

A Report for the Workshop of Saturday, 5th April 2014:

Confluence: *The Art & Science of Designing Question Papers*

The workshop on the “Art & Science Of Designing Question Papers” was held at Gujarat Technological University, Chandkheda Campus, on April 5 2014. Dr. S. K. Bhagavan , Director-Learning and Development, MEFGI, Rajkot , and Dr Y.P Kosta were the experts for conducting the event. Around 40 persons, including the Deans, Principals of various colleges, and Faculty members of various branches attended the confluence.

Dr.A.K.Aggarwal, Hon’ble Vice Chancellor, gave an introductory speech explaining the basic idea regarding this initiative. He suggested that the evaluation of students can be done better if the questions, which demand rote-learning can be reduced. He added that the type of questions will decide the way of learning expected from the students. While concluding he said that Confluence is the third step for re-energizing the education system. The first was designing the syllabi according to the requirements of the industries and according to technological developments in the field. The second step was ALCE (Active Learning and Creating Excitement in laboratories , workshops and classrooms .)

Dr.S.K.Bhagvan discussed in detail the main criteria’s to be kept in mind while designing a question paper. He explored the aspects of LOT skills (the lower order thinking skills) and HOT skills (the higher order thinking skills). The participants then made groups and discussed regarding respective subjects and various possible questions requiring different thinking levels for answering them as expected from students.

In the second step of confluence, at least 02 question papers per subject per branch will be designed. The final outputs of such efforts will be then made available to students / faculties for reference.

PARTICIPANTS ACTIVELY ATTENDED THE EVENT			
1	Dr.Shital Shah	Principal	Parul Institute of Technology
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4	Snehal V. Trivedi	Assistant Professor	Parul Institute of Technology
5	Avani Raval	Assistant Professor	Hansaba College of Engineering & Technology
6	Dr N M Bhatt	Director	Gandhinagar Institute of Technology

7	Parth Patel	Assistant Professor	Hansaba College of Engineering & Technology
8	Krunal P Acharya	Assistant Professor	Government Engg. College, Godhra
9	Dr. Axay Mehta	Director	Gujarat Power Engineering and Research Institute, Mehsana
10	PANCHAL ESAN P.	ASSISTANT PROFESSOR	D.A. DEGREE ENGINEERING AND TECHNOLOGY
11	KuldipDodiya	Asst. Prof.	Gandhinagar Institute of Technology
12	Rathod Amar Dayaram	Associate Professor IC	Government Engineering College, Sector-28, Gandhinagar
13	Acharya JignaNavnitlal	Lecturer	K.D.Polytechnic,Patan
14	Vyas AlpabenRasiklal	Lecturer	M.L.Institute of Diploma Studies
15	Mr. Nilesh M. Sanghani	Lecturer	S.T.B.S. College of Diploma Engineering,Surat
16	vratraj	professor	faculty of engineering technology and research, Bardoli
17	Trunal J. Patel	Assistant Professor	C.G.Patel Institute of Technology
18	MR. NIKHIL K RIBINWALA	LECTURER	S.T.B.S COLLEGE OF DIPLOMA ENGINEERING, SURAT
19	BhaveshMevada	professor	
20	Sachin Parikh	DEAN	V V P
21	Dr. Siddharth Singh	Dean	L J MBA
22	Jatin H. Patel	professor	
23	YakutaKarkhanavala	professor	
24	Dr. Siddharth	professor	
25	Prof. DiptiChudgar	professor	

Extracts from the feedbacks:

- The initiative taken by the university is appreciable.

- It was suggested that the second step of Confluence may be arranged as early as possible so that the students can get the benefit earlier.
- The confluence is considered to be a self-development programme.