

GTU INNOVATION COUNCIL

Sectoral Innovation Councils

in the fields of

Machine Tools, Ceramic, and Metallurgy

Student Volunteers and faculty members joined hand to organize a grand function at REA, Rajkot for declaring sectoral innovation councils and best achievements of 6 innovation Sankuls were showcased on single stage for the 1st time.

Inauguration Program of Sectoral Innovation Councils

15th October 2011, Rajkot Engineering Association Auditorium

Sectoral Innovation Councils in the fields of Machine Tools, Ceramic, and Metallurgy are announced By GTU Innovation Council in the presence of the Industrialists, Local MLA and policy makers, Deans, Principals of Engineering Colleges, Udisha club office bearers and the faculties. There is an immense expertise and technological know-how as far as some of the areas like Machine Tools, Ceramic and Metallurgy in the region of Saurashtra. To give boost up and vertical growth in these fields by involving institutions is the purpose of announcing establishment of sectoral councils. The objectives, policies as well as the process of innovation in sectoral council is briefly described by Mr.Hiranmay Mahanta in his speech. He added that there is a huge potential in some of the sectors in specific areas. He in his speech shown frustration regarding fact that lot of research work and thesis documentation were done by institutions and universities till now but the industries had not benefited much from the work. To get rid of this situation IDP concept is brought into an action and GTU is the only university having the largest number of projects, taken up by the students for solving industry problems. It was the idea of Hon'ble Vice chancellor of GTU -- Why not to start the innovation council emphasizing more on these specific sectors?

The Program was started by Lamp Lightening by the blessing hands of the respected **MLA of the Rajkot region Shri.Govindbhai Patel**. Dr.Sachin Parikh – Dean(Engineering) of GTU along with Prof.P.C.Vasani- Principal L.E.College Morbi, Dr. J. B. Desai-Principal, Atmiya

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Institute of Technology & Science –Rajkot , Mr.Jamuar from the Rajkot forging Industries as well as Mr.Dipak Sachde – an Industrialist and Mr.Bhavesh Patel of Rajkot Engineering Association were the dignitaries who graced the ceremony by having their seat on Dias. Dr.Desai delivered welcome address to the audience. The Program comprised three sessions. During the first inaugural session the respected MLA Shri.Govindbhai Patel explained the need of the Industry Academy Liaison and congratulated GTU for coming forward to announce the sectoral council to boost up the progress of already successful segment of the industries. The MLA address was followed by Hiranmay Mahanta’s speech explaining the concept of Sectoral Council.

In the second session, presentations from various Sankuls were made. Dr.Desai and Dr.Parikh presented their success stories regarding IDP and gave the statistics about the students deployed at various industries. Prof.U.K.Chhaya from L.E.College Morbi presented the achievements during last 3 months having documentary supports of videos and the photographs as well as press notes. With the Initiatives of Prof.P.C.Vasani some unique activities were carried out in Saurashtra Region. **The meeting of 45 Ceramic Industrialists in presence of Hon’ble Minister Shri Mohanbhai Kundariya, repairing and assembling 3000 tube lights by Diploma Electrical students of L.E.College -Morbi and in turn saving 18 lacs Rs. of Morbi nagarpalika , Arranging Extra lectures for big mass of students during holidays, arranging Induction training for fresh teachers at L.E.College as well as at Darshan institute, conducting Contributive career Program for almost 1000 students and 200 faculty members** were commendable work in Saurashtra Region by the efforts of Principal Prof.P.C.Vasani and the Teachers of L.E.college of Morbi. The Junagadh Sankul also presented and highlighted the methods to assure that actual work is carried out by students regarding IDP. Mr.Dhirubhai Suvagiya – A successful Industrialist having a business of 200 corers shared his experience and explained how he became an entrepreneur from an engineer who started his career just by having salary of Rs. 1800/- per month in 1987.The Program was conducted by Prof.Jayendra Vasani of R.K.College of Engineering and Technology Rajkot. In the third session, Mr.Mahanta highlighted the need of innovation and clarified the fact that how the situation has been transformed: from Individual excellence before independence to the Institutional excellence after independence. He said that one must understand the Indian nature, context and scenario before designing any policy to bring change for getting results. “The GTU innovation council is working in the direction of changing policies , processes and tools to achieve the desired outcomes” – he said . Finally the program concluded with high tea and an informal meet of the technical fraternity. Mr. Mahanta, Principal Prof.P.C.Vasani, Dean Dr.Parikh and Associate Dean Prof.D.H.Ahir thanked all for cooperating and extending their support for making this program a grand success.

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Inauguration of the mega functions by Local MLA, Lead industry chamber presidents, Co-chair men academia and industries and Hiranmay Mahanta. Mr. Jayendra Vasani giving the welcome addresses on behalf of students coordinators of various colleges.



Prof J.V.Desai , Co-Chair Rajkot 1 Sankul giving welcome address on behalf of Innovation Sankul from saurashtra. All the Co-Chairs and their representatives from academia presented their suggestions and developments.

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A detailed progress report was shared by Mr. Hiranmay Mahanta on various exercises which were started with the help of Swami Sarvasthananda from RKM, Rajkot at early days of GTU Innovation Council. Many of the students and industry persons were present who had actively laid the foundation works of this effort nearly 1 year back in saurashtra.



Local sitting M.L.A. Shree Govind Bhai Patel, Representatives from forging industries like Shree Jayant Jamuar gave away address in this occasion and appreciated the vision of Sectoral councils and specially lauded the effort at GTU Innovation Council lead by Young students.

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Shree Govind Bhai Patel, sitting Local M.L.A was curious to have a detailed insight on how the students lead a bigger mission like GTU Innovation council and shared that being an industry person he personally believes the random way of knowledge management involving multiple stake holders holds the key for MSME developments. Prof Uday Chaya shared a detailed growth of Morbi Innovation Sankul along with major policy innovations taken under the lead of Prof P.C.Vasani, co-chair academia, Morbi Sankul.



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A vibrant student-industry-local authority interaction session was held after the function and almost all students shared their views and suggestions. Most of them were inspired by the young leaders who organized such a function at their door step and promised that these young minds will play critical role in designing-executing and sharing new policy innovations which will scale their attempts further.

The following students and faculties played a key voluntary role to make the program successful.

Mr Jayendra Vasani, Mr Rashesh Dave, Mr. Shrey S. Shah , Mr Kishan , Mr Bhargav Dave, Prof Manish Rachh, Prof P.C.Vasani, Prof U.K.Chaya, Prof D.H.Ahir, Swami Sarvastha Nanda (RKM) , Prof J.V.Desai Prof Sachin Parikh and Prof Amit Sata.

Innovation Sankuls who had participated: Rajkot-1, Morbi, Rajkot-2, Rajkot-3, Junagarh, Jamnagar. All the co-chairs from academia had helped this attempt inclusively. Shree Bhavesh Patel, (President of REA) helped the students right from the beginning to make the program a grand success.