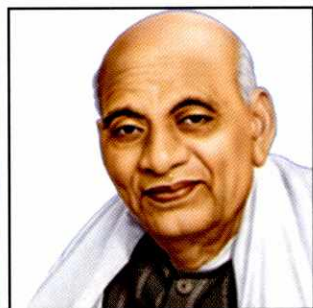


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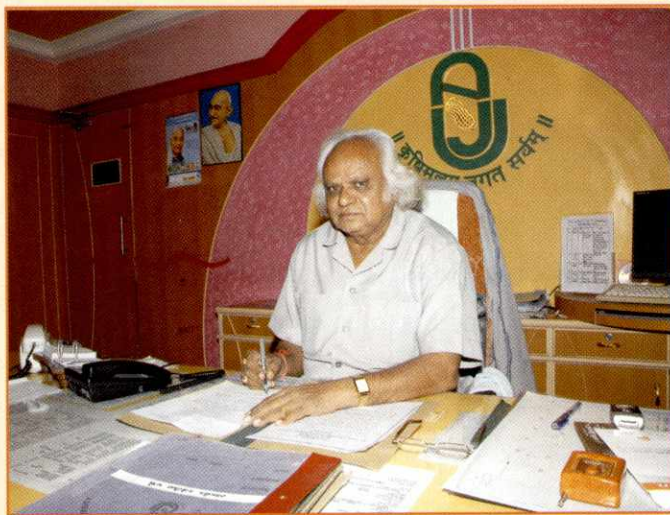
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We cannot help others without helping ourselves. We cannot enrich our lives without enriching others. We cannot develop ourselves without developing others. We cannot prosper without bringing prosperity to others.

From Vice Chancellor's Desk



Junagadh Agricultural University was established after the bifurcation of Gujarat Agricultural University into four Agricultural Universities on 1st May 2004 especially with the specific mandate of regional agricultural development and strengthening of agricultural education, research and extension education in Saurashtra region of Gujarat State. I am very glad to inform

you that over four years of its existence, we have made remarkable progress and development in all facets of agriculture. These include recommendations on Plant Breeding & Genetics, Natural Resource management, Horticulture & Agro-forestry, Plant protection, Animal Science & Fisheries, Agricultural Engineering and Basic Sciences. During this period about 191 new technologies, crop management recommendations to the benefit of farmers were made. Fourteen new varieties were released on 11 crops. Among them 4 new varieties of pearl millet, and one each of groundnut, gram, tomato, castor, wheat, garlic, brinjal, sesame, coconut and sponge gourd. To reap the benefits of mechanization in agriculture, we have innovated farm machineries like Chilles Dryer, Cleaner-cum-grader for cumin, Mango Positioner, Sapota Grader, Tractor operated 'Hay Rake-Cum-Loader', Post Hole Digger and 'Residue Shredder' for the benefit of the farmers, agro-industry and manufacturers.

Results of researches on animal science, nutrition, healthcare and management have also been recommended for farmers to get better economic return from animal husbandry practices. Although refinement and replacement of technologies in the farmer's field take time yet our viable technologies have started percolating. In order to interact with the national and international scientists and to acquire more knowledge and experience we have deputed more than 172 scientists for training, seminar, symposium, summer-winter school on various disciplines. Hundred Fifteen scientists/ teachers have attended various workshops, group/review meetings organized under AICRP and by other agricultural universities. Many of our teachers are members of various national level Selection Panels, Editorial Boards, Subject Matter Committees and are involved in activities related to human resource development.