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Name: Dr. Kinjal Ahir

Date of Birth: 24th June, 1979.

Highest Qualification: Philosophy of Doctorate (PhD) & National Eligibility Test in Economics (NET) in Economics, M.A. – Economics with Econometrics (Gold Medalist)

Academic Performance:

Qualification	Board/University	Specialization	%	Remarks	Date
10th	Gujarat Secondary Education Board, Gandhinagar		68.14%		March 1994
12th	Gujarat Secondary Education Board, Gandhinagar	Commerce	69%		March 1996
B.Com	Gujarat University, Ahmedabad	Foreign Trade, Procedures & Practices	68.75%		May 1999
Diploma in Export Management	Indian Institute of Export Management, Bangalore	Foreign Trade procedures & marketing			August 1999
M.A.	M.S.University, Baroda	Mathematical Economics & Econometrics	70%	Gold Medal	April 2001
N.E.T	University Grants Commission, New Delhi	Economics			Dec 2000
Ph.D.	Department of Economics, Bhavnagar University	Economics of Higher Education			Sept 2007

Present Status: Senior Lecturer in Tolani Institute of Management Studies, Adipur, Kachchh, Gujarat.

Subjects Taught:

- 8 papers of Economics, Foreign Trade Procedures & Practices & Statistics at the undergraduate level
- Managerial Economics, Indian Business Environment & Communication Skills – Written & Oral at the PGDM program.
- Indian Business Environment & Presentation Skills to the ICAI students

Research Papers Published:

1. A paper entitled 'Economics of Privatization – An introspection of Indian Higher Education' co-authored by Dr. K M Joshi was published in the 'Indian Development Review: An International Journal of Development Economics', Serials Publication, Volume 5 No. 2 December 2007: 317-340.
2. A paper entitled 'Analysis of Efficiency and Quality Across Public and Private Sector of Higher Education Institute in Philippines' co-authored by Dr. K M Joshi was published in 'Asian and African Journal of Economics and Econometrics', Vol .7 No. 1-2, 2007: 221-243.

3. A paper entitled 'An Inter State Comparison of Selected Human Development Parameters: A case study of India' was published in a book entitled 'Regional Disparity in India- Issues and Perspectives' edited by Dr. Himani Joshi/Baxi, ICFAI Books, The ICFAI University Press, Hyderabad, 2009: 150-168.
4. A paper entitled 'Perceptions of various stakeholders on financing of Indian higher education: A case study of Gandhidham Taluka' was published in 'Quest: Journal of Management & Research', TIMS Publication, Volume 1, Issue 1, June 2010: 27-42. ISSN No.: 0976-3317

Research Papers Presented:

1. A paper entitled 'Role of Higher Education in Sustainable Development - A Case Study of Gandhidham Taluka ' in the International Conference on 'Education for Sustainable Development' organized by AIAER at Adipur, Kutch as on 14-16 September, 2007.
2. A paper entitled 'Private Higher Education in India – learning lessons from the Philippines Experience' co-authored by Dr. K M Joshi in a National Seminar on 'Economics of Education: The India Scenario' organized by Gujarat Vidyapeeth, Ahmedabad as on 8, 9 December, 2007.
3. A paper entitled 'Redefining Poverty: A Case Study of Gandhidham Taluka' in the 38th Annual Gujarat Economic Conference, at SPIESR, Ahmedabad, as on 2, 3 February, 2008. The revised paper was then presented at the National Seminar on 'Economic Growth and Stability in the Post Reform Period – Indian Experience' under UGC-ASIHSS Programme organized by Department of Economics, MS University, Baroda as on 27, 28 February, 2009.
4. A paper entitled 'Indian Pharmaceutical Industry and Public health under WTO regime' in the 34th Annual Gujarat Economic Conference on 14, 15 February, 2004 at Tolani Institute of Management Studies, Adipur.
5. The Pre-Thesis Synopsis entitled 'Shifting the Burden: Public and Private Financing of Higher Education in Philippines and Implications for India' for the faculties at the Department of Economics, Bhavnagar University, Bhavnagar as on 23rd September 2007.

Conference / Seminar/ Workshop/ Training attended:

1. A National Seminar on 'In search of Alternatives: Exploring the Private Resources for Higher Education' organized by Department of Economics, Bhavnagar University, Bhavnagar, as on 11th March, 2006.
2. A State level seminar on 'Reform in Higher Education under WTO- Opportunities and Threats' organized by Department of Economics, Gujarat University, at Mahatma Gandhi Labour Institute, Ahmedabad as on 23rd March 2007.
3. A seminar on 'Higher Education- Industry Institute Linkages' at Department of Economics, Bhavnagar University, Bhavnagar as on 11th March, 2006.

4. A workshop on 'How to use the Statistical Tools in researches of Social Sciences' at the Department of Economics, MS University, Baroda, as on 23,24th February, 2006.
5. A workshop on 'Effective Communication and Presentation Skills' by Mr Vivek Shah, organized by Ahmedabad Management Association, Ahmedabad, as on 6th March' 09.
6. A workshop on 'Oral Communication and Listening Skills' by Mr Vivek Shah, organized by Ahmedabad Management Association, Ahmedabad, as on 7th March' 09.
7. A workshop on 'The Revised Syllabus of F.Y.B.Com wef Academic Year 2007-08' organized by KSKV Kachchh University, Bhuj and Tolani commerce College, Adipur as on 5th August, 2007.
8. A workshop for College teachers on 'Higher Education in Knowledge Society (Issues in Examination and Evaluation System) as on 29th and 30th December, 2001, organized by Tolani Commerce College, Adipur.
9. A workshop on 'Teaching for Education for Sustainable Development' held on 13th September, 2007 organized by Tolani College of Arts and Science and Tolani Commerce College in co-ordination with All India Association for Education Research, New Delhi.
10. A workshop on 'Training for NAAC accreditation' organized by Tolani College of Arts & Science, KSKV Kachchh University in February 2007.
11. A Training Programme entitled 'Presentation Skills through Power Point' as on 8th July 2002 to 15th July 2002 organized by Nodal Centre for Entrepreneurship and Management Development, sponsored by MHRD New Delhi and Tolani F.G. Poytechnic, Adipur, Kachchh at Tolani Institute of Management Studies.
12. A Training Programme entitled 'Entrepreneurship Awareness Camp' as on 16th and 17th December 1996, organized by Nodal Centre for Entrepreneurship and Management Development, sponsored by MHRD New Delhi and Tolani F.G. Poytechnic, Adipur, Kachchh at Tolani Commerce College.
13. A Training Programme entitled 'Entrepreneurship Development Programme' from 16th November 1998 to 12th December 1998, organized by Nodal Centre for Entrepreneurship and Management Development, sponsored by MHRD, New Delhi and Tolani F.G. Poytechnic, Adipur, Kachchh at Tolani Commerce College.
14. A seminar on 'How to implement Continuous evaluation system in B.Com Colleges at KSKV Kachchh University' organized by J.B. Thakkar Commerce College, Bhuj.
15. Underwent the following two trainings in the area of Foreign Trade Procedures and Practices: a. at Hindustan Lever Ltd., Kandla Free Trade Zone, Gandhidham, from 15th to 31st May 1997, & b. at Friends and Friends Shipping Pvt. Ltd., Gandhidham from 20th May 1998 to 7th June 1998.

Honors & Awards:

1. Won the 'Gold Medal' in Master of Arts, Economics (with specialization in Mathematical Economics and Econometrics) from MS University, Baroda.
2. Won the Best Paper Award for the paper entitled '*Role of Higher Education in Sustainable Development - A Case Study of Gandhidham Taluka*' In the International Conference on 'Education for Sustainable Development' organized by AIAER at Adipur, Kutch as on 14-16 September, 2007.
3. Served as a session chair in a National Conference held at Tolani Foundation Gandhidham Polytech, Adipur.
4. Won the award for highest marks in Micro-economics during Master of Arts, Economics from MS University, Baroda.
5. Won twice the First Prize in the regional rounds of 'Times of India Public Speaking Contest' each at Rajkot as on 17th January 1998 and 3rd February 1999.
6. Cleared three levels of National level Hindi examination called the 'Prarambhik', 'Pravesh', and 'Parichay' in September 1992, February 1993 and September 1996, organized by The Rashtrabhasha Prachar Samiti, Vardha.
7. Won silver medal in 'Best Student of Kutch District Contest' organized by Bhuj Mercantile Co-operative Bank Ltd, at Bhuj, Kutch as on 17th December 1998.
8. Won the title 'Crystal Princess' and first prize in 'Brainstorming' competition organized by Tolani Institute of Management Studies, as a part of 'Crystal Contest' in 1999.
9. Won first prize in the A.D.Shroff Memorial Elocution Competition conducted by Forum of Free Enterprise for College Students as on 31st August, 1999 at Department of Economics, MSU, Baroda.
10. Won second prize in Economic Debate organized by The Economic Society at the Department of Economics, Faculty of Arts, MSU, Baroda as on 1st April, 2000.
11. Honored by the Rotaract Club of Gandhidham under their project "Abha Smruti" to appreciate the receiving of the Gold Medal at MSU, Baroda as on 8th February' 02.

Other Achievements

1. Served as a Convener of the National Conference on 'Emerging Trends in Management Practices' organized by TIMS on 4-5th December, 2010.
2. Appointed as a Liasion officer by K.S.K.V. Kachchh University to provide suggestions for the implementation of 'Continuous evaluation at university level education'.
3. Appointed as one of the paper setters in a panel of 3 members for S.Y. B.B.A. Managerial Economics University examination, Bhavnagar University.

4. Served as a Secretary of the Executive Committee of the Economic Society during the academic year 1999-2000 at Department of Economics, Faculty of Arts, MSU, Baroda.
5. Founder member of a student's activity organization – 'Economic Association' at the Tolani Commerce College.
6. Served as a sub-editor of Tolani Campus Times for 3 years 2005-08 as a representative of Tolani Institute of Commerce.
7. Served as a chief-editor of the annual Souvenir of Economic Association, a students' organization at Tolani Commerce College for 2 years.
8. Conducted monthly and two monthly Spoken English Classes at various organizations like:
 - a. Tolani Commerce College (twice – monthly)
 - b. Tolani College of Arts and Science – Evening classes (once – monthly)
 - c. Tolani Foundation Gandhidham Polytech College – (twice – monthly)
 - d. Tolani Institute of Excellence (twice-monthly)
9. Handled various portfolios at Tolani Institute of Commerce like, Sports In charge, Website In charge, Brand building in charge, student's co-curricular activities in charge, etc.
10. Handled various portfolios at Tolani Institute of Management Studies like, Alumni Relation Team Co-ordinator, Media in charge, web co-ordinator, student's activities co-ordinator, etc.
11. Performed as 'Master of the Ceremony' at various academic, cultural and social functions.

Trainings imparted:

1. Conducted a Management Development Programme for IFFCO employees on 'A workshop on Personal Effectiveness' on 18th February, 2010.
2. A member of the team appointed to impart management training at a NGO 'Kalaa Raksha' in-particular responsible for Human Resource and Communication Training.
3. Conducted Personality Development sessions at National Institute of Fashion Designing, Gandhidham as on, and to Kutch Women Welfare Association, Adipur.
4. Provided a 3 hours training on 'How to write a Research Paper?' and 'The Do's and the Don'ts of a good Power point presentation' at Tolani Foundation Gandhidham Polytech College, Adipur.

Area of Interest: Research & Corporate Training

Industry Experience: 6 months, marketing profile for Apex Marketing, Gandhidham

Teaching Experience: 6 years at Under-Graduate level in Tolani College of Arts & Science, Tolani Commerce College and Tolani Institute of Commerce and since December' 07 with Tolani Institute of Management Studies, Adipur, Kachchh.