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### Surendranagar Innovation Sankul Co-chairs, Directors, Industry leaders decided to meet and review progress of Sankul activities every month to gauge the progress and initiate new measures to make the Sankul one of the best innovation ecosystem.

Each of the GTU Innovation Sankul has geared up to devise contextual action algorithms for developing practical action agenda to include every single MSME, student's team, professor, policymaker in the Sankul through various activities. To respond the call of Honorable VC, GTU Prof Akshai Aggarwal and to set new benchmark for developing a truly India class innovation ecosystem each Sankul authorities have tried to forge the gaps better way right from the starting of the academic year. Co-chair of Surendranagar Innovation Sankuls called a meeting to review the progress and a meeting was held **on 07/09/2012** at C. U. Shah Technical Institute of Diploma of Studies at 14:00 p.m. All the industry authorities from nearby GIDC and industry clusters also participated in this effort.

### **Minutes of Meeting**

- 1. Prof Nimit Shah , Udisha coordinator of C. U. Shah College of Engineering & Technology welcomed Mr. Hrinmmay Mahanta and other GIC members along with members of Surendranagar Sankul, and introduced Dr. K. H. Wandra Principal of C. U .Shah College of Engineering & Technology as the Co-Chair of Academics to other Sankul Member.
- 2. Prof Nimit Shah shared a report to Sankul Members regarding the various efforts made by C. U. Shah College of Engineering and Technology regarding various activities related to GTU Innovation Council and local innovation Sankul.
- 3. Dr. H. B. Bhadka of C. U. Shah College of Master of Computer Application shared success stories from various projects executed by Final Semester Students for creating website for various Municipal Schools of the district. All the participants appreciated the efforts and wished to scale up such activities across Sankuls where students can empower the mission of ITIA for improving ICT infrastructures of various users who usually do not afford such stuffs. Mr Hiranmay Mahanta, MD Techpedia shared the initiative o ITIA under the guidance of Honorable VC,GTU Prof Akshai Aggarwal.
- 4. Dr. Jivani Principal of C. U. Shah College of Pharmacy and Research discussed various research work done by their students and also suggested (specially for M.Pharm

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Projects) that a M.O.U should be done with local Pharmaceuticals Industries to bridge the gap of the resources for quality research work.

- 5. Prof K. H. Bhatt of C. U. Shah Polytechnic discussed the various Government Projects which were successfully implemented by the students of their institute along with respective agencies. He mentioned that students of the college have completed assignment worth 1.5 crore during their Shodh Yatra/summer project work. He mentioned that at early days even MSMEs were skeptical about the delivery capacity of young DE students but he proudly announced that now many industries are coming forward to pick their students for summer Industrial Shodh Yatra motivated by the legacy and successful projects done by DE students. He shared that by creating few successful projects and sharing them with all stakeholders within the Sankul more and more success cases can be created due to competitive inspiration.
- 6. Prof Jignesh Patel of SPIL , Limdi also made aware the Sankul members regarding the various activities undertaken by their Institute related to GTU Innovation Council.
- 7. Mr. Dipak P Shah Co-Chair Industry of Surendranagar Sankul welcomed Mr. Hiranmay Mahanta and other Innovation Council members for the meeting on behalf of Industries and assured all possible support from local MSME clusters and industry chambers.
- 8. Mr. Dipak P Shah along with other Industry representatives reassured their support and commitment to support students in every possible aspect. Fellow industry persons wished that each class must invite an industry person to the class room every month where the corresponding industry person can share his innovations and needs so that students can take appropriate measures to help them solve or suggest improving them. The Co-chair academic of the Sankul and other principals, udisha coordinators assured the industry representatives to take this task and to start inviting them to colleges right from next weeks.
- 9. Mr. Manish Mehta suggested that they would like to create a team of Mentors from the Industry which will interact with students of all Institutes on regular basis.
- 10. Dr. K. H. Wandra suggested developing a website for the Sankul and it was appreciated by all participants. All agreed that by developing an interface and improving inter process communications between various stakeholders of the Sankul a great part of efficiency of the ecosystem can be improved.
- 11. Mr. Dipak P Shah, Co-chair industries suggested all Institutes to form the group of students who are interested in enterperiurship so that these students can be helped with better resources. Mr. Hiranmay Mahanta, MD Techpedia shared that S4, (Student Start up Support System) has been developed at GTU Innovation Council chaired by Dr Akshai Aggarwal, Honorable VC, GTU to support the student start ups where innovative projects will be supported for entrepreneurship modules. All the participants shared

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that this timely initiative will certainly help the students in days to come to become job creators.

- 12. Dr. Roopam Gupta of C. U. Shah Medical College and Hospital informed about the various ICT based project they are being implementing with the collaboration of students and faculties Biomedical and other Departments of C. U. Shah College of Engineering & Technology. Mr. Mahanta shared that some ICT projects in similar line have been shared with MCA and others students at GTU Innovation Council and appealed that more and more such meaningful practical challenges have to be addressed by students and faculties via their final year projects.
- 13. Mr. Hirammay suggested encouraging students to develop new innovative solutions for the industry and to obtain the Patent for the same and share credentials of efforts and success with all stakeholders who meaningfully contribute to the innovations. Dr. K. H. Wandra suggested organizing this FDP for all the faculties to make them aware regarding various aspects of IPR. He assured that very soon a 1 day FDP on patent searching will be arranged for interested faculties of the Sankul. All the Principals applauded this initiative and ensured that all of their faculties will take part in such Endeavour to empower the mission of innovation Sankuls. It was decided by all the members that they will meet every month so that the various Sankul activities can be executed in more coordinated way.
- 14. The industry persons who participated during the meeting ensured that they will share a list of industry persons who would love to interact with students of various departments to share their innovations and challenges as per the invitation of various colleges.
- 15. The meeting ended with thanks followed by High Tea. The team decided to meet very month to gauge the performance of each college/udisha club and to accelerate in all possible areas. The Sankul team appreciated the efforts of all principals and ensured that given a call certainly all GIDCs, Chamber of Commerce and industries will certainly link the necessary resource supports.

The entire Sankul team participated during the meeting to develop action agenda for coming 100 days at the Surendranagar Sankul including industry authorities from various GIDCs and chamber of commerce and industries.

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