



Indian Green Building Council

As a part of IGBC week, the department of civil engineering at G. H. Patel College of Engineering and Technology celebrated the week by organizing a group discussion competition on 15th September, 2017.

As we know, group discussion is done on a specific topic for a specific time period, given that the judges will be observing the participants' body language, tone, and content. In this competition, there were two rounds.

For the first round, the topic was, "which is more important, smart work or hard work?". This topic was given to the students beforehand, for preparation and proper initial experience. In this round, 28 students had participated. The students were divided into two groups, for which Prof. Riddhi Vashi and Prof. Gaurav Gohil judged the first group, and Prof. Snehal Popli along with Prof. Anand Darji judged the second group. The discussion lasted for 25 minutes, and 5 minutes were given for conclusion.

Further, 12 students were shortlisted for the second round, for which the topic was "Who is responsible for unemployment in the country, we or the government?"

This topic arose various points which lead to a very heated group discussion. This discussion also lasted for 25 minutes, along with a 5 minute conclusion. The winner of the group discussion was Jignashu of third year civil engineering.

To sum up, the group discussion was a success for the department. Participants as well as faculties enjoyed the broad topics and interesting points which were put

forward. The department aims to further organize event in the near future. This event would not have been possible without the constant support of respected HOD madam Dr. Khadeeja Priyan, as well as all the faculties for guiding and judging the students in the event. IGBC week creates a great platform for igniting innovation and deepening presentation skills of students, which is to be very grateful for.