.
- In association with Red Cross Society, Thalassemia Test was conducted for the students of BA/B.Com Semester-I.

PLACEMENT CELL (UDISHA)

- A lecture was delivered on 'Preparation of Banking Exam' by Shri Prashant Sarvaiya. Nearly 209 students attended this lecture.
- Shri Sanjeev Gupta delivered lecture on 'Career in Teaching in Higher Education' which was attended by 230 students.
- 'Guidance about NET & SLET' was delivered by Shri Neeraj Patel, and

approximately 175 students attended this lecture.

- Dr. Shailendra Gupta delivered a lecture on 'Skill Development and Employment' which was attended by 300 students.
- Shri Sanjeev Sharma delivered a lecture on 'Leadership Skills' which was attended by 150 students.
- 175 students attended an interview carried on by Bhavik Consultancy, out of which 3 of our students were selected.
- 300 students attended an interview carried out by Vodafone, out of which seven students were selected.
- Nearly 150 students attended a lecture on 'Careers in Law' delivered by Principal Judge Shri Dheerajkumar J. Soni.
- 25 students went to the Accounting Software Company Tally at Prahlad Nagar, who selected 3 students.
- Deepika vala who is working as a Deputy Mamlatdar mentored our B.Com and B.A. students to prepare for GPSC examination.

ALUMNI ASSOCIATION (NOSTALGIA)

- Alumni Association is registered.
- Meetings are regularly held.

SAPTDHARA

- Inter class competitions on various themes such as Light Music, Folk Song, Patriotic Songs, Folk Dance, Garba, Antakshri were organized.

- Competitions such as on Poetry Recitation, Elocution, Poetry Completion, Message Writing, Cartooning, On-the-Spot Painting, Collage and Mehndi were organized.
- One Act Play, Skit, Mime, Mono-acting and Mimicry competitions were held. Intensive training was imparted to the selected students.

CIVIL DEFENSE

- The Platoon received the 3rd prize for Republic Day Parade held at Mandal.
- 12 students were awarded Trophies.
- The students of Civil Defense were applauded for their remarkable work done by the Department of Civil Defense as well as Ahmedabad Municipal Corporation.
- The Mayor Smt. Minakshiben Patel awarded medals to the students of Civil Defense for their excellence on 4th July 2015.
- The Department of Civil Defense imparted advanced training to 20 students on situations such as how to cope up with challenges of terrorist acts.
- A Rescue Team Programme was organized at Cantonment Hall on 20th December 2015; 20 students received Silver Medal while the college won the Gold Medal.