



Gyanmanjari Innovative University Bhavnagar

Report on

NO Tobacco Day

<u>Collaborate Gyanmanjari Innovative University</u> <u>with Faith Foundation</u>

Date: 23/05/2025

Time: 12:00 PM to 01:00 PM

Venue: GMIU - FF25

No. of Student	30
Department	MSC
Semester	4
Faculty Co-	Drof Dradin Draignati
Ordinator	Prof. Pradip Prajapati

Objective

This time, **Gyanmanjari Innovative University**, in collaboration with **Faith Foundation (Baroda)**, organized a **Tobacco Awareness Activity** with the objective of educating the university community about the harmful effects of tobacco consumption. The program was part of the university's ongoing commitment to promoting a healthy, tobacco-free lifestyle among students, faculty, and staff.

The activity included **awareness sessions**, **interactive discussions**, **postermaking competitions**, and a **pledge ceremony**, all aimed at spreading awareness regarding the physical, mental, and social consequences of tobacco use. Active participation was witnessed from students, faculty members, and representatives of the local community.

The purpose of this initiative was to **sensitize participants** about the dangers of tobacco, motivate them to avoid or quit tobacco use, and promote a cleaner and healthier campus environment. Through collaboration with Faith Foundation, the university strengthened its outreach and effectiveness in delivering this important public health message.

- ➤ **To create awareness** among students and staff about the harmful effects of tobacco on health and life.
- ➤ **To promote a tobacco-free lifestyle** and encourage individuals to quit tobacco consumption in all forms.
- ➤ **To educate** the university community on the link between tobacco use and diseases like cancer, heart disease, and respiratory issues.
- ➤ **To support the Government of India's mission** for a tobacco-free youth and healthy nation.
- ➤ **To motivate behavioral change** through counseling, peer interaction, and positive messaging.
- ➤ **To engage students** in spreading the message through creative activities like rallies, street plays, posters, and pledge-taking.
- > To encourage the creation of a Tobacco-Free Campus Policy and regular antitobacco campaigns.

About Activities:

Date: 23rd May 2025

Venue: Computer Lab – FF25

Gyanmanjari Innovative University (GMIU) in collaboration with the Faith Foundation (Baroda) jointly organized a Tobacco Awareness Activity on 23rd May 2025 to spread awareness about the serious health hazards of tobacco use. The event was conducted at Computer Lab – FF25 and was a meaningful step toward building a tobacco-free mindset among the youth and academic community.

The activity was coordinated by **Prof. Pradip Prajapati**, who ensured smooth execution of the entire event. The event was also graced by the presence of Dr. **Viram Parmar Sir**, Director of NSS and Social Activities, who inspired students to become health ambassadors and agents of change in society.

Although **Dr. H.M. Nimbark**, Provost and CEO of GMIU, was not present at the event, his continuous support and encouragement played a key role in making this initiative possible. His commitment to student development and health-related awareness activities has always been a guiding force behind such meaningful programs.

As a mark of appreciation, the university welcomed the **Faith Foundation** team with a token gift.

Faith Foundation is a reputed NGO based in Vadodara, Gujarat, founded by **Suzaane Christian** in 2005. The organization is dedicated to promoting a healthy lifestyle free from addiction, especially focusing on **de-addiction**, **tobacco control**, **HIV/AIDS support**, **education**, **and women's empowerment**. The foundation is well-known for its impactful programs like the **Yellow Line Campaign** and **anti-tobacco rallies**, working actively with communities and institutions to build awareness and inspire behavior change. GMIU is proud to be one of its collaborative partners.

The program featured multiple engaging and informative components:

- A thought-provoking awareness session conducted by representatives of Faith Foundation, highlighting the short-term and long-term consequences of tobacco use.
- **Participation from GMIU M.Sc. students**, who actively attended the session and took part in the interaction.
- Faith Foundation volunteers performed a powerful Drama based on the theme "Say No to Tobacco," creatively presenting the emotional and social impact of tobacco addiction.
- ➤ A **poster and slogan-writing activity** was organized, encouraging students to express anti-tobacco messages artistically.

The event concluded with a **No Tobacco Pledge**, where students, faculty, and volunteers committed themselves to staying away from tobacco and promoting healthy habits within the campus and the wider community.

This joint initiative by **Faith Foundation** and **GMIU** was a successful example of collaborative social responsibility and health advocacy. The university looks forward to continuing such impactful partnerships to build a healthier, more aware generation.

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