

Extension activities under Unnat Bharat Abhiyan (UBA): A flagship program of MHRD, Govt of India-

University is participating in UBA and facilitating the Social and Environmental awareness in five villages (KakaNuTarapur; Lekawada; Titoda; Pundrasan; Adraj Moti) near Gandhinagar district. Faculty and students are involved in different activities organized by UBA, CUG team. Scientific interventions and implementation is also a major task at village level to solve social and Environmental issues. Students have completed their PG dissertation based on the different social and environmental aspect to understand social responsibility. CUG is encouraging to actively participation of students in different activities under UBA. CUG- UBA is also involved in technology development and technology customization at village level societal uplift.

Social activities and planning for village development

Group of faculty members and students visited selected villages and interacted with Village Sarpanch, Talati, School principals, students and other people to understand village ecosystem and different issues to find out scientific solution. Also discussed the developmental activities to be introduces in the village to facilitate with the help of University students and faculties.



Village survey at Titoda; Meeting with Talati and interaction with school principle and students at Adraj moti village

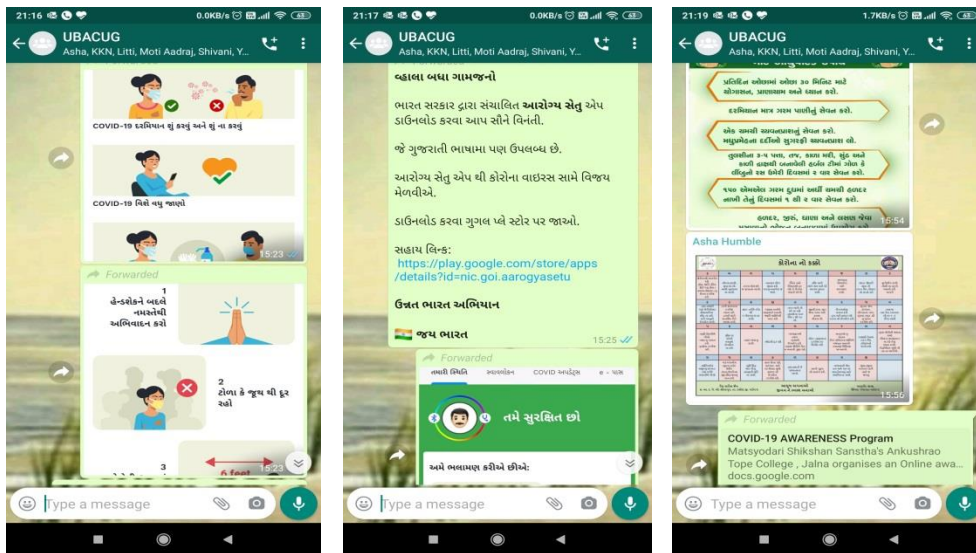
Environmental awareness and technological implementation activities:

In continuation of the technology transfer from lab to land - Two projects got selected under two different categories for (i) Technology Demonstration projects & (ii) Technology Customization projects. Project implementation is in process.

Activities done in the crisis hour of COVID19:

1. Creation of WhatsApp group (UBACUG) including Sarpanch, Talati, few senior people from the village, School Principal, University faculty and students.

2. All the information was shared with the group time to time to spread the awareness and to get benefitted in response to Covid - 19.
3. Interaction and discussion with Sarpanch and school principal was done to share the information how villagers are coping during the lockdown period and also different information related to Covid 19 about awareness, measures etc. Group members' shared in the group and Sarpanch forwarded the same among villagers.



Awareness levels in the village:

Village people are aware about the COVID-19 and taking necessary actions to prevent the COVID-19. The following measures have been taken by the villagers:

- Village people are very much aware about lockdown rules and they are following the same strictly. Intra movement is also restricted.
- Farming is as usual, they are doing with laborers (from the same village only) following social distancing strictly.
- Major part of the day's schedule of a villager is farming and livestock caring. These are given priority & importance. They believe that COVID-19 will not attack as they are working in sun for farming purposes.