Report on

SSIP 2.0 Sensitization Event Under Vikas Saptah-2026

Date: 9th October, 2026

Venue: Seminar Hall, Center of Excellence, SGGU

Time: 8:30 AM to 5:00 PM

Total No. of Participants: 570 (63 Principal & SSIP coordinator, 129 Faculties, 378 students)

Event Coordinator & Convener: Dr. Maunik Jani

1. Introduction and Background

In alignment with the Gujarat Government's statewide **"Vikas Saptah-2026"** initiative, Shri Govind Guru University, Godhra, in joint collaboration with the Gujarat Knowledge Society (GKS), successfully organized the **"SSIP 2.0 Sensitization Event"** on October 9, 2026. Pursuant to University Circular No. 4054 dated October 1, 2026, university department heads, affiliated college principals, postgraduate center in-charges, SSIP coordinators, and nominated student representatives actively participated in the program.

The primary objective of the event was to foster grassroots creativity, research methodology, startup culture, and entrepreneurial thinking among students, transforming young minds into employment providers rather than job seekers.

2. Dignitaries and Institutional Leadership

The event was graced by eminent leaders, policymakers, and academicians:

- **Patron:** Dr. (Prof.) Haribhai Kataria, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, Shri Govind Guru University.
- **Chief Guest:** Dr. Kubersinh Dindor, MLA (Santrampur) and Ex-Hon'ble Minister, Government of Gujarat.
- **Guests of Honor:**

- Mr. Nirav Suthar, OSD, MIS & IT, Gujarat Knowledge Society (GKS), Gandhinagar.
- Dr. Sachin Parikh, Joint Director, Directorate of Technical Education (DTE), Government of Gujarat, Gandhinagar.
- Dr. Preeti Maiyani, Professor, Human Resource Development Centre (HRDC), Gujarat University, Ahmedabad.
- Dr. Maheshbhai Mehta, Principal, Smt. C. R. Gardi Arts College, Munpur, Mahisagar.

- **Invited By / Coordination:** Dr. Maunik Jani (Convener & SSIP Co-ordinator) and Dr. Anil Solanki (Registrar), Shri Govind Guru University.

3. Comprehensive Session Breakdown & Timeline

The program followed a structured minute-to-minute schedule divided into formal inaugural, technical, and concluding sessions:

- **Inaugural and Morning Session (08:30 AM – 12:45 PM):**
  - **Registration & Breakfast (08:30 AM – 09:30 AM):** Smooth check-in of all delegates, faculty coordinators, and student delegates.
  - **Cultural Opening (10:00 AM – 10:30 AM):** A thematic play performed by performing arts students focusing on the concept of a developed nation (*Viksit Bharat*).
  - **Formal Protocols (10:45 AM – 11:10 AM):** Rendition of Vande Mataram, ceremonial lamp lighting (*Deep Pragatya*), welcome of dignitaries, and introductory remarks delivered by Dr. Maunik Jani.
  - **Keynote Addresses (11:11 AM – 12:33 PM):** Distinguished guests and university leadership—including Dr. Maheshbhai Mehta, Dr. Preeti Maiyani, Dr. Sachin Parikh, Prof. Dharmendra Mandaliya, Dr. Kubersinh Dindor, and Vice Chancellor Dr. Haribhai Kataria—addressed the gathering. They elaborated on how SSIP 2.0 acts as a catalyst for creative problem-solving and innovation ecosystems in higher education.
  - **Felicitation & Lunch (12:34 PM – 01:45 PM):** SSIP grant-winning student innovators were officially honored for their achievements, followed by a vote of thanks by Dr. Anil Solanki, the national anthem, and a networking lunch.
- **Afternoon Student Success & Expert Interaction Session (01:45 PM – 04:00 PM):**
  - **Students' Success Journey :** Focused on peer learning and real-world milestones achieved by campus innovators.
  - **Resource Expert Interactions (02:00 PM – 03:40 PM):** Dedicated 20-minute interactive sessions (including Q&A segments) led by prominent resource persons:
    - Mr. Nikhil Suthar
    - Dr. Hemendra Shah
    - Dr. Jaymin Ray

- Dr. Mayank Trivedi
- Mr. Chetan V. Patel (participating via online mode)

- **High Tea (03:40 PM – 04:00 PM):** Informal networking and interaction among delegates and experts.

- **Concluding Session and Valedictory (04:00 PM – 04:55 PM):**
  - **Experience Sharing & Addresses (04:00 PM – 04:35 PM):** Opening remarks by Dr. Maunik Jani, followed by experience-sharing sessions and presidential guidance by Dr. Ajaybhai Soni and Dr. Haribhai Kataria.
  - **Honoring Committees (04:35 PM – 04:50 PM):** Formal appreciation and token of recognition presented to members of the SSIP Committee and event organization committees.
  - **Valediction (04:50 PM – 04:55 PM):** Final vote of thanks proposed by Registrar Dr. Anil Solanki, concluding with the national anthem.

4. Key Outcomes and Impact

- **Sensitization on SSIP 2.0:** The program successfully reached a wide cross-section of academic leadership and students, creating deep awareness regarding state policies on student startups and innovation grants.
- **Shift toward Job Creation:** Speeches by GKS and university officials strongly motivated students to leverage institutional tinkering and incubation cells to build sustainable business models rather than relying solely on traditional employment streams.
- **Institutional Synergy:** The active participation from GKS representatives and university leadership laid a robust foundation for upcoming collaborative incubation pipelines across affiliated institutions under Shri Govind Guru University.

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