

# H L College of Commerce



Annual Report 2010-11

at

**Annual Day Celebrations**  
Thursday, 24<sup>th</sup> February 2011  
at  
H. L. Campus

Chief Guest  
**Mr Mukesh Patel**

Presented by  
**Dr Mona S Kelshikar**  
**Principal**

Good afternoon, Honorable Chief Guest Mr Mukesh Patel, Heads of Institutions on H L Campus, President and Secretary of H L Alumni Association, Invited Guests, Faculty members, Administrative staff. It gives me immense pleasure to cordially welcome you all to the Platinum Jubilee Annual Day Celebrations.

Standing astride this year the college looks back in retrospect at the 75 years of its journey with pride and satisfaction and looks forward with excitement to adapt to new initiatives in teaching and learning pedagogy as well as student empowerment.

During this momentous year that was full of a flurry of activities and an avalanche of achievements, we were hopeful of having two eminent personality like Mr Mukesh Patel as our chief guest and Mr Parthiv Patel as our Guest of Honour. We shall miss the presence of Mr Parthiv Patel who has sent his apologies due to last minute changes in his playing schedule.

## **Shri Mukesh Patel**

An eminent International Tax expert, an Eloquent Public Speaker, a dedicated Professor, a Popular Columnist, a versatile Author, an Articulate TV anchor, an extensive globe trotter, an Accomplished Photographer, a Centurion Blood Donor, and a champion of worthy causes these are a few epithets that describe the multifaceted personality of Mr. Mukesh Patel.

A well known public figure, he enjoys the honour and distinction of having been conferred with several International Awards and Recognitions including 'Outstanding Speaker of the Twentieth Century', 'The Friend of NRIs Award', 'The Indo-Japanese Friendship Award & Imperial Medallion', 'The British Red Cross Salutation 'Hall of Fame Acclaim on the World Academy Of Speakers', 'Outstanding Young Professional Of The World', 'Honorary Fellowship of the World Assembly Of Youth' and 'Honorary Life Membership Of the International Tax Bar Association.' He is the recipient of "Outstanding professional of Gujarat Award".

He is a visiting professor at the IIMA and a weekly columnist on direct tax laws in the leading dailies 'Sandesh', 'Gujarat Samachar', 'The Times Of India' and 'Ahmedabad Mirror'. He has devoted 32

years to journalism and has contributed more than 2700 articles in Gujarati and English.

His widely acclaimed annual publication in Gujarati, 'Practical Tax Planning & Ready Reckoner' has been a record best seller ever since its release in 1979. He has authored several books on Taxation- 'Save Tax', 'Smart Strategies for Tax Planning' and 'Axe your Tax and relax', to name a few.

As an institution builder, he has groomed and nurtured several leading institutions with his dynamic vision and leadership during his Presidential Tenure, prominent among them being the AMA, GCCI, Indo-Japan Friendship Association, IT Bar Association and the Tax advocates Association. He has actively served on the Managing Bodies of apex organizations such as FICCI, ASSOCHAM, ICC & AIMA and has also been a Director on the Board of Zydus Cadila, Hitachi, Sandesh, etc. He has also served as the chairman of the board of directors of the Ahmedabad Stock Exchange.

A champion supporter of the Red Cross and the Voluntary Blood donation Movement, He has himself donated blood for 125 times. He has also supported the setting up of 'Mukesh M. Patel – AMA Academy for Public Speaking and Personality Development'.

I request our General Secretary Mr Jigar Soni, to offer a bouquet and a memento as a gesture of our respect to **Mr Mukesh Patel**.

We also have some very special invitees with us and we would like to offer them a floral welcome. Our Cultural Secretary Ms Bhavna Moryani will felicitate Prin. G.A.Pathak, Director HLCPE.

Our Debate Secretary, Miss Nigar Khan will felicitate Prof. M T Patel Prin H L Institute of Commerce.

Miss Vaibhavi will felicitate Prof. Mrs. H. D. Trivedi Director B. K. Majmudar Institute of Business Administration.

Miss Namrata Dave, our Ladies Representative will felicitate Prof. B.V.Mehta, Director H. L. Institute of Computer Application and AES Post Graduate Institute of Computer Studies.

Mr Dhruv Kapadia will felicitate President of our H L College Alumni Association Prof K D Shah.

Miss Shweta Pal will felicitate Secretary of our H L College Alumni Association Shri Sandip Duggar.

Today I have the rare privilege of presenting to you the glorious annual Report of our H L College of Commerce in the Platinum Jubilee Year.

As a college we have always stood for excellence and excellence according to me:

“is the result of caring more than others think is wise,  
dreaming more than others think is practical,  
and expecting more than others think is possible”

It is that extra effort we make to shape our students characters and hone their latent talents that makes our college the preferred destination for the top scorers at HSC exams. For the First Year BCom admissions our cut off this year was 81%.

Performance has been a tradition at HLCC and once again our students have lived up to our expectations with brilliant academic performance.

Somjiyani Hareshkumar Ishwarlal bagged the Shri Chimanlal Chhotalal Chokshi Scholarship Prize & Smt. Dhankorbai Ratanchand Vatamanwala Prize for topping the Gujarat University at F Y BCom exams.

Kazi Shana Shirajuddin bagged the Shree Balubhai Girdharlal Medal for securing the highest marks in Adv. A/c & Auditing at the Gujarat University F Y BCom exams.

At TYBCom Shah Vishrant Upendrabhai bagged Late Rai Ashabhai Hargovindbhai Smruti Medal for Business Law.

Ms. Jain Priya Kanaiyalal has secured the Shri Hargovandas Lakshmichand Medal for securing the 1<sup>st</sup> rank in the MCom exams at Gujarat University.

At the First B Com we had a pass out rate of 86.67% with 213 securing 1<sup>st</sup> class,

at the Second B Com our pass out rate was 93.78% with 165 securing 1<sup>st</sup> class,

at the Third B Com our pass out rate was 97.37% with 238 securing  
1<sup>st</sup> class,

At M.Com our pass out rate was 98.01%.

At HLCC, all faculty members and administrative staff work in tandem to motivate and boost the talents and capabilities of our students by providing them a vista of activities to choose from, sports being one of them. In our Platinum Jubilee Year our students with their persistent perseverance and unparalleled expertise have outshone their earlier performances, even at the national and International level.

In skating Jainam H. Shah participated at the International as well as National and Meet Shah participated at the Nationals.

Jaydev Unadkat represented India in a test match against South Africa earlier this year. He represented Kolkata Knight Riders in the IPL and was also declared Man of the Match in one of the matches. This year again he will be representing Kolkata Knight Riders in the IPL matches.

Others who played at National level in cricket are Manpreet Juneja, Rush Kalariya, Ms. Mehal Shah.

In Badminton – Tejas Shah, in Athletics – Devanshi Patel, Jasmika Soni and Hemani Vyas, Table Tennis – Kushal Shantani, Karan Shah, Basket Ball – Sheena Chawla, Ursula Cecil played at the Nationals.

There is a scintillating galaxy of 30 stars of HLCC who have represented the Gujarat University at the National Level by participating at Inter University Competition.

The haul of championships that HL'ites have won this year is a staggering 24.

### In Badminton

Boys: Inter College Championship  
Inter Zonal Championship  
Girls : Inter College Championship  
Inter Zonal Championship

### Table Tennis

Boys: Inter College Championship  
Inter Zonal Championship  
Girls : Inter College Championship  
Inter Zonal Championship

### Swimming

Boys: Inter College Championship

### Basket Ball

Boys: Inter College Championship  
Inter Zonal Championship  
Yash & Raj Inter College Championship  
Under 19 Blossum Cup Championship  
Under 19 Maxa Cup Championship  
Girls : Inter College Championship  
Inter Zonal Championship  
Yash & Raj Open Championship  
Swarnim Gujarat State Championship

### Cricket

Boys: Inter College Championship  
Inter Zonal Championship  
Chimanbhai Patel Inter College Championship  
CBC Inter College Championship

Soft Ball

Boys: Inter College Championship

Athletics

Girls : Inter College Championship

We have RUNNERS-UP position in 5 events namely Swimming, Basket Ball, Volley Ball, Soft Ball & Hand Ball.

**Our students have achieved spectacular success even in the arena of cultural activities.**

**Youth Festival:**

Youth festivals organized by Gujarat University have always been prestigious criteria to judge the level of students in co-curricular activities. In the current academic year, I am happy to share with all of you, that our students have bagged prizes in 13 different events at the Ellisbridge North Zone Youth Festival.

**The events INCLUDE:** Folk Dance, Mimicry, Collage, Group Song Indian, Light Vocal, Elocution, Classical Dance, Debate, Extempore, Cartooning, On the Spot Painting, Poster Making & One Act Play.

AT THE INTER-ZONAL LEVEL our college participants have emerged as **winners in as many as 4 events**. Namely Group Song, Mimicry, Extempore & Debate. Yash Danak represented Gujarat University in Poster Making, at the Inter University West Zone Youth Festival at Gwalior.

The **Orators' Podium Club** has involved itself in a flurry of activities and has swooped up a staggering number of prizes that include 2 trophies at state level events, 11 first prizes, 6 2<sup>nd</sup> prizes & 6 3<sup>rd</sup> prizes at Inter Collegiate Debate, Elocution & Essay

writing events organize by different colleges. Most remarkable among these achievements are the lifting of coveted Mahadev Desai Vijaypadma by Jainil Shah and Ijan Vaidhya and the Pustak Gyan Pratibha Shodh Trophy won by Dharti Shah and Yatiksha Chauhan. The scintillating orators with noteworthy feats this year are Jainil Shah who won five 1<sup>st</sup> prizes and Dharti Shah who picked up 3 1<sup>st</sup> prizes at Inter Collegiate events.

Besides encouraging participation our Orators' Podium Club has also organized two major state level Debate competitions namely the HLCC and Rotary Club of Ahmedabad Inter Collegiate Debate Competition and the Prestigious Mahatma Gandhi Elocution Trophy competition. They also organized the S.C. Dwivedi Inter class Elocution Trophy. To inculcate the reading habit and enhance inclination and understanding for literary works, a Book review competition was organized by the college to mark the Platinum Jubilee Year of the college and the Diamond Jubilee Celebration of Gujarat University.

**“Jhankar Beats Dance Club”** began its activities with “Dance Dhamaka”, an event that was organised especially for motivating the freshers’ to take part. Our students participated in Josh an inter-collegiate competition. Our students won the 1<sup>st</sup> prize in Folk

Dance Competition held under Swarnim Gujarat at HLCC and picked up the 2<sup>nd</sup> prize at the Garba Competition conducted by J. G. College of Commerce.

**The Rainbow Palette Club** organised two Poster Making Competition on the theme of Friendship and on World Aids Day. Noteworthy achievements of members at Inter Collegiate level are Yash Danak's 1<sup>st</sup> prize in Poster Making & Cartooning and Hemali Chokshi 1<sup>st</sup> prize in Poster Making. Our students performed exceedingly well at the inter cluster level competition in Fine Arts conducted by our college under Swarnim Gujarat. Our Rainbow Pallette Club organize a one day workshop on Clay Modeling & Collage this year.

**The Theatre Artist Club** aims at developing the theatrical skills of the students and usually begins its activities with a theatre workshop. The students are imparted basic training in stage co-ordination, script writing and role playing.

A team of students presented a one-act play at the 'Veena Vely' Competition conducted by H. K. Arts college. Under Swarnim Gujarat Natyadhara One-Act Play, Skit and Mono Acting

competitions were held at HLCC. Our students bagged 1<sup>st</sup> prize in One-Act Play and Second prize in Skit and Mono Acting.

Our college regularly plays host to all colleges of Ahmedabad by organizing an inter-collegiate Raga N Rock, music and dance competition.

The **Harmony Music club** organized the Raga 'N' Rock ,where Our students picked up the 1st prize in Duet Singing, and Solo singing. They also received a 2nd Prize in GROUP SONG at RAAZMATAAZ, organized by HLBBA. We also secured 1st Prize in the Swarnim Gujarat Group Song competition conducted by HLCC.

The **Info-Strings Club** organizes various lectures and seminars, to enhance the theoretical knowledge of our students. This year our students secured:

First prize in AD-MAD and Second Prize in CASE ANALYSIS at Concourse 2010 hosted by BKMIBA, First Prize in SWARNIM GUJARAT QUIZ (Cluster Level), Second Prize in CASE ANALYSIS at VISHLESHAN hosted by NRIBA.

A two days workshop on Tally ERP 9 & Personality Development

was conducted recently in association with India Can –A Pearson Educomp Company.

Our **HL Times team** has been working energetically to bring out WALL ISSUES on themes like Friendship day, Independence Day, Rakshabandhan, Teachers day, Swami Vivekananda Jayanti, Uttarayan and Exams.

They also expanded their horizon and launched an innovative 'Talking wall' in our Library specifically to increase the foot fall and visit in our library.

The motto behind it was, "if the students can't talk in library, LET THE WALLS TALK!!!" The quiz contest arranged at the launch received an over whelming response. During this event, the members of HL times received books sent from Chief Minister's office, as a congratulatory present.

## **EXPRESSIONS :**

Our Annual Cultural festival – Expressions this year exuded the mood of Platinum Jubilee Exuberance. Through the “Expressions” every year we promote healthy competition amongst the students, and provide them with a platform to express their creativity in Intellectual and cultural areas and an opportunity to hone their skills.

We also inculcate in our students an inclination towards social service through NSS and we bring about personal all development, instill patriotic fervor and discipline in our NCC cadets.

## **NCC:**

Our NCC Company helped organize the Flag Hoisting on the campus and celebrate the Independence Day as well as Republic Day with aplomb.

14 of our cadets secured ‘B’ Grade in the Certificate ‘B’ Examination and 2 of our cadets secured ‘B’ Grade in the Certificate ‘C’ Examination held in 2010 under the authority of Ministry of Defense, Government of India.

Our Cadet Thakkar Yatesh C was selected for IGC-1 organized by

NCC Gujarat Directorate in preparation for 26th January 2011

Republic day parade at New Delhi.

One of our Cadets got the first prize in NIAP at the Special National Integration Camp at Sri Nagar, Jammu & Kashmir.

13 Cadets attended the Army attachment with 85 Brigade at Chiloda, Gandhinagar. 3 Cadets attended the Pre-RDC Camp. 3 of our cadets were selected for a Special Quarter guard at National Integration camp at Sanand and 3 cadets have attended National Integration camps in Karnataka, Andhra Pradesh and Orrisa.

Three of our cadets have attended a Basic Leadership Camp at Nagpur, and participated in events like quarter guard, firing and secured 2nd position.

### **NSS:**

N.S.S students held:

1. Blood donation camp in collaboration with the Indian Red Cross Society,
2. Environmental awareness program and tree plantation was organized in collaboration with AMC.
3. AIDS Awareness programme and exhibition was organized in collaboration with AIDS control society Ahmedabad.

4. NSS wing helped the blind students by being readers and writers at their various examinations and in collaboration with APPROACH, an NGO held educational programme to teach under-privileged children.

5. A Special Seven Day Camp was organized at Kanipur village near Dehgam, Gandhinagar where activities like:

Economic and Social survey, Cleanliness Campaign, Competition of home decoration, Lecture and show on “superstition and snakes”, Blood donation camp, Wall-posters and slogan writing, Resurfacing the village road, Programme on Horticultural and agricultural gardening and Women Empowerment programme were held at the village

### **FACULTY ACHIEVEMENTS:**

At HLCC the faculty also believes in updating themselves, to be in tune with the current developments in the world.

#### **Prof. S. S. Shah**

Chairman of Ahmedabad Chapter of ICWAI. He is also the Chairman of Professional Development committee of WIRC of ICWAI. He has attended 3 National Seminars on Recent Developments in Accounting, Finance & Taxation, and Chaired 1 session for IFRS.

## **Dr. N. J. Chaniyara**

Presented a paper on “Health & Fitness Centre - A Boom for Health & Fitness in Modern Society” at a National Seminar on Physical Education, Sports Management & Sports Sciences organised by Gujarat State Uni. & Colleges Phy. Education Teachers Association in collaboration with P.R.B. & P.G.R. Com. College.

He was elected as a Hon. Secretary for State Uni. & Colleges Physical Education Teacher’s Association and nominated as Convener for formulating syllabus for Physical Education in Semester System at Gujarat University for B.P. Ed course.

## **Prof H R Bharucha**

He attended a Teachers Training programme by California Hypnosis Institute of India at Port Blair and was invited by California Hypnosis Institute of India to teach “Advanced Integrated Hypnotic Modalities for Health Resolutions” at Kolkata.

Republic Day Parade and flag hoisting ceremony at the Gujarat University under the leadership of Lt H R Bharucha. He is also appointed as one of the board members to conduct the “B” Certificate exam of NCC under the Defense Ministry of India.

## **Prof K V Vachharajani**

Prof. Kinnari Vachhrajani completed 10 week online course on ‘Best Practices in ELT offered by the Distant Education

department of American English Institute of University of Origan, US. She received a free scholarship for the course and completed it with a 95.20 grade point. Her a project prepared as part of the course has been evaluated as an exemplary project.

### **Dr N S Bhavsar**

She presented a paper titled IFRS a tool for Global Convergence of Accounting standards in a international seminar organised by S D School of Commerce and attended a state level seminar on “Evolution of Cost Accounting Standards and their Relevance in Globalised world” organised by ahmedabad chapter of ICWAI and GUATAA.

### **Dr P B Shah**

Was a member of organizing committee of FDP for Statistics Professors organized by Gujarat Statistical Association and H. L. College of Commerce at HLCC.

Made an on-line presentation of his research paper “Form-A new Cricket Statistics” at MTMI International Conference at Taiwan.

Attend an International Congress on “Productivity, Quality, Reliability, Optimization and Modelling” jointly organized by Indian

Statistical Institute, Quality Council of India & Defence Research and Development Organization.

His book “Business Research Methodology” for M.Com. students has been published by B. S. Shah Prakashan. He was nominated as President of Rotary Club of Ahmedabad Mahanagar.

### **Prof V M Bhatt**

He attended a state level seminar organized by Gujarat Uni. & North Gujarat Uni. Business Management Teachers’ Association on “Cyber – Crime v/s Management & Corporate Lobbying in global perspective”, an International seminar jointly organized by Indian Accounting Association and School of Commerce, Gujarat Uni. on Accounting International Financial Reporting Standards, Corporate Governance and Business Ethics.

This year HLCC has reached a milestone – the 75<sup>th</sup> year.

A grand event was organized with Rotary Club to launch Platinum Jubilee celebrations on friendship day. Our Chief Guest Mr. Karthikeya Sarabhai, Director, CEE launched the first annual issue of HL times. The event was symbolic of friendship between the privileged and under privileged individuals, for which HL'ites collected a generous donation in cash and kind. It also symbolized friendship with environment that got manifested through release of 75 caged birds and planting of 75 saplings.

As a part of the year long celebration, a felicitation programme was arranged by the college to express our gratitude to past principals and faculty members, whose unstinting contribution has enriched our legacy. Mementoes were presented as token of our love and affection by our Chief Guest Shri Prafull Anubhai, Member of the Governing Body of the AES and by Shri Naishadbhai Parikh, Hon. Secretary of the AES. Our past HLCC singers got together to present a “Sugam Sangeet” evening to re-ignite the memories of the past.

An inter-collegiate treasure hunt program that was based on the theme of heritage was organized as a part of our platinum jubilee

celebrations. We made an attempt to generate amongst the youth a sense of curiosity for our heritage sites, to inculcate an understanding of their significance and instill a sense of responsibility towards their preservation. The Mayor of Ahmedabad Mr Asit Vora flagged off the treasure hunt and Mr P K Gosh, Chairman of Heritage Conservation Committee of AMC was the guest of honor.

Our H L College Alumni Association paid a grand tribute to their Alma Mater by organizing a full day programme of interactive sessions & talks by eminent personalities. This gala programme was inaugurated by Shri Saurabh Dalal Minister of State for Gujarat for Energy & Petrochemicals, Finance, Planning, Mines & Minerals, Salt Industries who incidentally is also our Alumnus. The keynote address was delivered by Shri Rooshikumar Pandya an eminent motivational speaker of international repute.

The session of “Going down the memory lane” was laced with by emotive speeches by alumni who had specially come from far off places.

This was followed by a musical evening presented by our past students who are making waves in the entertainment industry.

I am happy to put on record that this programme received an overwhelming response from our Alumni, many of whom are at the pinnacles of their respective careers. Our current students, of course, received the exposure and opportunity of interaction during this event.

The H L College Alumni Association also organised a Platinum Jubilee Mini Marathon that received an enthusiastic response from our current students as well as Alumni.

Our past cricketers came together with a programme on the occasion of the platinum jubilee. They felicitated all the past and present principals and faculty and the grounds man. To commemorate the occasion a friendly cricket match was played to reconnect with the spirit of HLCC cricket. Members from the 1950 batch like Shri Vinubhai Panchal to the current international cricketer Jaydev Unadkat of the 2010-11 batch played in the match.

As I complete the Annual Report of a very fulfilling Platinum Jubilee year, it is befitting that I bow to the founding fathers of the Ahmedabad Education Society who worked with a sense of sacrifice, social concern and a desire to remain in the national mainstream even as they worked for the cause of education in Gujarat. I acknowledge the efforts of all the past principals and faculty members of the college under whose able administration and exceptional teaching capabilities the college has flourished and been nurtured. It is a result of their untiring efforts and strong support of the AES that today we have inherited this legacy, and my colleagues and I constantly endeavour to work for the ideals of excellence handed down to us. I am grateful to the Director of AES, Shri B. M. Shah and the Heads of the institutions on campus for the guidance, inspiration and support they have provided throughout the year. I also extend my thanks to the H. L. College Alumni Association for organizing the Platinum Jubilee Meet of H'Lites and all the other activities organized during the year which have been of special benefit to our students and the Alumni members. I also thank the cricket club, all the stakeholders – faculty members, staff and all my students for putting in joint efforts to make this year - a scintillatingly successful Platinum Jubilee Year 2010-11.

Thank you all for a patient hearing.