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## RK University receives 4<sup>th</sup> rank in Swachh Campus ranking across the Nation by Hon. Cabinet Minister Shri Prakash Javadekar (MHRD)





RK University, a UGC and Government approved State Private University, with the main campus near Kasturbadham on Rajkot-Bhavnagar Highway has once again brought laurels to the city of Rajkot. In the recently concluded Swachh Campus Ranking 2018 by Ministry of Human Resource and Development (MHRD), RK University is ranked 4<sup>th</sup> across the nation out of total 7000 applicant institutes. RK University is the only institute from

the state of Gujarat that has been awarded this honour. All residents of the state and the region rightfully feels proud of this accomplishment.

MHRD officials, with the help and assistance from UGC and AICTE, had conducted this survey across 7000 institutes which involved personal visits to the shortlisted campuses by an expert committee of 3 members from across the country. The expert committee had assessed the campuses based on various criteria such as plantations & trees

on campus, overall green cover on campus, availability of alternate sources of energy such as solar power & biogas plant, regular application and usage of rain water harvesting techniques, clean water supply, maintenance of the campus, availability and cleanliness of toilets, latest technology usage in kitchens, waste management technology, sprinkler systems, dedicated staff for maintenance, environment and air quality on campus, extension activities for Swachhta (cleanliness)

outside the campus in the external communities, etc. This national award was presented in New Delhi at a glittering ceremony by honorable cabinet minister Shri Prakash Javadekar to Shri Denish Patel (Executive Vice President, RK University) in the presence of Minister of State Dr. Satyapal Singh, Secretary of Higher Education Shri R. Subramaniam, Secretary for Ministry of Drinking Water and Sanitation, UGC Chairman Shri D. P. Singh, AICTE Chairman Shri Anil Sahasrabudhe and Senior Economic Advisor Shri Subba Rao.

## **Technoplanet 2018**

School of Engineering, RK University helped more than 500 participants get going with innovative technical skills last week on 5<sup>th</sup> October as part of their national level technical n e "TECHNOPLANET -2018" with a prime theme "SKILL INDIA", an initiative taken to enhance the vision of Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship, government of India.

Various technical events took place throughout the day focussing more towards skill-based innovations. Rajkot being one of the leading district in helping people to try doing everyday things that augments their skill, RK university was keen during the event in the awareness of skills to make life quicker, easier and better. Participants to the various events like Titans of circuits,

Robowar, Excogitation, SEED-MET, Surveying Hunt, Data Discovery, Netathon for Security, Idea box and Interdisciplinary Project competition could express their innovative skills in their relevant domain like Electronics, Electrical, Civil, Mechanical. Computer, Agriculture and Entrepreneurship. Technical workshops on Aeromodelling and many more were also

conducted. Participants were also joined by eminent Academicians and Industry professionals who addressed and encouraged them. The entire day of technical fest was an opportunity to all the participants to have fun, learn and present their skills. RK University is consistently looking forward to promote skill development programmes

























## **Foundation Day 2018**

Foundation Day celebration reminds us of our history and our mission. It is also a day to remember and honour our past achievements, and a day to look forward to what is yet to come. RK University marked its 8th

Foundation Day with stirring performances by the major stakeholders.









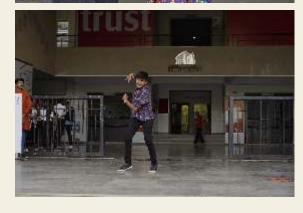
















Blissful moment being the Proud Parent of a Smiling Child

RK University's 6th Convocation was filled with Tears of Joy, Smiles of Bliss, A Step ahead towards Bright Future & Live Streaming that went viral on Social Media





## 6<sup>th</sup> Convocation

With the dusk on Sunday and rising Moon we witnessed, a grand ceremony unfolded in Rajkot with the rays of bliss and accomplishments; as Saurashtra's First Private University hosted its 6th Convocation Ceremony with over 2000 students & their parents gathered to collect their degree certificates at the Campus.

It was evident the ceremony was surrounded by flare of Indian Tradition rather than western, which the rest of the Universities usually follow. In Red Kurtas and golden sash, the graduates collected their

degrees from their parents instead of dignitaries. Instead of flying caps there were tears of joy & smiles of bliss with a sense of belongingness to the whole ceremony, which is usually missing from the modern convocations. 23 students were awarded gold medals, as they walked up the stage with their parents, and collected the same from the dignitaries on the dais which included Shri. Khodidas Patel (President, RK University), Shri Denish Patel (Executive Vice President), Dr. Tushar Desai (VC - RK University), Shri Darshan Shah (Hitachi Hi-Rel Power Electronics), Shri

Kamalnayan Sojitra (Falcon Pumps), Shri Umesh Malani (Malani Constructions), Shri Bharat Hapani (Kich Architectural Products); while all other students were awarded by their respective parents on stage itself.

"We are really touched by this new concept, where we handed over the degree to our children. We as parents, await to see this moment right since their birth and it touched our hearts. We had tears of joy roll down our eyes even before we stepped on stage", said one of the parents after the convocation ceremony. One of the students, on receiving the degree from his parent said, "I felt delighted to make my parents proud and receive the degree from their hands, thanks to RK University for making this a memorable of my life"

The whole program was streamed live on Social Media via Internet by the University, along with hundreds of photos & selfies which were posted individually by the students & their parents. The instantaneous availability of the live video enabled the family members of the students at home also to join in to the celebrations.

















