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Name of the officer under whose direction the Annual Report is prepared

Dr. N.C. Patel Vice Chancellor, Junagadh Agricultural University, Junagadh

Authority under which the Annual Report is prepared

Section 49 of the Gujarat Agricultural Universities Act-2004

Signature of the officer preparing the Annual Report

Registrar, Junagadh Agricultural University, Junagadh

The Board of Management in its 31st Meeting held on 28.11.2013 has approved the Ninth Annual Report vide item No.31.14 of the said meeting and resolved as under:

Item No. 31.14 Approval of Ninth Annual Report of the Junagadh Agricultural University

"Resolved that the Ninth Annual Report of the Junagadh Agricultural University for the year 2012-13 (Dt. 01.04.2012 to 31.03.2013) under the provision of Section-49 of the Gujarat Agricultural Universities Act-2004 is considered and approved."

(K.B. Jadeja)

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From VC's Desk

It is my proud privilege to present the 9th Annual Report of Junagadh Agricultural University (JAU), Junagadh. This report reflects the University's objectives, strategy and delivery programme of our priorities and progress made during 2012-13.

The Junagadh Agricultural University represents arid and semiarid growing conditions covering eleven districts and about 32.82 per cent area of the Gujarat state. The university conducts basic and applied research considering the climatic conditions of the region, where frequent droughts, erratic rainfall, low fertility and salinity ingress are the major constraints for productivity and prosperity of agriculture. The University comprises mainly two Agro-climatic Zones viz., North and South Saurashtra Agro-climatic Zones. The university is focusing to improve the livelihood of farmers and to commercialize farming as a cost-effective production, besides vocational education.

The endurance of our scientists transpired 44 farmers' recommendations and 15 scientific recommendations with two new crop varieties for farmers during the year 2012-13. About 1327q nucleus/breeder seed, 9038 q truthful seed as well as 79837 number of planting materials were produced under seed production programmes. The university got 35 new research projects sanctioned by ICAR, Government of India, Government of Gujarat and other agencies for enhancing the research on newer facets of farming using the highly developed technologies.

Our incessant efforts to improve the quality of education reflect with increasing success ratio in National Eligibility Test (NET) and other competitive examinations and absorbance in government and private industry. It is our pleasure to note that our education system produces job givers by opening ventures in agriculture field.

On transfer of technology front, the efforts were made to update farmers/rural people about technological development through different media *viz.*, TV, radio and publication of agricultural literature. During the year 2012-13, 15 TV programmes and 21 radio talks were given by scientists of the University. Moreover 33 pamphlets, 43 folders and 9 booklets were published. The "JAU News letter" is being published regularly by the university.

I gratefully acknowledge the support received from the State and Central Governments, ICAR, and other funding agencies; as also from the staff of our university. I am sure, that the incessant efforts made by the university will be reflected through this report. We will continue fine tuning our research, elevating educational standards and efficiently educating farmers, so that Indian Agriculture gets the status of a lucrative business.

Junagadh

Date: 12.12.2013

(N. C. PATEL)

VICE CHANCELLOR

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