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2-DAYS REFRESHER COURSE FOR PHARMACISTS
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Director, Institute of Research and Development **Prof. Y. K. Agrawal** gave a warm welcome to the distinguished guests, speakers and addressed the participants in his welcome address. He said about the need of forensic pharmacy in current scenario. Then **Dr. Mira Desai**- State coordinator for pharmacovigilance program of Central Drugs Standard Control Organization (CDSCO), has thrown light on importance of such kind of workshop. **Dr. J.M. Vyas**, Hon. Director General, GFSU gave a Presidential address to the distinguished guest and participants. He emphasized about the importance of quality in pharmaceutical products and objectives of GFSU. Finally **Dr. Merool Vakil** -Assistant Professor -Institute of Research and Development presented a Vote of thanks on the occasion.

The workshop was enriched by various expert lectures from the best of academia and industry for an exciting exchange of knowledge in the field of pharmaceutical sciences. There were seven Technical sessions by the experts, followed by objective test. The first expert lecture was delivered by **Dr. Mira Desai**. She provided very useful information about pharmacovigilance program of India and role of pharmacists in strengthening of adverse event reporting. Second lecture was delivered by **Shri Arvind Kukrety**, Dy. Drug Controller, he make aware the audience about current regulations in pharma industry. **Shri Mahesh Paithanker**, Sr.Vice-president, Intas Pharma R&D division informed about NDDS products to participants. The last session of the day was concluded with expert lecture from **Mr. M.N.Gadhvi**, Food and Drug Control Administration (FDCA), Gujarat. He focused on drug crimes and role of vigilant pharmacists in handling the spurious drugs.

The second day of the program started with lecture by **Shri. N.Saiyed**, Asst. Commissioner, FDCA. He narrated FDCA rules in brief with enlightening examples. The second lecture was delivered by **Dr. P. Prajapati**, Asst. Professor-GFSU on anticounterfeiting technologies followed by third lecture on Forensic Pharmacy by **Dr. Jayrajsinh Sarvaiya**, Asst. professor-GFSU. The participants appeared in examination at the end of course which was mandatory for certification. The valedictory function was chaired by **Mr. Montukumar Patel**, President, Gujarat State Pharmacy Council (GSPC). He addressed the participants and informed them about the activities of GSPC.

The refresher course was aimed to provide information to participants about current happening in pharmaceutical field and forensic pharmacy. Total 191 participants got advantage of this course, out of which 109 participants were working in different pharmaceutical industries and the rest were representing pharmaceutical supply chain in Gujarat.