

Cultural Activities carried out by Gujarat Technological University

Gujarat Technological University is formed in 2007 to excel in technical education. In addition, it also wants to be a leader in various co-curricular activities like Cultural activities, Sports activities, Social activities, NCC, NSS etc for its students. GTU has started various cultural activities in the year 2011. Youth Festival is one of the important events. GTU is also planning various activities to preserve cultural heritage of India. **Virasat** – A program in this direction by SPIC MACY is approved this year by the Board of Cultural Activities. GTU wants to start many such activities. GTU wants to excel in this field also. **Your valuable input in context is very important for the improvement of these activities.**

I am herewith sending you details of Youth Festival along with participation in this regard. Youth Festivals in GTU are organized at Zonal level i.e. five zones separately for degree level institutes i.e. Ahmedabad, Gandhinagar, Surat, VV Nagar & Rajkot zone. Finally inter zonal competition is organized at last. Direct inter zonal Youth Festival is organized for Diploma level institutes. **Zonal Youth Festival & Inter Zonal Youth Festival** are conducted with **specific theme** in which University wants to give message to society. These themes may be Save Girl Child, Preserve Cultural Heritage; Environment etc University had organized three Youth Festivals till date. Brand name of youth festival of GTU is **“XITIJ”**. Youth Festival is organized at zonal level in the first stage where approximately 125 institutes & approximately 5000 students have participated at University level in the previous Youth Festivals. Approximately 20000 to 30000 students are competing at college level to represent institute in GTU youth festival.

GTU has organized Award Function to felicitate achiever of these activities. **Mr Abhijat Joshi**, Script Writer of **Lage Raho Munnabhai & 3 Idiots** remained present as Chief Guest in the function. He has given very good inputs to improve these activities. **Shri Yogesh Gadhvi** was remained present in the 2nd Award Function & tried to promote cultural heritage of Gujarat.



Total 23 events in five main categories are included in the first Youth Festival as mentioned in the table.

Sr No	Category	Name of Event
1	Music	Classical Vocal Solo (Hindustani or Karnataki)
		Classical Instrumental Solo (Percussion)
		Classical Instrumental Solo (Non-Percussion)
		Light Vocal (Indian)
		Western Vocal (Solo)
		Group Song (Indian)
		Group Song (Western)
2	Dance	Folk/Tribal Dance
		Classical Dance (Indian)
3	Literature	Quiz
		Elocution
		Debate
4	Theatre	One act play
		Skits
		Mime
		Mimicry
5	Fine Arts	On the Spot Painting
		Collage
		Poster Making
		Rangoli
		Clay Modeling
		Cartooning

GTU has made remarkable performance in Inter University West Zone & National Youth Festival. File is attached with this mail in which performance of students in these competitions has been described.