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President of India addressed 150th anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi by Ahimsa Vishwa Bharti

'Spirituality for Human and Social Development' Seminar held on the occassion



Honorable Shri Ram Nath Kovind, President of India, in his first address on the occasion of 150th birth anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi, said that parallel growth of all sections of society is necessary for country's balanced development. President was addressing the seminar 'Spirituality for Human and Social Development' organized by Ahimsa Vishwa Bharti in the prestigious presence of Acharya Dr. Lokesh, at Dr. Ambedkar International Center, Janpath. Union Minister of Social Justice &

Empowerment Dr. Thawarchand Gehlot was also present on the occasion. Ahimsa Vishwa Bharti journal 'Aahwaan' latest consolidated edition was released on the occasion.

President addressing the large gathering of distinguished people from India and abroad, present in the auditorium said that on the path of spirituality all human beings are equal. Mahatma Gandhi also talked about the development of all classes and sections of society.

The President was honored by Mr. Abhay Kumar Jain and Mr. Ganpat Chaudhary with shawl, Dr. Ajit Gupta and Mr. Karamjit Dhaliwal presented the memento to him. Many distinguished people and different parts of the country and from



abroad attended the seminar. The stage was conducted by Sajan Shah and Tarakeswari Mishra. The program was began and concluded with the national anthem was sung by GD Goenka Public School students. Children of Hiralal Jain Senior Secondary School presented the Anuvrat song.



President Kovind congratulates Ahimsa Vishwa Bharti for working towards World Peace, Nonviolence, Harmony and Humanity

President Shri Ram Nath Kovind addressing the seminar 'Spirituality for Human and Social Development' organised to celebrate 150th Birth Anniverssary year of Mahatma Gandhi by Ahimsa Vishwa Bharti in the leadership of Acharya Dr. Lokesh said that on the path of spirituality all human beings are equal. His birthday 2nd October is also celebrated as Non-Violence day by the entire world. Mahatma Gandhi philosophy of nonviolence is useful for the world.

President said that for peace and nonviolence in the world it is necessary to promote spiritual values. Mahatma Gandhi deeply understood this fact and he said that development of human and society is possible when we adopt the values like truth, non-violence, peace and harmony. Mahatma Gandhi's principles are relevant now

and will be relevant in future also. Mahatma Gandhi's philosophy is relevant for solving global problems like terrorism, violence due to anarchy, corruption, immorality, disputes due to economic, religious, language, caste, creed differences, climate change and many more. Thus following the path shown by him will be very useful for modern world population.

Gandhiji had a very comprehensive spiritual thinking. His spiritual thinking was a confluence of Gautam Buddha's, Teerthankar Mahavir's and Guru Nanak's philosophy. It was also an integration of prime religious books and ore philosophy of John Ruskin, Henry David Thoreau and Leo Tolstoy. This is the spiritual thinking which leads to religious harmony. The essence of every religion is welfare of entire humanity. We should consider world as one family 'Vasudaiv Kutumbkum'. Gandhi brought into practice all these thoughts and became the voice of the world masses.

Albert Einstein, the supreme scientists understood this extraordinary spiritual power of Mahatma Gandhi and said the future generations will not be able to believe that a human made of flesh and blood like Mahatma Gandhi was born on this earth. Adopting his lifestyle will be

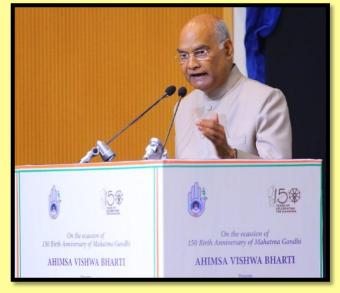
a true tribute to Gandhiji. President congratulated Ahimsa Vishwa Bharti for organised 24 seminars to celebrate 150th Birth Anniversary year of Mahatma Gandhi. He also emphasised the need to involve youth in the programs.

Union Minister Dr. Thawar Chand Gehlot said that adopting the ideology of Mahatma Gandhi would be a true tribute to him. On this occasion, when we are celebrating Bapu's 150th birth anniversary, we are dedicating an open defecation free India, we will start a mass movement against plastic in the country. Make a special Shramdaan (service to humanity) on Mahatma Gandhi Jayanti so that this year becomes a celebration of Shramdaan.









Create a violence free society by adopting Mahatma Gandhi principles - Acharya Lokesh



Acharya Dr. Lokesh in the seminar said that at present, the nation and the world needs Father of the Nation Mahatma Gandhi's principles and thus on his 150th Birth Anniversary Ahimsa Vishwa organisation has decided to organize programs in almost all provinces of the country which will conclude at the headquarters of the United Nations. The apex event of the series is being held in the capital city of India, Delhi and with the dignified presence of the President it has become historic. He congratulated the office bearers and workers of Ahimsa Vishwa Bharti for the initiative.

The personality of Mahatma Gandhi, his life and philosophy was very much influenced by spirituality and spiritual leaders. He accepts Srimad Raichand, a great seeker of Jainism, as his spiritual master. Jain thinker Shri Virchand Raghavji Gandhi, who addressed the World Parliament of Religions in Chicago with Swami Vivekananda in the year 1893, was among his best friends. Once a German scholar gave credit to Gandhiji for some work, he said 'I was not there it was Vir Chand Bhai there'. That is why Mahatma Gandhi said that I got a deep and subtle understanding of non-violence from Jainism.

Gandhi became Mahatma only with the power of spirituality. His high morale, determination and self-confidence were so intense that he never got distracted from his principles. He constantly promoted harmony of all religions. In present times too, there is a great need that we should follow our religion faithfully and respect the religion of others, this is the inspiration we get from Mahatma Gandhi.



AHIMSA YOG & MEDITATION CENTER Will be inaugurated on 8 October 2019 at 11 am On Acharya Lokesh Diksha Diwas & Foundation Day of Acharya Lokesh Ashram At 63/1 Old Rajender Nagar, Near Karol Bagh Metro Station, New Delhi- 110060 Classes will be at Morning 6-7 & 7-8 am, Evening 6-7 & 7-8 pm every day.

Glimpses of 'Spirituality for Human and Social Development' Seminar on 150th Anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi by Ahimsa Vishwa Bharti

















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