

## Introduction

In alignment with its steadfast commitment to ensuring the safety and preparedness of its entire community, Gandhinagar University organized a War Preparedness Mock Drill on 7th May 2025. This proactive initiative was aimed at equipping students, faculty, and staff with the necessary skills and awareness to respond swiftly and effectively in emergency situations, particularly those arising out of armed conflicts or crisis events. The core objectives of the mock drill were to build awareness about potential wartime emergencies, develop readiness and confidence among participants, and impart practical training in evacuation, rescue operations, and coordination mechanisms.

## Detailed Report

The War Preparedness Mock Drill consisted of a carefully planned sequence of practical exercises and live demonstrations designed to simulate real-time crisis scenarios. The key components of the drill included a blackout simulation and rescue training exercises.

### a) Blackout Simulation

A controlled power shutdown was conducted to replicate the conditions of a wartime blackout. During this simulation, participants practiced navigating safely in low-visibility conditions, remaining calm under pressure, and securing essential items. Emergency lighting and backup power systems were activated and tested for functionality and readiness. Faculty and staff played an instrumental role in guiding students along predetermined evacuation routes to designated assembly points, ensuring an orderly and safe movement during the simulated blackout.

### b) Rescue Training

Rescue training was carried out through demonstrations of basic life-saving techniques. These included procedures for moving injured individuals and administering first aid in emergencies. Selected student volunteers actively engaged in rescue simulations, including the safe transport of casualties using stretchers. The emergency response teams conducted exercises in crowd management and provided assistance protocols for persons with disabilities. In addition, participants were trained in proper communication protocols necessary for summoning external emergency services during a crisis.

The mock drill was guided and supported by key members of the university: Mr. Sanjay Shukla (Deputy Registrar, Gandhinagar University) led the Blackout Simulation; Dr. Chetan Gupta (Principal, GIN) provided hands-on Rescue Training; and Mr. Tejas Shah (Program Coordinator, NSS) facilitated support and ensured the availability of essential resources for smooth execution of the training activities.

The War Preparedness Mock Drill was executed successfully, demonstrating Gandhinagar University's active approach toward campus safety and emergency readiness. By involving the entire university community in realistic simulations and structured training, the institution has significantly strengthened its capacity to respond effectively in the face of emergencies.

#### **Photo Gallery:**

	
Dy registrar guiding about mock Drill	Rescue training



Rescue by lifting in different methods



Balck out training



Blackout evacuate training