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A New Beginning Towards Academic Excellence and Holistic Development”

Orientation and Induction Programme Held for M.A. English, M.A. Gujarati and M.Com. Students
at Gurukul Mahila Arts and Commerce College

Gurukul Mahila Arts and Commerce College, Porbandar, organised an Orientation and Induction Programme for students admitted to the first year of M.A. (English), M.A. (Gujarati) and M.Com. The programme was organised with the objective of familiarising students with the new phase of higher education and providing them with guidance regarding academics, institutional systems and career opportunities. Along with the newly admitted postgraduate students, final-year B.A. and B.Com. students also participated enthusiastically in the programme.

The programme commenced with a prayer, followed by the ceremonial lighting of the lamp by the dignitaries and faculty members present. Dr. Arfat Saiyed warmly welcomed the guests, faculty members and students. The newly admitted M.A. and M.Com. students were given a traditional and heartfelt welcome with kumkum tilak and sweets.

Dr. Ketki N. Pandya, Head of the English Department, introduced the Shri Dhirendrabhai Mehta Post Graduate Centre of English (M.A. English). She provided detailed information about the academic activities, curriculum and faculty members of the English Department and familiarised the students with the various academic opportunities available to them.

This was followed by an introduction to the Dr. Savitadidi N. Mehta P.G. Centre for Gujarati (M.A. Gujarati) by Dr. Sharmishtha Patel. She informed the students that the centre had commenced from the current academic year. A special coincidence of the occasion was that the programme was held on the birthday of Dr. Savitadidi N. Mehta. Dr. Sharmishtha Patel also briefed the students about the faculty members and academic activities of the Gujarati Department.

Thereafter, Mr. Sandeep Ghelani introduced the Smt. Meghaviniben D. Mehta P.G. Centre for Commerce (M.Com.). He highlighted the distinctive features of the Commerce Department, the academic and career opportunities available to students and introduced the faculty members of the department.

Further, Dr. Harin Majithia delivered an engaging session connecting commerce with literature. Through interesting explanations and examples, he provided students with practical guidance relevant to everyday life. He encouraged them to look beyond academics and connect education with life values, practical knowledge and personal development.

Dr. Anupam Nagar, Principal of Gurukul Mahila Arts and Commerce College and Chairperson of the programme, delivered the keynote address. Explaining the meaning and significance of the terms “Orientation” and “Induction,” he guided the students on how to confidently and purposefully navigate this new phase of higher education. He emphasised that education should go beyond academic achievement and contribute to the holistic development of an individual. Referring to the four fundamental pillars of education—Learning to Know, Learning to Do, Learning to Be, and Learning to Live Together—he encouraged the students to acquire knowledge, develop practical skills, nurture self-confidence, values and a strong sense of identity, and cultivate empathy, cooperation and respect for others. He stressed that the harmonious integration of these four dimensions of learning is essential not only for personal growth and responsible citizenship but also for building a more inclusive, harmonious and progressive society. He further encouraged the students to cultivate discipline, effective time management and a lifelong learning attitude, enabling them to become capable individuals and meaningful contributors to social progress.

The programme concluded with a vote of thanks delivered by Prof. Sandhya Modhwadia. The programme was conducted in a well-organised and effective manner by Prof. Ami Padhiar. Student volunteers also played an enthusiastic role in ensuring the smooth and successful conduct of the programme.

The Orientation and Induction Programme provided the newly admitted postgraduate students with a meaningful introduction to their academic environment while motivating them to pursue higher education with confidence, discipline and a vision for their future.



Gurukul Mahila College Organises Elocution Competition on “Self-Reliant India”

Gurukul Mahila Arts and Commerce College, Porbandar, managed by Rajratna Shreshthishree Nanji Bhai Kalidas Mehta Arya Kanya Gurukul Trust, organised an elocution competition on the theme “Self-Reliant India” under the Chanakya Commerce Study Circle of the Commerce Gujarati Medium Department. The competition was organised with the objective of developing confidence, public-speaking skills and national awareness among students.

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

The programme commenced with a prayer, followed by a motivational address by Prof. Ami Padhiar, who encouraged the students to participate enthusiastically and express their ideas with confidence.

During the competition, the students presented their views on various aspects of Self-Reliant India, including the importance of self-reliance, promotion of indigenous products, start-ups, employment generation, development of local industries and the role of self-reliance in strengthening the country's economy.

Prof. Nimisha Pandit, Coordinator of the Commerce English Medium Department, served as the judge for the competition. The participants were evaluated on the basis of their understanding of the subject, public-speaking skills, presentation and confidence.

The winners of the competition were Shivani Sundavdara (B.Com. Semester 5), who secured the first position; Nirupa Pathar (B.Com. Semester 5), who secured the second position; and Kunjal Kuchhadiya (B.Com. Semester 1), who secured the third position.

At the conclusion of the programme, Dr. Bharatsinh Dodiya delivered the closing address. He highlighted the significant role of youth in building a self-reliant India and encouraged students to contribute to the nation's development through knowledge, skills and innovative thinking.

A total of 61 students participated in the programme with enthusiasm. Kajalben Kuchhadiya handled the photography, while Mahek Ghutla conducted the programme in an effective and commendable manner.

The event provided the students with a valuable platform to enhance their communication skills, confidence and awareness of their role in contributing to the vision of a Self-Reliant India.

Teachers'-Day Celebrations



Gurukul Mahila Arts and Commerce College Celebrates Teachers' Day with Enthusiasm; Dr. Jyotiben Thanki Felicited for Receiving D.Litt. Degree

Gurukul Mahila Arts and Commerce College, Porbandar, managed by the Rajratna Shreshthishri Nanajibhai Kalidas Mehta Aryakanya Vidyalaya Trust, organised a grand celebration of Teachers' Day. The programme was graced by the presence of the chief guest, Dr. Jyotiben Thanki, former Vice-Principal and Professor of Economics at Gurukul Mahila College, as well as a renowned litterateur, thinker and educationist. Dr. Ila Thanki, an alumna of Gurukul College and former IQAC Member, was also present on the occasion.

The programme commenced with a group prayer presented by the students. This was followed by a welcome address and introduction of the chief guest by Prof. Rohiniba Jadeja, Head of the Home Science Department and Vice-Principal. As the highlight of the programme, Dr. Jyotiben Thanki was warmly felicitated by the Principal of the College, Dr. Anupam Nagar, in accordance with the Gurukul tradition, with a traditional cotton garland, a shawl and a memento.

Dr. Jyotiben Thanki was born in Bagvadar village of Porbandar. After completing her M.A. in Economics and Sanskrit, she rendered dedicated service at Gurukul Mahila College for 45 years, from 1966 to 2005, as a Professor of Economics and Vice-Principal. She has made an extensive contribution to the fields of literature and education, having authored more than 78 books and booklets, 15 translated books and over 250 articles and stories. She has been honoured with several prestigious awards, including numerous awards from the Gujarat Sahitya Parishad and Gujarat Sahitya Akademi, as well as the State Government's Lifetime Achievement Award and Shiksha Ratna Award.

In addition, Dr. Thanki made a significant contribution to the establishment of the Children's Research University, Gandhinagar, founded in 2009, where she served as an Advisor for nine years. During her tenure, 24 'Tapovan Centres' were established across Gujarat, through which more than 36,000 women were provided education and guidance on the development of healthy progeny and Garbh Sanskar. For the holistic development of the unborn child, she also authored inspiring books such as "The Inner Journey of the Unborn Child", "Garbh Samvad" and "Garbh Dhyam."

In recognition of Dr. Jyotiben Thanki's long-standing contribution to education and literature, as well as her significant role at Children's University, she was recently conferred the prestigious D.Litt. (Doctor of Letters) degree by the Hon'ble Governor. Since Gurukul Mahila College has been the sacred field of her 45 years of dedicated service, the entire college family experienced immense joy and pride in this historic achievement. In view of this, Dr. Thanki was specially felicitated during the programme.

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Thereafter, Dr. Jyotiben Thanki, Dr. Ila Thanki, Principal Dr. Anupam Nagar and Vice-Principal Prof. Rohiniba Jadeja felicitated and encouraged the meritorious girl students who had secured first, second and third positions in various departments by presenting them with prizes and certificates.

In the English Department, Riddhisha A. Khudaiwala secured first position, Shagun H. Parmar secured second position and Komal Joshi secured third position. In the Hindi Department, Janvi K. Gohel secured first position, Jogal K. Odedra second, and Shraddha Modhwadia third. In the Gujarati Department, Divya B. Aparnathi secured first position, Mitali A. Kanani second and Payal M. Keshwala third. In the Home Science Department, Rekha V. Kuchhadiya secured first position, Arya A. Donga second and Neha Joshi third. In the Sanskrit Department, Meena S. Hodar secured first position.

In the Economics Department, Jagruti Khandar secured first position, Trupti Karena second and Shivani Sundavadara third. In Commerce Gujarati Medium, Shivani B. Sundavadara secured first position, Jaya Godhaniya second and Mital Odedra third. In Commerce English Medium, Seema L. Odedra secured first position, Pooja Rathod second and Aarti Kasta third. In the Computer Science Department, Mansi P. Dhokiya secured first position. In the Indian Knowledge Tradition subject, Komal Joshi secured first position in Arts, while Varsha Kadchha secured first position in Commerce. In the Library Department, Krupali H. Solanki was felicitated with a certificate for serving as a student librarian.

During the special programme, renowned litterateur and respected educationist Dr. Jyotiben Thanki delivered a deeply emotional address reflecting upon her long-standing experiences in education and her profound emotional bond with the institution. At the outset, she wholeheartedly congratulated all the girl students who had excelled academically and secured top positions, and conveyed her best wishes for their bright future.

Recalling her experiences, she explained the importance of discipline and punctuality in education. Referring to the philosophical thoughts of Sri Aurobindo, she stated, "Just as one pot differs from another in its nature and shape, every individual stands apart through their values and qualities." She described the institution as a modern manifestation of the ancient Gurukul tradition, where the holistic development and inculcation of values among students have been continuously nurtured with a sage-like spirit, without hesitation or reservation. She noted that through the saree uniform and emphasis on strict discipline from the very first day, the institution has consistently sown the seeds of good conduct among its students.



Highlighting the institution's journey of development, she recalled that the college, which began in 1966 with only 11 girl students, has today grown into a vast banyan tree spreading the light of knowledge throughout society. Recalling her memories of satsang and association with Pujya Bapuji, she stated that Bapuji personally nurtured the institution in such a manner that students received whatever they needed with love and care. She also recalled how the 19-day Ram Katha organised at the institution and the flow of knowledge shared by Manojbhai and Manishiji created a deeply spiritual and auspicious atmosphere.

Speaking about her educational contribution, Dr. Thanki proudly stated, "I have been blessed with the wonderful opportunity to serve this sacred institution for 45 years and subsequently work for nine years at Children's University." Sharing a deeply touching incident from one of her international visits, she recalled that after her retirement, when she travelled to London and Manchester to deliver lectures, one of her former students came running to meet her and broke down in tears of joy. She emphasised that for any teacher, earning a permanent place in the hearts of students is the greatest award in the world.

Concluding her address, she highlighted the dignity and significance of the teaching profession and stated that the image of a teacher can never be ordinary. Becoming a teacher is not merely a profession; rather, she said, it is a noble opportunity and a profound responsibility to shape society, bestowed upon a person through the blessings of great merit accumulated over lifetimes.

The programme concluded with a vote of thanks delivered by Dr. Shantiben Modhwadia, Head of the Hindi Department, followed by a collective Shanti Path. The programme was efficiently and successfully compered by Prof. Ami Padhiar. Student representatives Riddhi Odedra, Afsana Kharaj, Sejal Goraniya, Riddhisha Khudaiwala, Geeta Modhwadia and Jugal Odedra worked diligently for the successful organisation of the programme.



In his address, Principal Dr. Anupam Nagar lauded the distinguished personality and invaluable contributions of Dr. Jyotiben Thanki. He highly appreciated her 45 years of uninterrupted and dedicated academic service at Gurukul College, her rich literary contribution of more than 78 books, and her invaluable contribution to Children's University. Describing the conferment of the D.Litt. degree by the Hon'ble Governor as a matter of immense pride for the entire institution, he praised Dr. Jyotiben Thanki's sage-like dedication, lifelong commitment and spirit of service.

On the occasion, Dr. Nagar also warmly introduced the newly appointed faculty members and staff of the college appointed by the Government, including Dr. Bharatsinh Dodiya (Commerce Department), Dr. Rajendrabhai Chaudhari (Hindi Department), Dr. Iluben Gamit (Economics Department), Dr. Namrataben Samani (Home Science Department), Dr. Bhargavbhai Bhatt (Gujarati Department), Dr. Arfatbhai Saiyed (English Department), Shri Krishnaben Ghodadra (Lab Assistant, Home Science), and Prof. Harshadbhai Chauhan (Economics Department). He also introduced all the contractual faculty members serving at the college. Furthermore, Dr. Nagar informed the gathering that the college has received a grant of ₹5 crore from the State and Central Governments, which will be utilised for the renovation and overall transformation of the college, thereby providing the institution with an enhanced and renewed academic environment.



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Best Teacher Ever



Teacher's Day Celebration
ગુજરાતી વિભાગ

ગુરુ એ જ છે, જેમો જીવનમાં જ્ઞાનનો પ્રકાર ફેલાવે છે...
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Happy Teacher's Day





KCG-Supported Finishing School Programme Organised at Gurukul Mahila Arts and Commerce College, Porbandar

Gurukul Mahila Arts and Commerce College, Porbandar, in collaboration with KCG (Knowledge Consortium of Gujarat), organised a Finishing School Programme aimed at the holistic development of students and the enhancement of their employability skills. The primary objective of the programme was to develop life skills, communication skills, self-confidence, personality development and practical knowledge among the students.

During the programme, training was provided on important areas such as Life Skills and Functional and Spoken English. In the Life Skills session, expert Mr. Kinjal Kanabar covered topics including SWOT Analysis, Self-Esteem, Self-Confidence, Empathy, Teamwork, Goal Setting, Self-Discipline, Critical Thinking and Stress Management. These sessions provided students with valuable guidance on essential skills required for personal growth as well as their future professional lives.

A ten-day training session on Functional and Spoken English was conducted by Mr. Randhir Sonara. The training covered a wide range of topics, including Introducing Self and Others, Let's Name It, Describing People, Everyday English, Right Word, Right Place, Let's Connect, Building Blocks, Framing It Right!, Developing a Paragraph, Asking and Answering Questions, First Step, Essential Building Blocks, Speak and Contribute, Effective Communication, Let's Discuss in Group, From the Reporter's Desk and Speak Right!.

The expert made the training sessions engaging and effective through the use of audio-visual resources, outdoor games, practical activities and interactive teaching techniques. Along with Functional English, important aspects of life skills were also addressed. Drawing upon his experience and practical knowledge, he guided students in developing communication skills that would prove useful in real-life situations and professional environments.

Throughout the training, students developed several important skills, including English language proficiency, public speaking, teamwork, interpersonal communication, self-confidence and practical knowledge. The entire programme proved to be informative, inspiring and highly beneficial for the students.

The college expressed its gratitude to the Principal, Dr. Anupam R. Nagar, for his support in the successful planning and implementation of the training programme. The programme was coordinated by Mrs. Nimisha Pandit, while student representatives Maya M. Shida and Dhriti R. Modhwadia extended their support in the organisation and management of the programme. The college family also expressed its sincere gratitude to KCG for its valuable collaboration and support.

“A Proud New Milestone in Academic Leadership: Dr. Anupam Nagar Appointed to the Executive Council of Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Open University”

Dr. Anupamratanshankar Nagar Appointed as a Member of the Executive Council of Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Open University, Ahmedabad

Another Distinguished Honour in Recognition of 35 Years of Contribution to Education, Research, Literature and Academic Administration

Porbandar, September 8, 2026:

Dr. Anupamratanshankar Ramashankar Nagar, who has made significant contributions to the fields of education, research, academic administration, literary creation and institutional development in Gujarat's higher education sector for over three and a half decades, has been appointed as a Member of the Executive Council of Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Open University, Ahmedabad.

In accordance with Section 16 of the Gujarat Public Universities Act, 2023, the Executive Council of Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Open University was constituted through Notification No. R./Admi/1439/2026, issued on September 7, 2026. Dr. Anupam Nagar has been selected as a member from among four principals of recognised Learner Support Centres. His name has been explicitly included as a member of the Executive Council in the notification.

This appointment is being regarded as a significant achievement in Dr. Nagar's long and multidimensional academic career. During his journey from teacher to principal, he has gained 35 years of teaching and administrative experience. At present, he is serving as the Principal of Gurukul Mahila Arts and Commerce College, Porbandar, a responsibility he has held since October 28, 2017. Earlier, he served in teaching and administrative capacities at Dr. V. R. G. College, Porbandar; Shri Jasani Arts and Commerce College, Rajkot; Hemchandracharya North Gujarat University, Patan; and various colleges in Nagaland. A Strong Foundation in Academic Career

Dr. Nagar has consistently maintained excellence in higher education. He completed his B.A. with 75.40% and M.A. in English Language and Literature with 85%, securing First Class, from Sri Sathya Sai Institute of Higher Learning, Prasanthi Nilayam. Subsequently, he obtained his Ph.D. in English from Manipur University in 1993. His doctoral research was titled “Mysticism in Rabindranath Tagore's Poetry.”

Alongside his academic studies, he has consistently endeavoured to connect education with human values, Indian thought and a broader philosophy of life. His academic work reflects a special interest in the interrelationship between literature, philosophy, culture and education



Distinguished and Sustained Contribution to Research

Dr. Nagar has also established his academic identity as an active researcher and thinker. He has undertaken research on diverse subjects including Rabindranath Tagore, Indian thought, mysticism, comparative literature, Gandhian thought, Indian Knowledge Tradition, education, culture, feminism, modern literary theories and higher education.

His name is associated with a substantial contribution of research papers and academic chapters published in various national and international journals and edited volumes. His research activities, which began in 1995, have continued consistently, with his research work also being published till date. He worked on the UGC Minor Research Project “American Transcendentalism and Indian Thought” (2003). In addition, he is currently engaged in research under the KCG Minor Research Project “Navadha Bhakti in Tagore’s Gitanjali” (2025 onwards).

Significant Service as a Ph.D. Research Guide

Dr. Nagar has made notable contributions to the field of research supervision as well. Under his guidance, 11 Ph.D. scholars have successfully completed their research, while 3 Ph.D. scholars are currently pursuing their research.

The research conducted under his supervision covers a wide range of subjects, including comparison between English and Gujarati languages, modernism and postmodernism, communication skills, the short stories of Tagore and Dhumketu, the plays of Mahesh Dattani and Vijay Tendulkar, the Indian diasporic experience, translation, Salman Rushdie, Shakespeare, refugee life, Tagore’s short stories and the theory of Rasa. This diversity reflects his interdisciplinary approach to research.

Author and Editor of 23 Books

Dr. Nagar’s literary and intellectual contributions are equally rich. He has so far authored and edited 23 books.

His notable works include *Stray Birds: A Collection of Poems*, *Mysticism in Tagore’s Poetry*, *Pain and Pleasure*, *Decolonization: A Search for Alternatives*, *American Transcendentalism and Indian Thought: A Comparative Study*, *Re-Thinking Gandhiji and Tagore’s Ideology*, *Culture, Civilization and Education*, *My Journey with Sai*, *Critical Essays on Literature*, *Henry David Thoreau and Indian Thought*, *The Life and After-Life of Mahatma Gandhi*, *The Life and Work of Pujya Bapuji*, and *Revisiting Rabindranath Tagore: A Contemporary Exploration*.

He has also made a noteworthy contribution to Gujarati literature. His work *Gandhi Vichar ane Sahitya Par Punarchintan*, along with Gujarati works on the life and contributions of Mahatma Gandhi and Pujya Bapuji, reflects his deep connection with Gujarati readers.

Active Presence at National and International Academic Platforms

Dr. Nagar has participated in academic conferences and research forums across various states of India as well as at the international level. He has presented research papers at numerous seminars and conferences and has served as an expert speaker and panelist.

He participated as a panelist at the 13th International Conference held at the Statue of Unity, Ekta Nagar, on the theme “Gen Z – Research, Education and Responsible Citizenship.” In 2025, he participated in the 27th AICP International Conference in Bali, Indonesia and in 2026, he participated in the 28th AICP International Conference on “Viksit Bharat 2047: Harnessing Educational Leadership.”

During 2026, he delivered a lecture at Marwadi University, Rajkot, on “English – More than a Subject: A Way of Seeing the World.” He has also delivered expert lectures during the Ph.D. coursework at Bhakta Kavi Narsinh Mehta University, Junagadh & Saurashtra University, Rajkot, covering topics such as the meaning, nature and scope of research, characteristics of scientific research, research outcomes and motivating factors for research.

Experience in Higher Education Administration and Policy

Dr. Nagar's extensive institutional and administrative experience is an important factor behind his new appointment. He served as a Senate Member of Saurashtra University from 2004 to 2017. The Higher Education Department of the Government of Gujarat appointed him as the District Coordinator for Porbandar district from 2008 to 2012, followed by his reappointment in March 2015.

In addition, he served as a Member of the Board of Governance of Bhakta Kavi Narsinh Mehta University, Junagadh, from 2019 to 2023. Since January 2024, he has also been serving as a member of the Academic Council and Executive Council, as well as Associate Dean (English) of the university.

Through these responsibilities, Dr. Nagar has gained extensive experience in institutional functioning, academic policy, administrative processes and quality enhancement in higher education.

Prestigious Awards and Honours for Academic Leadership

Dr. Nagar's contributions to education and academic leadership have been recognised by several prestigious institutions. His major awards and honours include:

2025 – Special Recognition Award, Grand Academic Portal

2024 – Best Principal Award, National Edu Trust of India

2017 – Felicitation, Dr. V. R. Godhaniya College

2017 – Best Principal Award, Rotary Club International

2016 – Shikshavibhushan Award, Saurashtra University, Rajkot

2001 – Diploma for a poem on "Colonialism," Edizioni Universum, Italy

These honours reflect the recognition received by Dr. Nagar at various levels for his sustained and multifaceted contributions to education.

Active Institutional Contribution to the Academic Life of Porbandar

Dr. Nagar has also undertaken several initiatives for the development of higher education in Porbandar. At Gurukul Mahila Arts and Commerce College, he initiated Study Circles and Saptadhara activities, which have been continuing since October 2017. He also coordinated Faculty Development Programmes from 2018 to 2025.

He has organised several national and international seminars in Porbandar and elsewhere. These have covered themes such as Gandhian thought and literature, Henry David Thoreau and Indian thought, folk literature of Porbandar district, the life and after-life of Mahatma Gandhi, Rajratna Shreshthi Shri Nanji Bhai Kalidas Mehta, and Pujya Dr. Savitaben N. Mehta. In 2026, he organised a national seminar on Letter Literature and also delivered the welcome address at the event.

A Tradition of Editorial Work and Academic Dialogue

Dr. Nagar has contributed to the dissemination of knowledge not only through books but also through the editing of various academic and institutional publications. He undertook editorial responsibilities for 16 issues of 'Jyotirgamaya' from 2009 to 2017. Subsequently, he remained associated with the editing of various issues of 'Gurukul Mahila College Newsletter' (2018-2026) as well as several issues of 'Gurukul Times' published from 2024 to 2026.

This work reflects his vision of education not merely as a formal process, but as an ongoing process of dialogue, reflection and exchange of knowledge.

New Responsibility: Adding Value to the Open University through Experience

Dr. Nagar's appointment to the Executive Council of Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Open University comes at a time when student-centric education, accessibility, technology-enabled learning, quality and inclusive education are receiving increasing importance in higher education.

His experience as the Principal of a recognised Learner Support Centre, along with his long administrative leadership as a principal, his work on various university councils and boards, his experience in research supervision, and his active participation in national and international academic activities are expected to provide valuable academic perspectives to the functioning of the Executive Council.

A Proud New Milestone in the Journey of an Educationist

A look at Dr. Anupamratanshankar Nagar's overall career reveals a harmonious blend of education, research, literature, institutional leadership and social-academic responsibility.

From beginning his journey as a teacher to serving as a principal, researcher, Ph.D. supervisor, member of university councils, district coordinator, experienced academic administrator and literary figure, his career has provided him with extensive experience across the diverse dimensions of higher education. His new responsibility as a Member of the Executive Council of Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Open University adds another significant and distinguished chapter to this journey.

Dr. Nagar's appointment has been warmly welcomed with congratulations and best wishes from the academic and literary communities, researchers, students, colleagues, and educational circles across Porbandar and Saurashtra.

Amid his achievements—including 35 years of academic and administrative experience, authorship and editing of 23 books, various research projects, supervision of 11 Ph.D. scholars, active participation in national and international academic activities and several prestigious awards and honours—his appointment to the Executive Council of Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Open University stands as another significant recognition of his academic leadership.

“Empowering Women Through Career Opportunities and Financial Independence

LIC Placement Drive Organised at Gurukul Mahila College under UDISHA

A Placement Drive was organised at Gurukul Mahila Arts and Commerce College, Porbandar, under the UDISHA initiative, with the objective of promoting financial independence and the concept of “Earning While Learning” among students.

In response to the initiative of the Knowledge Consortium of Gujarat (KCG), Government of Gujarat, encouraging colleges to organise placement drives to help students become economically self-reliant, Gurukul Mahila Arts and Commerce College organised a special placement programme in collaboration with the Life Insurance Corporation of India (LIC), Porbandar.

The programme was graced by Shri Deepakbhai Borse, Branch Manager, LIC, Porbandar, and Shri Nareshbhai Lakhani, renowned Development Officer and Branch Associate, who were present as special guests.

The programme commenced with a welcome address by Dr. Jayesh Bhatt. Thereafter, Shri Nareshbhai Lakhani provided detailed information on how women can build and strengthen their careers with LIC. He also elaborated on the Bima Sakhi Scheme, explaining its opportunities and scope. He assured the students who were interested in pursuing a career in this field of all possible guidance, information and support.

Following this, Shri Deepakbhai Borse, Branch Manager, explained how students can develop financial self-reliance through career opportunities with LIC. He briefed them about the various schemes, facilities and opportunities offered by the organisation and encouraged the students to work confidently and explore the possibilities available in the insurance sector.

The programme was organised with the inspiration and encouragement of the Principal, Dr. Anupam Nagar. Dr. Nayan Tank proposed the vote of thanks, while the programme was smoothly conducted by Dr. Bhargav Bhatt.

The programme received an enthusiastic response from the students. The informative session on financial independence and career opportunities inspired them to explore the insurance sector as a means of building professional confidence and economic self-reliance.



25 Years of Seva and Samarpan Celebrated at Gurukul Mahila College



Gurukul Mahila Arts and Commerce College, Porbandar, celebrated the spirit of “25 Years of Seva and Samarpan” with a meaningful and devotional programme inspired by the dedicated public service and leadership of the Hon’ble Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi.

As a symbolic expression of gratitude and dedication, around 100 lamps were lit on the college campus. The serene atmosphere was further enriched by the soulful rendition of devotional bhajans by the students and members of the college community.

The spirit of the celebration continued at the college hostel in the evening, where the students enthusiastically participated by lighting lamps and expressing their collective sense of gratitude, service and commitment.

The celebration reflected the values of seva, samarpan, unity and social responsibility, inspiring the students to contribute positively to society and to carry forward the spirit of dedicated service in their own lives.

