

The Sabarmati

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Prof. Rama Shanker Dubey

Vice Chancellor's Message

I am pleased to announce the release of fifth and sixth combined edition of the CUG newsletter, titled "The Sabarmati" for the year 2021. Despite the COVID 19 pandemic, this period has witnessed the University entering a new phase of growth with significant expansion in its academic and extracurricular activities. To ensure holistic education with field-specific specialization as mandated in NEP 2020, the University has introduced specific courses aimed at integrated and overall development of the students. In addition, Schools and Centres started offering multidisciplinary courses open to students from any discipline. Constitution of Research and Development Cell, formulation of syllabus in terms of Learning Outcome Based Curriculum Framework, promotion of SWAYAM Courses by students with credit transfer facility, uploading of students' awards in the National Academic Depository, etc., marked the recent initiatives at CUG.

The 21st February 2021 has become a historic day in the evolution of the University when the Hon'ble former President of India, Shree Ramnath Kovind ji graced the third convocation of the university and announced the grant of Rs 743 crore for the construction of permanent campus of CUG on a 100-acre land at Kundhela village in Vadodara. I believe this new campus will immensely add to the core objective of educational programmes run at CUG.

I feel proud that our teachers and students have demonstrated excellent learning with accomplishment as reflected in their high-quality publications and increased involvement in disseminating the knowledge output to local, national, and international possibilities. Similarly, this period has witnessed many extra-curricular activities in sports, culture, NSS, EBSB and UBA.

I am sure hard work of our students, faculty members, and alumni are making a difference and contributing in many ways to the society and world.

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-प्रो. रमा शंकर दूबे
(कुलपति)



Academic Initiatives and MoUs

- A MoU was signed between CUG and Research for Resurgence Foundation, Nagpur on 25th January 2021.
- Centre for Gujarati Language and Literature launched Gujarati Basic Language Certificate Course from 22nd July 2021.
- A MoU was signed between CUG and Mahatma Gandhi Central University of Bihar on 26th August 2021.



- A MoU was signed between CUG and Naval War College, (NWC), Goa on 6 August 2021 under the ambit of School of National Security Studies (SNSS).
- A MoU was signed between CUG and Centre for Land Warfare Studies (CLAWS), New Delhi on 29th December 2021 under the ambit of School of International Studies, CUG.

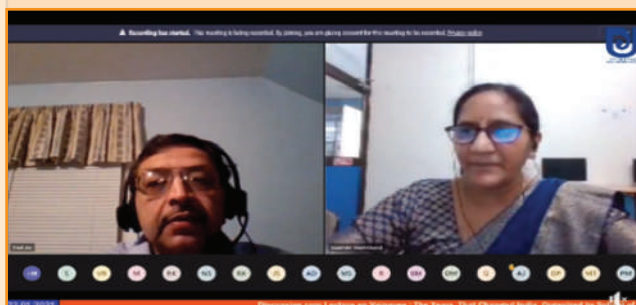
Conferences, Seminars, Workshops and Webinars

- National Service Scheme (NSS) and Internal Complaint Committee (ICC) in collaboration with Digital Shakti Initiative of the National Commission for Women, Facebook and Cyber Peace Foundation (a civil society organisation imparting training related to cyber security) organized a four-Day Workshop on “Digital Literacy and Online Safety” from 4th to 7th January 2021.



- Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) in association with Bhartiya Shikshan Mandal and PMMMNMTT (School of Education) organized a Round Table Discussion on “Making of New India: Prospects and Perspectives on Implementation National Education Policy 2020” on 8th January 2021.

- School of Library and Information Science organised Virtual International Conference on “Statistical Tools and Techniques for Research Data Analysis” (ICSTRDA 2021), during 21st-22nd January 2021.
- Centre for Chinese Studies (CCS), School of Language, Literature and Culture Studies organised a series of webinar titled “Chinese Studies: Opportunities, Challenges and the need for Capacity Building” from 15th February to 27th March 2021.
- School of Library and Information Science in collaboration with Centre for Professional Development of Teacher Educators, Pandit Madan Mohan Malviya National Mission on Teachers and Training (PMMMNTT), School of Education, Central University of Gujarat organised two day workshop on Literacy Initiatives for Bridging Readers and Resources Involving Educators and Schools during 27th-28th February 2021.

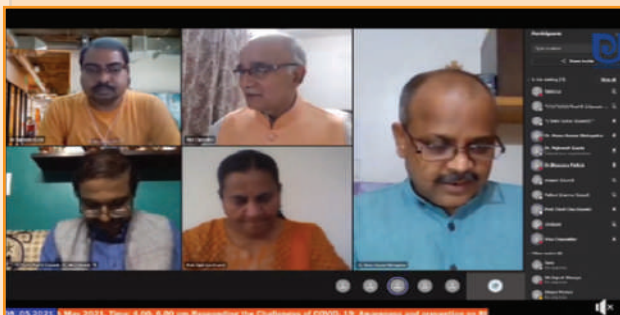


- Centre for Security Studies, School of National Security Studies & Centre for Policy Research in Education, School of Education jointly organised one-week online workshop for Teachers on “Understanding India’s National Security Challenges” from 8th to 14th March, 2021.
- IQAC in association with NITI Ayog and Bharatiya Shikshan Mandal (BSM) organised one day seminar on “Role of Teachers in National Education Policy (NEP) Awareness, Orientation, Challenges & Response” on 09th March 2021.
- Centre for Diaspora Studies in association with Centre for Policy Research in Education, PMMMNTT, School of Education organised two-day workshop on “Diaspora Studies in the Curriculum and Pedagogy of Indian Education System with Special Focus on NEP 2020” during 13th-14th March, 2021.



- Centre for Professional Development of Teacher Educators, Pandit Madan Mohan Malviya National Mission on Teachers and Teaching and School of Education organised online workshop on “Redefining Teacher Education & Rethinking Teaching and Learning” on 19th March 2021.

- Centre for Chinese Studies (CCS), School of Language, Literature and Culture Studies organised a webinar on “Assertiveness in Chinese Foreign Policy in the COVID Era: Is it Novel?” on 15th April 2021.
- Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat (EBSB), National Service Scheme (NSS) and Unnat Bharat Abhiyaan (UBA) organised a webinar on “Responding the Challenges of COVID-19: Awareness and Prevention” on 8th May 2021.
- Centre for Gujarati Language and Literature, CUG initiated distinguished lecture series to promote Gujarati literature and culture on the day of Akshay Tritiya on 14th May 2021.
- School of Education organised three day online workshop on “Methodology of Educational Research” from 24th to 26th May 2021.
- Internal Quality Assurance Cell in association with School of Language, Literature and Culture Studies (SLL&CS) organised webinar on “Corona kal me Media ki Bhoomika” on 31st May 2021.



- The School of Library and Information Science organised a webinar series titled WEAVE-2021 (Webinars to Engage Alumni through Virtual Environment) to engage the alumni of the school through various scholastic activities. The first webinar of the series was organised on the topic “Research Opportunities for LIS Students and Professionals” on 12th June 2021.
- Central Library, CUG organised Library Lecture Series. The first lecture of this series was organised on the topic “Research Communication” on 15th June 2021.



- Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat (EBSB), National Service Scheme (NSS) and Yoga Club jointly organized a webinar on “Importance of Yoga during Covid 19” on 22th June 2021.
- CUG and Bhartiya Itihas Sankalan Samiti, Gujarat jointly organised a discussion on “Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav Bhartiya Swatantrata Sangram evam Nav Bharat Nirman” on 26th July 2021.

- School of Environment and Sustainable Development organized five days' workshop on "Multidisciplinary Approaches of Environmental Sciences" from 27th to 31st July, 2021.
- A talk was organised by School of Social Sciences where alumni spoke on "Developing start up Ecosystem – University Interface for students on 31st July 2021.
- A seminar on "NEP-20: A Way Ahead" was organized on 26th August 2021.



- Alumni Cell, Centre for Diaspora Studies organized 1st CDS Alumni Cell Webinar on Sir Anreood Jugnauth- A Legend of Indian Diaspora on 25th September 2021.
- School of Social Sciences, Centre for Gandhian Thought and Peace Studies organised a webinar on 2nd October 2021.
- Centre for Sindhi Language and Literature organised the online book release program of "The Blended Roots (Story of Sindhis)" on 7th October 2021. The program was followed by a discussion on the book.



- PRABODH (Promoting Research Awareness in Biotechnology for Development of Human Resources) is an initiative taken by GBRC. Prof. Rama Shanker Dubey, Honorable Vice Chancellor discussed "Stress, Metal Toxicity and Tolerance in Plants on 16th October, 2021.
- CSST and SNSS in collaboration with Jean Monnet Module, Centre for European Studies, School of International Studies, JNU and Indian Centre for Cultural Diplomacy and Organisation of Diaspora Initiatives organised two- day International Conference on "Global Dynamics and Contemporary Challenges: Europe and India" during 20-21 October 2021.
- As a part of NEP 2020 Initiatives, IQAC organised UGC Consultative Round Table Discussion on Research and Development Cell: Scope and Significance in Universities on 12th November 2021.
- School of Library and Information Science organized Analects @ SLIS, a special lecture series from 15th to 20th November 2021 as a part of National Library Week 2021.

Awards And Recognition

- प्रो. आलोक गुप्ता को साहित्य अकादमी अनुवाद पुरस्कार-2019 प्राप्त हुआ।



- Smriti Mehrotra received Best Oral Presentation during an international conference on Advances in Sustainable Research for Energy and Environmental Management (6th-8th August 2021).

- Ashutosh Dubey got special mention award in poster presentation at 1st International Conference on Thin Films and Nanotechnology: Knowledge, Leadership, & Commercialization 24th-26th August 2021 (ICTN-KLC-2021) organized by Thin film Laboratory, Department of Physics, Indian Institute of Technology, New Delhi, India.



- Ritu Kumari Pilania was awarded full fund from IAEA to attend an international conference entitled “International Conference on Radioactive Waste Management: Solutions for a Sustainable Future” held at the IAEA headquarters in Vienna, Austria from 1st-5th November 2021.

- Prof. Dinesh Kumar, School of Chemical Science was figured among top 2 percent scientists of the world in the list prepared by Stanford-Elsevier based on the career-long bio-data and single year impact.



- Parashuram Sahoo, Ph.D. Research Scholar, Centre for Security Studies received First Prize in Field Marshal Manekshaw Essay Competition (FMMEC) from General M. M. Naravane, Chief of the Army Staff, Indian Army on 24th November 2021. The topic of the essay was Civil- Military Relations in India: Role of Military in National Security Decision Making.



- Ajay Neeraj and Parul Vats received best presentation award during International Webinar on Role of Transportation, Environment and Energy in Integrated Urban Planning 2021 organized by Central University of Jharkhand held during 25th-26th November 2021.



- Priyanka Patel, Centre for Security Studies, SNSS was awarded First Prize in the Field Marshal Manekshaw Essay Competition on National Security (December 2019) in the Issue Brief category held at Center for Land Warfare Studies, New Delhi.



Sports, Cultural and Other Activities

- Internal Complaint Committee (ICC) organised awareness campaign for “Eliminating Gender-based Violence” by Ministry of Women and Child Development, Govt of India & Ministry of Education, Govt of India in January 2021.
- Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat (EBSB), National Service Scheme (NSS) and Yoga Club in collaboration with Ayurveda College, Kolavada organised Kadha distribution activity on 3rd February 2021.



- Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat (EBSB) in association with National Service Scheme (NSS) and Yoga Club organised a Health Camp on AYUSH catering to Ayurveda, Yoga, Naturopathy, Unani, Siddha and Homeopathy. This camp was arranged in collaboration with Modern Ayurveda Hospital and Research Institute, Kolavada, Gujarat and Prayog Trust, Gandhi Ashram, Ahmedabad, Gujarat on 23rd March 2021.
- Central University of Gujarat organised vaccination drive in the campus on 29th April 2021 where all employees above 45 years of age got vaccinated.



- Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat (EBSB) organised a webinar on “Swatha Jeevan Shaili: Yog Pranayam evam Dhyani” on 29 July 2021.
- As a part of “Fitness Ki Dose Aadha Ghanta Roz” celebration walk and Yoga practice was organized jointly by Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat (EBSB), National Service Scheme (NSS) and Yoga Club of CUG on 29th August 2021.

- Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat (EBSB), National Service Scheme (NSS) and Unnat Bharat Abhiyaan (UBA) organised a poster making competition on SWACHHTA on 13th September, 2021.
- CUG celebrated Swachhta Pakhwada on 15th September 2021 with various programs.



- Under Swachhta Pakhwada, a seminar on “Water Conservation: Awareness & Responsibility” was organised on 15th September, 2021.
- Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat (EBSB) in association with National Service Scheme (NSS) organised Online Garba Training Program for the students of Guru Ghasidas Vishwavidyalaya from 30th September 2021 to 09th October 2021.



- Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat (EBSB) and National Service Scheme (NSS) organised poster making competition on Independent India @ 75: Self Reliance with Integrity” on 27th October 2021 during Vigilance Awareness Week.
- Integrity Pledge was taken by the staff of the CUG on 27th October 2021 during the Vigilance Awareness Week.
- Internal Complaint Committee (ICC), CUG organized an Online Round Table Conference in commemoration of eighth anniversary of notification of Sexual Harassment Act, 2013 on 9th December 2021.

EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Celebration of Commemorative Days

- Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat (EBSB), National Service Scheme (NSS) and Yoga Club jointly organized a talk on Youth and Nation Building on the occasion of National Youth Day on 12th January 2021.
- Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat (EBSB) and Centre for Gujarati Language and Literature jointly organised a talk titled “Swatantrata Senanai evam Prakar Rashtrabhakt Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose” on the occasion of parakram Diwas.



- CUG celebrated Republic Day on 26th January 2021.



- Internal Complaint Committee (ICC) celebrated International Women's Day on 8th March 2021 (IWD 2021) and organised lecture on “Women in leadership: achieving an equal future in a Covid-19 world.”
- Internal Complaint Committee (ICC) and National Service Scheme (NSS) observed Earth Day on 22nd April 2021. Theme of the year was Optimism in a world ravaged by both climate change and the pandemic.
- National Service Scheme (NSS) in association with Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat (EBSB) and Yoga Club observed World No Tobacco Day on 31st May 2021. A webinar was also organised on the account of the occasion.

- School of Environment and Sustainable Development organised a Poster Making Competition on the topic Ecological Restoration on the occasion of World Environment Day.
- Yoga Club and National Service Scheme (NSS) jointly organized International Yoga Day Celebration on 21st June 2021.
- Internal Complaint Committee (ICC) and National Service Scheme (NSS), CUG observed World Nature Conservation Day on 28th July 2021. Theme of the day was “Forests and Livelihoods: Sustaining People and Planet”.
- Central Library, CUG celebrated 129th birth anniversary of Dr. S.R. Ranganathan on 12th August 2021 and organized webinar on “Relevance of Dr. S.R. Ranganathan in the Information Literacy”.
- CUG celebrated 75th Independence Day on 15th August 2021. Various activities were conducted by Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat (EBSB), National Service Scheme (NSS) and Yoga Club.



- हिन्दी भाषा एवं साहित्य अध्ययन केंद्र द्वारा 14–21 सितंबर, 2021 के दौरान हिन्दी पखवाड़ा का आयोजन किया गया।



- Internal Complaint Committee (ICC) observed International Day of the Girl Child on 11th October 2021.
- National Service Scheme (NSS) and Jila Kanooni Seva Satta Mandal, District court Gandhinagar celebrated United Nations Day on 24th October 2021. As a part of the celebration a workshop cum special training camp was organized in the Sector-24 Boys Hostel under the banner of ‘Pan India legal awareness campaign and its outreach project’.

- Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat (EBSB) and National Service Scheme (NSS) organised a talk on “The Ideas of Vigilance: Integrity and Values” on 27th October 2021 during the Vigilance Awareness Week.
- On the occasion of Rashtriya Ekta Diwas (Birth Anniversary Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel), Run for Unity was jointly organised by Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat (EBSB), National Service Scheme (NSS) and Yoga Club on 31st October 2021. A lecture on “Relevance of Sardar Patel” was also organised.



- On the occasion of Chhattisgarh Day Celebration a webinar was jointly organized by Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat (EBSB), National Service Scheme (NSS) and Unnat Bharat Abhiyaan (UBA) on the theme of ‘Chhattisgarh after two Decades’ on 01st November 2021.
- CUG celebrated Constitution Day on 26th November 2021. Centre for International Politics organised a webinar on “The Making of the constitution of India” the same day.



- Internal Complaint Committee (ICC) organized a webinar on National Farmers Day on 23rd December 2021. The topic of the webinar was “Role of Women in Agriculture and Food Safety”.



• Mahamana Pandit Madan Mohan Malaviya Jayanti Samaroh was jointly organized by Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat (EBSB) and National Service Scheme (NSS) on 26th December 2021. Shri. Ganga Prasad Parsain, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor of Tripura University was the Chief Guest of the program.

• As per the notification from Ministry of Women and Child Development, Ministry of Education (GoI) and CUG organized Gender Championship Activities from December 2021 to March 2022.

New Teaching Faculty Induction in CUG Parivar



Dr. Pratibhaben G. Trivedi,
Assistant Professor,
Centre for Gujarati Language
and Literature, SLL&CS,
(Date of Joining -08.03.2021)



Dr. Deepak B. Bhatt,
Assistant Professor,
Centre for Gujarati Language
and Literature, SLL&CS,
(Date of Joining -09.03.2021).



Dr. Sangitaben B. Chaudhari,
Assistant Professor,
Centre for Gujarati Language
and Literature, SLL&CS,
(Date of Joining -09.03.2021).



Dr. Baldev C. Prajapati,
Assistant Professor,
Centre for Gujarati Language
and Literature, SLL&CS,
(Date of Joining -16.03.2021)



Prof. Pallavi Sharma,
Professor,
School of Environment
and Sustainable Development,
(Date of Joining -17.03.2021)



Dr. Shrish Kumar Tiwari,
Assistant Professor,
Centre for Strategic
Technologies, SNSS,
(Date of Joining -31.03.2021)



Dr. Sourabh Kumar,
Assistant Professor,
Centre for Strategic
Technologies, SNSS,
(Date of Joining -13.04.2021).

New Non-Teaching Faculty Induction in CUG Parivar



Shri. Udit A. Shah,
Junior Engineer (Civil),
(Date of Joining -22.01.2021)



Shri. Suresh Kumar Sharma,
Section Officer,
(Date of Joining -01.02.2021)



Shri. Shrikant Kumar,
Senior Technical Assistant
(Computer),
(Date of Joining -01.02.2021)



Shri Hariram Chandru Jaspal,
Security Officer,
(Date of Joining -23.02.2021)



Shri. Sanjay Kumar Sah,
Section Officer,
(Date of Joining -16.03.2021)



Shri Nilesh Kumar Babulal Soni,
Junior Engineer (Electrical),
(Date of Joining -01.04.2021)



Shri Kartik B Mehta,
Assistant Engineer (Civil),
(Date of Joining -27.04.2021)



Shri. Pawan Pathak,
Executive Engineer,
(Date of Joining -28.05.2021)



Mr. Manojkumar P Shahu,
Information Scientist,
(Date of Joining-01.10.2021).



Mr. Hiren Jerambhai Parmar,
System Analyst,
(Date of Joining 07.10.2021).

Third Convocation of Central University of Gujarat



The third convocation of the university was held on 23rd February 2021 at Main Convention Hall, Mahatma Mandir, Sector 13, Gandhinagar – 382016. Honourable President of India, Shri Ram Nath Kovind Ji was the Chief Guest and delivered convocation address. Hon'ble Education Minister of India, Shri Ramesh Pokhriyal 'Nishank Ji', Honourable Governor Shri. Acharya Dev Vrat Ji and Honourable Deputy Chief Minister Shri. Nitin Patel Ji were special guests at the event. The degrees were conferred to the students in the presence of Honourable Chancellor, Dr. Hasmukh Adhia and Honourable Vice Chancellor, Prof. Rama Shankar Dubey for completing their undergraduate, postgraduate and research programmes and become eligible for award of B.A., B. Voc., M.A. (2 Year and 5 Years Integrated), M.Sc., M. Lib. I. Sc., M.Phil. and Ph.D. The University awarded CUG Medals to the students securing highest mark in each UG/PG programme of the academic year 2018-19.



A total of 244 degrees were awarded including 73 PhD, 26 MPhil, 121 postgraduate and 24 undergraduate and 21 medals were awarded to students securing highest marks at UG and PG programmes. Honourable President of India told the graduating students to imbibe the culture of self-reliance, entrepreneurship and self-employment displayed by the people of Gujarat. Honourable President lauded the achievement of CUG that "55% of the students taking education here are girls and in Convocation Ceremony out of 23 medals, 13 are won by girls."







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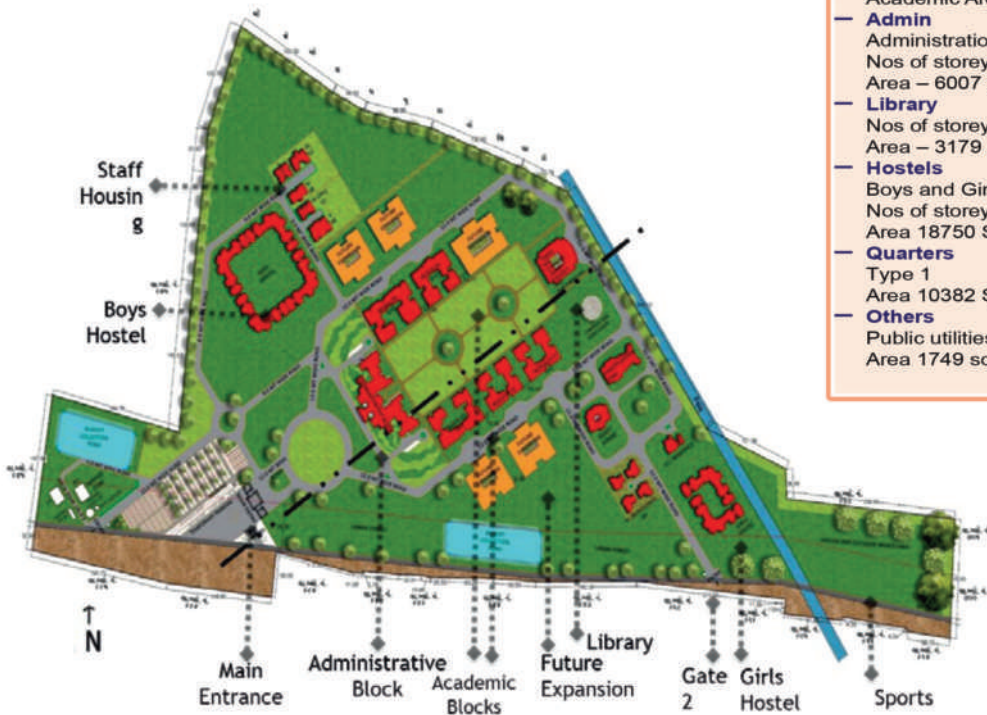
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Master Plan for Permanent Campus of CUG at Kundhela, Vadodara



- Plot Area**
100 Acre (404686 sq.m.)
Proposed area – 75000 sq.m
- Academic**
blocks – 5 Nos.,
Nos of Storey- G+2 & G+3
16 Schools / Programmes,
Academic Area – 33760 sq.m
- Admin**
Administration block,
Nos of storey – G+2
Area – 6007 sq.m
- Library**
Nos of storey G+1
Area – 3179 sq.m
- Hostels**
Boys and Girls,
Nos of storey G+4
Area 18750 Sq.m.
- Quarters**
Type 1
Area 10382 Sq.m.
- Others**
Public utilities & amenities
Area 1749 sq.m.

