

# PROFILE OF AN ENGINEERING ACADEMICIAN & PRAGMATIC ADMINTRATOR



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Dr. Mangubhai N. Patel was born on June 1<sup>st</sup> 1952 in village Tundav, Mehsana, Gujarat. He obtained his Bachelor Degree in Civil Engineering from B.V.M. Engineering College, S. P. University, Vallabh Vidyanagar, Gujarat, in the year 1975 standing 4<sup>th</sup> rank in the University. He completed his Masters in Civil Engineering from Gujarat University in 1990. His Doctoral Degree from D. D. University, Nadiad, Gujarat was awarded on “Auto Redundant Grid Analysis Having Curved Members”. He assumed charge as Officiating Vice-Chancellor on 2-3-2009 till 7-6-2010 and again between 22-10-2011 to 13-11-2011. Before this he has rendered services in the capacity of Principal, Professor & Head of Department at many Institutes like: L. D. College of Engineering, Ahmedabad; Govt. Engineering College, Modasa; S. & S. Engineering College, Bhavnagar; L. E. College of Engineering Morbi. His initial experience with Modern Construction Co., Mumbai and Gujarat Public Works Department as Jr. Engineer reinforced the strong foundation to his towering personality.

Dr. M. N. Patel is the recipient of Certificate of honor ISTE-2010 conferred by Hon. Minister Smt. Vasuben Trivedi in recognition of commendable services rendered for the growth & development of ISTE and Technical Education in the State of Gujarat. He is also appointed as a member of Gujarat Professional Civil Engineers Council by Govt. of Gujarat, Roads & Building Department. His pivotal role in Gujarat Technological University is noteworthy and he persuaded online GCET entrance exam, web based online admission procedure for professional degree courses in association with NIC, New Delhi in Gujarat, brought e-Governance and many more areas enabling GTU to receive MANTHAN Award 2009. He is also a Member Secretary of the Admission Committee for Professional Courses for granting admission in various programmes like M.E./M.Tech./M.Pharm./B.E./B.Tech./B. Arch./B.Pharm./D.Pharm.

His Established Earthquake Engineering Laboratory & several programs with GSDMA for 16 engineering Institutes of Gujarat. He is also the resource person of Educational serial “Earthquake Resistant Construction” to be transmitted by EMMRC in 18 episodes. His membership with professional bodies like: ISTE, GICEA, IGS, FIE etc. has shown his concern for Technical Education & Academic excellence. He is pioneer for many changes in policy making and implementation of reforms in technical and higher education. He has rendered his services to many Committees in AICTE at Regional and National level. He coordinated World Bank aided TEQIP project in State of Gujarat.

Dr. M N Patel has guided numerous candidates for their Master Thesis and have also conducted many Seminars/Workshops & Training Programs in the State. He has to his credit many publications in various Journals. He is the author of books “Mechanics of Solids” and “Engineering Mechanics” for B. E. and A.M.I.E. students.

Dr. M N Patel having his Quote: “Change is the eternal process & I have cultivated it in my attitude to get the best of my ability”, depicts his humbleness as the inspiring Leader in the area of Technical Education in Gujarat State and he is the role model for the young faculty to follow his footprints to contribute meaningfully in enhancing Technical Education.

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