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Forum on 'GoG funded GNLU Projects: Research Outputs 2018' graced by Hon'ble Minister Bhupendrasinh Chudasama

Gandhinagar, May 10, 2018: GNLU Research & Publication Division organised a Forum on “GoG funded GNLU Projects: Research Outputs 2018” on 9 May 2018 to showcase and deliberate on the outputs and outcomes of the current Government of Gujarat funded Research Projects undertaken by Gujarat National Law University. The forum explored the opportunities to promote the dissemination and utilization of the interdisciplinary research findings, supported by primary data and tested through statistical methods, in presence of Shri Bhupendrasinh Chudasama, Minister of Education (Primary, Secondary and Adult), Higher and Technical Education, Law and Justice, Government of Gujarat. Hon'ble Minister asked the researchers to share their final report with respective departments of Government of Gujarat to strengthen the knowledge base that the government and its departments use in decision making, knowledge-based policy and overall strategic insight.

In an introductory session, Prof. (Dr.) Bimal N. Patel, Director, GNLU apprised the Forum on the subject matter of 15 GoG funded research projects which touches range of diverse and contemporary areas like Start-Ups, Digital Financial Literacy, Police Accountability, Sports Governance, IP Awareness, Social Entrepreneurship, NRIs etc. Professor Patel highlighted that GNLU is creating a strong and holistic research culture to impact socio-economic development, through empirically grounded policy interventions that are relevant to the needs of the society.

The following session included the presentations by Researchers wherein they summarized their findings with overall economic and societal impact of the research work supported by the GoG grant before the three external membered Panel [Research Assessment and Review Committee (RARC)] comprising of Prof. N. K. Pathak, Member Former Director, School of Law, Gujarat University; Prof. Rasananda Panda, Professor & Area Leader - Business Management, Mudra Institute of Communications; and Prof. Somdeb Lahiri, Professor, School of Petroleum Management, PDPU. The Panel assessed and evaluated the submissions, including the quality of research and further guided researchers on potential reach and significance of research impacts.

Interesting insights were shared by invited and nominated participants from various Government of Gujarat departments advising researchers in developing a strategy to put knowledge into practice.

In the end, Prof. Ranita Nagar, Dean Research & Publication, GNLU, expressed her gratitude to the Government of Gujarat and its various departments for their encouragement and support to this

collaboration between government and academia. She also extended her gratitude to RARC for sharing their valuable expertise and investing their precious time for the assessment and review of the projects. She congratulated all the research teams for successful completion of the projects with quality, hard-work and dedication.

The event was organised as a knowledge mobilization endeavour. GNLU remains committed that the research carried out at the University is effectively utilized and contribute meaningfully to the society. For any details and queries please contact Mr Soaham Bajpai, Assistant Professor of Law (sbajpai@gnlu.ac.in).

The Government of Gujarat-funded Research Projects at GNLU:

1. Study of the Statutory Framework and Functioning of Tribunals, Commissions & Authorities in India (Prof. (Dr.) Bimal N. Patel, Dr Jagadeesh Chandra T.G. and Dr Kalpeshkumar L Gupta)
2. Study of Factors Affecting Entrepreneurial Inclination among Undergraduate Students of Ahmedabad and Gandhinagar (Dr Viral Pandya and Mr Satya Ranjan Mishra)
3. Digital Financial Literacy Through Digital India: Study of its Impact in the Rural Areas of Three Districts of Gujarat (Ms Garima Goswami and Ms Anu Mishra)
4. Study on the Importance of the Police Accountability and its Impact on the Governance of Criminal Justice System in the State of Gujarat (Prof. (Dr.) Akil Saiyed and Mr Mradul Mishra)
5. The Role of Social Entrepreneurship in Promotion of Inclusive Development: A Case study of Selected Organisations in Central Gujarat (Dr Ambati Nageswara Rao)
6. The Key Development in Biotechnology and its Impact on the Society, and Creation of Techno-legal Awareness towards the Recent Trends in Biotechnology (Dr Anjani Singh Tomar, Dr Bindu Vijay and Dr Viralkumar B. Mandaliya)
7. Primary caretakers and Interparental Cross-border Child Custody Disputes- Should India sign Convention on Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction 1980? (Ms. Harsha Rajwanshi and Mr Soaham Bajpai)
8. Project on Sensitizing and Creating IP Awareness among Academicians (Prof. (Dr.) Akil Saiyed and Mr Soaham Bajpai)
9. Climate Smart Agriculture Addressing Food Security and Climate Change (Dr Viralkumar B. Mandaliya and Dr K. G. Patel)

10. A Study on Sports Governance and Policy in India: Current Issues and Challenges (Dr Richa R. Mulchandani and Mr Tarun Singh)
11. Mapping the Foreign Relation of Ancient Gujarat: A Legal, Political and Economic Analysis (Dr William Nunes and Dr Aruna Kumar Malik)
12. Creation of compendium on Legal Education Institutes (LEI) for the rejuvenation of legal education in the state of Gujarat (Prof. (Dr.) Akil Saiyed and Dr Kalpeshkumar L Gupta)
13. The Study of State Practices on Benefit Sharing under United Nation Convention on the Law of the Sea (Prof. (Dr.) Bimal N. Patel and MrsPrabhavati Baskey)
14. Harnessing Biodiversity & Nutrition by Postharvest Management of Fruits and Vegetables (Dr Saira Gori and Dr A Bishnoi)
15. Confronting the Security Challenges & Enhancing the Effectiveness of Criminal Justice System (Dr Saira Gori)