



# Uka Tarsadia University

## Department of Humanities



### Report on 'Raksha Bandhan and Onam Celebration'

**Date- 28th August 2023**

**Venue- Activity Room**

**Time- 9:00 am-3:30 pm**

The Department of Humanities, Uka Tarsadia University organized the celebration of two culturally rich festivals 'Raksha Bandhan' and 'Onam' on 28<sup>th</sup> August. All the faculties as well as the students of BA Journalism & Mass Communication and Psychology wore traditional attire and attended the event. The event began at 9 a.m. with a prayer to Lord Ganesha asking for blessings before any auspicious occasion and singing the University Anthem which is considered as a ritual before beginning any celebration of university. The event included a lot of programs such as Rangoli making, Rakhi making, Making best out of waste, Dance and Games.

All the students enthusiastically participated in making Rangoli designs using flower petals from 9:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. Additionally, two competitions- 'Organic Rakhi making' and 'DIY- Making best out of waste' were conducted between 10:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. All the students participated in either of the competitions. In the Rakhi-making competition, students made beautiful eco-friendly Rakhi's using flower petals, wool, and beads and avoided the use of plastics. In the DIY competition, Students made a range of creative items such as Swing, Bird water feeder, Windmill, Paper bag, and Projector using recyclable materials such as newspapers, cotton clothes, ice cream sticks, and box. Mrs. Nidhi Mehta, a teacher at Maliba School was invited to judge both competitions. Ashmita Gamit, a third-year student of BA JMC stood first and Priti Chaudhri, a third-year student of BA JMC stood second in the Rakhi-making competition. Dhriti Rana, a second-year BA Psychology student stood first, and Garvisha Surana, a second-year BA Psychology student stood second in the DIY competition. All the winners clicked pictures with the judge. Dr. Rozy Patel, director of the Department of Humanities gave a note of thanks to the esteemed judge. Sakshi Shroff, a second-year BA Psychology student shed light on the importance of celebrating Raksha Bandhan and Mahek Jain, a first-year Psychology student shed light on the importance of celebrating Onam.

Post the lunch, the female faculty members lit the lamp, and all the girls' students of both Journalism & Mass Communication, and Psychology performed an Onam dance around the Rangoli. The celebration ended with fun and engaging games such as musical chairs and word-guessing games in which both the faculties and students participated. The celebration fostered a sense of joy among everyone.

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