

THE 10th ANNIVERSARY DAY CELEBRATION OF CGBIBT

C.G. Bhakta Institute of Biotechnology (CGBIBT) celebrated proudly its completion of first decade anniversary on 1st August 2015. Dr. Dinesh R. Shah, Provost and CEO of Uka Tarsadia University presided over the function. Shri Nalin Vyas, Trustee of Bhakta Foundation, Mahuva was invited as Chief Guest along with trust members of UTU. The Directors of various constituent institutions of UTU graced the occasion. The function began with paying homage to our beloved former President Bharat Ratna Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam by observing silence for two minutes and followed by UTU song and invocation by Ms. Roma Joshi and Ms. Sharon of V Semester Biotechnology Division.



The ceremonial lamp was lit by the Chief Guest Shri Nalin Vyas along with other dignitaries on the dais.

Prof. Dr. R. Krishnamurthy, Director of CGBIBT welcomed the dignitaries on the dais, off the dais and the gathering. Dr. Dinesh Shah, in his presidential address praised the achievements of CGBIBT and inspired the faculty members towards greater achievements and assured all possible support from his side.



Shri Nalin Vyas, The Chief Guest of the function and a close associate of CGBIBT since its inception, while addressing the vast gathering consisting of present and past students, teachers and non-teaching staff congratulated the entire CGBIBT family for the steady progress in the past decade and pledged all types of support in future.



The souvenir containing bundle of joyous memories and milestones of the past decade was released by the Chief Guest and other dignitaries on the dais.

The message sent by our founder of CGBIBT Shri N.G. Patel from Nigeria was read to the audience by Ms Shivani Joshi, student of V semester Biotechnology, which was an inspiration to all of us.

Dr. Meonis Pithawala of CGBIBT briefed the audience about milestones created by CGBIBT during the last one decade. A video prepared by Mr. Rashid Kavivala, an outgoing M.Sc. student, created nostalgia among the gathered alumni members.



Dr. Dinesh Shah announced the institution of Gold Medal for achiever of academic excellence, in the fond memory of Shri Natwarlal Bhagwanji Desai, grandfather of Mr Hardik Desai, an outgoing student of Biotechnology.

Dr. Jitendra Prakash, from Bangalore, a well known Plant Biotechnologist of international repute, and entrepreneur delivered the key note lecture 'Commercialization of plant tissue culture technologies' which enlightened the students revealed the possibilities of becoming entrepreneurs. As a token of appreciation Dr. Prakash was presented a memento by Dr. R. Krishnamurthy.



Dr. M. Krishna Reddy, Head, Division of Plant Pathology, Indian Institute of Horticultural Research, Bangalore delivered another key note lecture 'Recent Advances in Molecular Diagnosis of Plant Pathogens' appraised the students as well as faculty members of CGBIBT about various approaches towards diagnosing plant pathogens at molecular level. He promised to help the students and faculty members in his capacity in such type of research and training. As a token of appreciation Dr. Reddy was presented a memento by Prof. Rajashekhar Ingalhalli. Before concluding the

inaugural session, Prof. Rajashekhar Ingalhalli proposed vote of thanks. Lunch was provided to all the invitees during 1.00 to 2.00 pm.



After the lunch, a cultural program was arranged by the students of CGBIBT to celebrate the occasion and entertain the guests and invitees.

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