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Trustees / Chairman / Director / Principal

**Subject: An Invitation for one day seminar on "Human values in Higher Education"**

Dear Sir / Madam,

Greetings from Gujarat Technological University!

Today the technical colleges focus more on teaching skills while the values and skills have to go hand-in-hand. There is essential complementarity between values and skills for the success of any human endeavor. It should also facilitate the development of appropriate technology and its right utilization for human welfare.

The content of Value Education can be to understand myself, my aspirations, my happiness, understand the goal of human life comprehensively; understand the other entities in nature, the innate inter-connectedness, the co-existence in the nature/existence and finally the role of human being in this nature/existence entirely. Hence, it has to encompass understanding of harmony at various levels namely individual, family, society, nature and existence and finally, learning to live in accordance with this understanding by being vigilant to one's thought, behavior and work.

Universal Human Value Education courses have been introduced at IIIT Hyderabad, IIT Delhi, Punjab Technical University-Jalandhar, IIT Kanpur, NIT Raipur, Somaiya Vidhyavihar-Mumbai and Royal University of Bhutan etc. as credit courses. Recently UP Technical University has also introduced it as a compulsory audit course for all its professional institutions. It has a very positive impact both on the students and faculty. The course designed is Universal, Rational, Natural, Verifiable, all - encompassing and leading to harmony.

The peace in the whole world would be restored and the human beings will be continuously happy if and only if the harmony at all the four levels i.e. harmony in self, family, society and nature is established.

Shri Prakash Javadekar, Hon. Minister , HRD has issued instructions to implement the course on Value Education at all IITs as the impact of introducing the Value Education course at 3 IITs on pilot basis was very positive.

**In view of this A One Day Seminar on "Human Value Education in Higher Education Institutes" is organized on 23<sup>rd</sup> April, 2017 (Sunday) at 09.15 AM in B0 Hall, Ground Floor, Gujarat Technological University, Chandkheda Campus, Ahmedabad - 382424.**

We are inviting Shri Somdev Tyagiji, a scholar on value education, Dr. Rajiv Sangal, Director, IIT (BHU)-Varanasi, and Dr. S. S. Ahluwalia, Director UHV & Ethics, Punjab

Technological University - Jalandhar to talk about the content and how the course was implemented at their universities/institutes.

Please accept our invitation and spare a day for the noble cause of introducing Value Education in colleges affiliated to GTU.

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With regards,

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