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GTU bags ASSOCHAM National Education Excellence Award 2013

Gujarat Technological University won National ASSOCHAM Award for University based Innovation Ecosystem: linking industry-academia and innovation.

Union HRD Minister **Dr. M.M.Pallam Raju** gave away the award at Delhi on 9th April 2013 .

GTU Innovation Council is only of its kind innovation movement in the country among all the 631 universities. It deals with more than 4 lac students and 17,000 faculties directly through its 25 Innovation Sankuls. Industrial Shodh Yatras started by 25 Innovation Sankuls have made a great deal of impact and 177 patents have been filed by students of various Innovation Sankuls during the last 1 year.

The award appreciates the contribution of 25 GTU Innovation Sankuls who have done grassroots level work by linking challenges, faced by MSMEs in 72 GIDCs of Gujarat, to academic colleges. More than 1900 industries from all across the state had claimed that they have been benefited from the work of the Final Year students, who had worked for the final Year project, based on solving the issues faced by the MSMEs during the last academic year.

More than 50,000 final year students do their final year projects, at various GTU Colleges, to solve the technical challenges of MSMEs of Gujarat every year and the students are given academic credit as incentive for it. GTU is the only such university, which has been able to make it happen on such a large scale.

GTU Innovation Council is having a dedicated team and having support from many stakeholders and especially young volunteers whose day and night effort has not only got this award but also got wider appreciation from universities across India and outside.

Prof Akshai Aggarwal, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor at GTU, Dr Gitesh Joshi , Registrar GTU and Mr. Hiranmay Mahanta , Managing Director, Techpedia received the award from Union HRD Minister , Dr. M.M. Pallam Raju at Delhi.

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