

AYUSH sponsored National Seminar
“Current Trends and Recent Advancements in Herbal Drugs”
K. B. Institute of Pharmaceutical Education and Research, Gandhinagar, GUJARAT
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Report

K. B. Institute of Pharmaceutical Education and Research, Gandhinagar (KBIPER) had organized AYUSH New Delhi, sponsored National Seminar on January 22, 2011 on **“Current Trends and Recent Advancements in Herbal Drugs.”** More than 275 delegates consisting students and teachers from academic institutions, industries and Ayurvedic practitioners were participated. Ten M. Pharm students and four staff members from our college had attended this seminar.

In Inaugural function, followed by registration and breakfast, Dr. D. T. Kapadia, director, KSV Gandhinagar had welcomed the guests. Dr. A. K. Shukla, PG Director - KBIPER, had introduced the guests and given brief history of the institute. Dr. C. K. Kokate, Vice Chancellor, KLE Health University, Belgaum and the chief guest of the function had inaugurated the seminar by lightening the lamp. Dr. S. H. Ansari, ex Dean of faculty of Pharmacy, Jamia Hamdard, New Delhi, had briefed about attachment with KBIPER.

Dr. C. K. Kokate in his key note address had given the present scenario of herbal drugs. He classifies the herbal industry into cultivation, preparation for market, preparation of extracts, formulation and standardization. He also stressed on challenges and scope in herbal research at various stages. **Dr. Ansari** had described on recent development in standardization of herbal drugs giving suitable examples.

In post lunch session **Dr. Malati Chauhan**, Emeritus Professor, Institute of Post Graduate Teaching and research in Ayurveda- Gujarat Ayurved University, Jamnagar, had presented research work on new plants used as folk core medicine. **Dr. B. Ravishanker**, director, SDM college of Ayurveda, Kuthapadi, Udupi, Karnataka, had presented his research works focusing on research in Ayurveda should fully adhere to the Ayurvedic concepts; like method of formulation, shodhan, collection of plant, storage etc. **Dr. S. H. Mishra**, Professor, Dept. of Pharmacy, M. S. University of Baroda, had highlighted current issues in herbal products.

There was two session of poster paper presentation comprising of 56 papers from various colleges and industries. Themes for poster presentation were 1) Standardization 2) Experimental Research 3) Clinical Research 4) Formulation & Development of Herbal drugs. Participants were given certificates. This seminar had really enriched the knowledge of participants. It was organized with the effort of Dr. G. B. Shah, Principal, Dr. Shrikalp Deshpande, Organizing Secretary, Dr Maitreyi Zaveri, Jt. Organizing Secretary and LOC of K. B. Institute of Pharmaceutical Education and Research, Gandhinagar.

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