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### **MISSION STATEMENT**

*Beholder of light of knowledge that can manifest in human liberty, equality, justice and cultural values.*

### **STRENGTHS**

Quick Decision-making, Synergistic Approach to Management and Ambidextrous ability of Administration and Academics. Exposure to world class Universities and academic institutions.

### **PRESENT POSITIONS**

1. Professor & Head, Department of Human Resource Development (formerly: Research Methodology and Interdisciplinary Studies in Social Sciences), Veer Narmad South Gujarat University, Surat.
2. Honorary Director, Centre for Human Development Studies, Veer Narmad South Gujarat University, Surat.
3. Vice President, Gujarat Economic Association [2014 to till date]

### **EDUCATIONAL QUALIFICATIONS**

Ph.D. [Year Awarded: 1993] from University of Sussex, UK.

M.Phil. [Class: A Grade, Year Awarded: 1985] from Gokhale Institute of Politics and Economics, Pune.

MA [Class: First Class, Year Awarded: 1981] from M S University of Vadodara

### **SPECIAL EDUCATIONAL ACHIEVEMENT**

Received a **COMMONWEALTH AWARD** to study for **Doctor of Philosophy** in Economics at the **University of Sussex, UK**

### **PROFESSIONAL MILIEU**

#### **ACADEMIC**

- Working as a Professor since January 2005. More than 10 years experience as Professor in the Postgraduate Department in the University.
- More than 30 years of teaching and research experience.
- More than twenty-eight years of teaching experience at Postgraduate level [M.Phil., MA (Economics), MLW, MHRD MBE, MBA, MSW, and PGDRM] at Veer Narmad South Gujarat University, Surat.
- Conducted more than 30 teachers training programmes / workshops / FDP in research methodology, statistical analysis, and Economics.

#### **ADMINISTRATIVE**

##### **Important Positions**

- Dean, Faculty of Arts, Veer Narmad South Gujarat University, Surat [2006-2009].
- I/C Registrar, Veer Narmad South Gujarat University, Surat [2003-2004].

- I/C Dean, College Development Council, Veer Narmad South Gujarat University [2006-2010, Jan 2012 – Jan 2015].
- Co-ordinator, IQAC, Veer Narmad South Gujarat University [2006-2010, 2012-2013].
- Nodal Officer, All India Higher Education Survey, Veer Narmad South Gujarat University, Surat [2011-2013].

#### **MEMBERSHIP OF EDITORIAL BOARDS AND REVIEWERS**

- Managing Editor, Vishleshan (2016 onwards)
- Member, Editorial Board, Vishleshaka [2012 onwards].
- Member, Advisory Board, GUJARISSH, Bi-annual Journal of Applied Research in Social Sciences and Humanities. [2013 onwards]
- Executive Editor, Veer Narmad South Gujarat University Journal [2006-2009].
- Member, Editorial Board, Veer Narmad South Gujarat University Journal of Humanities and Social Sciences [2009 onwards].
- Reviewer, Journal of Quantitative Economics.
- Reviewer, Indian Journal of Quantitative Economics.

#### **PUBLICATION OF BOOKS**

1. Statistics for Economics, published by Popular Prakashan, **[2014]** (Jointly with M B Dave) (A textbook for MA Part-1, Sem-1).
2. Statistics for Economics, published by Popular Prakashan, **[2014]** (Jointly with D G Patel, Gaurang Rami and D L Varsani) [ISBN: 978-81-910491-6-9] (A textbook for MA Part-1, Sem-1).
3. Quantitative Methods in Economics, published by Popular Prakashan, **[2014]** (Jointly with M B Dave) (A textbook for BA 3<sup>rd</sup> Year, Sem-5).
4. SPSS in Simple Steps, published by DreamTech Press, New Delhi, (Jointly with Smruti Bulsari and Sanjay Sinha), **[Second Reprint: January 2014, Original Publication: 2012]**. [ISBN: 978-93-5004-251-9].
5. Economics of Telecommunication Development (Jointly with Smruti Bulsari), VDM Verlag Dr. Müller, Germany **[August 2010]**. [ISBN: 978-3-639-28928-2].
6. *SPSS for Beginners* in Gujarati (Jointly with Neha Seth and Smruti Bulsari), Popular Prakashan, Surat **[July, 2010]**. [ISBN: 978-81-910491-0-7].
7. *SPSS for Beginners*, (Jointly with Smruti Bulsari), Popular Prakashan, Surat **[January, 2009]**.
8. *Computer Applications in Economic Analysis*, (Jointly with Smruti Bulsari and N P Bhamore), Popular Prakashan, Surat (*In Gujarati*) **[January, 2007]**.
9. *Enjoy Statistics with SPSS*, (Jointly with Smruti Bulsari), Popular Prakashan, **[April 2005]**.
10. *Quantitative Methods in Economics* (Jointly with M.B. Dave), Popular Prakashan, Surat **[2005]**.
11. *Quantitative Methods, UGC sponsored work* (Jointly with M.B. Dave), 2<sup>nd</sup> revised edition, Popular Prakashan, Surat **[2005]**, First Edition 1999.
12. *Agrarian Structure, New Technology and Labour Absorption in Indian Agriculture*, Himalaya Publishing House, Bombay **[1996]**.

## RESEARCH PROJECTS

### Major

1. Human Development Report (Revised) for Surat District, A project sponsored by Government of Gujarat – UNDP [**February 2015**]. Principal Investigator
2. Human Development Report for Tapi District, A project sponsored by Government of Gujarat – UNDP [**March 2015**]. Principal Investigator.
3. Human Development Report for Surat District, A project sponsored by Government of Gujarat – UNDP [**March 2010**]. Principal Investigator.
4. A member of the research team of the project on *Socio-Economic Impact of Port Development in Gujarat*, carried out by Centre for Social Studies, Surat [**2003**].

### Minor

1. A Government sponsored project on “Impact Assessment of Social Welfare Schemes in Surat District” [**2010**].
2. UNDP sponsored project assigned by Government of Gujarat on “*Statistics and Data Gaps at District Level*” [**2009**].
3. UNDP sponsored project assigned by Government of Gujarat on “*Baseline Survey of Socioeconomic Infrastructure in Villages of Surat District*” (ongoing since September 2009).
4. A Project on Survey for Asian Climatic Change Resilience Network (ACCRN) for assessing the impact of climatic change in Surat city [**2009**].
5. Work satisfaction of Employees, A Project for Gujarat State Energy Generation, Hazira, Surat [**2009**].
6. A member of the research team of the project on Surat Flood Survey jointly carried out by the Department of Research Methodology & Interdisciplinary Studies in Social Sciences, Veer Narmad South Gujarat University, Surat and Centre for Social Studies, Surat [**2006**].
7. A member of the research team of the project on Socio Economic Impact of Cement Industry: A case study of *Ambuja* carried out by Centre for Social Studies, Surat [**2004**].

## WORKING PAPERS

1. *State of Elementary Education in Public Schools of Gujarat: A Study of Schools Run by Bharuch Municipality* (**2008**), published by Department of Research Methodology and Interdisciplinary Studies in Social Sciences, Veer Narmad South Gujarat University Surat, under Unassigned Grants Scheme of UGC, Working Paper no.4 [jointly with Madhusudan Raj].
2. *Measuring Efficiency of Indian Ports* (**2008**), published by Department of Research Methodology and Interdisciplinary Studies in Social Sciences, Veer Narmad South Gujarat University Surat, under Unassigned Grants Scheme of UGC, Working Paper no.3 [jointly with Krishnaraj Chudasama].
3. *India and Outsourcing of Services* (**2007**), published by Department of Research Methodology and Interdisciplinary Studies in Social Sciences, Veer Narmad South Gujarat University Surat, under Unassigned Grants Scheme of UGC, Working Paper no.2 [jointly with Jayesh Desai].
4. *Modelling Volatility of Indian Stock Markets* (**2007**), published by Department of Research Methodology and Interdisciplinary Studies in Social Sciences, Veer Narmad South Gujarat University Surat, under Unassigned Grants Scheme of UGC, Working Paper no.1 [jointly with Prashant Joshi].

## RESEARCH SUPERVISION

### Students Awarded with PhD

1. *The Role of Small Scale Industries in Economic Development South Gujarat* [Bhavesh Parmar, Registration No.2314, 08/04/2010]. Degree Awarded **2014**.
2. *Strategic Asset Allocation with Commodities Futures*. [Farzana Doctor, Registration, 2009] Degree Awarded **2013**.
3. *Perceived Quality of Work Life and Job Involvement among Employees of Selected Divisions of GSRTC* [Mehul Thakkar, Registration No.2280, 06/01/2010]. Degree Awarded **2013**.
4. *Social Economic Impact of SGSY Programme with special reference to Gujarat State* [Manoj Mishra, Registration No.2276, 06/01/2010]. Degree Awarded **2012**.
5. *Impact of Power Reforms: An Empirical Analysis of Performance of an erstwhile GEB in Gujarat* [Nilam Panchal, Registration No. 2312, 06/04/2010]. Degree Awarded **2012**.
6. *Gujaratni Nagar Palikaoni Arthik Paristhiti* [Hemant Dasharathlal Shah, Registration No. 1436, 12/02/2007]. Degree Awarded July **2011**.
7. *A Study of Competitiveness of Indian Outsourcing of Services Industries* [Jayesh Desai, Registration No. 2035, 05/11/2007]. Degree Awarded November **2010**.
8. *Malaria, Its Occurrence and analysis of Socio Economic Impact* [Gayatri Gheewala, Registration No. 2014, 2007]. Degree Awarded August **2010**.
9. *Nonmarket benefits of Education* [Madhusudan Raj, Registration No. 1438, 12/02/2007]. Degree Awarded **2009**.
10. *Stock Market Volatility: A Study of Indian Stock Market* [Prashant Joshi, Registration No. 1376, 12/02/2007] Degree Awarded: May **2009**.
11. *Telecommunications and Economic Development* [Smruti Bulsari, Registration No. 1873, 24/05/2005] Degree Awarded: **2009**.
12. *Economic Impact of Port Development in Gujarat* [Krishnaraj Chudasama, Registration No. 1399, 15/02/2005] Degree awarded: September **2007**.
13. *Equity Derivatives: An analysis of its functioning in India* [Dinesh Dhankani, Registration No. 1761, 5/6/04] Degree Awarded: May **2007**.
14. *Functioning of Stock Market and Economic Growth in India* [Kiran Shukla, Registration No. 1712, 9/1/04] Degree Awarded: April **2007**.
15. *Production Conditions in Indian Agriculture* [S Thirumagal, Registration No. 1386, 19/7/2000] Degree Awarded: **2007**.
16. *An Evaluation of Micro Health Insurance Schemes in India: A Case Study of Self Employed Women's Association [SEWA]* [Akash Acharya, Registration No. 1524, 9/11/01] Degree awarded: November **2004**.
17. *Population Growth: Micro and Macro Determinants: A study based on special reference to Surat* [Ashok Shrotriya] Degree awarded: **2002**.

### SELECTED RESEARCH PAPERS (Total Published Research Papers: 25)

1. PANDYA, KIRAN (**2014**), Volatility in Stock Markets of India and Canada in Select Issues in Macroeconomics: A Quantitative Approach, A Festschrift in Honour of Dilip Nachane, (Edited

Volume. Editors: Bandi Kamaiah, S V Sessaiah and GRK Murty) IUP Publication, Hydrabad (Jointly with Prashant Joshi).

2. ----- **(2014)**, Job Involvement in a State Transport Undertaking - A Case Study in India, AIMS International Journal of Management, Vol 8, Issue 1, pp. 1-19 (Jointly with Mehul Thakkar).
3. ----- **(2013)**, Quality of Work Life of GSRTC Employees, Sankalpa: Journal of Management and Research, Vol. 3, Issue 2, pp 54-65 (Jointly with Mehul Thakkar).
4. ----- **(2013)**, Job Involvement and Job Satisfaction – Are They Synonymous?, Indian Journal of Applied Research, Vol. 3, Issue 8, pp 353-355 (Jointly with Mehul Thakkar).
5. ----- **(2012)**, Growth Behaviour in Gujarat Economy: An Empirical Analysis, Vishleshaka: Biannual National Research Journal of Economics, Vol. 1, Issue 1 [ISSN: 2278 4675] (Jointly with Smruti Bulsari).
6. ----- **(2008)**, Measuring Efficiency of Indian Ports: An Application of DEA Approach, ICFAI University Journal of Infrastructure, Vol. 6, No. 2, pp 45-64 (Jointly with K Chudasama).
7. ----- **(2008)**, Exploring Movements of Stock Price Volatility in India, *ICFAI Journal of Applied Finance*, Vol. XIV, No. 3, pp 5-32, (jointly with Prashant Joshi).
8. ----- **(2007)**, Globalization of Higher Education, Journal of Veer Narmad South Gujarat University, Vol. V, pp 13-18. (Jointly with Jayesh Desai).
9. ----- **(2007)**, Telecom Service Development in Post-liberalization Period in India, *ICFAI Journal of Management Research*, Vol. VI, No. 4 pp. 73 – 81 (Jointly with Smruti Bulsari).
10. ----- **(2004)**, Macro-economic Impact of Port Modernisation in Gujarat, *Journal of Veer Narmad South Gujarat University*, Vol. II, pp. 1-11. (Jointly with Jyothis S.)
11. ----- **(2001)**, Reflection on Planning for Employment in Gujarat, A paper published in *GUJARAT – 2010; Challenges and Opportunities* [Seminar Volume] under Auspices of State Planning Commission, Government of Gujarat.
12. ----- **(2000)**, Agriculture Change and Rural Poverty, A paper published in a book edited by R C Choudhury and R P Singh **on Rural prosperity and Agriculture: Policies and Strategies**, Foundation Day Series, National Institute of Rural Management, Hydrabad.
13. ----- **(1997)**, Farm Size and the Intensity of Land Use in Gujarat, [Oxford Economic Papers](#), Vol. 49, No. 2, pp. 307 - 315. (Jointly with Andrew Newell and James Symons)
14. ----- **(1997)**, Imperfections in the Labour Market and its Implications for the Labour Absorption in Agriculture, [The Indian Journal of Labour Economics](#), Vol. 40, No. 2.
15. ----- **(1994)**, Employment Elasticity for Agricultural Sector in India, **ANVESAK**, Vol. 24, No. 2, July-Dec.
16. ----- **(1991)**, 'Inter-District Variations in Agricultural Production, Productivity and Area in Gujarat State'. **ANVESAK**, Vol. 21, No., December. (Jointly with B.V. Acharya).
17. ----- **(1987)**, Labour Absorption in Agriculture: Some Issues, **ANVESAK**, Vol. 17,

No. 1, June.

### **Capacity building activities**

1. Organized one week Faculty Development Programme in Economics during March 28 – April 2, **2016**.
2. Organized Faculty Development Programme in Economics during **March 2015**.
3. Organized Faculty Development Programme on Macroeconomics during **February 21-13, 2014**.
4. Organized workshop in Research Methodology in collaboration with Oxford University Press in **November 2014**.
5. Organized a Workshop in Research Methodology on **September 14, 2013**.
6. Organized a Faculty Development Programme on Microeconomics during **April 27-29, 2013**.
7. Organized a Faculty Development Programme on Policy Analysis in Economics during **February 25-27, 2012**.
8. Organized a workshop on Participatory Research: Methods and Applications during **March 12 – 13, 2011** (Jointly with Centre for Social Studies).
9. Organised State-Level Conference on Human Development in South Gujarat Region: Issues and Challenges on **March 21, 2010**.
10. Organised a workshop on Biostatistics using SPSS on **January 30, 2010**.
11. Organised a workshop on Statistical Analysis using Minitab on **December 20, 2009**.
12. Organised a workshop on Data Mining using PASW modeller on **October 06, 2009**.
13. Organised a workshop on Qualitative Analysis on **January 07, 2009**.
14. Organised a Training Programme on Advanced Statistics and Panel Data Analysis on **December 14, 2008**.
15. Organised a workshop on Regression and Time Series Analysis on **November 26, 2008**.
16. Organised a Training Programme on Statistical Analysis using SPSS on **October 7, 2008**.
17. Organised a workshop on Research Methodology on **September 10, 2008**.
18. Organised a Training Programme on Introduction to SPSS on **August 28, 2008**.
19. Organised TIES (The Indian Econometric Society) sponsored Workshop on Applied Econometrics and Time Series for faculty and research Scholars during **December 14 – 18, 2007**.
20. Organised ICSSR sponsored Workshop on Research Methodology and Quantitative Analysis for faculty and research Scholars during **November 20 – 24, 2007**.
21. Organized a Training Programme on Research Methodology for faculty and research students of Veer Narmad South Gujarat University [**December 2006 – March 2007**].
22. Organized a workshop on Statistical Analysis using Statistical Packages [**November 2006**].

23. Worked as a **Workshop Co-ordinator** in Gujarat Economic Association Silver Jubilee Trust Sponsored Work Shop on 'Statistical and Econometric Analysis using computer' for College and University Teachers and Research Students [November 16 – November 18, 2005].
24. Worked as a **Workshop Co-ordinator** in Liberty Silk Mills Sponsored Work Shop on 'Technical Analysis' for College and University Teachers and the students [October 09, 2005].
25. Worked as a Co-Coordinator in UGC Sponsored Refresher Course on 'Quantitative Techniques and Computer Applications in Economics' [October 14 – November 4, 2004].
26. Worked as a **Course Director** in ICSSR Sponsored Work Shop on 'Computer Applications in Social Sciences' for College Teachers and Research Students [May 26 – June 4, 2003].
27. Organised Work Shop on 'Computer Applications in Social Sciences' for College Teachers and Research Students [June 2002].
28. Organized 37<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of the Indian Econometric Society [April 2001].

#### **SELECTED CONFERENCE / SEMINAR PAPERS (Total Conference / Seminar Papers:50)**

1. Presented a key paper on 'Law and Economic Development' in Annual Conference of Gujarat Economic Association, organised by the North Gujarat University, Patan during February 19 – 21, **2016**.
2. Panellist in a session on 'Globalisation at Cross Roads' in Annual Conference of Gujarat Economic Association, organized by the Agro Economic Research Centre at Sardar Patel University, Vallabh Vidyanagar during February 13 -15, **2015**.
3. Keynote Address at the National Seminar on 'Rural Employment with Special Reference to Farm and Non Farm Activities' organized by the Department of Economics, Sardar Patel University, Vallabh Vidyanagar during January 2 – 3, **2015**.
4. Chaired a session at the National Seminar on 'Economic Development across Sectors –New Research Alternatives 'by the Department of Economics, M.K. Bhavnagar University, Bhavnagar held during December 17 - 19, **2014**.
5. Modeling Volatility in Indian Stock Market: A Study of BSE, a paper presented in the 51st Annual Conference of The Indian Econometric Society, Panjabi University of Patiala during December 12- 14, **2014** [jointly with Prashant Joshi and Smruti Bulsari].
6. Chaired a session at the National Seminar on 'Economic Development Across Sectors – Discourses on Theories, Issues and Policies 'by the Department of Economics, M.K. Bhavnagar University, Bhavnagar held during 7-8 March, **2014**.
7. Traffic Rules Awareness and Violations in Surat City, a paper presented in National Seminar on India's Urban Environment - A Changing Scenario, organized by Planning Commission's Centre for Planning in Research and Development (CPD), hosted by the Department of Economics, M S University of Baroda, Vadodara during January 17-18, **2014**.
8. Chaired a session at the National Seminar on Different Dimensions of Madhya Pradesh and Indian Economy: Challenges and Way Ahead, organized by the Department of Economics, Vikram University, Ujjain during January 11-12, **2013**.
9. Growth Behaviour in Gujarat Economy: An Empirical Analysis at the National Seminar on Gujarat Economy: Retrospect and Prospect organized by the Department of

Economics, M S University of Baroda, Vadodara during January 20-21, **2012** [Jointly with Smruti Bulsari].

10. Chaired a session at the International Seminar on Higher Education in the Year – 2020, organized by the Department of Education, Veer Narmad South Gujarat University, Surat & V T Choksi Sarvajanik College of Education, Surat during January 21-23, **2012**.
11. Chaired a session and also delivered invited talk in the 4<sup>th</sup> International Congress of Environmental Research, organized by the Sardar Vallabhbhai National Institute of Technology, Surat held during December 15–17, **2011**.
12. Reviewed Papers for the International conference Research in Management: Lessons for India, organized by The Tolani Institute of Management Studies, Adipur, Kutch during December 10-11, **2011**.
13. Volatility in Stock Markets of India and Canada, a paper presented at the 2<sup>nd</sup> International Conference on Applied Economics and Time Series Econometrics (ICAETE – II) at IBS, Hyderabad during April 16-17, **2010**.
14. Empirical Investigation of Stock Market Linkages using VAR, a paper presented in the 45<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of The Indian Econometric Society, University of Gauhati during January 8- 10, **2009** [jointly with Prashant Joshi].
15. Empirical analysis of co-movements of Indian Stock market with other stock markets, a paper presented in National Seminar On India's Macroeconomic Management in the Context of Global Slowdown organized by Reserve Bank of India Endowment Unit, M. S. University, Baroda on December 6, 2008 [jointly with Dr Prashant Joshi and Dr Umesh Naik].
16. Modelling Volatility of NSE of India, a paper presented in the 44<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of The Indian Econometric Society, University of Hyderabad during January 3- 5, **2008** [jointly with Prashant Joshi].
17. State of Elementary Education in Public Schools of Gujarat: A Study of Schools Run by Bharuch Municipality, a paper presented in the Gujarat Economic Association Silver Jubilee Trust sponsored seminar in memory of Shri V N Kothari, organized by Gujarat Vidyapeeth, Ahmedabad on December 8, **2007** [jointly with Madhusudan Raj].
18. Exploring Movements of Stock Price Volatility in India, a paper accepted for presentation in the 8<sup>th</sup> Econometrics and Statistics Congress of Turkey, INONU University, Faculty of Economics and Administrative Sciences, Department of Economics, Turkey during May 24-25, **2007** [jointly with Prashant Joshi].
19. India and Outsourcing of Services, a paper accepted for presentation in Hawaii International Conference on Social Sciences, Honolulu, Hawaii during May 30 – June 02, **2007** [jointly with Jayesh Desai].
20. Telecom Service Development in Post-Liberalization period in India, a paper accepted for presentation in Hawaii International Conference on Social Sciences, Honolulu, Hawaii during May 30 – June 02, **2007** [jointly with Smruti Bulsari].
21. Exploring the volatility of Stock Markets: Indian Experience, a paper presented in the 43<sup>rd</sup> Annual Conference of The Indian Econometric Society, Indian Institute of Technology Bombay, Mumbai during January 5- 7, **2007** [jointly with Prashant Joshi].
22. Farm Size and Labour Use: Some Reflections, a paper submitted for UGC sponsored seminar on 'changing Pattern of the Workforce in India in the new millennium – Policy Imperatives' organised by Department of Economics, Andhra University during December 30 -31, **2004**.



23. Reforms, Inequality and Power Relations, A paper presented in National Seminar on 'Experience With Economic Reforms in India' organised by Department of Economics, M S University of Baroda during February 1-2, **2002**.
24. Chaired a session in 38<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of the TIES, organized by the Madras School of Economics & Guru Nanak College, Chennai during January 14-16, 2002.
25. Trends in Poverty and Infrastructure Development in India, A paper presented at International Seminar on 'Development Issues of the Third World Countries' organised by the Department of Economics, Maharaja Sayajirao University of Baroda, November 22-26, **1999**.
26. Agricultural Change and Rural Poverty, A paper presented in a Foundation Day Seminar on 'Rural Prosperity and Agriculture: Policies and Strategies for the Next Millennium' organised by National Institute of Rural Development, Hyderabad, November 4-5, **1999**.
27. Sleeping on Social Sector, A paper submitted at National Seminar on Role of Government in Social Sector organised by the Centre for Research in Planning & Development, Department of Economics, M S University, Vadodara. February 27 - 28, **1999**.
28. Infrastructure Development in Gujarat: Achievements and Challenges, A Key paper presented at 28th Annual Gujarat Economic Conference, held at V S Patel College of Arts & Science, Bilimora, February 21-22, **1998** [jointly with P K Bhatt].
29. Employment Elasticity with Respect to Output in Agriculture in Indian Context, paper presented at VII<sup>th</sup> general conference, European Association of Development Research and Training Institute, Berlin (Germany) **1993**.
30. Rational Expectation and Short Term Ineffectiveness of Stabilization Policy, a paper presented at 18th Gujarat Economic Conference, Devgadbaria, 1988.
31. Labour Absorption in Indian Agriculture, a paper presented at 24th All India Econometric Conference held at Sardar Patel Institute, Ahmedabad, 1987.

### **DISSERTATIONS**

1. Doctoral thesis is on '*Agrarian Structure, New Technology and Labour Absorption in Indian Agriculture: An Empirical Investigation of Gujarat*'. The thesis was submitted to the [University of Sussex \(UK\)](#). Dr. Pramit Chaudhuri and Dr. Andrew Newell supervised the work.
2. M.Phil. Dissertation is on '*Labour Absorption in Agriculture: A Review of Literature*'. It was submitted to the Poona University as a partial requirement for the award of M.Phil. Degree. Dr. N. Rath, former [member of Economic Advisory Council of the Prime Minister of India](#), supervised the work.

### **Special Invited Lectures**

- Resource Persons for UGC sponsored Refresher Courses organized by
  - Academic Staff College, Punjabi University, Patiala.
  - Academic Staff College, Himachal Pradesh University, Shimla.
  - Academic Staff College, Gujarat University, Ahmedabad.
  - Academic Staff College, Sardar Patel University, V V Nagar.
  - Academic Staff College, Saurashtra University, Rajkot.

- Gujarat Vidyapith, Ahmedabad.
- Department of Economics, Veer Narmad South Gujarat University, Surat.
- Department of Education, Veer Narmad South Gujarat University, Surat.
- Resource Persons for the Seminar/ Workshops / Training Programme:
  - Delivered lectures in Faculty Development Programme in Economics organised by the Department of Human Resource Development, Veer Narmad South Gujarat University during March 28 – April 2, **2016**.
  - Keynote speaker in a seminar on Research Methodology organized by SPB English Medium College of Commerce, Surat on March 3, 2015.
  - Delivered inaugural lecture at the workshop on Dissemination of Census 2011 Data, organized jointly by the Department of Economics, Veer Narmad South Gujarat University and Directorate of Census Operations, Gujarat on September 5, 2014.
  - Inaugural lecture at Tolani Institute of Management Studies, Adipur, Kuchchh on August 25, 2014.
  - ICSSR sponsored Research Methodology Course for PhD scholars and Young Teachers in Social Sciences, organised by the School of Studies in Economics, Vikram University, Ujjain during December 6 – 15, 2013.
  - ICSSR sponsored workshop on Research Methodology in Social Sciences, organised by the Centre for Social Studies, Surat during December 6 – 22, 2005.
  - Workshop on Statistical and Econometric Analysis using Computer during November 16-19, 2005, sponsored by the Gujarat Economic Association Silver Jubilee Fund.
  - UGC sponsored National Level Workshop on Quantitative Techniques at Department of Economics, Maniben Nanavati Women's College, SNDT, Mumbai [22/06/2005]
  - Computer Applications in Research organized by Management Department for the students of Master of Business Administration [2004].
  - ICSSR sponsored workshop on Computer Applications in Social Science organised by Department of Economics, Veer Narmad South Gujarat University, during May 26 – June 4, 2003.
  - Five days workshop on Computer Applications in Social Science organised by the Department of Economics, Veer Narmad South Gujarat University, Surat.
  - ICSSR Sponsored workshop organized by Centre for Social Studies, Surat.

#### **PARTICIPATION IN CONFERENCES / SEMINARS / TRAINING PROGRAMMES / WORKSHOPS (Abroad)**

- Attended VII<sup>th</sup> General Conference, European Association of Development Research and Training Institute, **Berlin (Germany)** 1993.
- Attended an in service training course for lecturers and Research Fellows in Advanced Econometrics at the **University of Sussex** in Spring Term of 1992.
- Attended the Annual Conference of the **Royal Economic Society** organised by the **University of Warwick** in April 1991.

- Participated in Easter School for Graduates organised by the **Royal Economic Society** at the **University of York**, York during 20 – 27, March 1991.
- Attended several seminars at the **London School of Economics** organised by the Development Group Economists.

### **Major Contribution as an Academic Administrator**

I am instrumental and also directly involved in several new initiatives taken by the Department and the University. The department has introduced a five year integrated programme in HRD in the year 2015 which is very unique in the entire state. The course is expected to train HR professionals and meet the requirement of the industries. Besides, a course on CSR has also been introduced with a high potentiality to create more employment opportunities. In the capacity of the Head of the Department of Human Resource Development, very impressive initiatives were undertaken to make the Department very vibrant and fastest growing Department on the campus. In past ten years, eight new professional courses and courses related to research are introduced. Intake of students increased from 60 to 300 students. Shortage of faculty was met by recruiting new faculties from the funds raised by the Department. Renovation and expansion of the existing building was done from the funds raised by the Department. This can be a role model for other self-financed institutions.

I started working paper series for promoting research in the Department. Monthly magazine 'Explorer' for the students has been started to provide them platform for expression of ideas. Engagement of both students and faculty has increased through co-curricular and extracurricular activities. Interactions with industries have been strengthened. Faculty and the students regularly participate in NHRD net work and other forums in the region.

The department played very decisive role in capacity building of faculty through regularly organizing workshops, training programmes and faculty development programmes in different areas. Faculty are also involved in taking up research projects sponsored by the governments and industries.

Besides making academic contribution, I played key role in developing and setting up computer laboratories and libraries in both - Department of Economics and Department of Human Resource Development. I also played decisive role in making amendments in ordinances of the University that has far reaching consequences for improving the governance and quality of education. Besides, I played very important role in preparation and formulation of Plan Proposals for UGC since 9th Five Year Plan. While holding the additional portfolio of Registrar, several administrative changes were introduced and administrative units were restructured, keeping in mind, the future development in the use of information technology.

### **Personal Details**

**Native:** Village: Sigam Taluka: Jambusar (District: Bharuch), Gujarat

Date of Birth: January 12, 1960

Worked as assistant professor in different colleges in places like Dhandhuka, Ahwa and Dharampur.