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પ્રકાશક: એનઆરજી ફાઉન્ડેશન, ગાંધીનગર

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‘ગુજરાત ગ્રોથ મોડલ’ વિષયક હાર્દરૂપ પ્રવચન કરતા શ્રી નરેન્દ્રભાઈ મોદી ગુજરાતે વિકાસમાં જનભાગીદારીને આંદોલનમાં પરિવર્તન કરી છે

મુખ્યમંત્રી શ્રી નરેન્દ્રભાઈ મોદીએ બેંગાલુરુમાં ફેડરેશન ઓફ કર્ણાટક ચેમ્બર્સ એન્ડ ઇન્ડસ્ટ્રીઝ આયોજિત સન્માન સમારોહમાં જણાવ્યું હતું કે સમગ્ર ભારતમાં આયોજિત વિકાસ માટે ગુજરાતનું ગ્રોથ મોડેલ પ્રસ્તુત થઈ રહ્યું છે.

કર્ણાટકના ૪૦૦ જેટલા ઉદ્યોગ-વેપાર ક્ષેત્રના અગ્રણી સંચાલકોની ઉપસ્થિતિમાં શ્રી નરેન્દ્રભાઈ મોદીએ જણાવ્યું કે, ૨૧મી સદીમાં વિકાસની સ્પર્ધા અનિવાર્ય બની ગઈ છે.

વિકાસની પરિભાષા બદલાઈ ગઈ છે અને ગુજરાતે ‘ભારતના વિકાસ માટે ગુજરાતનો વિકાસ’નો મંત્ર અપનાવીને દેશની આર્થિક-સામાજિક સ્થિતિમાં ગુણાત્મક પરિવર્તન લાવવા નવા આયામો સાર્થક કરી બતાવ્યા છે. તેમણે જણાવ્યું કે આઝાદી પછી કોંગ્રેસ અને સામ્યવાદના વિકાસ મોડલ નિર્ધારિત ધ્યેય હાંસલ કરી શક્યા નથી અને ૨૧મી સદીમાં વિકાસનું મોડેલ જનસામાન્યના હિતો માટેનું હોવું જોઈએ. અમે ભૂતકાળની

સરકારોએ લોકભાગીદારી અને જનશક્તિથી વિમુક્ત એક માત્ર સરકાર આધારિત વિકાસનું મૂળભૂત માળખું બદલી નાંખ્યું અને જનભાગીદારીને વિકાસમાં પ્રેરિત કરી દીધી. તેના ચમત્કારિક પરિણામો ગુજરાતે બતાવ્યા છે.

અમે ફોરેન્સીક સાયન્સ યુનિવર્સિટી, રક્ષાશક્તિ માટેની સુરક્ષા યુનિવર્સિટી, એનર્જી મેનેજમેન્ટ માટે પેટ્રોલિયમ યુનિવર્સિટી, બાળ

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વતજાળી વાટે...



યુએસે સ્થિત જયંતિભાઈ એસ. પટેલ તરફથી તેમના વતન સુણાવ (જિ. આણંદ) ખાતે કન્યા શાળા માટે રૂ. ૨ લાખનું દાન આપેલ છે.

Introduction: The Federation of Gujarati Associations of North America (FOGNA)

FOGANA is an acronym for The Federation of Gujarati Associations of North America which was founded in 1980. The aim was to bring all the Gujarati people living in North America closer together by promoting a common platform to sustain and perpetuate the cultural heritage of Gujarat, India. Initially, FOGANA aspired to meet the needs and welfare of Gujaratis while assisting them in adapting to the mainstream America. They hoped to do this by building up and centralizing resources, energies and talents and thus create a stronger image of the Gujaratis.

Using such tools as folk dancing, which is an integral part of any celebration in the Gujarati culture, they initiated their effort by conducting folk dance competitions in various regions that culminated in finals in one or another North American city.

Gujaratis from all corners gathered for these events. Workshops in cultural aspect such as dance, costumes communities, music etc. were offered. Also Drama and Debate competitions/festivals were conducted in some of the regions as well as a Conference in Washington. Visiting dignitaries in many fields were honored and brought in contact with the Gujarati community at large.

(Source : www.fogana.org)

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PIO ECONOMIST GOBIND NANKANI RECEIVES GHANANIAN NATIONAL AWARD

Gobind Nankani, prominent Indian-origin development economist and head of the Global Development Network (GDN), has been honored with a top Ghanaian national award for his contributions to the development of Ghana and Africa. Ghanaian President John A Kufour presented Nankani with the ‘Order of the Volta’ on July 3 in Accra.

Nankani was cited

particularly for his role as vice president for Africa at the World Bank from 2004 to 2006, and also for his contribution over the years to the promotion of social development policy and financing. Kufuor presented awards to distinguished personalities, including foreign nationals. The awards were instituted by the nation’s first

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Raj Bhavsar as part of US gymnastics team

The past four years have been a rough road for Houston-based Raj Bhavsar. A junior standout turned NCAA star and World team stalwart, Bhavsar felt he deserved a spot on the 2004 Olympic team and was devastated when he was named alternate instead.

That disappointment led Bhavsar to a dark place, where he questioned just about everything in his life. Houston

gymnast Raj Bhavsar was named to replace 2004 Olympic gold medalist injured Paul Hamm on the USA Gymnastics men’s Olympic team.

Fueled by an underdog’s mentality, a burglar’s guts and the grace under pressure that is a minimum requirement for performing on the Olympic stage, the men of USA Gymnastics won a bronze

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president, Kwame Nkrumah, when Ghana attained republic status on July 1, 1960.

Speaking at the National Honors Awards, on the theme 'Branding Ghana for a Prosperous Future', Kufuor said: "We have sought to honor a cross section of society who in the course of their work has made exceptional contributions to the development of the nation. Today's function is to urge them on to greater service to the nation and encourage others to follow their example."

As head of GDN, Nankani oversees a worldwide association of researchers and policy institutes with the goal of generating and sharing knowledge, building research capacity and bridging the gap between ideas and policy for development. Nankani firmly believes that "world-class

research capabilities exist in developing countries. The challenge is to ensure that they influence policy debate at the country and regional levels". Informed policy-making instead of opinion-based policy-making is the key to effective and inclusive development and poverty reduction.

The online research database GDN has over 7,000 registered researchers and provides access to over 14,000 journal articles for researchers in developing and transition countries. GDN became an International Organization in February 2008.

It is headquartered in New Delhi. It signed the Headquarters Agreement with the Government of India in May 2008. GDN's regional offices are located in Cairo, Egypt and Washington. Its site is www.gdnet.org (www.gopio.net)

Tourist Place:



This sacred teerth is located 5 km on Prabhas Veraval highway. Bhagwan Shree Krishna was hit with the arrow of the poacher named Jara at this spot. Bhagwan Shree Krishna was resting in meditation under a pippal tree when the poacher

Bhalka Teerth

misread the foot of Bhagwan Shree Krishna as a deer and hit from a distance.

Bhagwan generously pardoned the poacher and blessed him. This divined leela of Bhagwan Shree Krishna is mortalised by a beautiful temple and an ancient pippal tree. The spot is under development with the assistance of the Central Government. Bhagwan Shree Krishana then walked a small distance and arrived at the holy banks of river Hiranya from where he took his last journey to his Neejdham. (Source: http://swamigyananandjisaraswati.com/resrhhalka.htm)

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medal in the men's team competition. China won the gold medal with 286.125 points, and Japan slipped past the U.S. on the final apparatus to take the silver with 278.875. The U.S. scored 275.85 to edge Germany at 274.6 for the bronze. The Americans were fueled early on by the bold, rock-solid performances of a squad that included Houston gymnasts Jonathan Horton

and Raj Bhavsar, and at the end by Sasha Artemev's redemptive series of twirls around the pommel horse as anchor man on the team's weakest apparatus.

"It's been an amazing and enlightening experience. After '04, there was a lot of hurt that went on in the sport for me. I had to succumb to that and surrender to it," said Bhavsar. (www.nriol.com)

'ગુજરાત ગ્રોથ મોડલ' વિષયક...

સશક્તિકરણની દિશામાં અનોખી એવી ચિલ્ડ્રન યુનિવર્સિટી અને માનવ શંસાધનના વિકાસ માટે શિક્ષકોના નિર્માણની ટીચર્સ એજ્યુકેશન યુનિવર્સિટી તરફ સુનિશ્ચિત ઢબે આગળ વધી રહ્યા છીએ. SEZ એક્ટ, SIR એક્ટ, દિલ્હી, મુંબઈ ડેલીકેટેડ ફ્રેઈટ કોરીડોર, બંદર આધારિત વિશ્વ વેપાર અને

માળખાકીય સુવિધાઓ ગ્રામસમાજ અને શહેરી સમાજની સુખસુવિધાના ભેદભાવ મિટાવતું ર્બન કલ્ચર જેવા અનેક નવતર વિકાસનાં ક્ષેત્રો સાથે માનવવિકાસ સુચકાંકના માતા-બાળ, શિશુ રક્ષા, કુપોષણ સામે જંગ, નિર્મળ ગુજરાત, નિરોગી બાળ, કન્યા કેળવણી જેવા સામાજિક આંદોલનોમાં જનશક્તિને જોડીને સફળ સિદ્ધિઓ મેળવી છે.