GTU INNOVATION COUNCIL

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ALL MEMBERS, FGI

Sub: Creation of GTU Sankuls in Vadodara

Dear All,

We are pleased to inform you that Gujarat Technical University (GTU), one of the largest universities in Gujarat has embarked upon a very ambitious project of developing a new model of Industry- Institute collaboration based on innovation at the grass roots level. It has created a common platform for industry and academic institutions where the industry needs and academic curriculum are matched to complement each other. In this innovative approach GTU has created 25 Sankuls in Gujarat under the GTU Innovation Council. GTU Sankul Vadodara-II has been assigned to the Federation of Gujarat Industries for facilitating interaction with the industries and President, FGI has been nominated as the co-chairperson from industry for this Sankul.

The formation of Sankul Vadodara-II will operate through Parul Institute of Technology Waghodia and the Principal Parul Institute of Technology has been designated as the second co-chairperson representing academic institutions. Each Sankul consists of about 15 to 20 colleges who would send students and mentoring teachers to various industries to identify and assess specific problems and work out solutions. The student's team would be with the industry for about a semester or more to do a project as per the requirements of the industry. The multiplier effect of the whole exercise will surely result in win-win situation for industry as well as academic institutions.

May I invite all members of FGI and industry at large to make full use of such an opportunity which will not only benefit their own industry but also will contribute immensely to the industrial growth of the State of Gujarat? I sincerely hope that you will give full support to this initiative by participating in all interactions. Formal intimation will follow on confirmation of programme.

Once again I solicit your full support and cooperation.

Thanking you and warm regards,

Yours sincerely,

Geeta Goradia President, FGI