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Prof. N. P. Bhatt (18.10.1966 – 08.10.2020)

Professor Nilesh P. Bhatt whom I knew since 1987 as a student and later as a colleague. He was working as a teaching faculty in the Department of Geology, M. S. University of Baroda, Vadodara since 1996. He was a dedicated and promising researcher, committed academician and an excellent teacher. During his tenure in the department, he was actively involved with the students and was a guiding force and a source of inspiration for many young minds. His contributions in the field of Quaternary sedimentology and geomorphology are known in the geological fraternity at national and international levels which bears testimony to his academic credentials. He was a Life Member / Fellow of various organisations, an active council member of Indian Association of Sedimentologists and Gujarat Science Academy. Along with the academic contributions he had good administrative qualities. He represented the department in various academic activities at state, national and international levels.

Prof. Bhatt was an excellent human being and a kind hearted dependable person with focussed approach, independent thinking ability and inquisitive mind. His untimely and sad demise has been a great loss and has created a lacunae in the department in particular and amongst the geoscientists in general.

He leaves behind his wife Mrs. Darshana Bhatt, son Mr. Kavya Bhatt, friends and well wishers to mourn his death.

On behalf of the institution and my personal behalf, we pray the almighty to rest his soul in eternal piece and provide enough strength to his bereaved family to bear this loss.

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