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## SMT. R. M. PRAJAPATI ARTS COLLEGE



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**National Conference** 

On Indian Knowledge System

1<sup>st</sup>& 2<sup>nd</sup>September 2023



## **Conference Report**

Shri Babulal Pumanchand Shah managed Smt R M Prajapati Arts College, Satlasana and Association of Indian College Principals successfully hosted 26th two Days National conference on Indian Knowledge System on 1st & 2nd September 2023 at the Bhagvati Resort, Aburoad, Rajasthan.

The presence of dignitaries from Gujarat and other states, the principals of all Indian colleges, the president and the secretary of the Governing body, the research scholars, the sponsors, all came together to make the conference successful. The conference was applauded for three business sessions, one round table discussion along with the Inaugural and valedictory session. The two days conference offered opportunities to the participating audience to interact with academicians, scholars, resource persons and experts from all over India who covered topics around the main as well as the sub themes of Indian Knowledge System. The views expressed and explored on this platform by the resource persons key note speaker and paper presenters made the audience rethink ideas in our day to day life.

The conference owes its success to the able guidance of the president of Association of Indian College Principal Dr.Sanjay Vakil the Principal of Smt. R. M. Prajapati Arts College Satlasana Dr.Jayesh Barot and the hard work put in by the entire team of college.

The Honorable Chief guest and the President of Shri Babulal Shah Vidhyasankul Mr.Bachubhai Shah inaugurated the Punamchan conference by lighting the lamp with the esteemed presence of Dr.Nirja Arun the Vice Chancellor of Gujarat University, Ahmedabad. Dr.Rohit Desai, the Vice Chancellor of H.N.G.Uni Patan. Dr.Sanjay Vakil the President of Association of Indian college Principals and Dr.Natubhai Patel the Secretary of Governing body of the management. Principal Dr. Jayesh Barot in his welcome address dealt upon the importance of Indian Knowledge System under the National Education Policy 2020. The President Dr.Sanjay Vakil Presented the chief objectives of the conference Dr.Nirja Arun the Chief Guest delivered her thought provoking speech on the history and development of Indian knowledge system. Dr Rohit Desai Presented a delightful speech on the root and importance of Indian knowledge system as well as the significance of Vedas and Upanishad in the present Education system. Dr. Sweta Jain the Director of IBS Jaipur was the key note speaker who gave excellent speech on the relevance of Indian knowledge system in the 21st century by giving various example from the Ramayan the Mahabharata.

On the second day of the conference, Vivek Ranga, the Director of IBS Ahmedabad delivered a key note lecture on the philosophical and religious foundations of Indian Knowledge System. In the valedictory function Dr.Subhash Brahmbhatt the Past President of All India Principal Association was the Chief Guest who in his valedictory speech put much emphasis on the

promotion and proper implementation of IKS in curriculum of higher education under NEP 2020.

Dignitaries and the resource persons from India that grace the event included. Dr. J A Sarvaiya, Dr. Jayendrasinh Jadav, Dr. Ashok Desai, Dr.Anupam Nagar, Dr.Ahna Chakraborty, Dr.Rajendra Jani, Dr.Sannabasanagoudra Dollegou Dar and 75 Principals from Gujarat and other states. Dr.Rakesh Joshi, the co-ordinator concluded the session with vote of thanks.

The conference ends with the following probable outcomes.

## **Outcomes of the conference:**

- 1. The conference and its proceeding are a setp towards the preservance and promotion of IKS in the  $21^{st}$  century.
- 2. The conference provided an active platform to healthy discussion on the challenges like climate change, poverty, disease and the role of IKS to face these challenges.
- 3. The conference became first of its kind initiative by All India Principal Association and the college in showing the scientific and Technological contribution of Indian Knowledge system.
- 4. The event put much emphasis on the role of educational institution and society to promote IKS in curriculum with a view to facing various challenges in the 21st century.
- 5. The conference gave rise to revisit the India's age old knowledge traditions and find out the ways to inculcate them in contemporary education system under NEP 2020.