## **Introduction:**

A Project for "Research in Agril. Chemistry and Soil Science" was sanctioned initially in January 1967 by Government of Gujarat for Agriculture Research activities under South Gujarat- Heavy Rainfall Agro climatic Zone. Afterwards, Soil Science department came into existence in 1976 at Navsari Agricultural University with the starting of the Project for "Research in Agril. Chemistry and Soil Science (University B.H. 5020)" at University vide Government order No.GAU/RES/1-2/7166-72/76, Dated: 1/5/1976 subsequent and University sanction No. ACN/A-1/7002-7/76, Navsari, Dated: 15/5/1976. The project was started at University with the following mandates.