

Gandhinagar Institute of Technology

A Report on "Ride for Nation: Bike Rally" 26th January 2018

Introduction:

Healthy Campus Committee (HCC) of Gandhinagar Institute of Technology works with an objective of making students aware about healthy life style, social consciousness, stress-management, self-esteem and drug awareness. GIT participated in the "Ride for Nation: Bike Rally" on Republic Day. The event was organized by CII-YI (Confederation of Indian Industry - Young Indians) Ahmedabad Chapter and Healthy Campus (an initiative of the Narcotics Control Bureau) at Sabarmati Riverfront, Ahmedabad from 7:00 am onwards. The event got a tremendous response with around 700 bikers from different biker groups, NGOs and colleges joining the rally. GIT actively participated in the event with 110 participants.

Objective:

The event was organized with an effort to showcase that one can drive without honking and get to a desired destination without polluting the city with noise. Noise pollution is now recognized as a major problem in urban areas with many adverse health effects. The most important factors raising noise pollution is vehicular traffic and the honking involved. Driving attitude which includes impatience, over accelerating, sudden braking, etc. also aggravate honking. The event also focused on spreading awareness about Drug Abuse, Bribery, Project Masoom (Keeping Children Safe), Gift an Organ and Swachh Bharat.

Program:

Shri Hari Om Gandhi, Zonal Director, Narcotics Control Bureau, was the chief guest of the event. He motivated bikers to abstain from excessive honking and explained about the ill effects of vehicular noise pollution. Many patriotic songs were played in the background to celebrate the 69th Republic Day and the Indian flag was hoisted to pay tribute to our motherland India. Around 700 bikers and the CII–YI staff traversed through the Ahmedabad city in their bikes, spreading awareness about noise pollution and drug awareness issues. The students of GIT pledged to abstain from excessive honking and live a drug free life.

Photo Gallery:



Shri Hari Om Gandhi, CII-YI and Healthy Campus organizers at the hoisting of the Indian Flag.



GIT HCC Members and participants with their bikes, getting ready for the Ride for Nation: Bike Rally.



Prof. Rahish Silavat and Prof. Mohammed Challawala (Members, HCC) during the bike rally.



Bikers driving without honking during the Ride for Nation: Bike Rally.



HCC Members and participants of GIT at the Ride for Nation: Bike Rally, River Front.



Group photo of HCC Members and participants of GIT with their bikes.