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Gurukul Mahila Arts and Commerce College, Porbandar, organised a grand Investiture Ceremony under the 'Students' Council – Leadership Empowerment Programme 2026–27' at Sharda Mandir on Thursday, 2 July 2026, at 7:45 a.m. The Programme was organised with the objective of nurturing leadership qualities, administrative skills, and a sense of responsibility among students.

The ceremony commenced with the college's daily morning assembly, comprising the prayer, news presentation, quiz and thought for the day. Dr. Sharmistha Patel warmly welcomed the faculty members and students and efficiently conducted the entire Programme.

During the Investiture Ceremony, the elected office-bearers of the Students' Council for the academic year 2026–27 formally assumed office. The appointments were as follows:

- President: Riddhi Odedara
- Vice President: Afsana Kharai
- General Secretary: Geeta Modhwadia
- Joint Secretary: Maya Shida
- Media Manager-1: Riddhisha Khudaiwala
- Media Manager-2: Sejal Goraniya
- Treasurer: Shraddha Khorava

Office-bearers of the college's Special Committees also assumed their responsibilities. Jagruti Khandar was appointed Secretary of the Prayer Committee, Geeta Odedara as Secretary of the Vedic Mantra Committee, and Dhruti Modhwadia as Secretary of the Havan Committee.

Student leaders for the college's various activity wings were also inducted. Under the Saptdhara activities, Jugal Odedara was appointed Leader of Music, Dance and Performing Arts; Dhara Joshi for Drama; Aarti Odedara for Creative Expression; Divya Aparnathi for Knowledge; Bhumisha Bamaniya for Fine Arts and Skills; Trupti Karena for Sports, Yoga and Physical Education; and Anjali Odedara for Community Service. Among the other student leadership positions, Mahek Ghutla was appointed Leader of NSS Unit-I, Nirupa Pathar as Leader of NSS Unit-II, Jagruti Khandar as NCC Cadet Leader, Shraddha Khorava as UDISHA Leader, and Krupali Solanki as Library Leader. To strengthen academic and intellectual activities, leaders of the college's Study Circles were also appointed. Riddhisha Khudaiwala assumed charge as Leader of the English Study Circle (WS), Riya Thanki of the Premchand Study Circle (Hindi), Mitali Kanani of the Premanand Study Circle (Gujarati), Rekha Kuchhadiya of the Home Science Study Circle, Kajal Kuchhadiya of the Adam Smith Study Circle (Economics), Mahek Ghutla of the Chanakya Study Circle (Commerce) and Riddhi Odedara of the Ratan Tata Study Circle (EMC).

In addition, all office-bearers, student leaders, members of the Prayer, Vedic Mantra and Havan Committees, along with the Class Representatives (CRs) selected in the first and second rounds, formally took the oath of office and pledged to discharge their responsibilities with sincerity, dedication, and commitment towards the institution.

Addressing the gathering, Principal Dr. Anupam Nagar congratulated all the newly appointed student leaders and inspired them to develop the true qualities of leadership. Explaining the word "LEADER", he highlighted the significance of each letter: L - Language, E - Etiquette, A - Active, D - Discipline, E - Enthusiasm, and R - Righteousness. He encouraged the office-bearers to uphold these values while performing their duties and extended his best wishes for a successful tenure.

The selection of all student leaders was carried out under the chairmanship of Vice Principal Prof. Rohiniba Jadeja, with the guidance and careful evaluation of the Heads of Departments and the coordinators of the respective committees.

The vote of thanks was proposed by Prof. Nimisha Pandit, while the event photography was managed by Prof. Ami Padhiyar. The Programme concluded on a patriotic note with the singing of the National Anthem, bringing the ceremony to a dignified and memorable close.



Empowering Careers Through Competitive Exam Preparation

Commerce Department of Gurukul Mahila Arts and Commerce College Inaugurates 'PCCE' Classes for Competitive Examinations

Continuing its commitment to women's education and empowerment, the Commerce Department of Gurukul Mahila Arts and Commerce College, Porbandar, has launched a commendable initiative to strengthen the career prospects of its students. With the objective of enabling students to prepare for government and other competitive examinations within the college campus, the PCCE (Preparatory Course for Competitive Examinations) was formally inaugurated.

The inaugural ceremony was graced by Principal Dr. Anupam Nagar, NSQF and Short-Term Courses Coordinator Dr. Namrata Samani, Head of the Department of Commerce Dr. Bharatsinh Dodia, Commerce (English Medium) Coordinator Prof. Nimisha Pandit, Prof. Sandhya Modhwadia and Prof. Jalpa Mokariya.

Welcoming the students, Head of the Department of Commerce Dr. Bharatsinh Dodia highlighted the growing importance of competitive examinations in today's career landscape. He encouraged students to combine hard work with smart strategies and remain focused on achieving their career aspirations.

Addressing the gathering, Principal Dr. Anupam Nagar stated, "In today's highly competitive world, we want our students not only to earn a degree but also to aspire to prestigious Class I, Class II and other government services. With this vision, the college has introduced these guidance classes at free or nominal charges to make quality preparation accessible to every student."

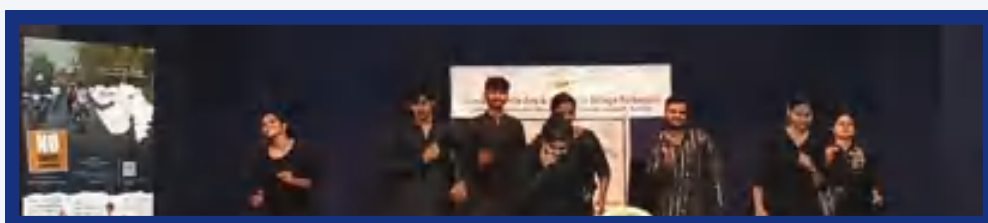
He further explained that the course would be conducted by experienced and expert faculty members, offering comprehensive training in Mathematics, Reasoning, General Knowledge, and Gujarati and English Grammar.

Dr. Namrata Samani, Coordinator of NSQF and Short-Term Courses, guided the students on the importance of making the best use of time and emphasised that there is no age limit for learning and acquiring knowledge.

The Programme concluded with a vote of thanks proposed by Prof. Nimisha Pandit, Coordinator of Commerce (English Medium). Around 70 students from the Commerce Department participated in the inaugural Programme. The successful organisation of the event was made possible through the dedicated efforts of Shivani Sundavadara, Nirupa Pathar, Mahek Ghutla and Kajal Kuchhadiya, while the overall planning and coordination of the Programme were carried out by Prof. Ami Padhiyar.



Choose Life, Not Drugs: Gurukul Mahila College Spreads Awareness



Gurukul Mahila Arts and Commerce College, Porbandar, organised an Anti-Drug Awareness Programme under the "No Drugs Campaign – Say No to Drugs, Yes to Life" through its National Service Scheme (NSS) Unit in collaboration with Invincible NGO. The Programme commenced with a warm welcome address by NSS Programme Officer Dr. Rajendra Chaudhary. In keeping with the Gurukul tradition, the distinguished guests were honoured with the ceremonial presentation of a sacred cotton thread (Sutari Anti). Dr. Chaudhary then introduced the guests to the audience.

The keynote address was delivered by Rishiraj Mori, Founder of Invincible NGO. He spoke extensively about the growing menace of substance abuse among youth, its physical, psychological and social consequences, and the importance of leading a drug-free life. His inspiring address encouraged students to make healthy and responsible life choices.

The Programme was also graced by Police Inspector M. N. Jadeja of the Special Operations Group (S.O.G.) and Police Sub-Inspector Khan of the S.O.G. as distinguished guests. They sensitised the students about the legal consequences of drug abuse, the importance of staying away from narcotic substances and the responsibilities of being vigilant and law-abiding citizens.

As part of the awareness initiative, an impactful street play on drug de-addiction was presented, effectively conveying a powerful message against substance abuse and encouraging students to adopt a healthy lifestyle.

The Programme was conducted under the constant guidance and encouragement of Principal Dr. Anupam Nagar and Vice Principal Prof. Rohiniba Jadeja.

The successful organisation of the event was made possible through the dedicated efforts of CDC Coordinator Dr. Nayan Tank, NSS Programme Officer Dr. Rajendra Chaudhary, Dr. Namrata Samani, NSS Leaders, faculty members, non-teaching staff and NSS volunteers.

The vote of thanks was delivered by Dr. Namrata Samani, who expressed heartfelt gratitude to the invited guests, the Invincible NGO team, the officers of the Police Department, the drama team, the college family, NSS Leaders, volunteers and all the students for their enthusiastic participation and support.

A large number of students, faculty members, and staff attended the Programme. At the conclusion, all participants collectively pledged to embrace the message "Say No to Drugs, Yes to Life" and contribute actively towards building a healthy, drug-free society.

"New Comers' Talent Morning" Celebrated with Grandeur at Gurukul Mahila Arts and Commerce College



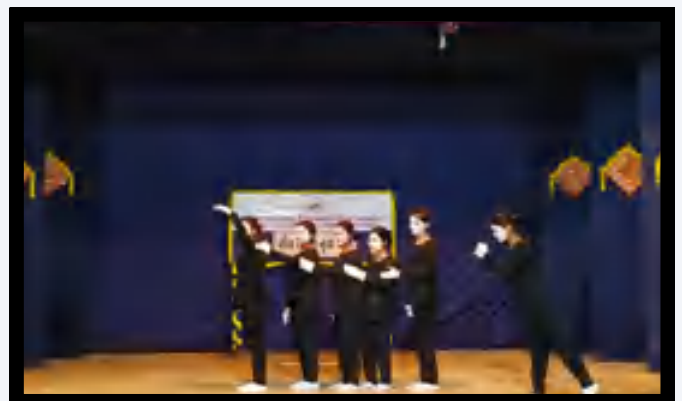
Gurukul Mahila Arts and Commerce College, Porbandar, a premier institution managed by Rajratna Shreshthi Nanjibhai Kalidas Mehta Arya Kanya Gurukul Trust, successfully organised the "New Comers' Talent Morning" in the Sharda Mandir Auditorium. The Programme was conceptualised under the visionary guidance of Principal Dr. Anupam Nagar with the objective of providing a platform for newly admitted students to showcase their hidden talents and creative potential.

The Programme commenced on an auspicious note with the chanting of Vedic hymns by Geeta Odedara and group, creating a serene and devotional atmosphere. This was followed by the ceremonial lighting of the lamp by the distinguished guests, IQAC members, Principal Dr. Anupam Nagar and Vice Principal Prof. Rohiniba Jadeja. Dr. Shanti Modhwadia, Head of the Music, Dance and Performing Arts Wing, warmly welcomed the guests, who were later felicitated in accordance with the Gurukul tradition.

The cultural performances began with a soulful rendition of "Adiyogi" by Dharti Jogiya (F.Y.B.A. Home Science). Chief Guest Dr. Ashish Khudaiwala then delivered an inspiring address, motivating students to achieve success through dedication, perseverance and hard work. Daksha Mori (F.Y.B.Com., Gujarati Medium) followed with an impressive speech highlighting the importance of patience and self-discipline.

The audience was then treated to a series of vibrant cultural performances. Komal Joshi and group (F.Y.B.Com./B.A.) presented the melodious group song "Kaali Vadaladi", followed by a graceful solo dance by Riddhi Odedara (F.Y.B.A. Economics) on "Man Mandir Mein", which captivated the audience. Shraddha Daki (S.Y.B.A. Gujarati) showcased an impressive combination of Yoga and Karate on the patriotic song "Vande Mataram", symbolising discipline, strength and patriotism.

Further enriching the cultural extravaganza, Mahek Odedara and group (F.Y. & S.Y. B.Com./S.Y.B.A.) performed an energetic group dance on "Dwarikano Nath", while Afsana Kharai (T.Y.B.Com., English Medium) delivered a touching dance performance on "Ungli Pakad Ke", celebrating the love and sacrifice of parents. Students from the English Department representing F.Y., S.Y., and T.Y. jointly presented an outstanding mime on the theme "Incredible India", beautifully portraying the nation's cultural diversity and unity. Vaibhavi Dave and group (F.Y.B.A. Home Science) then delighted the audience with a graceful group dance on "Kanha Soja Zara."

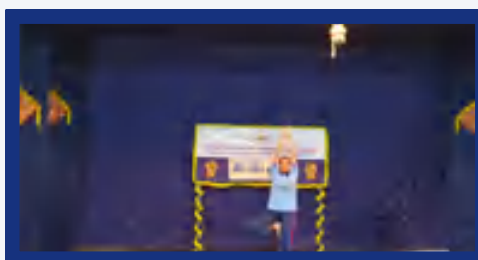
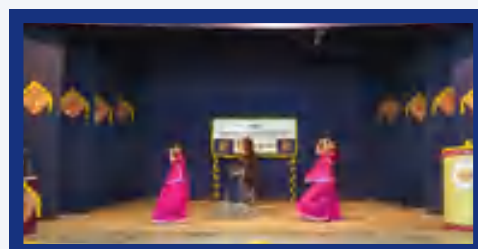


The second half of the Programme reflected the richness of regional culture and valour. Krishna Odedara and group (B.A./B.Com.) enthralled the audience with a traditional Mer Raas performance on "Jilan Tara Pani", filling the auditorium with vibrant energy. Dhara Keshwala (S.Y.B.Com., English Medium) impressed everyone with a remarkable swordsmanship demonstration, showcasing courage, confidence and the spirit of womanhood. This was followed by an enthusiastic group dance by Sonal Vadher and group (S.Y.B.A./B.Com.) on "Apna Har Din Aise Jiyo."

In the concluding session, Dr. C. G. Joshi, representing the IQAC, appreciated the excellent organisation of the Programme and warmly welcomed the newly admitted students to the Gurukul family. He highly praised the students' performances, particularly the Yoga, Karate, swordsmanship, mime and traditional Mer Raas presentations, emphasising that such cultural and adventure-based activities play a vital role in the holistic development, confidence, and personality building of students. He congratulated the students and the entire Gurukul team for providing such a meaningful platform to nurture young talent.

The vote of thanks was delivered by Dr. Ketki Pandya, who expressed heartfelt gratitude to everyone involved in making the event a grand success. The Programme concluded with the recitation of the Shanti Path, followed by a memorable group photograph.

The Programme was gracefully compered by Jugal Odedara (T.Y.B.A., Hindi) and Riddhi Odedara (T.Y.B.Com., English Medium). The event was successfully organised through the dedicated efforts of Dr. Shanti Modhwadia, Prof. Rohiniba Jadeja, Dr. Ketki Pandya, Prof. Ami Padhiyar, Maya Shida, Sejal Goraniya, Riddhisha Khudaiwala, Geeta Modhwadia, and Shraddha Khorava.



Marwadi University Organises Online Orientation Programme for B.A. (English) Semester-1 Students

The Department of English at Marwadi University, Rajkot, successfully organised an online Orientation Programme for the newly admitted students of B.A. (English) Semester-1 on 16 July 2026. The primary objective of the Programme was to inspire students as they embarked on their academic journey in English Language and Literature and to provide meaningful guidance for the beginning of their higher education.

On this occasion, eminent educationist and scholar of English Language and Literature, Dr. Anupam Nagar, delivered an inspiring online keynote address as the guest speaker. He emphasised that the study of English Language and Literature is not merely about acquiring linguistic skills but is a continuous journey that nurtures intellectual growth, sensitivity, creativity and human values.

During his address, Dr. Nagar presented the word ENGLISH as a meaningful philosophy of life by associating each letter with a significant value. According to him, E stands for Explore—discovering new horizons; N for Navigate—moving confidently through the diverse paths of knowledge and life; G for Grow—committing to continuous self-development; L for Lead—cultivating leadership qualities; I for Inspire—motivating others through one's knowledge and personality; S for Serve—developing a spirit of service towards society and humanity; and H for Human—highlighting that the ultimate goal of studying English Language and Literature is not merely to become a successful professional, but to evolve into a compassionate, empathetic and humane individual.

He encouraged the students to cultivate the habits of regular reading, critical thinking, creative expression, and a global outlook. Stressing the transformative power of English Language and Literature, he remarked that the discipline not only opens diverse career opportunities but also enables individuals to lead more meaningful, responsible and sensitive lives.

The students participated enthusiastically throughout the Programme and actively engaged in the interactive question-and-answer session. Dr. Nagar's inspiring insights, life values, and academic experiences proved highly enriching and memorable for the participants.

The Programme was coordinated by Dr. Jigar Abhani, Associate Professor, Department of English, Marwadi University, Rajkot. The Orientation Programme was organised as part of the academic Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between Gurukul Mahila Arts and Commerce College, Porbandar, and Marwadi University, Rajkot. The objective of this academic collaboration is to promote knowledge exchange, enhance educational quality and provide students with opportunities to learn from distinguished educationists at the national level.

The Programme further strengthened the academic partnership between the two institutions and provided students with a valuable opportunity to interact with an eminent educationist. At the conclusion of the Programme, the Department of English, Marwadi University, expressed its heartfelt gratitude to Dr. Anupam Nagar for his enlightening address and also thanked all the participating students and faculty members for contributing to the success of the event.



Gurukul Mahila Arts and Commerce College Welcomes Harshad Chauhan as Assistant Professor of Economics

Gurukul Mahila Arts and Commerce College, Porbandar, marked another significant milestone in its academic journey as Harshad Chauhan officially joined the institution as an Assistant Professor of Economics. His appointment further strengthens the college's academic team and reinforces its commitment to providing quality education and an enriching learning experience for its students.

One of the institution's foremost priorities has always been the appointment of highly qualified and competent faculty members. With a visionary approach, the Board of Trustees has consistently taken timely decisions to strengthen the institution's human resources. As a result, over the past seven years, the college has made a total of eight new appointments, comprising seven Assistant Professors and one Laboratory Assistant. These appointments have significantly contributed to enhancing academic excellence, research activities and the institution's student-centric approach.

During this period, Dr. Bharatsinh J. Dodiya (16 January 2020), Dr. Rajendra S. Chaudhari (4 August 2022), Dr. Ilu L. Gamit (3 January 2023), Dr. Namrata J. Samani (5 January 2024), Dr. Bhargav P. Bhatt (10 February 2024), Dr. Arfat I. Saiyad (15 February 2024), Krishna Ghodadara as Laboratory Assistant (24 July 2025), and today, Harshad Chauhan (21 July 2026) as Assistant Professor of Economics, have joined the Gurukul family. These appointments stand as a testament to the institution's unwavering commitment to academic quality and excellence.

The continuous efforts to strengthen the institution's human resources have yielded remarkable results. In 2025, the college was awarded the prestigious B++ Grade in the third cycle of accreditation by the National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC). Furthermore, in May 2026, the college received approval to commence the M.A. (Gujarati) Programme and to introduce four-year undergraduate Programmes in the Faculties of Arts, Commerce and Home Science. These achievements reflect the institution's steady academic expansion, commitment to quality, and pursuit of excellence.

On this occasion, the college family expressed its heartfelt gratitude to the Board of Trustees for consistently placing quality education at the forefront and for providing unwavering guidance and support in appointing competent faculty members and staff. The institution also extended sincere appreciation to its teaching, administrative and non-teaching staff, whose dedication, cooperation and team spirit continue to propel the college towards greater heights.

Gurukul Mahila Arts and Commerce College is confident that the addition of Harshad Chauhan will bring renewed energy, fresh perspectives and greater momentum to the Department of Economics. Through his knowledge, experience, and commitment, he is expected to make a meaningful contribution to the holistic development of students. The institution remains steadfast in its mission of promoting quality education, value-based learning and academic excellence in the years ahead.



Chanakya Commerce Study Circle Organises Expert Lecture on 'TallyPrime' at Gurukul Mahila Arts and Commerce College

The Chanakya Commerce Study Circle, functioning under the Department of Commerce at Rajratna Shreshthi Shri Nanjibhai Kalidas Mehta Aryakanya Gurukul Trust-managed Gurukul Mahila Arts and Commerce College, Porbandar, organised a special expert lecture on "TallyPrime" with the objective of strengthening students' academic and professional skills in line with the evolving demands of the industry.

The Programme was conducted under the guidance of Principal Dr. Anupam Nagar and Head of the Department of Commerce, Dr. Bharatsinh Dodiya.

In today's rapidly evolving business environment, digital technology has become an integral part of commerce and accounting. Keeping this in view, the lecture was organised to ensure that students move beyond theoretical knowledge and gain practical exposure to modern accounting practices.

As part of the Programme, a special session on TallyPrime was delivered by Hirenchai Pankhaniya, who attended as the resource person and subject expert. Drawing upon his extensive professional experience, he provided detailed yet easy-to-understand insights into the advanced features of TallyPrime, GST compliance, inventory management and business automation. His practical demonstrations and industry-oriented guidance enabled students to understand the growing relevance of accounting software in the corporate and business sectors.

A total of 63 enthusiastic students from the Department of Commerce participated in the academic session and benefited from the expert guidance.

The Programme was efficiently coordinated by Prof. Sandhyaben Modhwadiya, who highlighted the objectives and significance of organising such industry-oriented academic initiatives. At the conclusion of the Programme, Prof. Ami Padhiyar proposed the vote of thanks, expressing sincere gratitude to Hirenchai Pankhaniya for sharing his valuable time and expertise and appreciating the enthusiastic participation of all the students who contributed to the success of the Programme.



Successful Blood Donation Camp Organised at Gurukul Mahila Arts and Commerce College, Porbandar

With the noble objective of promoting social responsibility and humanitarian service, Gurukul Mahila Arts and Commerce College, Porbandar, organised a Blood Donation Camp on 21 July 2026. The camp was conducted through the joint efforts of the College Principal, the NSS and NCC units, in collaboration with Asha Blood Bank.

The Programme witnessed enthusiastic participation from faculty members, non-teaching staff, and students of the college. A total of 15 voluntary donors donated blood during the camp, demonstrating their commitment towards society. The Programme highlighted the message that blood donation is one of the greatest acts of humanity, as a single donation has the potential to save and improve several lives. All the blood donors were honoured with certificates in recognition of their selfless contribution.

The Programme was conducted under the guidance and inspiration of Principal Dr. Anupam Nagar. The organisational responsibilities were efficiently managed by NSS Programme Officer Dr. Rajendrabhai Chaudhari, Dr. Namrataben Samani, and NCC ANO Dr. Sharmishthaben Patel.

The success of the Programme was further strengthened by the wholehearted support of the student representatives and volunteers. Student Council President Riddhi Karabhai Odedara, Vice President Afsana Babubhai Kharaj, General Secretary Gita Nagarjanbhai Modhwadiya, Prayer Committee Secretary and NCC PO Cadet Jagruti Keshubhai Khandar, along with Media Managers Riddhisha Ashishbhai Khudaiwala and Sejal Dulabhai Goraniya, worked tirelessly to ensure the smooth and successful organisation of the camp.

The college family expressed its heartfelt gratitude to all those who participated in this noble initiative, especially the voluntary blood donors, for their invaluable contribution to society. The institution also appealed to everyone to continue participating actively in such humanitarian and community service initiatives in the future.



Strengthening Research Excellence at Gurukul Mahila College

Two Faculty Members of Gurukul Mahila Arts and Commerce College Recognised as Ph.D. Research Supervisors by the University

In a significant academic achievement, two distinguished Assistant Professors of Gurukul Mahila Arts and Commerce College, Porbandar—Dr. Namrata Jagdishchandra Samani and Dr. Arfat Irfanbhai Saiyad—have been officially recognised as Ph.D. Research Supervisors by Bhakta Kavi Narsinh Mehta University, Junagadh, under the provisions of Ph.D. Ordinance-2023. As per the University notification issued on 27 July 2026, Dr. Samani has been recognised as a Research Supervisor in Home Science, while Dr. Saiyad has been recognised in English. They are now authorised to guide doctoral scholars in their respective disciplines.

Dr. Namrata Jagdishchandra Samani serves as an Assistant Professor in the Department of Home Science at Gurukul Mahila Arts and Commerce College. She is widely recognised for her dedication to teaching, research and community service. She actively contributes to the National Service Scheme (NSS), student development initiatives and various academic activities. Her areas of academic interest include Home Science, Nutrition, Family Studies and the application of Artificial Intelligence (AI) in education. She has consistently worked towards promoting quality education, advancing research and fostering a research-oriented mindset among students.

Dr. Arfat Irfanbhai Saiyad is an Assistant Professor in the Department of English at the college. He has been actively engaged in the fields of English Literature, research and higher education. At the institution, he serves as the IQAC Coordinator, Coordinator of the Shri Dhirendrabhai Mehta Post-Graduate Centre for English and PM-USHA Coordinator. His academic interests include English Literature, Indian English Literature, Postcolonial Literature, Ecocriticism, Literary Theory and Research Methodology. He has been consistently committed to promoting quality education, strengthening research and motivating students to pursue higher studies.

The recognition of both faculty members as Ph.D. Research Supervisors is not only a remarkable personal academic accomplishment but also a proud milestone for Gurukul Mahila Arts and Commerce College. This achievement is expected to further strengthen the institution's research culture and create new opportunities in the field of higher education.

On this proud occasion, Principal Dr. Anupam R. Nagar, the Management, the entire college family, colleagues, students and well-wishers extended their heartfelt congratulations to Dr. Namrata Samani and Dr. Arfat Saiyad, wishing them continued success and excellence in their academic, research, and scholarly pursuits.



Guru Purnima Celebrated with Great Reverence at Gurukul Mahila Arts and Commerce College



Guru Purnima was celebrated with great devotion and enthusiasm at Gurukul Mahila Arts and Commerce College, Porbandar, a premier educational institution managed by Rajratna Shreshthi Nanjibhai Kalidas Mehta Arya Kanya Gurukul Trust. The celebration was organised under the visionary guidance of Principal Dr. Anupam Nagar, with the support of the Music, Dance and Performing Arts Wing. The Programme commenced with a devotional group prayer presented by the students, creating a spiritually uplifting atmosphere. This was followed by the presentation of the day's news, an informative quiz and inspiring thoughts by students of the Commerce (English Medium) Department. At the outset, Dr. Ketki Pandya, Head of the Department of English, extended a warm and heartfelt welcome to all those present.

As a mark of profound respect and gratitude towards their teachers, student representatives from every department offered a heartfelt Guru Vandana. Faculty members and staff from the Departments of English, Hindi, Gujarati, Home Science, Economics, Sanskrit, Commerce (Gujarati Medium), Computer Science, Commerce (English Medium), the Administrative Office, the Library and the Class IV staff were honoured with flowers as a token of appreciation for their invaluable contribution to education and student development.

As part of the cultural segment of the Programme, Komal Joshi, a first-year B.A. student from the Department of English, presented the devotional bhajan "Sadguruna Charanma Mare Kayam Diwali," which was deeply appreciated by the audience. This was followed by an inspiring speech on "The Importance of a Guru in Our Life" by Sejal, a second-year B.Com. (Gujarati Medium) student. Thereafter, Meenakshi Sadiya and her group from the first-year B.A. Economics Department performed the devotional group bhajan "Gurujina Namni Mala Chhe Dokma," filling the auditorium with a spirit of devotion and reverence.

Delivering the keynote address on the occasion, Dr. Sharmishtha Patel, Head of the Department of Gujarati, guided the students on how knowledge and values imparted by teachers help shape a meaningful and purposeful life. She emphasised that a Guru is not merely a teacher who imparts academic knowledge but a true mentor who guides individuals towards righteous living and character building. In her thoughtful and insightful address, she highlighted the significance of the Guru in human life and elaborated on the fundamental values of Indian culture. Dr. Patel also explained the concept of the four Purusharthas—Dharma (Righteousness), Artha (Prosperity), Kama (Desire), and Moksha (Liberation)—stating that only under the guidance of a true Guru can an individual maintain the right balance among these four ideals and lead a meaningful, value-based, and fulfilling life.