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## **REPORT ON SSIP OUTREACH PROGRAM**

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| <b>Program Title</b>          | Spark of Innovation: Exploring Startups, Science and Entrepreneurship            |
| <b>Organized By</b>           | SSIP, IIC and IQAC, Shree Naranjibhai Lalbhai Patel College of Pharmacy (SNLPCP) |
| <b>Host School</b>            | BABS High School, Bardoli                                                        |
| <b>Date</b>                   | September 07, 2026                                                               |
| <b>Target Audience</b>        | Students of Standard 11 <sup>th</sup> (Science Stream)                           |
| <b>Number of Participants</b> | 94 students                                                                      |
| <b>Resource Persons</b>       | Prof. Vipul Gajera and Prof. Tejas Patel, SNLPCP                                 |

### **1. Introduction**

As part of its continuous outreach initiatives, the Student Startup and Innovation Policy (SSIP) Cell, in collaboration with the Institution's Innovation Council (IIC) and the Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) of Shree Naranjibhai Lalbhai Patel College of Pharmacy (SNLPCP), organized a school outreach program titled "**Spark of Innovation: Exploring Startups, Science and Entrepreneurship**". The program was conducted at **BABS High School, Bardoli**, on **September 07, 2026**, for students of Standard 11<sup>th</sup> (Science stream). A total of 94 students attended the session.

The primary purpose of the program was to expose higher secondary science students to career pathways available in the pharmaceutical sector and to introduce them to the concept of entrepreneurship and the support mechanisms available to student innovators under the Student Startup and Innovation Policy.

### **2. Objectives**

The specific objectives of the outreach program were as follows: to create awareness among 11<sup>th</sup> standard science students regarding diverse career opportunities in the pharmaceutical sector; to introduce students to the fundamentals of entrepreneurship and the mindset required to pursue innovation-driven careers; to familiarize students with the role and support structure of the SSIP and the opportunities it offers for aspiring young innovators; and to encourage early interest among school students in science-based and entrepreneurial career paths.

### **3. Proceedings of the Program**

The program was conducted in two sequential sessions, each addressing a distinct theme relevant to the overall objective of the outreach activity.

#### **3.1 Session I: Career Opportunities in the Pharmaceutical Sector**

The first session was delivered by Prof. Vipul Gajera, who introduced the students to the wide range of career opportunities available in the pharmaceutical sector. The session covered various domains within the field, including pharmaceutical manufacturing, quality assurance and quality control, regulatory affairs, clinical research, drug discovery and development, and academia. Prof. Gajera also discussed the educational pathways leading to these careers, helping students understand how choices made after Standard 12<sup>th</sup> could shape their professional trajectory in the pharmaceutical and allied health sciences industry.

#### **3.2 Session II: Entrepreneurship and the Role of SSIP**

The second session was conducted by Prof. Tejas Patel, who introduced the students to the concept of entrepreneurship, distinguishing it from conventional employment and highlighting the mindset, skills, and risk orientation required of an entrepreneur. Prof. Patel further explained the role of the SSIP in fostering a culture of innovation and entrepreneurship



entrepreneur. Prof. Patel further explained the role of the SSIP in fostering a culture of innovation and entrepreneurship among students, and outlined the various opportunities available under the policy, including funding support, mentorship, incubation facilities, and platforms for idea development. The session aimed to motivate students to consider entrepreneurship as a viable and rewarding career option alongside conventional academic and professional routes.

#### 4. Participation

The program witnessed active participation from 94 students of Standard 11<sup>th</sup> (Science stream) at BABS High School, Bardoli. Students remained engaged throughout both sessions and interacted with the resource persons during the interactive segments, seeking clarification on career pathways, entrance examinations, and the process of availing SSIP-related support for innovative ideas.

#### 5. Outcome and Impact

The outreach program successfully achieved its intended objectives. Students gained a clearer understanding of the diverse career opportunities available within the pharmaceutical sector, extending beyond conventional perceptions of the field. The session on entrepreneurship and SSIP generated notable interest among students, several of whom engaged actively during the question-and-answer segment, indicating an improved awareness of innovation-driven career paths and institutional support mechanisms available to young innovators.

The program also served to strengthen the institutional outreach footprint of SNLPCP in the Bardoli region and reinforced the collaborative role of the SSIP, IIC, and IQAC cells in promoting science and entrepreneurship education at the school level.

#### 6. Conclusion

The SSIP outreach program conducted at BABS High School, Bardoli, on September 07, 2026, was a successful initiative that introduced 94 students of Standard 11<sup>th</sup> (Science stream) to career opportunities in the pharmaceutical sector and to the fundamentals of entrepreneurship under the SSIP framework. Such outreach activities are valuable in bridging the gap between school-level education and higher education and career choices, and in cultivating an early interest in innovation and entrepreneurship among students. It is recommended that similar outreach programs be conducted periodically at other schools in the region as part of the ongoing SSIP, IIC, and IQAC outreach mandate.

#### 7. Acknowledgement

The organizers express sincere gratitude to the principal and faculty coordinators of BABS High School, Bardoli, for their support and cooperation in facilitating this outreach program. Appreciation is also extended to the management of SNLPCP for its continued encouragement of SSIP, IIC, and IQAC outreach initiatives.

#### Annexures

Annexure I: Attendance Sheet of Participating Students (94 students, Standard 11<sup>th</sup> Science).

Annexure II: Photographs of the Program

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