

# GTU INNOVATION COUNCIL

## GTU appoints 7 more Co-Chairmen from industry and academia for GTU Innovation Sankuls

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Venue: GTU Conference Hall

GTU Innovation Council appointed seven more co-chairmen for industry and academia in a meeting chaired by Honourable Vice Chancellor, Prof. Akshai Agarwal held at GTU Conference Hall. Prof. Agarwal assessed the work of various sankuls which were set up in the first phase. Dignitaries like Prof. N.G. Hiranandani , Prof. J.K.Rathod, Shri Dipak Shah, Mr. Ashok Panjwani, Prof. Jivraj Patel, Dr. K.N.Mistry, Dr .Hiren Patel and Mr. Hiranmay Mahanta were present, who shared their views based upon the initial experiments carried out at various Sankuls.



Prof. Ashok R. Pandya has been nominated as the Sankul co-chairman (Academic) in the Vadodara 1 Sankul . He shared some innovative strategies in linking institutions of various streams under each Sankul to harness the optimum potential of technical minds. He also shared his thoughts on inclusive Innovation Sankul development by appointing directors from all streams like Engineering, MBA, Pharmacy, MCA and Polytechnic. Mr. Deepak P.Shah was appointed as Co-Chairman (Industry) for Surendranagar Innovation Sankul. He shared his vision and thoughts in linking small industry clusters of central Gujarat and mapping their industry-defined problems from various floors. He stressed on the need for special efforts at the grass root level when the professional students start their academic work even at the first year level. He also said that he would be able to bring all the associations and chambers in the area into the Sankul. He also said that he would be able to use all the media for disseminating the information about the GTU Innovation Sankul widely.

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Mr. Ashok Panjwani has been nominated as Co-Chair (Industry) for Ankleshwar-Bharuch Sankul. He pointed out innovative strategies for reaching out to SMEs and scouting Industry Defined Projects (IDPs). Prof. Jivraj Patel suggested that in addition to the Principals/ Director, the managing trustees should also be invited to the Sankul meetings.

Dr. K N Mistry has been nominated as Co-Chair (Academic) of Surat Sankul. He shared his attempts for improving innovation quotient and skill parameters of each student. He suggested initial support to innovative works based upon the problem thesis submitted after the summer industrial shodh yatra.

Dr. Ajoy P. Bhattacharya (President, SGCCI) has been nominated as the Co-Chair (Industry) for Surat Innovation Sankul. Ms. Avi Sabavala (President, VCCI) has been nominated as the Co-Chair (Industry) for the Sankul Innovation at Vadodara -1.



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Kutchh Sankul Co-Chair (Academics ), Prof N.G. Hiranandani stressed the design and development of solutions for local needs in various part of the state and to to develop viable as well as sustainable projects for the industry. Professor Aggarwal appreciated the excellent work by Tolani Institute for Industry-Institute interaction and he said that Prof Hiranandani was required to play a bigger role in leading all the Colleges in the Sankul to have a closer inter-action with the industries.



Hiranmay Mohanti suggested creating sector-specific Sankuls (moving from geographic dividend to vertical dividend). Empathetic model of innovation scouting and development was widely discussed in the meeting. In needy areas correlations will be drawn to find out possible linkages between public policy, industrial requirement and ongoing research trend. Steps to avoid repetition of the same project without considerable value addition were widely discussed. The relay model of innovation was also discussed upon.

The Honorable Vice Chancellor, Prof Akshai Aggarwal suggested the following points while sharing visions and action agenda:

- To arrange a meeting of all college Principals/ Directors under each Sankul as soon as possible to design a road map for inclusive innovation agenda pertaining to a need based evolution.
- To ensure that all the Principals/ Directors are made aware of the concept fully and share their inputs while designing action agenda at each Sankul level so that every single faculty and student can be involved.
- To involve the industry co-chairman and his nominated members in each Sankul so that industry views point maybe known while forming concrete action agenda.
- To have periodic meetings of the Sankul Committee and regular meetings of each UDISHA Club Executive Committee.
- 30-40 students of pre-Final Year class may be allocated to a faculty member of each college for developing a strong linkage during the summer of innovation agenda. These



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6-7 teachers of each college will act as focal connecting points for communication along with the Udisha coordinators of the respective college.

- Problem statements (industry defined problems, IDPs) scouted from industry floor have to be assessed within the first month of submission at college (internal) level in a well-defined and transparent manner.



Mr. Ashok Panjwani, Co-chairman (industries), Ankleshwar – Bharuch innovation Sankul is sharing his views and strategies for developing inclusive innovation agenda.



Prof Akshai Aggarwal, VC, GTU welcomes Mr. Deepak P.Shah as co-chairman (Industry) for Surendranagar Innovation Sankul.

**GTU INNOVATION SANKULS**

1. Vadodara - 1: appointed on 16<sup>th</sup> April 2011  
Co-chairperson (Academic) Prof. Ashok R. Pandya  
Co-chairperson (Industry) Ms. Avi Sabavala (President, VCCI)
2. Vadodara- 2: appointed on 16<sup>th</sup> April 2011  
Co-Chairperson (Academic): Dr.Vilin P Parekh
3. VV Nagar-1: appointed on 16<sup>th</sup> April 2011  
Co-Chairperson (Academic): Dr.V N Kamat
4. VV Nagar- 2: appointed on 16<sup>th</sup> April 2011  
Co-Chairperson (Academic): Dr.F S Umrigar
5. Godhra: : appointed on 16<sup>th</sup> April 2011  
Co-Chairperson (Academic): Dr.Bharat B Mistry
6. Ankeleshwar – Bharuch: : appointed on 16<sup>th</sup> April 2011  
Co-Chairperson (Academic): Dr. J M Patel  
Co-Chairperson (Industry) : Mr. Ashok Panjwani
7. Junagadh: : appointed on 16<sup>th</sup> April 2011  
Co-Chairperson (Academic): Dr. Ved Vyas Dwivedi
8. Kutchh: appointed on 16<sup>th</sup> April 2011  
Co-Chairperson (Academic): Prof. N G Hiranandani
9. Valsad-Vapi: appointed on 16<sup>th</sup> April 2011  
Co-Chairperson (Academic): Sh. N M Patel
10. Navsari: appointed on 16<sup>th</sup> April 2011  
Co-Chairperson (Academic):
11. Mahesana: appointed on 16<sup>th</sup> April 2011  
Co-Chairperson (Academic): Dr.Prahlad Kulkarni
12. Himmatnagar: appointed on 16<sup>th</sup> April 2011  
Co-Chairperson (Academic): Dr.Natavarlal M Patel
13. Chhatral : appointed on 16<sup>th</sup> April 2011  
Co-Chairperson (Academic): Prof. M M Patel
14. Jamnagar: appointed on 16<sup>th</sup> April 2011  
Co-Chairperson (Academic): Prof. Siddharth B Jadeja

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15. Surendranagar: appointed on 16<sup>th</sup> April 2011  
Co-Chairperson (Academic): Dr.Gopal R Kulkarni  
Co-Chairperson (Industry) : Mr. Deepak P.Shah
16. Rajkot-1 (Shaper Veraval) : appointed on 16<sup>th</sup> April 2011  
Co-Chairperson (Academic): Dr. J V Desai
17. Rajkot-2 (Aji industrial belt) : appointed on 16<sup>th</sup> April 2011  
Co-Chairperson (Academic): Dr.R B Jadeja
18. Rajkot-3 (Metoda GIDC) : appointed on 16<sup>th</sup> April 2011  
Co-Chairperson (Academic): Dr.Sachin P Parikh
19. Surat: appointed on 16<sup>th</sup> April 2011  
Co-Chairperson (Academic): Dr. K N Mistry  
Co-Chairperson (Industry): Dr. Ajoy P. Bhattacharya (President, SGCCI)
20. Morbi: appointed on 16<sup>th</sup> April 2011  
Co-Chairperson (Academic): Prof. P C Vasani
21. Ahmedabad- Naroda: appointed on 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2011  
Co-Chairperson (Academic): Professor M.R.Patel  
Co-Chairperson (Industry): Sh. Shailesh Patwari
22. Ahmedabad- Vatva: appointed on 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2011  
Co-Chairperson (Academic): Professor M.N.Patel  
Co-Chairperson (Industry): Sh. Archish Shah
23. Ahmedabad- Gandhinagar: appointed on 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2011  
Co-Chairperson (Academic): Professor J.V.Dave
24. Bhavnagar
25. Patan