

GUBS ACTIVITIES 2016-2017

The activities of **Gujarat University Botanical Society (GUBS)** for 2016-2017 were formally inaugurated by Prof. R.J.Verma Head, Department of Zoology and Chief Guest for the function on Saturday 13th August- 2016. The new **TEAM GUBS**, under the guidance and support of Dr. Nainesh Modi, Staff- in- charge, GUBS for the year 2016-17, would coordinate various curricular, co-curricular and extra-curricular activities. Dr. Archana Mankad, Head, Department and Patron-GUBS welcomed the Chief Guest, Prof. R.J.Verma and provided a bird's eye view of the activities scheduled for the coming year. Prof. R.J.Verma inspired the students with his words of wisdom. The new Team was coroneted with Badges by Prof. R.J.Verma. The inaugural function was accompanied with icebreaking and a formal welcome of the new students in Botany, Bioinformatics and Climate Change Impacts Management courses.

The students of Climate Change Impacts management led by Dr. Megha Bhatt visited the GPCB labs and WASMO labs at Gandhinagar. They also visited BISAG at Gandhinagar.

The members of GUBS participated in the annual garba mahotsav during Navratri and won many prizes. The members also won prizes at the Gujarat University Alumni association garba.

It was indeed a great moment to witness the enthusiasm that filled the air during the Gujarat Science Congress at PDPU, Gandhinagar on 4-5th February 2017. **Ms. Swati Jayswal** from Botany Sem IV won the Minaxi Lalit Science Award : second prize in Botany. **Ms. Palak Sapra** from Botany Sem IV won the INSA Nobel Prize Presentations for Physiology and medicine in the UG/PG category : second prize

The staff and students of Department of Botany, Bioinformatics and Climate change impacts management participated and coordinated the celebration of **International Women's Day** on Wednesday, 8th March 2017 at the School of Languages, Gujarat University. The programme included a cultural programme, Quiz Competition, Audience participation and Prize distribution. The cultural programme coordinated by the Department of Botany, Bioinformatics and Climate change impacts management began with a prayer dance. Then the students presented a group song on the theme **HAPPINESS**- a musical portrayal of definition of happiness during childhood, youth and adulthood. This was followed by a skit on Swachata titled **TAMARU SU JAI CHE** a comic narrative of day to day happenings in most households with a powerful message of consequences of swachata. A fashion show based on the theme **AME GUJARATI** –evolving through times and yet retaining the vibrancy of colours and traditions, blending the ethnic and the trendy, the costumes that are our identity and pride were showcased in a very creative and stylish manner with music of Garvi Gujarat. A garba in its full gusto was presented with a visual delight of vibrant colours and exciting rhythms towards the end of the cultural programme. The Quiz competition coordinated by the staff and students of Department of Computer Science involved questions about identifying powerful women on the basis of clues. Anyone from the audience could answer and win a prize. The audience enjoyed it a lot. Then audience participated in the programme by voluntary poetry recital / singing songs etc. The Chief Guest Ms. Raksha Bharadiya, Vice Chancellor and President of the function, Dr. Himanshu Pandya were the dignitaries on the dais. Speaking on the occasion Ms. Bharadiya gave her unique perception and shared her opinion on the significance of celebrating women's day. Dr. Himanshu Pandya emphasized on the importance of respecting each and every one as a human. He highlighted the role of women in our lives and upheld their contribution in all walks of life. The Judges for various competitions during PRATIBHA 2017 were felicitated and the judges were

requested to further give away the prizes of the respective categories. Dr. Archana Mankad, Member Secretary, WDC-ICC presented the formal vote of thanks wherein in addition to thanking the dignitaries and participants, she also thanked all the powerful women in our lives who helped us in taking care of our families and our homes while we attended to our duties her, *our mummy, sasuma, rasoiane kaam karva wala ben*. The fun filled day ended with all enjoying sumptuous lunch.



Prayer Dance



Skit



Fashion Show



Garba



Group Song



Lighting the lamp



Welcoming Dr. Himanshu Pandya



Welcoming Ms. Raksha Bharadiya



Dr. Rajshri Bhatt - Welcoming the dignitaries



Dr. Savita Gandhi – About WDC



Prize distribution



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Ms. Raksha Bharadiya addressing the gathering



Dr.Himanshu Pandya : presidential address



Memorable Moment

The members of GUBS participated in the annual function of GUBS 2016-17 on April 7th , 2017. The programme included prize distribution to winners in various curricular, co-curricular and extra curricular activities during the academic year 2016-17. Prof. Himanshu Pandya , Honourable Vice Chancellor of Gujarat University was the distinguished chief guest for the function. Nostalgia filled the air as a very creative video showcased the events during the year. This was followed by floral and formal welcome of the guests and office bearers of GUBS. Ms. Riddhi gave a brief account of the activities as a report and also presented the treasurer's report. Speaking on the occasion, Dr. Pandya recalled his student days and his own achievements in GUBS events. The winners in various activities of GUBS were given certificates and prizes. Dr. Archana Mankad announced the Prestigious Golden Petal Awards of excellence, achievement, outstanding achievement, student of the year, Researcher of the year and Pride of the department. **GOLDEN PETAL AWARDS 2017**: GOLDEN PETAL AWARD

FOR ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT to: VIBHA BHINGRADIYA, CHIRAG PATEL, ANIMA TIRKEY, MAULIK PATEL , NEHA JHA, DRUSHTI BHATT, HEMANGINI PATEL, SWETA TRIPATHI, ALPESH AHIR, SANJUKTA RAJHANS, MITI PANCHOLI, POOJA PRAJAPATI, KAJAL SHAH, VISHWAJA THAKER, PRERANA TIWARI;GOLDEN PETAL AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN MANAGEMENT to: VINAL PATEL, DHRUV PANDYA; GOLDEN PETAL AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN MENTORING to ANCY FERNANDES, RUPESH MAURYA: GOLDEN PETAL AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN ENTERTAINMENT to SANDIP VADODARIYA ; GOLDEN PETAL AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN CREATIVITY to IMANUEL FRANCIS COLACO; GOLDEN PETAL AWARD FOR OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT to DRUSHTI BHATT, NEHA JHA, HARSHIDA GADHAVI, PALAK SAPRA, SWATI JAYSWAL; GOLDEN PETAL AWARD FOR STUDENT OF THE YEAR to DHRUV PANDYA; GOLDEN PETAL AWARD FOR RESEARCHER OF THE YEAR to CHIRAG PATEL; GOLDEN PETAL AWARD FOR PRIDE OF THE DEPARTMENT to DR. HIMANSHU PANDYA. The members wished farewell to the outgoing sem IV students and enjoyed hot spicy lunch.