



CENTRAL LIBRARY

REPORT ON VISIT TO GUJARAT VIDYAPITH SEMINAR

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Venue: Gujarat Vidyapith, Ahmedabad

Visited by: Dr. Mahesh K. Solanki (Librarian)

Introduction:

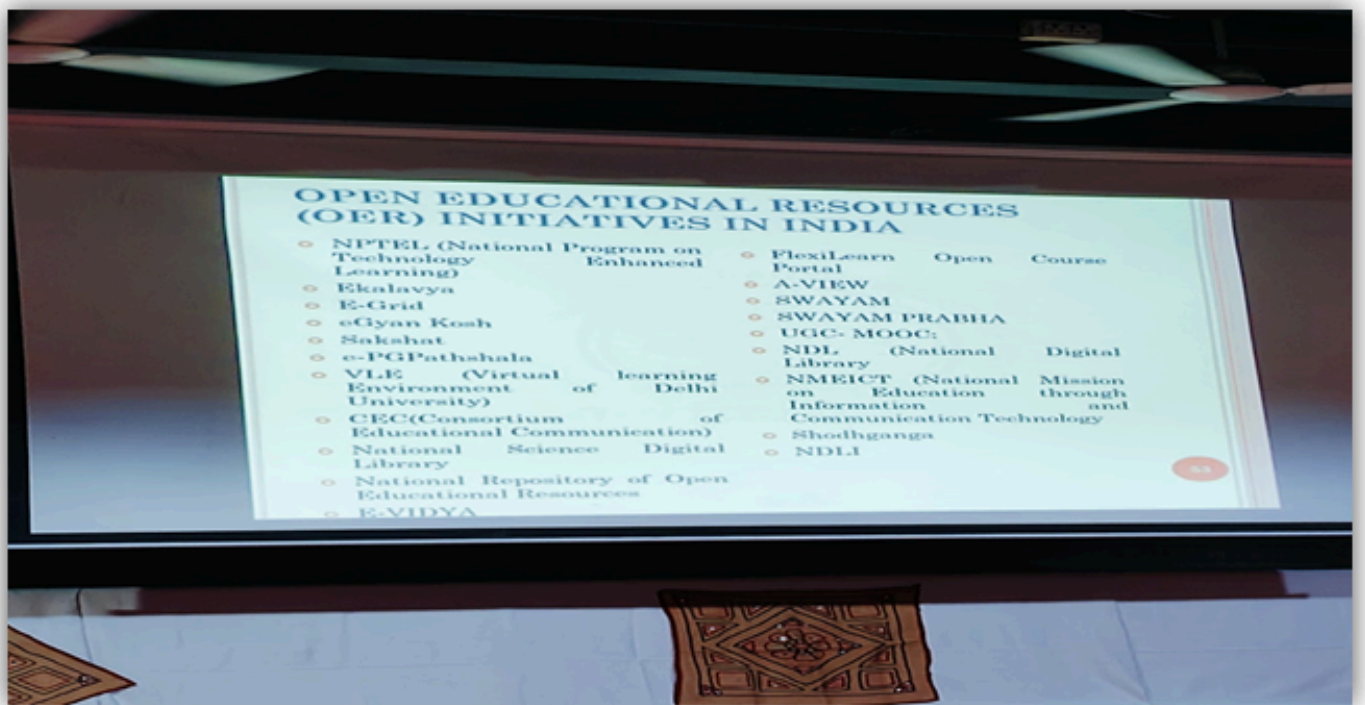
AGTU Central Library has been a participant the seminar Viksit Bharat@2047: The seminar titled Viksit Bharat@2047 The Role of Libraries in Cultural Preservation and Social Development was held on 10th May 2025 at Gujarat Vidyapith, Ahmedabad. Jointly organized by the Gujarat Vidyapith Library and the Directorate of Libraries, Government of Gujarat, the seminar aimed to discuss the evolving role of libraries in India's vision of becoming a developed nation by 2047. It focused particularly on cultural preservation, libraries' role in social development, and the changing responsibilities of librarians in the digital age.

Distinguished guests included Dr. Pankaj Goswami (Director of Libraries, Govt. of Gujarat), Dr. Mayank Trivedi (M.S. University), Dr. Shailesh Yagnik, Dr. Bipin Modi, and Shri Shantilal Patel. The seminar brought together library professionals, academicians, and students from various institutions.

Speakers emphasized the need for libraries to transform into dynamic knowledge hubs that support lifelong learning, social inclusion, and cultural education. The integration of ICT, digital tools, and social media was discussed as vital for modern library services. The importance of outreach, community engagement, and proactive roles for librarians in the information age was also highlighted.

As a participant, I shared my views on revitalizing libraries in schools, colleges, universities, and public sectors by making them vibrant and reader-centric. I highlighted the necessity for librarians to stay updated with digital technologies and to use social media for promoting services and increasing public awareness. I also stressed the role of libraries in institutional and community development.

Glimpse of the Visit



Conclusion:

The seminar was a meaningful platform for exchanging ideas and for learning, collaboration, and strategies. It reinforced the strategic role libraries must play in achieving the vision of a developed India by 2047 and express the sincere appreciation to the organizers and thank Dr. Prayatkar Kanadia for the invitation