Registration starts on 8th afternoon at GNFC, Bharuch.
Dinner at respective hotels.

Friday, 9th December

Registration from 8.30 am at GNFC auditorium, Bharuch.
Sessions at Raychand Dipchand Library, Bharuch.

INAUGURAL SESSION

9.00 : Welcoming address by Sujata Shah (DIN), Kamlesh Udani (President, Bharuch Citizen Council) and Nitin Shukla (Vice-Chairman, DIN).

Program conducted by Archana Patel (Bharuch convener):
Lighting the Lamp
Inaugural Address by Admiral Sunil Lanba (Chief of Naval Staff, India).

Key note Address by Symposium Chairman Prof. Sugata Bose (Gardiner Professor of Oceanic History and Affairs, Harvard University).
Old Tides and New Waves in Indian Ocean History.

Thanks by Dr. Sara Keller (Conference Coordinator).

11.25 : Special lecture by Dr. Lotika Varadarajan (Senior Historian, Delhi).

13.00 : Lunch at Jamshed Bagh (near Raychand Dipchand Library)

13.45 : Inauguration of exhibition “Gujarat & Knowledge” at Raychand Dipchand Library.
SESSION 1. SCIENCES & TECHNIQUES
Chair: Prof. Lotika Varadarajan

14.00 : **Dr. Rukshana Nanji** (Independent Archaeologist)
   *A Chinese Muse in the Caliph’s Court – The Influence of Chinese Ceramic Technology across the Indian Ocean (8th to 14th century CE)*.

14.20: **Prof. Mariam Dossal** (Department of History at the University of Mumbai)
   “Without a counterpart on the globe”: Geographical knowledge and the mapping of Kutch.

14.40 : **Dr. Louiza Rodrigues** (Ramnarain Ruia College, Affiliated to Mumbai University)
   *Placing Gujarat Art Furniture in the Nineteenth Century Global Markets*.

15.00 : **Dr. Shernaz Cama** (Director of the UNESCO Parzor Project)
   *Ava: A Living Goddess*.

15.20 : Tea break

SESSION 2. SPECIAL SESSION ON BHARUCH AND CAMBAY
Chair: Prof. Mariam Dossal

15.40 : **Prof. Shirin Mehta** (Senior Historian, Ahmedabad)
   *Cambay through the ages*.

16.00 : **Prof. Samira Sheikh** (History of South Asia, Vanderbilt University)
   *Between Land and Sea: The Urban History of Bharuch before 1800*.

16.20 : Discussion

17.15 : Special lecture by **Keki N. Daruwalla** (Poet and Writer)
   *Churning the Oceans. Research and Excerpts from author’s novel “For Pepper and Christ”*.

18.00 : Visits in Bharuch
   Followed by Welcome from our host in Begum Vadi **Janshed Vakharia**.
   Parsi Dinner offered by Phiroz and Kamal Patel at Begum Vadi.
Saturday, 10th December

9.15 : Special introductory lecture by Prof. Ranabir Chakravarti (Centre for Historical Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi)
    *Early Knowledge of the Indian Ocean (till c. 1500 CE).*

**SESSION 3. TRANSFERS OF KNOWLEDGE**
Chair: Prof. Ranabir Chakravarti

- **9.45 : Dr. Y.S. Rawat** (Gujarat State Archaeology)
  *Harappan Cities in Gujarat and the Overseas.*

- **10.05 : Prof. Makrand Mehta** (Professor Emeritus Gujarat University, History, Ahmedabad)
  *Gujarat sufis, Saints and The Indian Ocean World in Medieval Times.*

- **10.25 : Dr. Sara Keller** (Laboratory “Orient and Mediterranean”, Paris) and **Dr. Fernando Rosa** (Stellenbosch University, South Africa).
  *Scholars and Gujarat – Revisiting L’académie ambulante (The Roving Academy).*

10.45 : Tea break
11.00 : *Places We Can Go: notes on sea/knowledge* by **Sarah Bancroft** (Journalist, UK).

**SESSION 4. IDENTITY AND RHETORIC**
Chair: Prof. Douglas Haynes

- **11.25 : Prof. Ruby Maloni** (Department of History, University of Mumbai)
  *Constructing Stereotypes: Gujarati Merchants in 17th Century European Records.*

- **11.45 : Dr. Dinyar Patel** (University of South Carolina)
  *Controlling the Narrative: Parsis, European Scholarship on Zoroastrianism, and Religious and Social Reform in the 19th Century.*

- **12.05 : Prof. Edward Simpson** (SOAS, University of London)
  *The transnational political philosophy of Shyamji Krishnavarma.*

12.25 : Lunch

**SESSION 5. LABOR, SKILL AND MIGRATIONS**
Chair: Prof. Edward Simpson

- **14.20 : Dr. Rizwan Kadri** (Shree Swaminarayan Arts College, Ahmedabad)
  *A Seventeenth Century Gujarati Manuscript Shedding Light on the Relationship between Gujarat and Oman.*

- **14.40 : Dr. Margret Frenz** (University of Oxford)
  *Trade, Migration, and Philanthropy across the Indian Ocean.*

- **15.00 : Prof. Helene Basu** (University of Münster, Germany)
15.20 : Tea break

15.35 : **Prof. Beheroze Shroff** (Asian Studies, University of California, Irvine)
Presentation of film “Voices of the Sidis: The Tradition of the Fakirs”.

**SESSION 6. ECOLOGY AND BIOLOGY**
Chair: Dr. Margret Frenz

16.15 : **Prof. Adhya Saxena** (History Department, The MSU, Baroda)
*Routes of Rhythm: Knowledge & Practices of ‘Botanical Exchanges’ in Western Indian Ocean, c.1750-c.1930.*

16.35 : **Dr. Deepa Gavali** and **Dr. Jayendra Lakhmapurkar** (Gujarat Ecology Society, Baroda)
*Plant species introduced in India via sea route – with reference to Portuguese colonization.*

16.55 : **Dr. Meher Mistry** (Ramniranjan Jhunjhunwala College, Mumbai)
*Parsis and liquor manufacture in Gujarat.*

17.15 : Special lecture by **Dr. Shobita Punja** (Art historian)
*Divine Ecstasy: A story about Khajuraho.*

18.05 : Final discussion
Conclusion and Perspectives

19.00 : Honours by **Shri Hasmukh Shah** (Chairman of DIN)
Followed by Gujarati Dinner offered by Pilloo and Sarosh Ginwala.

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**Sunday, 11th December**

09.00 : Departure for Khambhat
Visit of historic places in Khambhat.

13.30 : Lunch.

15.00 : Departure for Baroda.
Arrival in Baroda scheduled around 16.30.