

## GTU Vice Chancellor encouraged the students of Government Schools in "Shala Praveshotsav and Kanya Kelavani Mahotsav - 2015"

The Education Department, Government of Gujarat has invited the Vice Chancellor, GTU to take part in "Shala Praveshotsav and Kanya Kelavani Mahotsav - 2015" at Ahmedabad urban and rural division schools. The "Shala Praveshotsv" is a unique initiative of Shri. Narendra Modi, Hon'ble Prime Minister of India and former Chief Minister of Gujarat. The event is being organized successfully from last ten years with the prime objective of 100% enrolment of the children between the age group of 6 to 14 in Primary and Secondary education respectively.

This year, the Ahmedabad District Education office has organized the "Shala Praveshotsav" and "Kanya Kelavani Mahotsav" from 11<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup> June 2015 in schedule of 3 days at rural and urban areas of Ahmedabad. The Chief Minister of the State, Cabinet Ministers, MLAs, IAS officers of the state government departments, Vice Chancellors and other senior officials from the government bodies have participated in the Praveshotsav 2015 at various primary and secondary schools across the state.

On the invitation to take part in the event, the officiating Vice Chancellor of GTU Dr. Rajul Gajjar has participated in the "Shala Praveshotsav" and "Kanya Kelavani Mahotsav" – 2015 from 18<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup> June 2015 at the various Pre-primary, Primary and Secondary Schools of the Ahmedabad.

## **Objectives of "Shala Praveshotsav"**

- 100% enrolment in the 1<sup>st</sup> Standard
- 100% Literacy to the children between the age group of 6 to 14
- Encouraging Girl Education
- To obtain the awareness and cooperation from the society for the government schools
- To make the education as a responsibility of the society
- To make the school as a place of learning with joy
- To reduce the school dropout ratio and ensure that the child enrolled in standard 1<sup>st</sup> will complete the education up to standard 8<sup>th</sup> with utmost quality

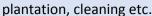
Dr. Gajjar visited total Nine Schools in three days. IAS Shri Sanjay Nandan Agrawal, Commissioner Additional Secretory Level, Dept. of Persons with Disabilities, Gandhinagar also joined in the visits of all the schools along with Dr. Rajul Gajjar.

The list of the schools visited is as below.

- 1. Thaltej Primary School
- 2. Sola Bhagvat Primary School
- 3. Sola Primary School
- 4. Bhadaj Primary School
- 5. Hebatpur Primary School
- 6. Indira Aavas Primary School
- 7. Chandkheda Pagar Kendra, Vistmata and Baglavadi Primary Shool
- 8. Gujarat Housing board primary school, Pashwnath Nagar
- 9. Motera Kuamr and Kanya Shala

The Schools have done very impressive arrangements to organize the program. The girls studying in primary standards have welcomed the guests with the beautiful hand-made welcome cards as per Indian rituals.





The students also demonstrated the different "Yogasans" as a prat of their training. Students demonstrated the 'Assans' with explanation of the health benefits by Yog and performed them in nicely synchronized manner.



In each school, the students have presented beautiful cultural performances on the "Gaurav Gan" and "Patriotic Song". In each school, the Girls have presented "Amrit Vachan" on Kanya Kelavani along with other topics like importance of Tree





As a part of "Pravesh- Utstav" Dr. Gajjar welcomed the children enrolled in Pre- Primary and standard 1<sup>st</sup> with chocolate and toffies. She also distributed the School Bags, Books, Fruits and Toys to the newly enrolled students.

The donors of the schools, social leaders of the village and the senior most person of the village also received the felicitation by Dr. Gajjar and Mr. Sanjay Aggarwal.

In her speech, Dr. Rajul Gajjar emphasized on the issues like Dropout ratio in primary education, Girl Education, Clean India Mission and Sustainable Quality Education. She encouraged the students to develop the curiosity and learning ability. She also suggested them to contribute in Clean India Mission starting from their own house and Class Rooms.

Dr. Gajjar advised the parents to ensure that the enrolled child continue his/her education up to graduation and post-graduation level. She shared that Government of Gujarat and Central Government have launched many schemes for the poor and needy children's education. So, the parent should learn about these benefits and try to provide highest education to their kids.



To understand the teaching methodology and the quality, Dr. Gajjar also interacted with the students. She advised them on the various aspects of the becoming ideal citizens. She appreciated their work and preparation in terms of the participation in various activities in Praveshotsav as well as the creative arts and learning models prepared by them in the creative galleries in each school.

Dr. Gajjar also took part in tree plantation at the end of the function at each school.



The overall experience of the "Shala Praveshotsav" and "Kanya Kelavani Mahotsav" – 2015 was remarkable. The team of the Block Resource Coordinator (BRC) and Cluster Resource Coordinator (CRC) have planned the schedule very effectively and coordinated with the participating dignitaries with utmost efficiency. The system of BRC and CRC has a great positive impact on the quality of teaching and infrastructure development at the government schools. The Principals and teacher of the schools are very enthusiastic and putting considerable efforts to strengthen the quality of education in primary schools. Few of the schools have some limitations of resources according to the surrounding residential areas and need to be enhanced. Overall, it was observed that the Stat Government has done notable job to achieve the 100% literacy with quality education and the initiative of "Shala Praveshotsav" and "Kanya Kelavani Mahotsav" have started giving its positive results as expected.







