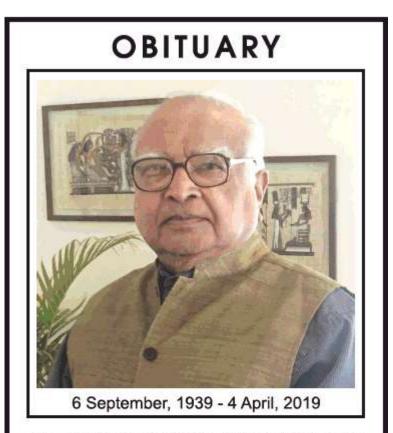
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Entrepreneurship Development Institute of India (EDII) family is deeply grieved by the sudden demise of its Founder – Director, Padma Shri Dr. V. G. Patel. A renowned academician, a visionary par excellence and an institution builder, Dr. Patel pioneered the concept of entrepreneurship and made it a nationwide movement.

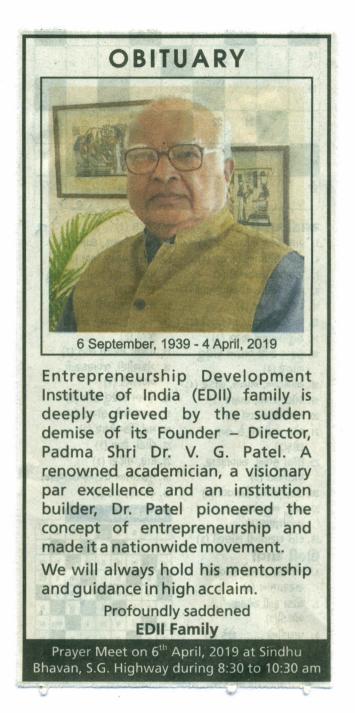
We will always hold his mentorship and guidance in high acclaim.

Profoundly saddened EDII Family

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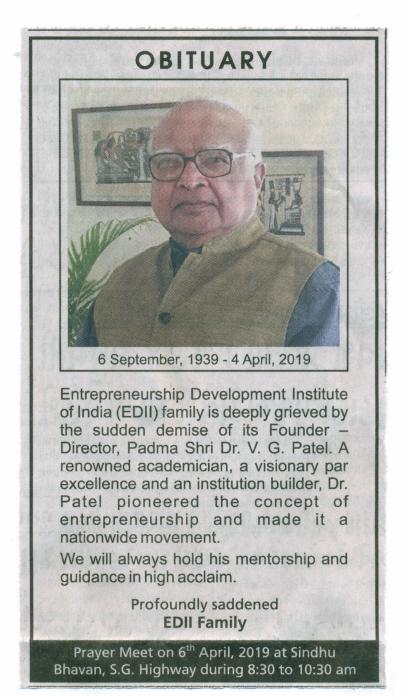
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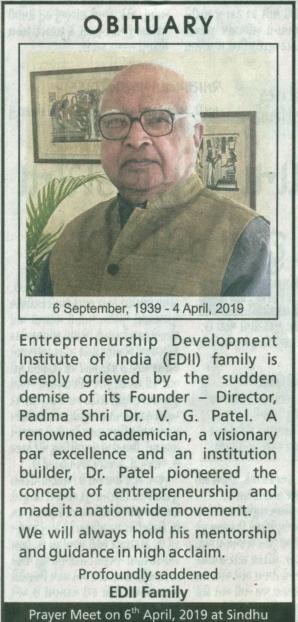
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#### END OF ERA 'ENCOURAGED ENTREPRENEURSHIP WHEN EVEN HINDI FILMS SHOWED BIZMEN IN BAD LIGHT'

# 'VG' Patel, Father of Entrepreneurship, passes away



Viharidas Gopaldas Patel

#### DNA Correspondent correspondent@dnaindia.net

Economist and Father of Entrepreneurship in India, Viharidas Gopaldas Patel, passed away on Thursday after a brief illness. He was also awarded Padma Shri by Government of India. He was 79 years and is survived by his wife and three children.

Fondly known as 'VG' in his circles, Patel founded a number of institutes in the field of entrepreneurs. He was founder - director of Centre for Entrepreneurship Development (CED), Guiarat and Entrepreneurship Development Institute of India (EDII). He was Managing Director at Gularat Industrial and Technical Consultancy Organization Ltd (GITCO). He was also the Chief Economic Advisor to Guiarat Industrial Development Corporation (GIDC). His book. 'The Seven Business Crisis: How To Beat Them' (reissued as When The Going Gets Tough), is a best seller. Equal-Iv acclaimed are 'Managing India's Small Industrial Economy' and 'Entrepre-

neurship Development Programme in India and its Relevance to Developing Countries'. He was honoured with the Padma Shri in 2017 for his contribution to development of entrepreneurship in India. "He thought of entrepre-

He thought of entrepreneurship when the country was walking on the socialist path. At that time even Hindi films showed businessmen in bad light. He was much ahead of his time. We have lost a visionary. He gave everything in terms of building institutions and systems. GITCO was a logical follow-up after establishing EDII," said Ketan Patel, CMD of Troikaa, a pharmaceuticals company focused on innovation. EDII was established in 1983. Patel was director of EDII from 1983 to 2003.

"He was a father figure for us. He pioneered entrepreneurship movement in the country Institutions, he established, flourished under his guidance and direction. His demise has created a vaccum. Now, we do not have someone to fall back upon," said Sunil Shukla, director of EDIL

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# EDII founding director no more

Noted economist and founder director of the Entrepreneurship Development Institute of India (EDII) Dr Viharidas Patel, passed away in Ahmedabad on Thursday after a brief illness. Patel, 79, a recipient of the Padma Shri in 2017, is survived by his wife and three children. EDII officials said Dr Patel was an international authority on entrepreneurship, small industry policies and growth management.

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# **Economist VG Patel dead**

Was known for his passion for entrepreneurship movement

#### OUR BUREAU

Ahmedabad, April 4

Noted economist and 'Father of the Entrepreneurship Movement' in India Viharidas Gopaldas Patel died here on Thursday after a brief

illness. He was 79. In 2017, the Govern-

ment of India had decorated him with a Padma Shri for his contribution to the entrepreneurship movement. Known

for his passion for entrepreneurship movement, small industry policies and growth management, Patel had set up the Entrepreneurship Development Institute of India (EDII) in Ahmedabad in 1983 to work for potential and existing entrepreneurs. EDII is now a globally-recognised institution in this field. Patel's work towards inclusion of entrepreneurship in the formal education system, sensitisation of support system, and entrepreneurship research has been widely recognised. The Governiment of India incorporated his EDP approach as part of its selfemployment schemes. He had also served as the Chief Economic Advisor to the Gujarat Industrial Development Cor-



**VG** Patel

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# Economist Viharidas Patel dies at 79



Viharidas Patel authored several bestsellers

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE AHMEDABAD, APRIL 4

ECONOMIST VIHARIDAS Gopaldas Patel, who was awarded the Padma Shri in 2017, passed away after a brief illness on Thursday at his residence in the city. Patel was 79.

Founder of the Entrepreneurship Development Institute of India, which was established in 1983, Patel was also the chief economic advisor to Gujarat the Industrial Development Corporation and the managing director at Gujarat Industrial and Technical Consultancy Organisation Ltd.

Patel's anecdotal storytelling from the world of entrepreneurship saw him author bestsellers such as The Seven Business Crisis & How to Beat Them, later reissued as When the Going gets Tough. He also co-authored Managing India's Small Industrial Economy, using case studies to establish the role of industrial counsellors and consultants in the management of small-scale enterprises.



#### **The Economic Times**

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# Padma Shri Dr. V G Patel passed away at 79, leaves an imprint on the Discipline of Entrepreneurship

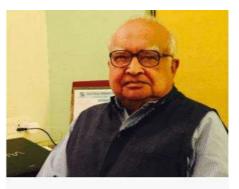
BY VISHAL DUTTA, ET BUREAU | APR 04, 2019, 08.42 PM IST

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AHMEDABAD: Padma Shri Dr. Viharidas Gopaldas Patel, fondly known as VG, a noted economist and hailed as the 'Father of Entrepreneurship Movement' in the country, passed away on Thursday, at Ahmedabad after a brief illness. He was 79 years and is survived by his wife and three children.

An eminent economist and international figure in the sphere of entrepreneurship, small industry policies and growth management, Dr. Patel had held several key positions in his career marked with laurels and triumphs. He was the Chief Economic Advisor to Gujarat Industrial Development Corporation; Founder Director of Centre for Entrepreneurship Development, Gujarat and Managing Director at Gujarat Industrial & Technical Consultancy Organization Ltd.

An institution builder, he set up Entrepreneurship Development Institute of India (EDII) in 1983 to work for potential and existing entrepreneurs. Dr. Patel's work towards inclusion of entrepreneurship in the formal education system, sensitization of support system, entrepreneurship research in addition to routing several other developing countries on the trajectory of entrepreneurship has been widely recognised.



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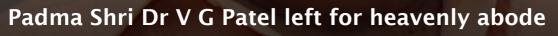
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The Government of India also incorporated the EDP approach as a part of its self employment schemes. The Central Government's 'Rojgar Yojana' incorporated entrepreneurship training, based on work done by Dr. Patel.

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As per institute statement, EDII family and the entrepreneurship fraternity has lost a mentor and a guide; a loss which cannot be replaced. EDII family is grieving the loss of its leader; a trailblazer who introduced the country to a distinctive development concept.



By Connect Gujarat Desk - April 4, 2019

# Considered as entrepreneurship guru and associated with Charusat

Padma Shri Dr V G Patel, Governing Body member of Charusat left for heavenly abode today early morning. He was considered as Entrepreneurship Guru and was associated with Charusat since 2002.

Born on September 6, 1939 to noble parents Gopaldas and Kamlaba Dr. V.G. Patel belong to Karamsad, a small village of Charotar – the land of the Iron Man of India – Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel. His father Gopaldas, was a Gandhian and Freedom Fighter. He exhibited fusion of selfless spirit of Mahatma Gandhi and Leadership Qualities of Sardar Patel.

He completed primary and secondary education from Gujarat Vidhyapith, Ahmedabad and Graduated in Economics from Gujarat College, Ahmedabad. He obtained Master Degree and Doctorate from the University of Wisconsin, Madison, USA in Economic Development in 1968. Out of Patriotism he chose to return to India to serve the country.

#### Padma Shri Dr V G Patel left for heavenly abode

He joined the Planning Commission as a Consultant Economist and were entrusted with the responsibility of formulating export policies for the Fourth Five – year Plan. On invitation he returned to his home state Gujarat in 1969 and shouldered the responsibility as the Chief Economic Advisor of Gujarat Industrial Development Corporation (GIDC) at an early age of thirty.

It was during your tenure of association with GIDC that he was assigned the task of creating the entrepreneurs. For the purpose, in 1970 he developed a unique entrepreneur creation model from common people. It was the time when entrepreneurship was not at all considered a career option. It was unusual, unexplored and unheard of that entrepreneurs can be created.

He challenged the myth that entrepreneurs are born and proved that entrepreneurs can be created. He designed and implemented a unique program called Entrepreneurship Development Program (EDP) and also formulated various policies and innovative schemes to promote new entrepreneurs. By this he triggered off the Entrepreneurship Movement initially in the state of Gujarat which then spread to the whole nation.

In the meantime he was also entrusted by the Government the responsibility to institutionalize entrepreneurship. It led to the establishments of many institutions and centres of National and International repute and importance. Among all, the most important has been Entrepreneurship Development Institute of India (EDI) – the first of its kind in the whole of Asia. It is now the nucleus of several other institutions, organizations and initiatives across the country.

He not only provided his services as the Founder Director of the Institute but also served it in the capacity as the Vice President. As the Director of EDI he guided the Governments form policies along with the boards like National Entrepreneurship Development Board and National Science & Technology Entrepreneurship Development Board. Importantly he took the revolution to more than 20 other countries and particularly, under developed countries following recognition by United Nations in the form of UNIDO, World Bank, International Labor Organization and many other commonwealth countries.

He also touched upon untraced areas like Rural Entrepreneurship Development, Empowering Women through Entrepreneurship, and Open Learning Program in Entrepreneurship including strengthening the activities through the establishments of Centres, Institutes, initiating Training, Development and Incubation Activities, Innovation Centres, Knowledge Dissemination and Succession Planning.

Inspite of several obstacles, through his missionary zeal, persistence and affable nature, he garnered support and ensured success of the entrepreneurship movement. His unique entrepreneur creation model is now recognized world over as the EDI Model.

#### Padma Shri Dr V G Patel left for heavenly abode

In order to guide the coming generations he also authored books, articles, research papers, and reports including The Seven Business Crisis & How to Beat Them (reissued as When the Going gets

Tough), Managing India & Small Industrial Economy (with V. Padmanand), and Entrepreneurship Development Program in India and its Relevance to Developing Countries.

His life has been a saga of a person, who devoted his life cultivating an institution with indomitable spirit, certitude, and sacrificed his personal and family life in building and expanding the Entrepreneurship Movement. He aptly regarded as the Entrepreneurship Guru. He attribute the success to his life partner Yoginiben, who always support him in all of his endeavors and also took great care of his father Gopaldas and children Harsh, Uday, and Mauli.

Continuing the Entrepreneurship Movement, he extend his services to guide Governments, various organizations and committees. Consumer Education Research Centre (CERC), National Institute for Entrepreneurship and Small Business Development, and Charotar University of

Science and Technology are some among them. In recognition of his contribution, he was honored with many awards like Aga Khan Award and Late Shri A R Bhat Entrepreneurship Development Award. Acknowledging his landmark contribution, Government of India has conferred the prestigious civilian award of India Padma Shri.

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# આંત્રપ્રિન્યોરશિપ આંદોલનના પ્રણેતા પદ્મશ્રી ડો. વી. જી. પટેલનું અવસાન



એવોર્ડથી સન્માનિત કરાયા હતા. ડો. પટેલે, ઉદ્યોગ સાહસિકો માટે કામ કરવાની નેમ સાથે ૧૯૮૩માં આંત્રપિન્યોરશિપ ડેવલપમેન્ટ ઈન્સ્ટિટ્યૂટ ઓફ ઈન્ડિયાની સ્થાપના કરી હતી. શિક્ષણ પ્રણાલીમાં ઉદ્યોગ સાહસિકતાને સામેલ કરવા, સપોર્ટ સિસ્ટમના સેન્સિટાઈઝેશન, ભારત સહિત અન્ય દેશોને આંત્રપિન્યોરશિપની દિશામાં આગળ લઈ જવાના તેમના પ્રયાસોને માન્યતા અપાઈ છે.

જાણીતા અર્થશાસ્ત્રી અને દેશમાં ફાધર ઓફ આંત્રપ્રિન્યોરશિપ મુવમેન્ટના પ્રણેતા ડો. વિહારીદાસ ગોપલદાસ પટેલનું ટૂંકી બિમારી બાદ ગુરુવારે દુઃખદ અવસાન થયું છે. ડો. વી. જી. પટેલે ઉદ્યોગ સાહસિકતા, સ્મોલ ઈન્ડસ્ટ્રી પોલિસી અને ગોથ મેનેજમેન્ટ ક્ષેત્રે આંતરરાષ્ટ્રીય સ્તરે ખ્યાતિ પ્રાપ્ત કરી હતી. ડો. પટેલ, ગુજરાત ઈન્ડસ્ટ્રિયલ ડેવલપમેન્ટ કોર્પોરેશનના મુખ્ય આર્થિક સલાહકાર, સેન્ટર इरे र આંત્રપ્રિન્યોરશિપ ડેવલપમેન્ટ ગુજરાતના ફાઉન્ડર ડિરેક્ટર, અને ગુજરાત ઈન્ડસ્ટ્રિયલ એન્ડ ટેકનીકલ કન્સલ્ટન્સી ઓર્ગેનાઈઝેશન લિ.ના મેનેજિંગ ડિરેક્ટર હતા. ઉદ્યોગ સાહસિકતાના વિકાસમાં યોગદાન બદલ ૨૦૧૭માં તેમને પદ્મશ્રી

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ડૉ. પટેલ ઉદ્યોગ સાહસિકતાના વિકાસમાં યોગદાન બદલ ૨૦૧૭માં પદ્મશ્રી ઍવૉર્ડથી સન્માનિત થયેલા

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## ઉદ્યોગ સાહસિક્તાના પ્રણેતા પદ્મશ્રી ડો . વી . જી . પટેલનું નિધન નવગુજરાત સમય > અમદાવાદ

જાશીતા અર્થશાસ્ત્રી અને દેશમાં ફાધર ઓફ આન્ત્રપ્રિનિયોરશીપ મૂવમેન્ટના પ્રશેતા પદ્મશ્રી ડો.

વિહારીદાસ ગોપાલદાસ પટેલનું ટૂંકી બીમારી બાદ અમદાવાદમાં 4 એપ્રિલને

બીમારી બાદ અમદાવાદમાં 4 એપ્રિલને ગુરુવારે અવસાન થયું છે. દિવંગતની પ્રાર્થનાસભા તા.6ને રવિવારે સવારે 8.30થી 10.30 દરમિયાન એસજી હાઈવે સ્થિત સિંધુ ભવન ખાતે રખાઈ છે. તેઓ ગુજરાત ઇન્ડસ્ટ્રિયલ ડેવલપમેન્ટ કોર્પોરેશનના મુખ્ય

આર્થિક સલાહકાર, સેન્ટર ફોર આન્ત્રપ્રિનિયોરશીપ ડેવલપમેન્ટ ગુજરાતના ફાઉન્ડર ડિરેક્ટર તથા ગુજરાત ઇન્ડસ્ટ્રિયલ એન્ડ ટેકનિકલ કન્સલ્ટન્સી ઓર્ગેનાઇઝેશનના મેનેજિંગ ડિરેક્ટર હતાં.

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### આંત્રપ્રિન્થોરશિપ ચળવળના પ્રણેતા પદ્મશ્રી ડો. વી જી પટેલનું અવસાન

અમદાવાદ: જાણીતા અર્થશાસ્ત્રી અને દેશમાં આંત્રપ્રિન્યોરશિપ ચળવણના પ્રશ્નેતા પદ્મશ્રી ડો. વિહારીદાસ ગોપાલદાસ પટેલનું ગુરૂવારે ટૂંકી બીમારી બાદ અમદાવાદ ખાતે અવસાન થયું હતું. જાણીતા અર્થશાસ્ત્રી તથા ઉદ્યોગસાહસિકતા, સ્મોલ ઇન્ડસ્ટ્રીઝ પોલિસી અને ગ્રોથ મેનેજમેન્ટ ક્ષેત્રે આંતરરાષ્ટ્રીય સ્તરે ખ્યાતિ ધરાવતા ડો. વી જી પટેલે કારકિર્દી દરમિયાન ઘણા મહત્ત્વપૂર્ણ હોદા પર કામગીરી નિભાવી હતી. તેઓ ગુજરાત ઇન્ડસ્ટ્રિયલ ડેવલપમેન્ટ કોર્પોરેશન (જીઆઇડીસી)ના મુખ્ય આર્થિક સલાહકાર, સેન્ટર ફોર આંત્રપ્રિન્યોરશિપ ડેવલપમેન્ટ, ગુજરાતના ફાઉન્ડર ડિરેક્ટર તથા ગુજરાત ઇન્ડસ્ટ્રિયલ એન્ડ ટેફનિકલ કન્સલ્ટન્સી ઓર્ગેનાઇઝેશન લિમિટેડના મેનેજિંગ ડિરેક્ટર હતા. વર્ષ ૧૯૮૩માં તેમણે આંત્રપ્રિન્યોરશિપ ડેવલપમેન્ટ ઇન્સ્ટિટ્યૂટ ઓફ ઇન્ડિયા (EDII)ની સ્થાપના કરી હતી, તેમને ભારતમાં ઉદ્યોગસાહસિકતાના વિકાસમાં યોગદાન બદલ ૨૦૧૭માં પદ્મશ્રીથી સન્માનિત કરવામાં આવ્યા હતા.

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# જાણીતા અર્થશાસ્ત્રી પદ્મશ્રી ડૉ. વી. જી. પટેલનું નિધન

વી જી પટેલે કેટલાંક પુસ્તકો લખ્યાં છે, જેમાં ધ સેવન બિઝનેસ કાઈસીસ એન્ડ હાઉ ટુ બીટ ધેમ (વ્હેન ધ ગો ઇંગ ગેટ્સ ટફ – નામથી પુન:પ્રકાશિત) બેસ્ટ સેલર બન્યું હતું. મેનેજિંગ ઈન્ડિયાઝ સ્મોલ ઈન્ડસ્ટ્રિયલ ઈકોનોમી તેમજ એન્ટરપ્રિન્યો રશિપ ડેવલપમેન્ટ પ્રોગ્રામ ઈન ઈન્ડિયા એન્ડ ઈટ્સ રીલેવન્સ ટુ ડેવલપિંગ કન્ટ્રીઝ – આ પુસ્તકો પણ વ્યાપક પ્રસિદ્ધિ પામ્યાં હતાં.

દેશમાં ઉદ્યોગસાહસિકતાને વિકસાવવા માટે તેમણે આપેલા યોગદાનને કારણે વર્ષ ૨૦૧૭માં તેમને પદ્મશ્રી એવોર્ડથી નવાજવામાં આવ્યા હતા.

વ્યવસ્થા તંત્રને સંવેદનશીલ બનાવવાનું તેમજ ઉદ્યોગસાહસિક્તામાં સંશોધનને વ્યાપક માન્યતા અપાવવાનું શ્રેય વી જી પટેલને કાળે જાય છે.

ભારત સરકારે તેમના ઈડીપી અભિગમને સ્વ-રો જ ગારની યો જ નાઓ ના ભાગ તરીકે અપનાવી છે. વી જી પટેલે ગુજરાત ઈન્ડસ્ટ્રિયલ ડેવલપમેન્ટ કોર્પોરેશન (જી આઈડી સી)ના ચીફ ઈકોનો મિક એડવાઇઝર તેમજ ગુજરાત ઈન્ડસ્ટ્રિયલ એન્ડ ટે કનિકલ કન્સ લ્ટન્સી ઓર્ગેનાઈઝે શનના મેને જિંગ ડિરેક્ટર તરીકે સેવાઓ આપી હતી.



(ઈડીઆઈઆઈ)ની સ્થાપના કરી હતી. અત્યારે આ સંસ્થા ઉદ્યો ગસાહસિકતાના ક્ષેત્રે વૈશ્વિક માન્યતા ધરાવે છે.

ઉદ્યોગસાહસિક્તાને ઔપચારિક શિક્ષણ વ્યવસ્થામાં સમાવવાનું, તે માટે સહાયક

અમદાવાદ, તા. ૫ એપ્રિલ દેશમાં ઉદ્યોગસાહસિકતાની ચળવળના પ્રણેતા અને જાણીતા અર્થશાસ્ત્રી પદ્મશ્રી ડૉ. વિહારીદાસ ગોપાલદાસ પટેલનં ગુર્વારે ૭૯ વર્ષની વયે ટૂંકી માંદગી બાદ નિધન થયું છે. ઉદ્યોગસાહસિક્તા. નાના ઉદ્યોગો भाटेनी नीतिओ तेमल विश्वस व्यवस्थापन तेमना प्रिय विषयो હता. ઉद्योगसाह सिडतानी ચળવળ માટે તેમની ધૂનને પગલે तेमशे हालना तेमल संलवित ઉद्यो गसा स् सि झो भाटे झाम કરવા વર્ષ ૧૯૮૩માં અમદાવાદમાં એન્ટરપ્રીન્યોરશિપ ડેવલપમેન્ટ ઈન્સ્ટિટચટ ઑક ઈન્ડિયા