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# Implementation of National Education Policy - 2020

#### Introduction

- Under the leadership of Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, Dr. Kishorsinh Chavda, University
  has acted proactively upon the implementation of various provisions of NEP 2020.
  Hon'ble Vice Chancellor appointed Special Task Force on each aspects of Higher
  Education as mentioned in NEP 2020 and Core Committee to implement various
  provisions of NEP 2020. University has organised number of seminars / webinars /
  workshops for awareness of NEP 2020 amongst students and teachers.
- University organized series of meetings of Academic Council and Syndicate for approval of necessary provisions of NEP 2020. After approval of Academic and Syndicate, University called special meeting of Senate with prior approval of Hon'ble Chancellor and Governor on 14<sup>th</sup> August 2021 to amend / approve / recommend various statutes / provisions in order to implement NEP 2020.
- With the introduction of NEP, the University has implemented multi-level entry and exit policy, credit transfer policy, on demand exam, multi-level and dual / simultaneously degree certification, double entry system (winter session) and introduced number of multi-disciplinary and skill based and IKS certificate and diploma programs and Four Years Honour Programs. The university has made budgetary provision of Rs. 2.5 Cr. to promote research, innovation and start-up activities and granted various projects.

# Major Seminar-webinar-workshop organized for awareness and implementation of NEP 2020.

Sr. No.	Date	Title of the Programs	
1	05/12/2020	Webinar on National Education Policy-2020 (IQAC)	
2	13/08/2021	Webinar on Implementation of National Education Policy-2020 (IQAC)	
Skill Development			
		Courses as per NEP 2020 at affiliated Institution" (IIC)	
4	21/09/2021	Two Workshops on Emotional Intelligence & New	
		Education Policy (IIC)	
5	25-26/03/2022	Workshop on NEP and Implementation of Honours degree at Graduation Level	
		(Computer Science Faculty)	
6	04/04/2022	Seminar on National Education Policy-2020 (NSS)	
7	05/05/2022	Consultation workshop on Implementation of National Education Policy-2020 (Senate Syndicate Section)	
		Three Day FDP on "Reforms in Higher Education due to NEP 2020 – Credit	
		Structure Implementation and Challenges" organized by Dolat Usha Institute of	
		Applied Sciences and Dhiru Sarla Institute of Management & Commerce, Valsad	
9	22/08/2023	One Day workshop on Indian Knowledge System (CHS)	
10	16/10/2023	Workshop on awareness of ABC, NAD and DigiLocker jointly organized by Veer	
		Narmad South Gujarat University & KCG, Govt. of Gujarat at VNSGU, Surat (ABCCell, VNSGU)	

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Consultation workshop organized by VNSGU and Office of Commissioner of Higher Education, Gujarat on Implementation of National Education Policy-2020 on 05<sup>th</sup> May 2023.

#### Multi-level Entry/Exit and Credit Transfer Policy:

- The University has made statutory provision and amended Statute 223 to enable multiple entry and Statute - 229 (B) to enable multiple exit with a provision of multiple certification.
- Based on requirement of program credits, the student can enter at various stages (Even at semester level instead of year-end) based on the credits transfer earned by the student.
- Students can exit after 1st, 2nd or 3rd year of their graduation, if required and obtain Certificate, Diploma or Graduation degrees respectively. Similarly, Students can exit after 1st year of Post-Graduation and avail Post Graduate Diploma. To enable the above mentioned exits the university has included the Statute - 229 B.
- The University has made a transfer policy for students under which students can be transferred from one college to another of this university after end of each semester based on their choice and merit.
- During the second session of 2021-22, 45 students and during first session of 2022-23, 1233 students availed the benefit of transfer policy.

#### Four Year Under-Graduation Program (Honours Degree):

- The University has adopted the Curriculum and Credit Framework for Undergraduate Programs (CCF-UG) issued by the UGC and Government of Gujarat which provides structure with four-year Under-graduation program with choice of Multi-level exit option.
- The University has implemented the Four Year Honours UG Programme in all faculties (except programmes regulated by apex bodies) from the academic year 2023-24.
- Academic Council, Syndicate and Senate/BoM has approved the amendment to in Statute 229 to incorporate the Honours and Honours with Research degrees.

#### **New Programs / Courses**

The University has approved/started following new programs / specialisation.

- B.Com. (Data Analytics)
- · B.Com. (Professional)
- · B.Sc. (Data Science)
- BCA (Cyber Security & Data Protection)
- BCA (Artificial Intelligence & Data Analytics)
- BCA (Semiconductor, Sensors & IoT)

#### **Other Programs**

- M.Sc. (Artificial Intelligence & Machine Learning)
- M.A. (Hindu Studies)
- Master of Design (Integrated)
- Ph.D. (Architecture)
- Diploma in Architecture



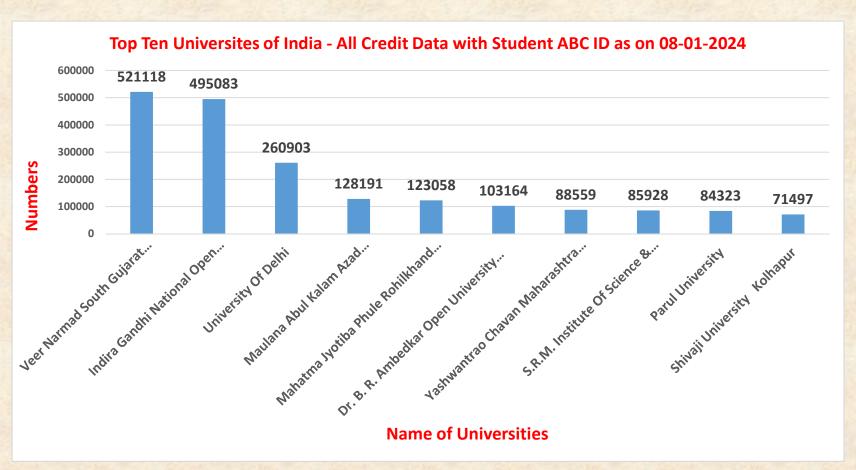
- Introduced more than 800 multi-disciplinary skill / value based certificate / diploma / advance diploma courses.
- Introduced certificate courses of foreign languages

#### **Academic Bank of Credit:**

- VNSGU is one of the leading university in the registration of ABC across the country.
- The University has made registration on ABC and implemented a system to link ABC
   ID in University ERP System.
- The University has made a mandatory provision for students to register on ABC before fill-in the examination form. The University is also printing ABC ID on hall ticket of the students.
- Before functioning of ABC, university started transferring the credits manually of students migrating from other universities. University has already transferred the credits of 366 students in 10 programs for the academic year 2022-23.
- The University has also made a transfer policy for students under which students can be transferred from one college to another of this university based on their choice and merit at the end of each semester.
- In view of implementation of Dual Degree/Simultaneous Dual Degree guidelines of UGC and easiness of student's transfer from one university to another university, the University has discontinued the issuance of Transfer Certificate and changed the process of issuance of Final Eligibility Certificate.

#### **Academic Bank of Credit:**

VNSGU having highet registration in the All Credit Data with Student ABC ID on 8th January 2024 accross the country.



#### **Academic Bank of Credit:**



Hon'ble Minister Shri Dharmendra Pradhan, Ministry of Education, New Delhi felicitated Dr. Kishorsinh Chavda, Vice Chancellor, VNSGU for being highest registration on ABC with all credit data on 13<sup>th</sup> February 2024 at New Delhi.

#### On Demand Examination (ODE):

- The ODE will allow students to undergo examination at his/her choice of time during the academic year even on Sunday or any public holiday. Students can appear in two papers on same day.
- The structure of On Demand Examination and its implementation procedure as well as the SOP has been passed by the statutory bodies of the University.
- 94 students in Academic Year 2022-23 and 63 students in Academic Year 2023-24 have taken the benefit of ODE.

# Multi-Disciplinary Skill / Value based Certificate and Diplomas Courses:

- As a part of becoming a holistic multidisciplinary institution, the University has made amendments in its existing statutes 223. The amended statute allows the students to seek admission across subjects and faculties.
- The University has introduced SOP to implement certificate courses (2 to 4 credits), diploma program (24 to 30 credits) and advanced diploma (48 to 60 credits) and made the statutory provision by making ordinance-188. Students can pursue this additional 2-credit certificate course to enhance their skills in various fields apart from their existing program.
- The University has established a Multi- disciplinary Regulatory Committee (MRC) under the chairmanship of the Vice Chancellor of the university and all Faculty deans as ex-officio members. Any proposed multi-disciplinary certificate program (2 to 4 credits), diploma program (24 to 30 credits) and advanced diploma (48 to 60 credits) will be approved through the MRC or Academic Council.
- The subjects included are related to Soft skills, Technical skills, Indian history, Science, Vedic knowledge, Bhagvad Gita, Stress Management etc.
- So far University has introduced more than **800** certificate courses. In academic year 2021-22, **5711** students have enrolled and in academic year 2022-23, **4862** students have enrolled in various certificate, diploma and advanced diploma programs.
- The university has accepted the guidelines of Professor of Practice issued by the UGC and made the statutory provision by making ordinance-189. University has appointed several Professor of Practice.

#### Internship:

- The university has implemented the guidelines of UGC and GR & SOP issued by the Government of Gujarat regarding Curriculum and Credit Framework for UG programs (CCF-UG) and accordingly made the mandatory provision of internship in 6<sup>th</sup> Semester and after the end of 2<sup>nd</sup> semester and 4<sup>th</sup> semester to earn certificate and diploma respectively.
- The university has made an SOP for Internship and circulated to the all departments and affiliated colleges.
- The university has set up an Internship Cell headed by the Placement Officer of the University.
- Department of the University and Affiliated Colleges have to appoint Nodal Officer for Internship.

#### Promotion of Indian Knowledge System

- To promote Indian Knowledge System, the University has established Center for Hindu Studies as a Center of Indian Knowledge System and offers M.A. Hindu Studies from Academic Year 2022-23 and Sanskrit Sambhasan Certificate Course from Academic Year 2023-24.
- University has been integrating Indian knowledge system with the curricula of different subjects.
- The University has renamed the name of Indian Knowledge System as Bharatiya Knowledge System.
- University has implemented the guidelines of UGC for Training/Orientation of Faculty on Indian Knowledge System and conducted one orientation program on 2<sup>nd</sup> August 2023 and one day workshop on 22<sup>nd</sup> August 2023 for the faculty of university and affiliated colleges.
- University has made mandatory provision that the student has to learn Bharatiya Knowledge
   System An Introduction course during 1st semester in all undergraduate programs.
- University has introduced various Certificate Programs in Vedic Mathematics, Basics of Astrology, Life Skills Education, Foundation Course on Yoga, Yog Garba, Ancient Yogic Science and Techniques, Yoga Science, Certificate Program in Sanskrit Grammar, Vaastu Fundamentals, Indic Knowledge Traditions, Srimad Bhagwad Gita and Stress Management in Life, Essentials of Hindu Dharma, Hindu Dharma and Practices, Hindu Principles, Indic Manuscriptology, Indic Paleography, Indic Philosophy, Indic Education System etc.
- University offers M.A. Sanskrit and M.A. Hindi programs on Self Finance bases but charges the fees as per the program of Grant in Aid.
- University has amended Statute 219 and included the Department of Sanskrit and Hindi as statutory departments.

#### **Promotion of Indian Knowledge System**









University has made the सरस्वती एवं गणपति वंदना, अग्निहोत्र, तैतिरीय उपनिषद् शिक्षावल्ली आचार्य उपदेश, वैदिक राष्ट्रगान as an integral part of the convocation in order to promote Indian ancient cultural tradition.

#### **Two Academic Programs Simultaneously:**

- The university has implemented the guidelines of UGC to allow the students to pursue two academic programmes simultaneously keeping in view the objectives envisaged in NEP 2020.
- In view of implementation of UGC guidelines for pursuing two academic programs simultaneously, the University has discontinued the issuance of Transfer Certificate and changed the process of issuance of Final Eligibility Certificate for smooth student's transfer from one university to another university.

#### **MOOC / Online Courses:**

- The University has setup the AALAY DIGITAL STUDIO (Audio-Video Studio) with necessary mixing equipment, software for editing of recordings and development of audio-visual e-content where various courses related to MOOC/Online courses can be developed by the University and university affiliated faculty members.
- The University has made a SOP for Online / Open and Distance Learning based on SOP issued by Education Department, Govt. of Gujarat.
- The University has also made the provision to consider the credit of MOOC/Online courses available on SWAYAM and online programs of other recognized institution portal.
- Developed various modules on SWAYAM platform, MHRD-ARPIT, Google Class Room, Moodle and YouTube.

## **Open & Distance Learning**

- The University offers B.A, B.Com., M.A. and M.Com. in external mode.
- The University is not offering any programs in Open & Distance Learning mode.

#### **Biannual Admission System**

- The University has adopted Biannual Admission System for its various programs from Academic Year 2021-22.
- The affiliated colleges can provide admissions to the students during Summer session (regular intake) and as well as in Winter session (during December intake).
- This will be beneficial to students who wish to join the programs without waiting for the next year. It will save six months of the students.
- 130, 111 and 79 students were enrolled in BCA program under double entry system (winter session) during Academic Year 2021-22, 2022-23, 2023-24 respectively.

#### Promotion of Research & Innovation:

• University has made a **budgetary provision of Rs. 2.5 Cr.** from its own resources for research projects and approved following projects to teachers of the University and affiliated colleges.

Financial Year	Total Application Received	Approved Project	Total Grant Allocated
2020-21	131	56	Rs. 81.14 Lacs
2021-22 & 2022-23	182	140	Rs. 2.75 Cr.

- University has framed the Research Center Policy to award a Research Centers to affiliated colleges and University has awarded research center to 4 colleges.
- University has started Quality Publication Drive to promote quality based Research Papers in University Campus with budgetary provision of 14 lacs in the year 2023-24.
- University has setup Research & Development Cell as per UGC guidelines and formed various committees as per guidelines.

#### Promotion of Research & Innovation:

- University has established Idea and Innovation Cell (IIC) in July 2021 for Industry Academia Linkages, Innovation, and Consultancy based researches, Revenue Generation from Industries/government agencies.
- The IIC has signed MOUs with many institutions to nurture ground breaking ideas of young talent to conduct workshops, idea competition, training, industry academia interaction, industry visits, innovation campaigns and entrepreneurship camps.
- Startup and Entrepreneurship Council (SEC) and Student Startup and Innovation Policy (SSIP) Cell has approved 30 Concept out of 158 Concepts and approved 21 patents for registration. Various Programs were conducted under Startups and Entrepreneurship for students. Innovation, Intellectual Property Right, Start-Up and Entrepreneurship (IISE) Certificate Course was also conducted by the university.
- The University has been organizing various workshops/seminars on Research methodology, Intellectual Property Rights (IPR), entrepreneurship, skill development for students, teachers and youngsters from last two years.

#### **Promotion of Research & Innovation:**

• Enrolled maximum number of Ph.D. students and extended Ph.D. guideship to the teachers during last 3 years.

Academic Year	No. of Students enrolled in Ph.D.	No. of Ph.D. Guide Approved
2017-18	7	33
2018-19	197	19
2019-20	247	19
2020-21	7	47
2021-22	633	113
2022-23	264	120
2023-24	218	105

Award of Shodh Fellowship of Govt. of Gujarat

Academic Year	No. of Students awarded Fellowship	Remarks	
		Second in Gujarat	
2021-22	105	State	
2022-23	93	First in Gujarat State	

- 100% thesis uploaded on Shodhganga (More than 3300 thesis)
- Patent approved 8, Patent registered 6, Patent registration under process 12.

#### **Examination Reforms**

#### Introduction of

- E-assessment
- Online Question Paper Delivery System
- Re-assessment in all examination of all semester
- Supplementary Examination for Semester 5 & 6 at UG Level and Semester 3 & 4 at PG Level
- Separate passing marks in each papers of any subject group
- Barcode on Answerbook
- Marks entry in system by the teachers
- Online Transcript and provision degree certificate
- Access of IP address of CCTV of colleges for transparency in examination.
- Setup E-Wall for monitoring CCTV

#### **Receipt of Grants**

#### **Central Government**

 University received a grants of Rs. 100 Cr. under PM-USHA -MERU Component. One of the university out of two from the Gujarat State.

#### **State Government**

- University received grants of Rs. 66,15,77,200/- towards Salary and infrastructure development for the financial year 2023-24.
- Apart from above, University received a grants of Rs.
   4,92,00,000/-towards New Construction out of total grants of Rs. 16,40,00,000/- under the financial year 2023-24.
- This is the highest ever grants released to the University so far by the state government.

## Internationalisation of Higher Education

- The University has accepted the Guidelines for Internationalization of Higher education in India circulated by the UGC on 29th July 2021. The Academic Council has accepted the guidelines in its meeting held on 31st July 2021.
- The University has signed an MOU with following international universities for sharing teaching and research knowledge. Various academic and research activities accomplished under the MOUs.

Sr. No.	Name of University
1	Vyatka State University, Kirov Russian Federation, Russia,
2	School of Graduate Studies, Mindnao State University, General
	Santos City, Philippines
3	University of Perpetual Help System Dalta Molino, Philippines
4	Udayana University, Bali, Indonesia

#### **Accreditation & Ranking:**

- University has been awarded 'B++' Grade and 2.86 CGPA in September 2022 by NAAC in 4<sup>th</sup> Cycle.
- University has been participating in GSIRF and NIRF since 2019.
- University has been awarded with Four Star in GSIRF -2022 by KCG.
- Organized online and offline training cum awareness programs on NIRF/GSIRF for colleges.
- University has been approved by Alcumus ISOQAR with ISO 9001:2015 and 14001:2015 certification in 2022.

# **Thank You**



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