10.1 Activities of Vice Chancellor

The Vice Chancellor of Junagadh Agricultural University has to look after all the activities, maintaining discipline and appropriate administration as per Gujarat Agricultural Universities Act-2004. The Vice Chancellor has to run the administration as per University rules and regulations. He is also responsible for financial activities of the University. He maintains coordination between Education, Research and Extension Education activities conducted by the University. A brief summery of the activities done by the Vice Chancellor during 2005-06 as per the responsibilities given to him are as under.

Dr. B.K. Kikani took over the charge as the first Vice Chancellor from 20.05.2004 continued leading the University. Dr. B.K. Kikani is Ph.D. in Plant Pathology discipline. He has higher educational qualification and also good contribution in research. He showed interest in new activities, programmes and works to make Junagadh Agricultural University a model university. His dream is to make university activities more and more farmers oriented.





He always made efforts to improve the education standards and strengthened the departments and laboratories of College of Agriculture, Agricultural Engineering and Fisheries Science to provide more facilities to the students. Moreover, the state and national level games and sports facilities were acquired for the students. By taking the help from donors, several medals were instituted to encourage the students. Under the leadership of Dr. B.K. Kikani as the Vice Chancellor, facilities like CAB, AGRIS, AGRICOLA and Journals of National and International level were subscribed. Due to this, Junagadh Agricultural University is the only University in Saurashtra which has got the facilities like J-GATE, J.CCC, and Online Annual Reviews Archives. Campus interviews were arranged for the graduates and post graduates of the University to provide placement to the students in the Nationalized Banks, Companies and other related organizations.

After the establishment of the University, to satisfy the needs of the farmers of the





Saurashtra, for accelerated crop production, the research activities were geared up by encouraging the scientists involved in research, satisfying the needs of the research centres, developing new infrastructure and by establishing new schemes and research centres. Thus, the dream of the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor is rapidly being realized. During this period, 60 scientists/teachers were sent to attend Training/Winter/Summer School; 170 attended different Seminar/ Symposium /Conferences at State and National level; 148 attended the Workshops and Group Meets of their projects and 61 were sent for different academic assignments. Under the leadership of Dr. B.K. Kikani, the efforts made by scientists of the university could be translated into 23 farmers' recommendations and 54 new technical programmes during the reporting year. It also resulted in recommending five new crop varieties for farmers. Junagadh Agricultural University organized one state level and four national level seminars/workshops during 2005-06.

Krushi Mahotsav-2005

Under the able guidance of Hon'ble Chief Minister of Gujarat, Shri Narendrabhai Modi, Krushi Mahotsav-2005 (11th May to 11th June, 2005) was organized. The Junagadh Agricultural University contributed a lot in successful organization of this programme. Under the leadership of Dr. Kikani, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, the University prepared the Khedut Margdarshika and Audio Visual CDs for Krushi Mahotsav for the entire state. The details of which are given hereunder.

Khedut Margdarshika: The Khedut Margdarshika - a book was prepared by this university for Krushi Mahotsav-2005. The book was distributed in all 18,000 villages of the state. Hon'ble Minister of Agriculture

& Cooperation, Govt. of Gujarat praised the book and synonymed as Krushi Gita.

Krushi Rath: The Krushi Rath, a mobile demonstration vehicle for agricultural technologies was sent to all villages of state. The idea and protocol for Krushi Rath was given by this university. It was also a grand success in Krushi Mahotsav organized by Govt. of Gujarat.

Audio Video CDs for Krushi Rath: To popularize the improved agricultural technologies in the villages, folklores were made related to agricultural technologies. The folklores were sung by renowned



singers of Gujarat and audio video CDs were prepared. These CDs were utilized in the Krushi Rath as extension tools. The CDs were released by Hon'ble Chief Minister of Gujarat, Shri Narendrabhai Modi. The entire responsibility for this programme was given to Junagadh Agricultural University by the Govt. of Gujarat.

Novel demonstration of agricultural technologies: To popularize the agricultural technologies, university boundary wall adjoining to state highway at Junagadh was utilized. More than 250 krushi slogans were written on the wall. This work was also appreciated by the people and "Times of India" daily news paper has published this news on the front page.

Soil Health Cards: The planning of crops could be done on the basis of soil health cards in Saurashtra region. Seven and seventy three agricultural scientists of

this university act as district and taluka nodal officers, respectively for preparation of soil health card and planning of crops in Saurashtra region.

10.2 Planning Branch

1. State Government Plan Programme

A. Fund Allocation

State Government allocates the funds for education, research and extension education programmes of agricultural university as per the requirements of funds for the schemes of various fields as suggested in draft annual plan of the university.

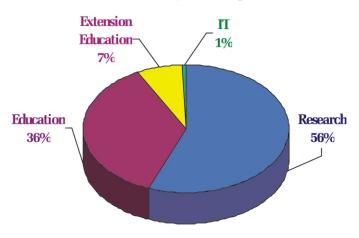
In the annual development programme (2005-06), Rs. 1000.00 lakh were allotted for education, research and extension education of Junagadh Agricultural University. The allocation was reduced to Rs. 855.76 lakh due to cut. The activity wise allocation of fund was as under.

Sr. No.	Programme	Annual Development Programme 2005-06 (Rs. in lakh)	
		Original provision	Revised provision
1	Research	543.91	477.41
2	Education	377.35	311.61
3	Extension Education	73.74	61.74
4	Earmarked for IT	5.00	5.00
	Total	1000.00	855.76





Annual Development Programme



Thus, for agricultural education, research and extension education programmes, the State Government released Rs. 850.76 lakh against the sanctioned grant of Rs. 855.76 lakh. However, the total expenditure was Rs. 806.06 lakh and unspent amount of Rs. 54.08 under construction was carried forward as spill over grant for the year 2006-07 as per grant in aid rules. B. Monitoring

The monthly and trimonthly progress reports were collected from the concerned heads of the schemes compiled and submitted to the Government at the quarterly interval. The problems of the schemes were solved satisfactorily by discussions between scientists and the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor during the month of December-2005 and March-2006, when meetings were held for the evaluation of expenditure of plan schemes and reallocation of the funds.

2. Development programme by ICAR for education

Under the scheme "Development and Strengthening of State Agricultural Universities" ICAR released a grant of Rs. 223.00 lakh. The university could successfully utilize Rs. 217.04 lakh from this fund.

