



# LJ Innovation Village

LJ Innovation Village is a platform to showcase innovative projects, products and start-ups by innovators. It provides an opportunity to innovators to interact with students, faculties, industry experts and investors. It brings out hidden creativity of students, enhances their skills and performance by focusing on overall innovative development.

To nurture the skills of youth, LJ Innovation Village is being organized every year. Since 2013, more than 1500 projects have been showcased by over 6000 students of Degree/Diploma Engineering, Architecture, Pharmacy, Applied Sciences and MCA. Students visit some places and look into the social problems, then find out solutions by their innovative ideas and develop relevant projects. More than 250 Industry/Business Mentors have visited and interacted with participants during all editions of LJ Innovation Village.

After the evaluation process, best projects are selected for the next stage (i.e. Start-up Week 24 x 7). Since 2018, LJ Innovation Village became National Level Event by participation from over 12 States of India. All the events were showcased by Electronic as well as Print Media.

**First edition of LJ Innovation Village** was organized by LJ Polytechnic on March 8, 2013 and inaugurated by Mr. Hiranmay Mahanta; Director GTU Innovation Council along with all Directors of LJ Group of Institutes, Faculty Members, other Staff and Students. 40 technical projects and more than 100 posters were showcased by over 150 LJ Polytechnic students.

**Second edition of LJ Innovation Village** was organized on February 24, 2014 and inaugurated by Dr. Arvind Patel; MD-Sahajanand Laser. More than 60 Technical Projects/Models and 50 Technical Posters were showcased by the LJ Polytechnic students.

**Third edition of LJ Innovation Village** was organized on January 19, 2015 and inaugurated by Mr. Harkesh Mittal Advisor & Head, National Science & Technology Entrepreneurship Development. More than 200 Technical Projects/Models were showcased by the students of LJ Polytechnic, LJ Institutes of Engineering & Technology, LJ Institutes of Pharmacy and LJ Institute of Computer Applications. Mr. Mahesh Salkar; Senior VP, Toyota Kirloskar Motors (TKM), Mr. Padmanabha; VP, TKM, Mr. Ajit Mehta; Dealer Principal, Infinium Toyota and other TKM Management also visited LJ Innovation Village.

**Forth edition of LJ Innovation Village** was organized on 30<sup>th</sup> January, 2016 and inaugurated by Smt. Anandiben Patel; Chief Minister of Gujarat (at that time). More than 400 projects were showcased by over 1400 participants. Smt. Anandiben Patel said that first time in the history after the formation of Gujarat as a state, any college has organized such Programme of Innovation. She said, she has never seen such a programme (innovation), which has been conducted either by government or any other organization.

**Fifth edition of LJ Innovation Village** was organized on 8th February, 2017 and inaugurated by Prof. Dr. Navin Sheth; Honourable Vice-Chancellor, Gujarat Technological University. More than 250 Technical Projects were showcased by the over 850 Students of LJ Group of Institutes. Prof. S. B. Sareen; Project Director, Entrepreneurship Development Institute of India also visited LJ innovation Village.

**Sixth edition of LJ Innovation Village** was organized on 17th February, 2018 and inaugurated by Prof. Dr. Navin Sheth; Honourable Vice-Chancellor, Gujarat Technological University, Prof. Anil Gupta; Founder Honey Bee Network. This time participants from 12 states of India and 10 districts of Gujarat also showcased their projects/products/startups. Overall 325 plus projects (including Prototypes, Products, Startups) were showcased by the over 1150 participants. **"Garage on Wheel"....an Initiative of LJK** inaugurated by Smt. Anju Sharma (IAS); Principle Secretary Higher & Technical Education. After the exhibition pitching sessions were also organized for participants from outside Gujarat and participants other than LJ.

**Seventh edition of LJ Innovation Village** was organized on 7th & 8th February, 2019 and inaugurated by Prof. (Dr.) Navin Sheth; Honourable Vice-Chancellor, Gujarat Technological University, Dr. Manish Shah; Vice-President, LJK, Shri Girish Patel; Trustee, Hiranmay Mahanta; Director GTU Innovation Council, Dr. Viral Shah; Principal New LJ Commerce College, CEO Antrapreneur- The Business Incubator and Prof. Mahesh Kella; Director, LJ Polytechnic, Convener LJIV. More than 330 projects, products and startups were showcased by over 1200 participants from school students to Ph.D. from 12 states across India. Participants from 18 districts of Gujarat also showcased their projects. Four Technical Interactive and Two Pitching Sessions were organized. Best projects were awarded and they will be taken to the next step for startup week.





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2013



2014



2015



2016



2017



2018







# LJ Innovation Village-2019





# LJ Innovation Village-2020

## Inauguration Ceremony:

**Eight edition of LJ Innovation Village** was organized on 7th & 8th February, 2020 and inaugurated by

- ❑ Prof. Anil Sahasrabudhe, Chairman, AICTE,
- ❑ Padmashri Prof. Anil Gupta, Founder Honey Bee Network

### In the presence of

- ❑ Dr. Manish Shah, Vice-President, LJK,
- ❑ Dr. Viral Shah, CEO Antrapreneur- The Business Incubator,
- ❑ Shri Hiranmay Mahanta, Director, GTU Innovation Council,
- ❑ Prof. Mahesh Kella, Director, LJ Polytechnic, and Coordinator LJIV,
- ❑ Trustees & Directors of LJ Group of Institutes and LJ Innovation Village 2020, Core Team.
- ❑ Inauguration Ceremony was attended by Industrial & Business Mentors, Invited Guests, Heads of Departments, Faculty Members, other Staff, Participants, Students and Parents.
- ❑ Over 250 Projects and Products were showcased by over 1100 participants ranging from school students to Ph.D., from 10 Districts of Gujarat and 11 States from across India.
- ❑ Unique feature of this edition was that various live activities under the name of “BRAIN-O-VATION” were organized.
- ❑ More than 80 Industrial and Business Mentors visited LJIV projects, interacted with participants and motivated them.
- ❑ Four Technical Interactive and Two Pitching Sessions were organized.

## Valedictory Ceremony:

- ❑ Valedictory Ceremony was held on 8th February, 2020 at 03:30 pm.
- ❑ Chaired by Shri A. A. Sarma, Executive VP and Head, IAF; Shri K. K. Nirala, IAS, Collector, Ahmedabad and Dr. Dinesh Awasthi were the Guests of Honour .
- ❑ Hosted by Ms. Debopriya Chakroborty and Mr. Bhushan Mehta.
- ❑ Best Projects from Gujarat and other States (other than LJ) were awarded cash prizes. They were ranked on the basis of pitching sessions.
- ❑ LJ Innovation Village 2020 Core Team was felicitated by the Guests.
- ❑ Valedictory Ceremony attended by Directors of LJ Group of Institutes, Industrial & Business Mentors, Invited Guests, Head of Departments, Faculty Members, other Staff, Participants and Parents.

More than 8000 visitors including students, parents, industry people, faculties, professionals and LJK management & trustees, visited LJ Innovation Village. Best projects were awarded prizes and they will be taken to next step for startup week. Overall, this event was a grand success with well-organized projects, good participation, grand hospitality, logistics and food arrangement. Event was extensively covered by leading Electronic & Print Media.





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