



Student Start-up Support System (S4)

Poster fair by all final year Eng. students at BVM Eng. College in presence of industry and academic experts to ensure every single final year project become innovative

Date: 10th October 2014

Time: 10:00 to 17:00

Venue: BVM Engineering College, Vallabh Vidyanagar - 388120.

BVM Engineering College organized a Poster Fair on 10th October 2014. About 200 posters of nearly **680 final year students** were displayed. This was the third time in succession that such Poster or Project Exhibition was being organized at BVM, after a successful experimental effort made with the final year pass-out students of Computer Engineering Department, Project Expo 2013, in June 2013.

At the inauguration a highly motivating message from the Vice Chancellor of GTU, Dr. A K Aggarwal Sir, was read out. Dr. Akshai Aggarwal sir conveyed that the final year projects are the capstone of engineering education, and that most universities in the world award an engineering degree to a student only when he/she prepares a final year project successfully.



Picture: Inauguration ceremony of the poster fair

Principal Dr. F S Umarigar introduced the idea of Project Fair to the audience. Prof. S A Bakhru stressed on the importance of these activities and the need to do such fair. Chief Guest Mr. Jagadishbhai, President VUIA, encouraged the students to take up challenging projects. Shri Jagadishbhai formally inaugurated the poster fair.

The Poster Fair program was organized under two sessions.

- Under Session-1, called as Evaluation Round, during 10.30 AM to 1.30 PM, Engineering Professionals from the industries were invited as “Judges” to judge the best three projects from each department of the college. Nearly 17 industry experts painstakingly went through all the projects of their respective departments, gave their useful suggestions and guiding tips to the students and complemented them for their good work.



Picture: Industry experts evaluating the posters during the Evaluation Session

- Under Session-2, called as Industry Favorite Round, during 2.30 PM to 4.30 PM, nearly 15 guests from the industries were invited to view these posters and find projects which would be particularly useful to the industries in general and their own industry in particular. Here again the industry guests were greatly impressed with innovative ideas on display and expressed their eagerness to mentor certain projects and wished to know the results and outcomes of certain projects as the products of their interest.



Picture: Prize distribution to the winners of the poster fair

At the Result Declaration phase three best projects from every department, and the names of the students working on those projects, were announced. The judges and guests were requested to present their views on the way the students had worked and on what could be done further.

Mr. Shaswat Datta, Director, Radicon PowerBuild, Dr. Vitthal Kamath Director, Energy Systems, Mr. Darshak Mehta, manager EITL, Mr. P A Patel HR manager, Elecon and almost all the judges and guests unanimously conveyed their pleasure on the work done by the students, and provided useful tips. Prof. J N Jain Convener IDP_UDP Cell, Co-Convener III Cell, invited feedback from the students. Almost all students conveyed their pleasure and feeling of pride in being a part of this event. Prof. J N Jain concluded the program with vote of thanks to one and all who made this event a thumping success.

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Through this Poster Fair it is earnestly hoped that the students would have been motivated to do their projects with even better insight, the faculties would have felt happy to see their mentoring bringing out the best from each project team, and industry would have found many projects interesting and useful for its needs. And to top it all, this fair would have provided us all: Students, Faculty and Industry, a unique opportunity to come closer to one another.

It is further hoped that by the time all participants meet again at the Project Expo BVM 2015, somewhere in April-May 2015, all would have collectively taken together some further steps in the direction of our common goals, through such platforms of Industry Institute Interaction.

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