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NATIONAL LEVEL TECHFEST "CYBER SHADEZ - 2017"

Faculty of Computer Application & IT (BCA, M.Sc-IT, iMSc(IT) PGDCA) and Faculty of Computer Technology (MCA) hosted the National Level Technical Festival "Cyber Shadez" on 4th March, 2017. The theme of the TechFest was "5G - The Next Generation Wireless Communication".The objective of the TechFest was to provide a platform for the dynamic young students to showcase their technical talents with competitive spirit. The events organized during the festival were Montage - Poster/ Collage Presentation, Web Craft - Removing Bugs from Code, Ad-lib – Extempore, Give and Take – Debate, Gem Collection - Database Treasure Hunt, Jumble Trumble - Rearrange Code Snippet, Artful - Web Page Design, Poster Presentation of Arduino/ Raspberry Pi live projects.

The inauguration was graced by the august presence of Dr. B.H.Joshi, Provost, GLS University, Dr. Dharmesh Shah, Registrar, GLS University. The

Guest of Honour for the event was Mr. Ajay Iyer, Vice President, Product Engineering & Product Delivery, Sterlite Technologies Limited.Prof. R.P.Soni, Dean, FCAIT welcomed the dignitaries and the participants. He initiated the event by presenting them his views of the theme and how 5G Technology will be changing our lives. Dr. B.H. Joshi blessed the event and urged students to find how computer is working as a human brain now a days. In today's world, how robots are replacing humans. Dr. Dharmesh Shah spoke about how this techfest would work as one of the learning tool in student's life. He also added how the generation is keeping in pace with the upcoming technologies. Mr. Ajay Iyerin his keynote address introduced the students to the field of 5G-The Next Generation Wireless Communication. He also discussed various examples and scenarios on the topic. The students enjoyed the session and participated in the fruitful discussion. Dr. HarshalArolkar, Head, M. Sc (IT) proposed vote of thanks.

In the pre-lunch session, four events name Jumble Trumble, Web Page Designing and Poster Presentation of Arduino/Raspberry Pi live projects for UG students and Preliminary round of Debate and Extempore were held in parallel. The students of BCA Sem IV presented various real-life live projects like Home Automation System, Obstacle Avoidance Robotic Vehicle, Line Following Robot, Smart Dustbin, Smart Car Model based on Aruduino / Raspberry Pi. The event was judged by Mr. Prabhjot Bakshi, Director of Getwings and Microsoft Regional Director, Ahmedabad.. Total 33 students participated in the event. All the dignitaries took a round at the stalls and were impressed by the work done by the students. They motivated them and also gave suggestions.

In preliminary round of Debate and Extempore, total 6 teams for UG and 5 teams for PG participated in Debate and 9 participants for UG and 12 participants for PG participated in Extempore. The judge for these UG events was Mr. Manthan Thakkar, Sr. DBA & PL/SQL Developer,Sterlite

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'PHENOMENAL WOMEN- A TRIBUTE TO WOMANHOOD'

Faculty of Commerce (SMPIC), under CWDC celebrated International Women's Day by organizing a seminar 'Phenomenal Women-A Tribute to Womanhood' on 8th March, 2017, in H. H. Auditorium, GLS Campus. Ms.Vaibhavi Nanavati, Advocate, High Court of Gujarat was the Chairperson.

In the seminar, we honoured the influential women stalwarts like Mrs. Smita Shastri, Dance Guru, Nartan school of Classical Dances, Ms. Ruzan Khambhatta, a Serial Entrepreneur and a crusader of Women Empowerment and Smt. Vibhaben Desai, a retired Additional Commissioner,

Incometax department and a well- known singer of Gujarati Sugam Sangeet. We felicitated the power and struggle of these phenomenal women who have broken all the barriers and reached the pinnacle of success.

Further, these phenomenal women shared their experiences, their journey towards name and fame and inspired our students to realize the unlimited potential that they have and unanimously gave a message that women should carry a confident npersona and if inclined, anything can be accomplished at any stage of life. Mrs. Vaibhavi Nanavati brought forth the challenges faced by the working women in balancing both the house and work. She appreciated and guided the women managing two fronts courageously and holding both the forts bravely. Even Dr. B. H. Joshi, Provost, GLS University, shared his experience as a father of a daughter who is studying abroad and motivated the girl students to leave behind all the fears, spread their wings and soar high. Dr. Ashwin Purohit, Dean, Faculty of Commerce, in his welcome address talked about the changing role of women in the society as well as their growing potential. He acknowledged and appreciated the hard work and dedication of the female staff of the institute

Ganesh Vandana and Natraj Vandana were performed by Prashita Surana, a disciple of

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GLS UNIVERSITY PARTICIPATED IN FESTIVAL OF INNOVATION 2017 AT RASHTRAPATI BHAWAN

By Dr. Rupali Singh

The Decade of Innovation (2011-20) is characterized by various initiatives taken by the Government of India and the President's House to promote innovation, particularly grassroots innovation, in the country and forge its linkages with higher education system. The National Innovation Foundation (NIF), India has been organizing an exhibition of grassroots innovation every year since 2010, in collaboration with the Honey Bee Network institutions, volunteers and the Department of Science and Technology [DST] at the President's House. The purpose is to expose the visitors to the pervasive culture of creativity and innovation in India. Since 2015, these exhibitions have become a part of the Festival of Innovation. Many central universities and NITs have organized exhibitions of grassroots innovators during the visits of the Hon'ble President there and have already set up National Innovation Clubs in their campuses. Perhaps India is the only country where grassroots innovators are hosted at the President's House to convey a message that the country cares for the creativity of the common people. With support from NIF, the President's Secretariat has successfully organized three editions of the Innovation Scholars In-Residence Programme, during 2014 - 2016. The fourth edition of the programme begun on March 4, 2017 involving more than a week-long stay of 10 innovators at the President's House. These innovators, including school children, grassroots innovators and college students, are mentored during their stay. The policy and institutional linkages are forged to scale up their ideas.

This time Faculty of Business Administration got opportunity to join the Festival of Innovation (FOIN) 2017 at the RashtrapatiBhawan, New Delhi organized during March 4-10, 2017 and Dr. Rupali Singh participated in the roundtable on innovations in public service delivery on March 6, 2017. FOIN is a unique initiative of the Office of the President of India to recognise, respect and reward grassroots innovations and foster a supportive ecosystem. Hosted in the month of March at The President's House, the FOIN has become a national celebration of creativity and innovation at and for grassroots. Shri Pranab Mukherjee, the President of India has exhorted all segments of the Indian

society to converge their efforts to make India inclusive, innovative and responsive to the aspirations of common people. While addressing the Global Roundtable on Inclusive Innovation attended by top innovation leaders of the world and several noble laurates during last two years, he has stressed the need for learning and sharing the global experience in designing, developing and delivering empathetic and inclusive innovations for the common good. He believes that while India has to learn a lot of lessons from the countries that rank on the top in the global innovation index, Indian has also a lot to share in terms of frugal and grassroots innovations. That is the only way Indian innovation quotient will go up.

The speakers of roundtable on innovations in public service delivery explained their contribution in context of innovation. It included IAS officers and collectors of various states and districts of India and also had speakers from abroad like Australia and Germany. The innovations are primarily in agriculture, green revolution, attending the olympics difficulties, launching mobile applications, socio-economic rehabilitation of sex-workers, use of big data in various fields, automatic mutation, digitization of Indian courts, etc. and finally the roundtable on public service delivery concluded to have sustainable innovations through attending challenges in innovation and establishing incubation centres, to attend the functional values at entry level, to access social acceptance, to increase the dialogue between India and other countries, to induce courage for innovation, to increase public-private-partnership, etc. The Visitor's Awards were also conferred on Jawaharlal Nehru Central University established at New Delhi. Additionally, awards conferred on Dr. Deepak Pant for direct conversion of waste plastic into LPG (Domestic fuel) in small scale; Dr. ShyamSundar for developing treatment for Kala-azar disease; Dr. NiranjanKarak for development of renewable resource based bio-degradable hyper-branched polymer nano-composites as self-cleaning, self-healing and bio-compatible smart sustainable futuristic material.

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CONGRATULATIONS TO WINNERS (FCAIT) AT EXTERNAL EVENTS!!!!

Students of FCAIT (BCA, iMSc(IT)) participated in different events like IT Quiz, Ad Mad Competition, Brain Scratch and many more at State Level Technical Event.

Winners at R. B. Institute of Mamagement Studies, AGRIM TECHFEST 2017, Ahmedabad.

Ladla Sagar of Faculty of Computer Applications & IT, iMSCIT won 1st prize in IT Quiz

Tanwani Mohit, Tanwani Vishal of Faculty of Computer Applications & IT, SYBCA won 2nd prize in IT Quiz.Arti Makhija, Jani Jinal, Khushaboo Raghani, Muskan Sadnani, Amit Lakhotiya of Faculty of Computer Applications & IT, BCA won 2nd prize in Ad Mad Competition

Winners at Smt. Chandaben Mohanbhai Patel Institute of Computer Applications, Charusat University, Ignite 2017, Changa

Vraj Mehalana of Faculty of Computer Applications & IT, iMSCIT won 1st prize in Mouseless competition . Tanwani Mohit, Tanwani Vishal of Faculty of Computer Applications & IT, SYBCA won 2nd prize in Digiweb. Students of Faculty of Computer Applications & IT, BCA, Khushaboo Raghani won Ist prize and Indu Shetty won 2nd prize in Brain Scratch.

Winners at National Institute of Event Management, Ahmedabad.

Rabdu Niyomi, Vishal Tanwani of Faculty of Computer Applications & IT, SYBCA won the title "Event Manager of the Year 2016-17" .

GLS UNIVERSITY SIGNED MOU WITH THE INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF INNOVATION PROFESSIONALS (IAOIP)

By Dr. Rupali Singh

GLS University has signed MOU with a professional membership organization, the International Association of Innovation Professionals (IAOIP). It is the world's only innovation certification body, providing members with the knowledge, skills, and opportunities to deliver real change in their industry or field. The IBoK (Innovation Body of Knowledge) is developed and maintained by members through a transparent and democratic process that assures everyone the opportunity to contribute.

IAOIP-certified innovation professionals are equipped with the appropriate tools to make a strategic difference by becoming an active participant in innovation teams at all levels of their organization through knowledge exchange, research, conferences, training, and publications. With individual, corporate, public, and non-profit members around the world (IAOIP have members in 30 countries), IAOIP is the leading international membership-based organization dedicated to the professional development of individuals working in the field of innovation. As a professional association, IAOIP is dedicated to individual and corporate members and their advancement as innovators. Its working groups, certifications and conferences improves the ability of an innovation professional to innovate at a high level in a world of complicated challenges and opportunities. Its conferences and working groups allow organizations to learn about the most recent advances in innovation and how to apply them in your organization.

To support this, IAOIP is building a community of innovators who want to make a strategic change, who are well prepared with the latest thinking, methodologies and networks and making a difference in their organization, practice or industry. This network of innovators is the foundation of this Association, it is people that will ultimately drive change in the world – this Association enjoys a fantastic community of inspired, driven individuals that support each other in driving meaningful change.

With this MOU, GLS University has initiated the first founding chapter in India. At present IAOIP has 8 chapters in the world namely at Canada, Greece, New York, Peru, Texas, UAE, Washington DC and a general chapter. GLS University has established 9th chapter in this queue for fostering innovation in India. By getting the membership of IAOIP, people will be connected to10 primary groups, 13 working groups, 1 special interest group and members of 255 other places of the world on board.

Also, members gain access to the unparalleled network, knowing that some of the world's leading experts in innovation contribute to our Body of Knowledge. Some joined for the certification aware that IAOIP's Innovation certifications follow ISO standards and are created and evolve with input from experts and IAOIP members across the globe. Still others want a vernacular and tools to use in their organizations, to help them access what they need in order to innovate and succeed. The memberships available are Individual Professional, Individual Associate, Individual Student, Organizational membership, Corporate membership, Non-Profit, Academia, Research & Govt. Membership. Further information of IAOIP is available on http://iaoip.site-ym.com/

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GLS-PAST, PRESENT AND FUTURE: H.A COLLEGE OF COMMERCE

The story of Haridas Archratlal College of Commerce, popularly known as H.A.College of Commerce, began in June 1956 when Sheth Shri Haridas Archratlal, a philanthropic businessman and visionary, made a generous donation to Gujarat Law Society to establish this educational institute. HA was the first commerce college in Gujarat to attain accreditation with four stars.

The college has been ranked by national surveys, Ranked 47th among Top 50 Commerce Colleges in India by India Today (May, 2016) which was 48th in May 2015. 2nd Best Commerce College in the City (India Today, May 2016). Listed among the most trusted colleges of the nation in a survey conducted by DNA in 2014. Top Commerce College in Gujarat by Careers 360. Most Trusted Brand in India by Media Research Group in September 2016.

FDP/WORKSHOPS ORGANISED BY GLSCRD IN MARCH 2017

GLSCRD organised three one day FDP/Workshops for Faculty members on 1.)Multivariate Data Analysis 2.)Advanced Multivariate Data Analysis 3.) ICT – Tools for Teaching and Research.

In the two days of workshops on Multivariate the topics covered were:

Introduction to Multivariate, Regression Analysis, Discriminant Function Analysis, Principal Component Analysis, Exploratory Factor Analysis, Introduction to, Confirmatory Factor Analysis , Structural Analysis, andIntroduction to PLS –SEM using SMART PLS. Dr. Devesh Baid conducted the workshops. It was attended by about 20 faculty members. The programme was well received.

On 4th March 2017 a One day ICT – Tools for Teaching and Research was held. The Resource persons were Dr. Atanu Bhattacharya, Dr. Rakesh Damir. Dr. Atanu Bhattacharya covered tools for teaching and learningUsing Web 2.0. Dr. Dr. Rakesh Damir covered tools for teaching and learning Using Mobile Technology. It was attended by about 20 faculty members. The participants felt that they learnt a lot and were confident of using ICT for making classrooms sessions interesting.

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Technologies and for PG events was Mr. Pinak Thakkar, Toofr LLC, International Technological University (ITU). The Web Page Designing for UG event was judged by Mr. Maitrey Trivedi, Sr. Software Engineer (iOS), Theta Technolabs and total 31 teams participated in the event. In Jumble Trumble, 37 teams participated for UG and 7 teams participated for PG. The event was judged by Mr. Parth Darji from iTechNotion for PG level.

The post lunch session started with Database Treasure Hunt, Web Craft and Poster Presentation in parallel. In Database Treasure Hunt, total 21 teams for UG and 15 teams for PG participated in it. In Web Craft, total 24 teams for UG and 11 teams for PG participated in it. Mr. SulabhValand, Software Engineer, Cybage Software Pvt. Ltd judged the event Web Craft at UG and Mr. Jaydeep Patel, ByPeople Technologies judged at PG level. In Poster Presentation, 13 teams participated for UG and 6 teams for PG. The event was judged by Mr.VishwanathanIyer, Senior Software Engineer, Gateway Technologies at UG level and Mr. ArunKushwaha, Professor, GLS Institute of Design at PG level.The event ended with a prize distribution. The event received positive feedback from students. The staff members of Faculty of Computer Applications & IT and Faculty of Computer Technology and F along with student volunteers coordinated the entire event with great success.

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Smt. Smita Shastri. A skit 'Her body, her Right' was performed by students of Faculty of Commerce. At the end, an awareness session about organ donation was organized.A few Faculty members and students of different institute of GLS University attended the seminar along with 250 students of Faculty of Commerce. The seminar was not only was a tribute to our acclaimed guests but the participants also carried with them motivating messages and inspiring life experiences of the Phenomenal Women who have contributed phenomenally to the society.

N.R.PRIMARY SCHOOL

BIDDING ADIEU

N.R.Primary School organized a farewell function on 8th March 2017. There were dances, songs, instrumental music and speech by the students. Guru Vandana was performed by the students in such a manner that every teacher felt that he/she is transformed into a Guru in a real sense.Best wishes and a Bright Future to our beloved students of Std. VIII from our respected Principal madam, teaching and non-teaching staff.

PROFICIENCY PRIZE!!!

Miss Hardi K. Shah of N.R. Primary School Std. VIII has bagged the Proficiency Prize of 2016-17. Continuous Evaluation of the students is done for this prize. A student has to pass so many tests for this prize. It is like Abhimanyu's Chakravyuh.

N R HIGHER SECONDARY SCHOOL

Young Talent in Sports

Dhairya V. Shah, a student of XI Commerce in N. R. Higher Secondary School is going to play 'International Junior and youth Football Festival, Petersburg cup-2017' at Russia. The matches will be held for 5 days. He has been selected in the category of under-17.

Young Orator of N.R.H.S.

Chinmay P. Thakkar a student of N. R. Higher Secondary School std.-XI Commerce has manifested his rhetoric skill by securing the second position in the elocution competition held by H. A. College of Commerce. Being a school student, he has proved his oratory skill amongst the college students.

FAREWELL@GLSEMPS

"Great is the art of beginning, but greater is the art of ending."

The golden era of eight years in primary school of standard – VIII was going to end. The unpleasant cries to leave parents and home, slowly and gradually changed to cries of laughter.

Schools are where the child practises his first public presentations and performances. What better time for this than the school farewell party. This memorable day became vibrant as they expressed their feelings in form of dances and words to bid fare well to primary school.

"The story of life is quicker than the blink ofan eye, the story of love is hello, goodbye."

GOOD BYE

I remember when I took my first step,
Into the school that would change my life
I've had so many great experiences,
Compared to it – there's nothing alike.

The months went by,
It all become familiar, like home.
And as the years went by,
I didn't want to be left to roam

Goodbye Primary School,
You've developed my talents and abilities
I've finished an awesome journey
Of endless possibilities.

Poem Recited by Meet Thakkar
Std – VIII

BREAKING OF COCONUT, WHAT IS THE SIGNIFICANCE?

By Prin. Sunanda Shah.

What is the significance of breaking coconut before puja (worship) as also of using or breaking it during or before the performance of certain ceremonies? Certain trees and fruits are considered sacred because of their peculiar characteristics and occult properties. The palms are believed to be the embodiment of the ancient Indian concept of kalpavriksha or the tree which grants all wishes. It is interesting to note that coconut tree's roots suck the salty water from the coastal soil and convert it into the sweetest water, known as coconut water, which has many health benefits apart from quenching the thirst.

Madam. H.P.Blavatsky points out that the cocoanut is an ancient symbol of affection and good-will. Coconut is called Sriphala, which means fruit of the gods or auspicious fruit. The cocoanut is essential part of many rituals and ceremonies. It is customary, among the Hindus, to break a coconut before entering a new house, before starting a new venture, and in front of an idol of a god or goddess, during worship. It is considered the purest form of offering to the God, since the water and the white kernel within remain unpolluted due to the hard outer shell. The coconut also symbolizes selfless service, as every part of the coconut tree, like trunk, leaves, fruit, coir, etc. is used in innumerable ways for making thatches, mats, oil, soap, food and medicines.

The Sanskrit word for coconut is narikela, which means water spring or squirt. There is a popular legend in Kerala that the coconut was originally a deva vriksha (divine tree). It was brought down to earth by Lord Parshurama for the prosperity of the people of the Malabar Coast, which later came to be known as Kerala, meaning literally, "the land of coconuts." Hindus begin a new activity by breaking a coconut, to ensure the blessings of the gods and the successful completion of the activity. It is believed to be symbolic of good fortune and prosperity. The fruit is referred to as Sriphala. Sri is a name of goddess Lakshmi, the goddess of prosperity. She is symbolically depicted by the vase of plenty, consisting of a pot filled with water or rice and topped with a coconut, and the mouth of the pot decorated with five mango leaves. Symbolically, the coconut is considered Lord Shiva's head, the fibrous mesocarp representing his tangled hair, and the three black, round scars on the shell represent three eyes of Shiva. According to Hindu mythology, Lord Ganesa once asked Lord Shiva to give his head as a sacrifice. To symbolize the sacrifice, Lord Shiva created the coconut with the three eyes. Moreover, cocoanut is associated with human fertility, and therefore when a coconut is placed in a pot, the pot symbolizes the womb, while cocoanut symbolizes life. (Sacred Plants of India, pp. 112-117)

It is also believed that in ancient times the custom was to make a human sacrifice to god, but later the human was replaced by a coconut, as the latter resembled the head of a human being. At a simple level, breaking of the coconut symbolizes breaking or crushing of the ego (ahankara) or pride, which is the greatest impediment to spiritual development. It may be taken to be a mark of complete submission to Almighty, leaving results to the Law of Karma, as God is Law. The hard exterior and soft and sweet interior may also be taken to symbolize that we must be as hard as the rind of coconut to our own woes but as soft and sympathetic as its pulp to other people's troubles and woes. It is also a reminder to us that often rough and rugged exterior hides the most beautiful and compassionate character. Let us therefore seek for the pulp under the roughest, most wrinkled, hardest exterior of our fellow men. The essence of things is always hidden and must be extracted by getting rid of the superficial and the obvious. "The true philosopher…sees that the kernel is within the shell…the essence of the thing is obtained by cracking the shell and casting it away." We have to take the trouble of separating the husk from the grain; the shell from the kernel. Every emotion, sensation and experience must be subject to this process. Light on the Path suggests, weighing, observing and testing every sensation, without yielding to the seductions of the senses. We may experience the sensations without feeling horror and with confidence that a time will come when they will affect us no longer.

The hard outer shell of coconut is taken to represent our gross physical body, and the kernel represents the subtle or astral body. The scientific process delineated in the article, the "Elixir of Life," which when understood correctly gives a clue to the esoteric meaning of meditation and contemplation. In the practice of contemplation it is suggested that we begin the discipline by determining to crack, literally, not metaphorically, the outer shell or the physical body and hatch out in our ethereal body, as a chicken breaks the shell of the egg and hatches out. This ethereal body is the astral body (and not spiritual body) on which physical body is built. In order to be able to do this we must adapt the astral body to life in this atmosphere, and at the same time make the physical form to die off gradually by certain training and process. When a person abstains from entertaining "gross" thoughts, feelings and actions, he will tend to diminish relative density and coherence of outer shell or physical body,

Lastly, in Hindu philosophy, Solar matrix, which carries within it future universe is said to resemble a coconut, filled interiorly with pulp, and covered externally with husk and rind.

(Article credit: The Theosophical Society Magazine)

AN OVERVIEW OF THE INDIAN ECONOMY: A POLICYMAKERS PERSPECTIVE

By Shyam Kakkad and Vanshika Gurnani

A round table discussion on 'An Overview of The Indian Economy: A Policymakers Perspective' was organized at MICA campus. We the students of NRIBA (GLS) were fortunate enough to attend that seminar. The chief guest was Dr. C Rangarajan; the ex-governor of Reserve Bank of India. He served as Deputy Governor at RBI, member of Planning Commission, Governor of Andhra Pradesh, Chairman of twelfth Finance Commission of India, Chairman of the Prime Minister's Economic Advisory Council. He was awarded Padma Vibhushan in the year 2002.

The felicitation of Dr. Rangarajan was done by one of the professor of MICA (Dr. R. Panda) and his secretary who laid emphasis on his humbleness, Time Management and complete dedication towards work. He mentioned an incident where Dr. Rangarajan helped him to find a book he was searching for in his library. It shows his humility an ever supporting nature for younger colleagues. Some other incidents (which they narrated us) clearly depicted that he is a person of Credibility and an epitome of hardwork. Then the inputs and contribution of Dr. Rangarajan in the Monetary Policy were described thereafter. Dr. Rangarajan started his speech by talking about the 25 years of Liberalization. He told us that the impact of reforms post-liberalization helped the Indian Economy to grow better and faster than pre-liberalization. He also cited the reasons of current slow-down due to the very reasons of bad corporate Balance Sheets which in turn made the Bank's Balance Sheetstressed which ultimately resulted into decrease in investment and efficiency to use capital. He also put up his views on developed countries turning into Protectionists and also stated that it is a questionable assumption since the question of immigrants start. He also told the audience about the 1991 reforms and the problems which they faced at that time for initiating the reform activities. He discussed about the enormity of crisis that loomed above the country which actually drove them to take reforms and to initiate the same as early as possible. He appreciated the move of new 'Monetary Policy Committee', which according to him has the power to increase the accountability and autonomy and which can present a picture of the economy with a clear goal at the same time.

Many students who were pursuing their masters from various Institutes asked him questions regarding the reforms which are still needed in the areas which are lagging behind in the economy. To which Dr. Rangarajan replied that there is a need of Government Reforms which will ensure that government administration is transparent and the services provided by government should be in such a manner that it is acceptable for its users. Moreover he also put his inference on the new tax regime 'GST' and a need to bring more reforms in Land Acquisition Act, Sugar Sector, Fertilizer Industry and APMC Act which will help the economy to progress rapidly. Another question regarding the current erosion of RBI's autonomy and cedibility was asked, to which he replied "Although the act of Demonetisation put a dent in the RBI's autonomy but there is no effect on its credibility."

The session ended with Vote of Thanks and presenting a momento to Dr. Rangarajan.

It was a great experience to be a part of this session where we got to learn from the insights of such a vibrant personality like Dr. Rangarajan who played a vital role in the upbringing of Indian Economy. It has undoubtedly created an impact and presented a clearer picture of economy in front of us.

(Shyam and Vanshika are students of FBA-NRBBA, Sem IV and Sem II respectively)

FIRST WOMEN OF INDIA IN DIFFERENT FIELDS

"A 'woman" so closely tuned to the country and its people; so complex, so skillful, so far seeing, so concerned, so capable of an insightful listening, so moved by beauty; and yet, at times, so primeval, so obsessive, so brittle, even trivial – a 'woman' who refused to be measured , who laid her own ground rule."

- Pupul Jayakar , Indira Gandhi: A Biography

History will not speak about women. It will make women speak of it- that is the history the readers are aware of. The 'woman' mentioned above is Indira Gandhi, representing the majority of Indian women who happened to break the orthodoxy and were able to ascend the pinnacle of supremacy. This issue of GLS VOICE bringsyou an arcade of 'First Indian Women', noting the first time an Indian woman achieved something making India proud!

PRIME MINISTER - INDIRA GANDHI

Indira Gandhi born 19 November 1917, daughter of the first Indian Prime Minister, and the third Prime Minister of India.She is, till date, the first and last woman Prime Minister of India. Considered as the iron Lady of India, she is popularly known for her bold decisions like in the 1971 India-Pak War.

ASTRONAUT - KALPANA CHAWLA

Kalpana Chawla (17March 1962 – 01 February 2003) was an Indian-American astronaut and the first woman of Indian origin in space.She first flew on Space Shuttle Columbia in 1997 as a mission specialist and primary robotic arm operator. In 2003, Chawla was one of the seven crew members that died in the Space Shuttle Columbia disaster.

OLYMPIC MEDALIST - KARNAM MALLESWARI

Karnam Malleswari (born 1 June 1975) is a retired Indian weightlifter.She won the world title in the 54 kg division in 1994 and 1995 and was placed third in 1993 and 1996. She won another bronze medal at the 2000 Olympics,becoming the first Indian woman to win an Olympic medal.In 1995 she received the Rajiv Gandhi Khel Ratna, India's highest sporting honour, and in 1999 the civilian Padma Shri award.

PRESIDENT - PRATIBHA PATIL

Pratibha Devisingh Patil (born 19 December 1934) is an Indian politician who served as the 12th President of India from 2007 to 2012. A member of the Indian National Congress, Patil is the only woman to hold the office.She previously served as the Governor of Rajasthan from 2004 to 2007.

DOCTOR - ANANDI GOPAL JOSHI

Anandibai Gopalrao Joshi, MD (31 March 1865 – 26 February 1887) was one of the first Indian female physicians.She was the first female of Indian origin to study and graduate with a degree in medicine from the United States. She is also believed to be the first woman to set foot on American soil from India.

LAWYER - CORNELIA SORABJI

Cornelia Sorabji (15 November 1866 – 6 July 1954) was the first female advocate from India when admitted to the Allahabad High Court in Uttar Pradesh. She was the first female graduate from Bombay University, and in 1889 became the first woman to read law at Oxford University and also the first Indian national to study at any British University. Later she became the first woman to practice law in India and Britain.

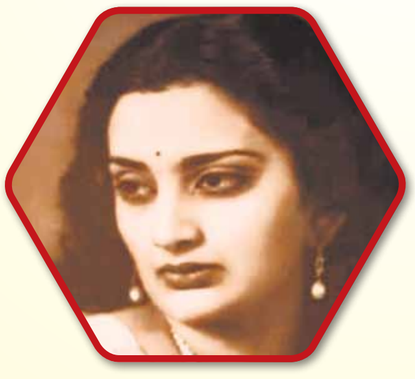
ENGINEER - RAJESHWARI CHATTERJEE

Rajeshwari Chatterjee (24 January 1922 – 3 September 2010) was an Indian scientist and an academic. She was the first woman engineer from Karnataka. During her tenure at the Indian Institute of Science(IISc), Banglore, Chatterjee was a professor and later chairperson of the department of Electro-communication Engineering.

SCIENTIST - TESSY THOMAS

Tessy Thomas (born in 1963) is an engineer and the Project Director for Agni-IV missile in Defence Research and Develpoment Organization. She is the first woman engineer to head a missile project in India. She is known as the 'Missile Woman' of India.

ACTRESS - ZUBEIDA BEGUM



Zubeida Begum Dhanrajgir (1911-1988) was an Indian film actress. She acted in the first Indian talkie movie Alam Ara(1931).Her credits include early hits Devdas (1937), and SagarMovietone's first talkie, Meri Jaan.

MUSICIAN (SINGER) - M S SUBBULAKSHMI

Madurai ShanmukhavadivuSubbulakshmi(16 September 1916 – 11 December 2004), also known as M.S., was a Carnatic vocalist. She is the first musician ever to be awarded the Bharat Ratna, India's highest civilian honour.She is the first Indian musician to receive the Ramon Magsaysay award, often considered Asia's Nobel Prize.

PHOTOJOURNALIST- HOMAI VYARAWALLA

Homai Vyarawalla (9 December 1913 – 15 January 2012), commonly known by her pseudonym "Dalda 13", was India's first woman photojournalist. First active in the late 1930s, she retired in the early 1970s. In 2011, she was awarded Padma Vibhushan, the second highest civilian award of the Republic of India.

MOUNTAINEER- BACHENDRI PAL

Bachendri Pal is an Indian mountaineer, who in 1984 became the first Indian woman to reach the summit of Mount Everest.She was born on 24 May 1954 in a village in the Himalayas named Nakuri in Uttarkashi, District of Garhwal. She completed her M.A. and B.Ed. from D.A.V.Post Graduate College Dehradun. She got her first taste of mountaineering thrill at the age of 12, scaled a 13,123 ft (3,999.9 m) high peak during a school picnic.

અમને ફરી 'ઈર્શાદ' આપો

GLS શતાબ્દી ઉજવણીના આરંભે GLSના ગૌરવવંતા પૂર્વ વિદ્યાર્થી શ્રી ચિનુ મોદીનું તાજેતરમાં જાહેર સન્માન કરવામાં આવ્ય હતું.

"ઈર્શાદ' હવે આજ પછી એક શબ્દ
થઈ ગયો,
પર્વતને નામે પથ્થર ને પાણી બની
વહી ગયો.'

વસંતના પૂરબહાર દિવસોમાં ૧૯ માર્ચ ૨૦૧૭ ના દિવસે શબ્દસ્થ થયેલા સર્જક શ્રી ચિનુ મોદીની વિદાયથી ગુજરાતી સાહિત્યમાં ન પુરી શકાય એવો અવકાશ ઊભો થયો છે. એમના શબ્દો પ્રમાણે -'શ્વાસ છોડ્યો તો સમય છૂટી ગયો / તાંતણો કેવો હતો ? તૂટી ગયો'. ગુજરાતી સાહિત્યના બહુમુખી અને પ્રતિભાશાળી સર્જક સ્વ.શ્રી ચિનુ મોદીના પ્રારંભિક વ્યક્તિત્વને ઘડવાનું કામ ગુજરાત લૉ સોસાયટી અને ડૉ. એસ.આર. ભટ્ટ જેવા આચાર્યોએ કર્યું. અતીતના એ સ્મરણો આજે શબ્દસ્પંદન રૂપે સળવળે છે ત્યારે જી.એલ.એસ. વૉઈસ એક ઝિંદાદિલ શાયરને સાદર સ્મરણાંજલિ અર્પે છે.

સર્જક શ્રી ચિનુ મોદીનાં વ્યક્તિત્વના બે પાસાં છે. એક સાહિત્યિક અને બીજું બિન સાહિત્યિક, અંગત છતાં બિનઅંગત એવા એમના બંન્ને પાસાં ખૂબ પ્રબળ છે. એટલે જ તો કવિ ખુમારીપૂર્વક કહી શકે છે.

—ઠાઠ ભપકા એ જ છે ઈર્શાદના !
ઘર બળે તો તાપી જોવું જોઈએ.

વતનનું ગામ કડી, જન્મ વિજાપુરમાં, ઉછેર મોસાળ ધોળકામાં અને ઘડતર અમદાવાદમાં. ૩૦મી સપ્ટેમ્બર ૧૯૩૯ના રોજ જન્મેલા ચિનુ મોદી બાલ્યાવસ્થાથીજ વિદ્રોહી સ્વભાવના હતા. પાંચમાં પૂછાતા પ્રતિષ્ઠિત પિતાની ઈચ્છા હતી કે પુત્ર આઈ. એ.એસ.ની પરીક્ષા આપે. પરંતુ સ્વતંત્ર સ્વભાવ મિજાજના ચિનુભાઈએ પિતાને ધરાર ના પાડી. — 'એ નહિં બને.' પિતાનો પિત્તો છટક્યો અને વ્યંગસભર વાકબાણ નીકળ્યાં - 'તો ગુજરાતી લેજો ને માસ્તર થજો.' સાચે જ ચિનુભાઈએ પિતાના આ શબ્દોને સાચા ઠેરવ્યા ! એસ્થર ડેવિડ જેવા વિદુષીએમને વિષે નોંધે છે કે Chinu Modi is a poet born out of rebellion, everything in his life more or less against 'THE SYSTEM'(પૃ.૯૩ ઈંટરવ્યુ) બંડખોર મિજાજના ચિનુભાઈને હંમેશાં 'ઓથોરિટી' સામે સખત વિરોધ રહ્યો છે. પછી એ પિતા હોય કે પરમાત્મા !! નમતું ન જોખે, નમે પણ નહિં, એવા ખુમારી વાળા સર્જક.

'ક્યારેક કાચ સામે ક્યારેક સાચ સામે,
થાકી જવાનું કાયમ તલવાર તાણી તાણી'

આવી વિપરીત પરીસ્થિતિઓમાં પણ હિંમત હાર્યા વિના સતત સંઘર્ષ કર્યો, સંઘર્ષ પણ કેવો ? જીંદગીના આ ઉબડખાબડ રસ્તાઓ વચ્ચે માર્ગ કાઢી નરસિંહ મહેતા જેવો પ્રતિષ્ઠિત એવોર્ડ પ્રાપ્ત કર્યો — વિદ્યાર્થીઓમાં એટલી બધી લોકપ્રિયતા મેળવી કે એમના વિદ્યાર્થીઓ કહેતા કે - 'આવતે જન્મે બાપ બદલાય તો ચાલશે પણ અધ્યાપક તો તમે જ' અને વિદ્યાર્થીનીઓ કહેતી કે 'આ જન્મે વર ગમે તે મળે પણ સર તો તમે જ !!' સલામ છે આ માણસને !

ચિનુ મોદી સમયની સાથે સતત બદલાતા રહેલા સર્જક છે. જાતની કોઈ પણ નબળાઈ તે હિંમતપૂર્વક કબૂલી

લેવાની એમની ભાવના. અનુભૂતિની સચ્ચાઈના સંવેદનને આલેખનાર ચિનુ મોદીને છુપાવવા જેવું કાંઈ નથી. જેવા છે તેવા જ દેખાય છે. જેઓ એમને ચાહે છે, એમના માટે ચિનુ મોદી છત બની જાય, જો કોઈ એમને સળી કરવા જાય તો કવિમાંથી કરવત બની જાય.' ચિનુભાઈ એ જાણતા કે મૈત્રી સાચી પણ હોય અને મૈત્રી કાચી પણ હોય છે. મૈત્રી સુખની અને સગવડની હોય છે. મિત્રોમાં કેટલાક તાળીમિત્રો, થાળીમિત્રો અને પ્યાલીમિત્રો પણ હોય છે. આવી કહેવાતી મૈત્રી એ પામર મૈત્રી છે. કદાચ એટલે જ આ શેર આવ્યો હશે.

-'પથ્થરો પોલા હશે કોને ખબર ?
મિત્રો સહુ બોદા હશે કોને ખબર ?
એમની આંખો ભીંજાઈ 'તી ખરી,
આંસુઓ કોરા હશે કોને ખબર ?'

'આદિલ' મન્સૂરી અને લાભશંકર ઠાકર સાથેની એમની મિત્રતા અનોખી છે. આ સર્જક ત્રિપુટીએ ગુજરાતી સાહિત્યમાં આધુનિકતા સંદર્ભે નવોન્મેષ પ્રગટાવ્યો. ગુજરાતીસાહિત્ય જગતમાં એમના પરાક્રમો ખૂબ જાણીતા છે. છંદના મહારથી એવા આ ત્રણે સર્જકોએ છંદ છોડી અછાંદસ લખવાનો નિર્ણય કર્યો અને આદિલના શબ્દોમાં 'છંદ પરંપરામાંથી સ્પિરીચ્યુઅલ વોકઆઉટ' કર્યો. અને આ ધુરંધરોએ 'રે' નામનું પરંપરાભંજક મેગેઝિન શરુ કર્યું.

કવિશ્રી ચિનુ મોદી ગુજરાતી સાહિત્યના એક વિલક્ષણ સર્જક હતા. જીવનને તેઓ પોતાની શરતોથી જીવ્યા. એસ્થેટિક પ્લેઝર — આનંદ એજ એમની સર્જનાત્મક પ્રવૃત્તિનો ઉદ્દેશ હતો. સમાજ અને સાહિત્યના વિધિ નિષેધો સામે હંમેશા બંડ પોકારનાર ચિનુ મોદીને આ કારણથી ઘણું વેઠવું પડ્યું. એટલેજ આ શેરમાં તેઓ કહે છે કે —

'ક્યારેક કાચ સામે ક્યારેક સાચ સામે,
થાકી જવાનું કાયમ તલવાર તાણી તાણી'

પોતાના કાર્યો પ્રત્યે સ્પષ્ટ હોવાને કારણે જીવનમાં કદીયે ગિલ્ટનો અનુભવ કર્યો નથી. તેઓ પોતે કબુલે છે કે, '... એવું હું કરતો જ નથી કે જે મને ખોટું લાગતું હોય. સમાજને કદાચ ... અનૈતિક લાગે પણ હું મને જે અનૈતિક લાગે એવું ક્યારેય પણ કરતો નથી.' (પૃ.૮૪ ઈન્ટરવ્યુ) પોતાના બીજા લગ્ન વિશે પણ નિખાલસ અને પેટ છુટી વાત કરતા કહે છે.

'બીજી વારની પત્ની પાસેથી મને માત્ર અને માત્ર એક તખલ્લુસ મળ્યું 'ઈર્શાદ' !' પ્રેયસી અને પત્ની ગુમાવ્યા પછી કવિની ગઝલ વધુ ચોટદાર બની. પ્રિયતમા ગુમાવવાની એ વેદના ક્યાંક ને ક્યાંક મૃત્યુપર્યંત એમની ગઝલોમાં આ રીતે અભિવ્યકત થતી રહી.

-'આ ગઝલ લખવાનું કારણ એ જ છે,
આંખને ખૂણે હજીયે ભેજ છે. '

ગુજરાતી સાહિત્યના આ મહાન સર્જકની શબ્દોપાસના તરફ પણ એક નજર કરીએ તો એમના સર્જક વ્યક્તિત્વની ઉંચાઈને પામી શકાય.

- 'પર્વતને નામે પથ્થર દરિયાને નામે
પાણી,
'ઈર્શાદ' આપણે તો ઈશ્વરને નામે વાણી. '

કવિતાને પોતાનો FIRST LOVE ગણતા ચિનુ મોદી, ગઝલને જ પોતાની આત્મકથા તરીકે ઓળખાવતા. આથી અનેકોના આગ્રહ છતાં એમને આત્મકથા લખવાની ખાસ ઈચ્છા નહોતી પરંતુ પછી -'સ્વયંને જ કહેવાની ઈચ્છા થઈ' અને ગુજરાતી ભાવકોને જલસા કરાવી દે તેવી આત્મકથા 'જલસા અવતાર' આપી. કવિતામાં 'ઊર્ણનાભ', (૧૯૭૪) 'દેશવટો' ,(૧૯૭૮) 'ક્ષણોના મહેલમાં' (૧૯૭૨) અને 'ઈર્શાદગઢ' (૧૯૭૯) એ સિવાય નાટક, નવલકથા, નવલિકા, ખંડકાવ્ય, આખ્યાન, સંશોધન, સંપાદન, વિવેચન અને અનુવાદ જેવા વિવિધ પ્રકારોમાં સફળતાપૂર્વક કલમ ચલાવી, લગભગ ૫૫ જેટલા પુસ્તકો આપનાર ચિનુ મોદીના મતે કવિતામાં એમને પોતાની ગઝલો પ્રત્યે અનન્ય લગાવ છે. આ સિવાય ૭૦૦૦ પંકતિઓમાં લખાયેલું દીર્ઘકાવ્ય 'બાહુક', એક જ છંદ જે શિખરીણીમાં ૩૦૦ પંક્તિઓ રચી 'વિનાયક' આપ્યું, પ્રેમાનંદની આખ્યાનશૈલી પ્રમાણે રચાયેલું 'કાલાખ્યાન' એ એમને પ્રિય કૃતિઓ છે. નાટકને Make believeની કલા માનનાર સર્જક, નાટકને પ્રેક્ષકના જીવતા જીવન સાથે સંબંધિત હોવું અનિવાર્ય પણ માને છે. પ્રેક્ષકોની કલ્પનાશક્તિ પર ભરોસો રાખનાર આ સર્જક -દિગ્દર્શક પાસેથી 'જાલકા', 'ઓરંગઝેબ', 'અશ્વમેધ' જેવા નોંધપાત્ર નાટકો મળ્યા છે. નવલકથામાં 'કાળો અંગ્રેજ' અને લિસોટા(લીલાનાગ) ખૂબ ગમે છે. એકાંકીઓ 'ડાયલના પંખી' , 'કોલબેલ', 'હુકમ માલિક' તેમજ એબ્સર્ડ એકાંકીઓ બધાજ ગમે. નવલિકાઓમાં 'ઘડો', 'તડકો' અને 'સાદી સમજ' ને તેઓ શ્રેષ્ઠ ગણે છે. સંશોધન ક્ષેત્રે - 'ખંડકાવ્ય સ્વરૂપ — વિકાસ' વિષે નોંધપાત્ર કામકર્યું. આટલું માતબર પ્રદાન કરનાર શ્રી ચિનુ મોદીનો પ્રથમ પ્રેમ તો ગઝલ જ છે. જુઓ એમના જ શબ્દોમાં —

'લાખ જણ લખતા જીવીને કેટલા લખતાં
ગઝલ ?
આપણી પાસે ફકત 'ઈર્શાદ'નું દૃષ્ટાંત છે.'

ચિનુ મોદીની 'ગરલ' વિજાપુરી માંથી 'ઈર્શાદ' બનવા સુધીની સર્જનયાત્રા અનેક ઉતાર ચઢાવવાળી રહી છે. સૌ પ્રથમવાર જવાહરલાલ નહેરુ પર કવિતા લખી બીતા બીતા નિરંજન ભગતને બતાવી. ભગત સાહેબે ગુરૂમંત્ર આપ્યો - 'તને આ ઉંમરે જે થાય છે તેની કવિતા લખ અને છંદમાં લખ ... છંદ શીખી જા.' ૧૬૦૦ વિઘા જમીનનો વારસદાર કવિ ન બની શકે, પણ ૧૬ વર્ષની સુંદરીએ આ ચમત્કાર કર્યો. .. અમદાવાદમાં પડોશમાં રહેતી એક ખ્રિસ્તી છોકરી સાથે ચિનુ મોદીને પ્રેમ થયો અને પ્રથમ કાવ્ય રચાયું ..

-'અંતર મારૂં એકલવાયું કોને ઝંખે આજ,/
કામણ કોના થઈ ગયા કે ના સુઝે રે કાજ'

ભગત સાહેબને એ કાવ્ય ખૂબ ગમ્યું. પ્રેરણા મળતા જ કવિ બનવાની લગની એવી લાગી કે, રતિલાલ જોગી પાસેથી છંદ શીખ્યા, મનહર દિલદાર નામના મિત્રએ રદીફ — કાફીયા, મત્લા- મકતાની તાલીમ આપી અને કવિ ગઝલ તરફ મળ્યા. માનવ સમાજે ઉભા કરેલા મૂલ્યોની મજાક, જીવન પ્રત્યેની નિર્ભ્રાતી,જીવનની એકવિધતા અને કંટાળો જેવા વિષયો અને આધુનિક સંવેદના એમની ગઝલની ઓળખ બનવા માંડી.

ચિનુ મોદી નિરીશ્વરવાદી હતા છતાં તેમની ગઝલોમાં, ઈશ્વર અને મૃત્યુ જેવા વિષયો સતત પડઘાતા રહ્યા છે. કદાચ આ એક નિરીશ્વરવાદી કવિની પોતાના શબ્દ પ્રત્યેની આસ્થા છે. 'ઈર્શાદ' ને મરવું ગમતું નથી, મૃત્યુની એમને બીક લાગે છે. સમય સામે સંઘર્ષ કરવા તેઓ છેલ્લી ક્ષણ સુધી લઢી લેવા ઈચ્છે છે. તેઓ તો કહે છે કે — 'મને એ ખબર પડતી નથી કે મારે શા માટે મરવું પડે, જીવવામાં જલસા પડે છે ' (પૃ. ૧૧૬ ઈન્ટરવ્યુ)

'હવે થોડા સમયમાં આ જગાને
છોડવી પડશે
તમારે, ઓ ખુદા, આવી પ્રથાને
છોડવી પડશે.
મને અઢળક મઝા આવી રહી છે
જીવનમાં, તો
મને સમજાવશો, શાને ધરાને છોડવી
પડશે ? '

આ જિજીવિષાને કારણે જ તેઓ ભિષ્મની જેમ ઈચ્છામૃત્યુનું વરદાન ચાહે છે. પરંતુ પેલી તુર્કી કહેવત પ્રમાણે 'મૃત્યુનું કાળું ઊંટ એકવાર તો જરૂર દરેકને બારણે આવીને ઉભું રહે છે.' (પૃ ૨૬ ઝલક) એમ ૧૯ માર્ચ ૨૦૧૭ ના રોજ એમને પણ મૃત્યુ આપણી વચ્ચેથી દૂર લઈ ગયું. યમને કોઈ નિયમ નથી હોતા અને મૃત્યુ મારી જીવવાની ઈચ્છાને ચલાવી લેવાનું નથી એવું તેઓ જાણે છે. ગઝલ ગુરૂ ગાલીબના શબ્દોમાં એ પોતાને પણ જુએ છે કે, 'મર્યા પછી મારું ખરું મૂલ્યાંકન થવાનું છે. દરેક સર્જક માટે સાચા સિધ્ધ થવાનો આ એકજ ઉપાય છે : મૃત્યુ'. પરમ આગળ આપણે પામર છીએ એટલું જાણી જઈએ તો એ પણ પરમ તરફ જવાનો પુરુષાર્થ જ છે. કદાચ નિરીશ્વરવાદી ચિનુ મોદી એ જાણી ચૂક્યા હતા એટલે જ તો ખુમારીથી કહી શકે છે કે.

-'સ્વર્ગની લાલચ ન આપ શેખજી, /
મોતનો પણ એક મોભો હોય છે.'

સર્જકની અસંપ્રજ્ઞાત ચેતનામાં પડેલ મૃત્યુ જાણે — અજાણે એમના સર્જનમાં અભિવ્યક્ત થતું રહ્યું છે. પણ એમાં બેફીકર અને બિન્દાસ્ત મિજાજના શાયર મૃત્યુને હંમેશા પડકારતા રહ્યા છે.જુઓ આ શેર —

- 'પાંદડાઓ ખરે તો ડરતો નહિં / વૃક્ષને
'ઈર્શાદ' કરગરતો નહિં.'

ખરેખર પ્રેમાળ સર્જક ચિનુ મોદી આપણને એકલા મૂકી અનંતની વાટે ચાલીનીકળ્યા છે ત્યારે, આ લખનારને ગુજરાતી ભાષાના આ ઝિંદાદિલ શાયરનો પ્રેમ સંપાદન કરવાની નજીકના ભૂતકાળમાં જે એક — બે તક મળી એને મારું સદ્‌ભાગ્ય સમજું છું. એમની વિદાય રમેશ પારેખના શબ્દોમાં વર્ણવું તો —

- 'સાત જનમનો દુમો મારી આંખમાં
ઘોળાતો,
ડૂસકે ડૂસકે જાય ઢોળાતી વણબોલાતી
વાતો.' (૨.પા.)

મારામુરબ્બી સર્જક પ્રત્યેનો આદર અહીં શબ્દાંજલિરૂપે વંદન સહ અર્પું છું પણ ..... ચિનુભાઈ તો એના પણ મોહતાજ નથી !! એક સંતની અદાથી તેઓ કહે છે કે ...

-'કોઈ ઈચ્છાનું મને વળગણ ન હો,
એ ય ઈચ્છા છે હવે એ પણ ન હો.'

ડૉ. અરવિંદ વાઘેલા
સી.યુ.શાહ આર્ટ્સ કોલેજ

INTEGRATED MBA (IMBA) PROGRAMME, FACULTY OF MANAGEMENT INSPIRES STUDENTS TO BE #CORPORATE READY

Students of Integrated MBA (IMBA) programme, Faculty of Management got an opportunity to attend guest sessions on varied topics like Advertising and Branding, Research, Economics, Communication and Organization behavior through a series of varied guest lectures and industrial visits. A glimpse of their learning are as under:

Mr. Sanjay Chakraborty, Founder and Chief Marketing Advisor, ESSKSEE Consultancy with more than 25 years of experience in marketing addressed students on an interesting topic "Brands & You..!" emphasizing to create a brand of your own as an individual to survive in the cut throat competitive market.

Mr. ManthanBhavsar, Business Director – Metizsoft solutions Private Ltd. with more than 10 years of experience discussed the "Paradigm shifts in Marketing".

Mr. Jaydip Parikh, CEO, TejSolProwith more than 16 years of experience briefed students about various techniques used by companies to create an impact on customers through social media in a session on "Digital Marketing".

Dr. PankajkumarSampat, Professor, ASCI, with around 30 years for experience in urban planning and water resource management, addressed students on 'How to use secondary data effectively in research', to give them profound insight in research domain.

Mr. KalpeshPrajapati Senior Biostatistician, GCE Solutions Inc., enhanced students' knowledge on statistical analysis using MS Excel.

Mr. KankshitMunshi, Manager (Finance) from Adani Ports and Special Economic Zoneemphasized the importance of Infrastructural development for the nation and its decisive role in the economics.

To enhance students' corporate communication skills, workplace etiquetteand interpersonal skills, a series of sessions were conducted by Mr.YusufGirach, Founder & Orator at 7 Eleven Learning Systems; Mr. Hemant Jain, Assistant System Analyst, TCS; Ms.Promila Rocha, Chief Edifier, Promila Cecil Inc. and Mr. Hemang Desai, HR Advisor and Success coach.

Apart from the corporate guest sessions, an industrial visit to Mother Dairy, Ahmedabad and GIFT city, Gandhinagarwas organized for students to give them practical exposure of production processes for various dairy products and India's first smart city where students witnessed the implementation of latest technologies and innovations like district cooling system, city control and command center, automated waste collection systems, etc. Also, they were given with brief understanding of IFSC working.

Regular sessions by such eminent professionals and industrial visits like these form an integral part of IMBA academics which aims at making students effective and efficient future managers.

FACULTY OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION – NRBBA

Students of Faculty of Business Administration (NRBBA) have been on a roll for the past few months. In the month of February and March they participated and won a number of prizes in Intellectus (organized by HLIC, Ahmedabad University) Arthvaad (organized by BKMIBA, Ahmedabad University), El Dorado (Organized by Shayona Institute of Business Management), Milange (organized by K S School of Business Management).

Vanshika Gurnani (Sem 2) won the First Prize in Intellectus, while team of Siddharth Jaisval and Ketan Singh (Sem 2) won the Runner-up trophy in Global-o-poly at Arthvaad.

At Milange 2017, Team of Raj Jadav and Komal Gurjar (Sem 4) won the Third Prize in Salad Decoration, Riddhi Tripathi (Sem 4) won the Second prize in Nail Art, Team of Meet Shah and Shivam Maheshwari (Sem 6) won the Second Prize in Quiz, Sudhanshu Sharma (Sem 2) won the Second prize in Solo Dance while Team of Devansh Patel, Ranjan Patadia and Hardik Salet won the First prize in Best out of Waste.

El Dorado 2017 again saw excellent performances by NRites. Aniket Patil and Raj Bodat won the First prize while Zishan Mansuri, VishwaPatel, Jeel Panchal, Dhruval Parsana, Muskaan Navlani, Meet Shah and Ashish Shah won the Second Prize in Tug of War. Aniket Patil and Raj Bodat also won the Second Prize in Quiz, while Shrey Parikh won the First Prize in Extempore. Ashish Shah won the First Prize in Photography while team of Shrey Parikh, Zishan Mansuri and Priyanka Bajaj won the first prize and team of Aniket Patil, Saloni Dalwadi and Dhara Chheda won the Second prize in Battle of Songs. Team of Hardik Salet, Devansh Patel and Ranjan Patadia won the second prize in collage and Vishwa Patel won the Second Prize in Table Tennis.

ETHICAL LEADERSHIP - A TALK BY PROF. VARUN ARYA

In a world eclipsed with unethical norms, where profits have precedence over right and wrong, few men stand against corruption in defiance. N R Institute of Business Administration was privileged to host a session by one such academician who has created headlines for his anti-graft movement nationally. Prof. Varun Arya, alumnus of IIT Delhi & IIM Ahmedabad, visited N R Institute of Business Administration on 24th March, 2017.

An academician, whose life in academics followed 16 long years in multinational companies, Prof . Arya has been instrumental in fighting a long drawn battle against injustice and corruption from multiple quarters when he embarked on a journey to create an educational institute. He shared his experiences with students on how to identify ethical dilemmas. The main causes for such dilemmas and what it entails to face such dilemmas. His talk centred around the motto – when the going gets tough, the tough get going! Which meant that when tough times come your way you need to toughen up to face them rather than buckling up.

Prof. Arya spared more than an hour to student interaction as he wanted students to ask him questions regarding the challenges he faced and how he handled them. His fiery speech coupled with relevant examples made it a pleasure and an inspiration for all.

HEARTFELT CONDOLENCES TO THE FAMILY OF MS. PRIYA RAWAT

Faculty of Management offers, their sincere condolences to the family of Ms. Priya Rawat,1st Year student of MBA. We express our sorrow for the unfortunate accidental demise of our dear student on 25th March, 2017. We pray for the strength of the family and peace for the departed soul. May her soul rest in peace and she will always stay alive in our hearts.

RESTAURANT REVIEW

Krishna Daal-Baati, Udaipur

By Nirja Vasavada

One of the best parts about travelling is food. Every place has its own delicacy, its own special and unique food item that travelers look forward to. This special item of Udaipur is Daal-Baati. The first thing after reaching Udaipur was to find out where one could get the authentic daal-baati, and every rickshaw driver, guide, hotel manager, shop keeper – unanimously named one place – Krishna Daal Baati.

This overwhelming popularity increased my curiosity and I reached there after a tiring trek of Sajjan Garh park. I was warned that whenever you reach, this place is always full, so I was prepared for waiting. What amused me was – there was no waiting list, the manager just asked the customers' names, and jotted down in his brain diary! After around 20 minutes waiting, I was given a table, and the journey to an extra-ordinary daal-baati meal started. The manager personally came to explain how to eat this meal and insisted we ate it with hands and not with spoon as you cannot really mix Daal and baati with spoon, that's an insult to the food! While this orientation was going on we were served munchies like papad etc. with Chhaas – again with a warning not to have chhas at a go, else we won't be able to relish the actual meal. By this time, our craving for daal baati had reached its peak. And then they started serving the sinful meal that we had been hearing about ever since we reached Udaipur. Mainly known as Daal-baati meal, the Thaali also had Churmu, Bharvan Mirchi, Gatte ki sabji, salad, rice, papad, Chhas and variety of pickles. The Baati when mixed in Ghee and Daal (with hand) take you to the other world!! And all of this, unlimited, for Rs. 250! Is this any less than heaven?

Surprisingly the Ahmedabadis who regularly visit Udaipur are not much aware of this restaurant. So if you are one of them, do visit Krishna Daal-Baati Restro, Gulab Baugh Road, Udaipur. It's an experience in itself!

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SCHOLARSHIPS / FELLOWSHIPS / RESEARCH OPPORTUNITIES

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(A) OPPORTUNITIES FOR STUDENTS :

1. **Monash High Achiever Awards for International Students in Malaysia, 2017**

Last Date: May 5, 2017
More Details: https://www.monash.edu.my/study/scholarships-and-financial-assistance/undergraduate-scholarships/merit-scholarships

1. **The Government of China is offering scholarships to Indian Students**.

Last Date: 1st April, 2017
More Details: http://www.ugc.ac.in/pdfnews/6953820_China_add.pdf

2. **Turkish Foundation Launches Int'l Scholarship Program**

Last Date: 15 April, 2017
More Details: http://www.byegm.gov.tr/english/agenda/turkish-foundation-launches-intl-scholarship-program/106537

3. **Graduate Scholarship Program for Excellent Foreign Students (EFS) in Thailand, 2017**

Last Date: 30 April, 2017
More Details: http://www.siit.tu.ac.th/about_news_detail.php?sid=&nid=28

4. **Sun Yat-Sen University (SYSU) Undergraduate Scholarships in China, 2017**

Last Date: 30 April, 2017
More Details: http://application.sysu.edu.cn/member/login.do

5. **Riley Family Scholarships for International Students at Imperial College Business School in UK, 2017**

Last Date: May 5, 2017
More Details: https://wwwf.imperial.ac.uk/business- school/programmes/full-time-mba/fees-and-scholarships/scholarships/riley-family-scholarship/

6. **Southeast Asia Scholarship for Master Degree Programme at University of Westminster in UK, 2017**

Last Date: May 4, 2017
More Details: https://www.westminster.ac.uk/study/prospective-students/fees-and-funding/scholarships/international-postgraduate-scholarships/southeast-asia-scholarship

7. **Scholarships for International Students at University of Turin in Italy, 2017-2018**

Last Date: April 14, 2017
More Details: https://en.unito.it/sites/sten/files/application_form_2016_2017.pdf

8. **University of Sydney IPR Scholarships in Australia, 2018**

Last Date: April 30, 2017
More Details: http://sydney.edu.au/science/fstudent/postgrad/deans_international_pgr_scholarships.shtml

9. **297 Bachelor's and Master's Degree Scholarships at University of Jaen in Spain, 2017**

Last Date: bachelor studies is April 10, 2017, and for master's studies is April 30, 2017.
More Details: http://www.ujaen.es/serv/vicint/assets/uploads/docs/internos/Attracting_Talent_Programme_-_Nuevo.pdf

10. **Humanitas University Scholarships for International (non-EU) Students in Italy, 2017**

Last Date: April 26, 2017.
More Details: https://www.hunimed.eu/courses/medicine/fees-financial-aid/

(B) OPPORTUNITIES FOR TEACHERS

1. **Call for Application for Hungarian Student under Indo-Hungarian Scholarship Programme**

Last Date: 28 April, 2017
More Details: http://www.ugc.ac.in/pdfnews/2322595_Hungarian-scholarhips.pdf

2. **Einstein Fellowship for International Applicants in Germany, 2018**

Last Date: 15 April, 2017
More Details: http://www.einsteinforum.de/?id=35&L=1

3. **Indian Council for Cultural Relations - Empanelment for ICCR's Chairs Abroad**

Last Date: 7 April, 2017
More Details: www.iccr.gov.in

4. **AICPA Fellowship for Minority Doctoral Students**

Last Date: 15 May, 2017
More Details: http://www.aicpa.org/Career/DiversityInitiatives/Pages/fmds.aspx

C) OPPORTUNITIES FOR STUDENTS AND TEACHERS:

1. **UNESCO/People's Republic of China (The Great Wall) Co-Sponsored Fellowships Programme 2017-2018**

Last Date: 15 April, 2017
More Details: http://www.unesco.org/new/en/fellowships/programmes/unescopeoples-republic-of-china-the-great-wall-co-sponsored-fellowships-programme/

2. **IPNI Scholar Award Program for Graduate Students, 2017**

Last Date: 27 April, 2017
More Details: http://www.ipni.net/awards

3. **United Nations University PhD Internship for Doctoral Students in Finland, 2017**

Last Date: March to September 2017
More Details: https://www.wider.unu.edu/opportunity/phd-internship

4. **National Scholarship Programme for Foreign Applicants in Slovak Republic, 2017-2018**

Last Date: April 30, 2017
More Details: https://www.stipendia.sk/en

5. **100 Mid-Year PhD Scholarships for International Students at Macquarie University in Australia, 2017**

Last Date: May 10, 2017
More Details: http://www.mq.edu.au/research/phd-and-research-degrees/scholarships/hdr-main-scholarship-rounds

6. **Friedrich Miescher Institute International PhD Program in Switzerland, 2017**

Last Date: 1st May, 2017
More Details: http://www.fmi.ch/training/phd/

EVENTS & ACHIEVEMENTS

FACULTY OF COMMERCE - SMPIC

AlkaRamsinghanistudent ofFaculty of Commerce (SMPIC)bagged the title of Commerce Idol and Niraj Ahuja secured the 2nd runner up positionin a Commerce Idol competition organized by City C. U. Shah Commerce College on 9th January, 2017. They were awarded with trophies and certificates.

PRABANDH-THE TALENT SHOWCASE

Faculty of Commerce (SMPIC) organized 'Prabandh-the talent showcase', a one day management festival under Management Club on 16th February 2017. The different competitions like IPL auction, quick business plan,logical quiz and press conference were organized. It was a paperless event, wherein from registration to certificates was digitalized. 70 students participated enthusiastically. It was an attempt to increase student's interest and willingness in participating in competitions that require managerial skills like prompt decision making and speaking in public on managerial issues.The event was coordinated by Dr. Krupa Bhatt .

IMBA

"All work and no play doesn't just make Jill and Jack dull, it kills the potential of discovery, mastery and openness to change as well as hinders innovation and invention".At Faculty of Management, IMBA Programme, we always motivate our students to actively participate in extra-curricular activities so that they not only excel in academics but also have an overall development.Students of IMBA secured 3rdposition in group dancecompetition at UMANG Extra Bonanza, an in-house event organized by National Institute of Event Managementon 7th February, 2017.Also, Second Year student, Nidhi Raval, won a Gold medal in Taekwondo

competition, at PETROCUP 2017, a sports fest organized by Pandit Deendayal Petroleum University (PDPU), Gandhinagar from16th – 20th February 2017.Adding one more feather to the cap, students won the Fashion Show at 'Genesis 2017' a cultural festival hosted by Institute of Management, Nirma University on 21st -22nd February, 2017. We congratulate all the participants and wish them a bright future.

FACULTY ACHIEVEMENT

Faculty of Management congratulates Dr. Megha Shah on completion of her PhD. from Sardar Patel University, on 'An Empirical study on Forensic Accounting & Audit expectation Gap in India' under the guidance of Dr. Dharmendra S. Mistry. We wish her success in all her endeavours.

It takes immense pride to announce that our faculty member Dr. Palak Shah of GLS Institute of Teacher Education (B.Ed.) has successfully completed her Ph.D. in Education on" A Study of the Problem of the Behavioural Changes in the Secondary school students of Ahmedabad in Context to Certain Variables", from Calorx Teachers' University, Ahmedabad.

FACULTY OF COMMERCE – GLSIC

Students of Faculty of Commerce (GLSIC)had participated in following events and bagged prizes in various categories.

- SAL Institute of Business Management - SYNERGY 2017 - 22 Feb 2017, SAL Campus , Science city

1st Prize - Fashion Show
2nd Prize - Skit
1st Prize - Best Costume in fashion show

- B K SCHOOL OF MANAGEMENT - RENAISSANCE 2017 - 3 March 2017

Gujarat University campus
1st Prize in Fashion Show

- K S SCHOOL OF MANAGEMENT - MELANCE 2017 - 22 March 2017

Gujarat University campus
1st Prize - Fashion Show
1st Prize - Salad Decoration
2nd Prize - Skit
3rd Prize - Movie Making

- 4th February 2017,GLSIC was invited to Perform& Present Fashion show "Garvi Gujarat" to showcase Glimpses of Gujarat at,

"INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON SUICIDE PREVENTION" Organized by SAATH FOUNDATION- Gulmohar Greens, Sanand

SADGUNA ARTS COLLEGE

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DELEGATION FROM HACC VISITS NEW JERSEY

A delegation from HA College of Commerce, led by Principal, Dr. Sanjay Vakil, visited New Jersey City University for 10 days in response to the invitation extended by NJCU as part of their international partnership. HACC has anMoU with NJCU wherein an alumnus, Mr.Chirag Patel, donates tuition fees to five students of HACC every year for an MBA progamme at NJCU. This Patel Scholars Programme is coordinated by Dr. Jean Dsouza (Associate Professor, HACC) with Dr.ChetanMewada and Dr. AnuradhaPagedar as panel members.

During the visit to NJCU, the delegation had the wonderful opportunity to meet and interact with the President of the University, Dr. Sue Henderson, the Provost of the University, Dr. Daniel Julius, the Chairman of the Board, NJCU, the different Vice-presidents of the University, Dr. Bernard McSherry, the Dean of the School of Business, other heads of different departments, and the faculty members and staff members of the University.

During these interactions, the Principal made a presentation about GLS and HACC. The delegation discussed possibilities of different exchange programmes and how to overcome obstacles that hinder a greater connection between NJCU and HACC.

The delegation attended the annual NJCU gala wherein they were hosted for a dinner at the Hyatt, and were acknowledged by the President of the University for the Patel Scholars Programme in the presence of many many dignitaries, donors and philanthropist businessmen.

The hospitality of NJCU, especially of Ms. Tamara Cunningham, Vice-president, Global Initiatives, was exemplary. This visit to USA was possible only due to the support of GLS. It was truly an eye-opening and enriching trip.

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