

## Important Gujarat News

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### 1. **Withdrawing money from an ATM, without using the Debit Card:**

Reserve Bank of India has provided to all the Bank customers the facility of withdrawing money, and for doing all the other Banking transactions, from ATM without the use of Debit Card or Credit Card. Instead if you load the Unified Payment Interface (UPI) software on your smartphone, the phone can be used for Banking at the ATM.

#### PROCEDURE:

- At the ATM, select the option of using the ATM, without Debit or Credit Card. The display screen of ATM will show the option of confirming the identity without any Bank card.
- Then open the UPI App on your smartphone and scan the QR code from the display of ATM.
- The use of Banking transactions will then become possible by using your smart phone.

Readers of [www.DiGiNews360.com](http://www.DiGiNews360.com) can read the above news in Gujarati at <https://gujaratguardian.com/it-is-not-necessary-to-have-a-debit-card-to-withdraw-money-from-an-atm/> .

### 2. Prayer Meeting for Heeraben, Prime Minister's mother

On January 1, 2023, at Vad Nagar, District Mehsana, the **BESNA** (Prayer Meeting) in memory of Heeraben, the mother of the Prime Minister Narendrabhai Modi, was arranged from 9 AM to 12 noon in the hall of Vad Nagar's Jawahar Navodaya School. Heeraben had passed away on 39<sup>th</sup> December 2022.

Thousands of people came to the Besna. The Chief Minister Bhupendrabhai Patel, Chairman of Gujarat Vidhan Sabha Shankar Chaudhry, Nitin Patel, former Deputy Chief Minister, Purshottam Rupala, many MPs, MLA and other leaders were at the hall.

The traders of Vad Nagar have decided to keep their shops closed for three days as a mark of respect for the deceased.

Mehsana's Jeetubhai Patel, known as the Green Ambassador, gave away 1,100 Tulsi's saplings to the participants. A copy of 'Bhagwat Geeta' was given to all those, who came to the meeting.



The former MLA from Naroda, Dr. Mayaben Kodnani also paid her respects.

Sanjay Joshi said that the good work that Narendrabhai Modi is able to do today owes a great deal to Heeraba's simple life as a 'Tapsvini' and as a 'Karmnishtha' person. For two decades, Sanjay Joshi, a senior RSS 'Pracharak', is said to be not on good terms with Narendrabhai Modi.

'Rushi' (saint) Bharati Bapu of Bharati Ashram said that it was not a 'Shok' (condolence) meeting but a 'Shlok' (recitation of two sacred lines) meeting. The Mahant of Valinath Akhada Jairamgiri Bapu and many other saints also came to the Prayer Meeting.

3. **Annual 'PanchMahotsava' at Pavagarh, from December 25-31, draws big crowds:**

Pavagrh is recognized as a World Heritage Site by Unesco.

The festival, organized by the Tourism Department at the historical pilgrimage place of Pavagarh in Halol Taluka, District Panch Mahal, was highly successful. **It has been organized every year since 2015.**

The festival was inaugurated virtually by Bhupendrabhai Patel, the Chief Minister of Gujarat.

An exhibition-cum-sales of local arts, crafts and local cuisine is an important part of the festival.

Kinjal Dave's musical evening was also highly popular. However at the end of the program her singing of the 'Dakla' song became so exciting that people stood up on the chairs and caused some damage.

The festival, organized after a gap of two years due to Covid 19, attracted large crowds

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