

# GTU INNOVATION COUNCIL

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Special Message to every Sankul:

**Let every Sankul invite Grassroots Innovators to the Colleges/ Institutions.**

**Let our students and faculty members inter-act with the 'natural' Innovation Experts.**

GRASSROOT INNOVATORS: National Innovation Foundation, an organization supported by Department of Science & Tech, has done massive efforts to support the innovations by grassroots people and informal sector knowledge ecosystem. These innovators have been awarded by many institutions across the globe. The President of India has also been acknowledging their work (Please see <http://pratibhapatil.nic.in/pr090312.html> and <http://presidentofindia.nic.in/sp070313-1.html>). Leading B-Schools of the globe have invited and appreciated such innovators. As a Pilot project, GTU innovation Council had helped a couple of Colleges invite some of the outstanding grassroots innovators to interact with the students and faculty members.

**Let Us *Invite the* Champions of Innovation from Grassroots  
to Visit  
the Portals of Technological Education in Gujarat.**

- Let us invite them to our Engineering/ MBA/ MCA / Pharmacy institutions.
- Let us listen to them and learn from them.
- Let us help them scale up their ideas so that their products may reach the whole of the world.
- Let us help them with ideas about new materials, they might not have thought of.
- Let us discuss with them how the product and its manufacturing process can be improved.

**During this semester, every GTU Innovation Sankul must invite at least two Grassroot Innovators to the Institution to the institution/classroom/tech-fest/seminars/conferences.** The host Institution may arrange the local logistics. GTU Innovation Council will help connect innovators from with or outside Gujarat, once a request is received from an Institution.

*Let us jointly scout and validate further such innovations, bringing practical learning into classroom and inspire the young minds.*

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The respective colleges may intimate team GTU Innovation Council regarding the possible date/time/place for inviting such outstanding innovators nearly before 2 weeks so that we can be able to coordinate and help in bringing the best out of such efforts. GTU Innovation Council will also share the brief profile of such innovators with institutes/departments well before so that proper strategy could be designed by bringing suitable stakeholders into the interaction.

*This is a continuation...* GTU has taken many disruptive measures to forge linkages between industry-academia. The structure of 25 GTU Innovation Sankuls has been built and supported through GTU Innovation Council. The Colleges and Institutions have been asked to do the following:

- (i) Every Head of the Department must invite a well-known engineer/ leader of the industry for delivering a talk to all the students of the Department. This must be done very regularly so that every two weeks, such an inter-action must be arranged.
- (ii) Every Head of the Department must see that for mentors for all the IDPs are invited to visit the Department at least twice during a semester.

During these visits, an effort may be made to invite the Sankul Co-Chairperson or a nominee of his to preside over the talk.

GTU wants that the students should manage all the arrangements, with only some guidance from the Head of Department.

*Please see the next page for Action Flow.....*

**Action flow**

- Sankul/ Institution/ Department: fixes a date of such event and intimates GIC.
- GIC will connect to respective Sankul/ Institution/ Department
- Innovators will get an invitation from Sankul/ Institution/ Department.
- Innovators will visit the Institution. The institute will arrange the logistics of bringing the innovators.
- The host Institution will prepare a Report of the visit and send it to GIC.
- The host Institution may develop an action agenda for longer term involvement of the students and the innovators.
- A project to support the innovator in taking his/her/their innovation ahead can also be considered as IDPs/UDPs for a final year project.
- If both innovators and hosting college need further help the team GTU Innovation Council will further extend support in all possible means.
- GTU Innovation Council will give awards to those institutes, which connect students/innovators/faculties and help the grassroots innovators, who in general lack professional technical/managerial learning opportunities. GTU Innovation Council will recommend outstanding cases of work by students/faculties/ institutions for awards to appropriate state and national level organizations.

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