

## 7.2 CONCLUSION:

The Narara reef as attached with main land and easily approachable, it is susceptible to all possible anthropogenic and climate changes. In last two decade extensive industrialization has taken place near this area. Also previously due to lack of awareness of conservation this area has been highly exploited for coralline sand and rocks. There was a necessity to generate comprehensive baseline database of this reef for future exploitation of the area and also contribute to academic and research segment of corals and coral reefs of the Gulf of Kachchh. This study was planned with the aim to fulfill the requirements of such database. Strategic observations were made through appropriate methodology for diversity and distribution of corals, environmental status of coral reef, associated fauna and flora in this reef and anthropogenic impacts with natural threats to coral and entire reef area. Overall study reveals that even though there are several activities taking place within the vicinity of this area, the notable diversity of corals are sustained, also habitat characteristics do not mark significant change during study period; comparatively associated fauna and flora of the reef have been recorded in good conditions. The interactions between animals indicate healthy state of ecosystem. Through awareness program the proper utilization and conservation of this reef is required. This information is envisaged to contribute to academics, researchers and planners.