

A Cordial Invitation to a Workshop:**Confluence¹: *The Art & Science of Designing Question Papers*****Time:** 10 AM to 5 PM

GTU has taken initiative in the subject of designing question papers. As first step one such confluence was arranged at GTU, Chandkheda campus on 5th April, 2014. Now the event is planned further at Zonal level with following schedule.

<u>Sr.No.</u>	<u>ZONE</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>VENUE</u>
1	Baroda	26-04-2014	Parul Institute of Engineering and Technology, Waghodia
2	Surat	03-05-2014	Sarvjanik College of Engineering & technology, Surat
3	Rajkot	10-05-2014	Atmiya institute of technology & science, Rajkot

An examination paper should assess a student's understanding of concepts rather than evaluating the skills of rote-learning. Badly set or unbalanced question papers can put even the most carefully designed syllabi to shame and can act as a dis-incentive for attending classes and may not permit a great learning environment to develop.

GTU is initiating a new project – called 'Confluence: The Art & Science of Designing Question Papers' - with the objective of (i) designing guidelines for setting good quality examination papers and (ii) for each subject, preparing two sample question papers, which can be used to measure a student's competence in the whole of the syllabus of the subject well.

If you are interested in contributing to the massive but important project and if you want to participate in the first workshop, please register online before 24th April 2014, 06:00 pm at:

https://docs.google.com/a/gtu.edu.in/forms/d/1_TLND9egFbhcRqQX2tn5gjc-VGPYtSp_w1rC-zdh18/viewform

BACKGROUND: The Engineering scenario is an area where obsolescence creeps in very quickly and the changes are dynamic. GTU has been pro-active in keeping its syllabi up front and in ringing in the changes that keep the syllabi of Engineering & Technology right at the cutting edge.

After design of a great syllabus, the second task of a learning system is to bring excitement to the laboratories, workshops and class-rooms. The ALCE² project is designed to involve the whole of the GTU community – its students and faculty members- in bringing this revolution to the learning systems in our Colleges.

The third important project is 'Confluence: The Art & Science of Designing Question Papers'. All the academic leaders, who have given some thought to the need of the project are cordially invited to the workshop and to contribute to the important project.

Note: This phase of events are related to the implementation in BE and participants should select the zone in accordance with the college they belong to.

¹The name of 'Confluence' has been given to the project by Dr SK Bhagavan, Director- Learning & Development, MEFGL, Rajkot

²ALCE stands for Active Learning and Creating Excitement in the laboratories, workshops and class-rooms