

Report of All India Senior Secondary Teachers' Conference on "Spiritual Education for Happy and Peaceful Life"

The Reception-cum-Inauguration Session of the All India Senior Secondary Teachers' Conference on "**Spiritual Education for Happy and Peaceful Life**" commenced with the candle lighting ceremony in Diamond Hall of Brahma Kumaris' Shantivan Campus on September 22, 2017 at 6.00 p.m. with all the ceremonial spirit and participation of 8,000 teachers from all over India and Nepal.

The Conference commenced by welcoming guests and speakers on the dais with presentation of badges and bouquets, along with a song performance the Madhur Vani group, with a dance performance by Divine Angel group and also a welcome speech.

In his welcome speech, **Dr. B.K. Harish Shukla**, National Co-ordinator, Education Wing, Rajayoga Education & Research Foundation (RERF) welcomed all the guests and speakers on the dais and other participating delegates off the dais, and wished their happy and comfortable stay inside the Shantivan Campus. He stated, "With the power of wealth and physique no country can become great, but the power of character can make it so. Spiritual education is highly necessary for peace and happiness. If the teachers can take interest in meditation, spirituality and become self-realized, they can inculcate values in themselves and help in introducing them in the life of the students." He also added, "A common teacher simply teaches. An average teacher explains and demonstrates. A great teacher inspires. But, the greatest teacher enlightens."

Dr. B.K Pandiamani, Director, Value Education Programme, detailed about the various Value Education & Spirituality courses and said that these courses are now being offered to 23,000 students in 11 languages through 13 universities (12 Indian and one foreign), and will go a long way in establishing a value-based society in the long run.

B.K. Mruthyunjaya, Vice Chairperson, Education Wing, quoting Dr. S. Radhakrishnan, said, "The destiny of the nation is built in classrooms. Teachers are behind the efforts to make India a Digital India, New India and Divine India. The aim of education is not only to provide jobs to the youth but also to make them divine, fearless and messengers of peace. There are many technical, medical, agricultural universities in which education has become commercialized, but there is only one Brhama Kumaris Spiritual University in the whole world, established by Incorporeal God Father Shiva and Prajapita Brahma, and its holistic Value & Spiritual Education opens the third eye of knowledge and empowers the students with soul power, and thereby will make India again the *Vishwa Guru*."

Prof. (Dr.) Anil D. Sahasrabuddhe, Chairman, All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE), New Delhi, said, "Today, it is necessary to bring about changes in present education system, but teachers are responsible for the implementation of these changes. The value education & spirituality course of the Education Wing RERF and Brahma Kumaris will go a long way in making India the World Teacher through its components of positive thinking, skills education and value education. When the teachers will practise Rajyoga meditation and remain in the state of soul-consciousness, they will automatically inspire students." He expressed his wish to introduce value education in 10,000 technical institutions

of the country and hoped that the trained teachers of the Brahma Kumaris will cooperate to in this noble effort with a view to creating a Skill India and Digital and Divine India.

Rajyogini Dadi Ratan Mohini ji, the Joint Administrative Head of the Brahma Kumaris, said, “There is an urgent need to solve the riddle “Who am I?” If you will know that you are actually a soul, the child of the Supreme Soul, who is the Ocean of Peace, and your religion is peace, then you can remain in peace with clear understanding and perfect realization of the soul through practice of Rajayoga meditation.” She also said, “The more you know, understand this spiritual education, meditate and inculcate the divine virtues, the more you will experience peace and happiness in life.”

Dr. Jaswant Singh Yadav, Cabinet Minister for Skills Development, Labour and Employment, Factory and Boilers Inspection, Government of Rajasthan, said, “In true sense, the teachers are the builders of the nation. A teacher should ask himself/herself, “What do I want in life? For which work, God Has sent me here? Which teachings should I impart to the students? In reality, spiritual education can help in building the nation. If you join this organization and learn the spiritual knowledge and meditation, you will feel great spiritual change in your life.” He also said, “I like to introduce the Brahma Kumaris value education courses in Rajasthan, which will greatly benefit the students of state and make their welfare.”

Shri Uttam Prakash Aggarwal, former Chairman, I.C.A.I, New Delhi, said, “ I have never seen this new concept of Value & Spiritual Education (VES) in the world. This will bring our youth from the influence of western culture back to the roots of Indian ethos and culture. This education can create a sea-change in our thoughts and lifestyle and thereby bring about holistic transformation of the world at large.”

B.K. Nirwair, Secretary General, the Brahma Kumaris, Mount Abu, said, “The teachings of *Shrimad Bhagavad Gita* teaches us to sow the seeds of good deeds, so as to reap good fruits. Man is the friend of his own self and also the foe of his own self. In every religion, people pray God to liberate them from the vices of lust and anger. But, the prayer is enough; there should be the personal will and interest to give them up. If you will meditate on God, do good deeds, inculcate spirituality, and purify yourselves, then God will guarantee you the life of 21 births characterized by peace, purity, prosperity, health, wealth and happiness.” He also inspired the teachers to be double teachers – teachers of their students as well as teachers of their own selves. He lamented that teachers now get lakhs of rupees as their annual salary but they have no good resolves (*Sanskars*) and attitudes (*Vritti*) in them. He advised them to consider spirituality, meditation, values and virtues and good resolves as their true properties of life which will make them divine, pure and powerful and enable them to lead a happy and peaceful life.

Sister B.K. Suman, Executive Member, Education Wing, Gyan Sarovar, Mount Abu, transported the audience to the metaphysical world of peace and silence through her powerful meditation commentary, and enabled them to have a mental and spiritual connection and communion with God, the Supreme Father of all souls.

Dr. B.K. R.P. Gupta, Head Quarter Co-ordinator, Value Education Programme, offered vote of thanks to the guests and speakers on the dais, the gathering of teaching fraternity and the In-charges and team members of various departments whose contributions made the Conference a grand success.

Sister B.K. Ravikala, Executive Member, Education Wing, Pandav Bhawan, Mount Abu co-ordinated the stage activities very nicely, effectively and successfully.

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नयी पीढ़ी को संस्कारित बनाने के लिए शिक्षा में मूल्यों का समावेश जरूरी-यादव शिक्षाविदों के सम्मेलन में जुटे देशभर के शिक्षा से जुड़े लोग

आबू रोड, 23 सितम्बर, निसं। जिस देश की शिक्षा उत्कृष्ट नहीं है वहाँ का समाज उत्कृष्ट नहीं बन सकता। भारत देश में प्राचीन काल से भारतीय शिक्षा पूरे दुनिया भर में अच्छे संस्कारों के लिए जानी जाती है। नयी पीढ़ी को संस्कारवान बनाना है तो शिक्षा में नैतिक मूल्यों से जोड़ना होगा। उक्त विचार राजस्थान सरकार के श्रम, कौशल एवं नियोजन मंत्री जसवंत सिंह यादव ने व्यक्त किये। वे ब्रह्माकुमारीज संस्था के शांतिवन में आयोजित शिक्षाविदों के सम्मेलन में उपस्थित लोगों का सम्बोधित कर रहे थे।

उन्होंने कहा कि भारत देश संस्कारों का देश कहा जाता है। यहाँ की पारिवारिक संरचना हमेशा अन्य देशों की तुलना में सुदृढ़ रही है। परन्तु कुछ वर्षों में इसके ताने बाने में जिस तरह की गिरावट आयी है वह वाकई चिंताजनक है। इसके लिए ब्रह्माकुमारीज का शिक्षा प्रभाग जिस तरह से बच्चों के लिए कार्य कर रहा है। ऐसे प्रयोजन पूरे देशभर में युवाओं के लिए करने की जरूरत है। यहाँ के लोगों का मूल्यनिष्ठ जीवन इसका सशक्त उदाहरण है।

ब्रह्माकुमारीज संस्था की संयुक्त मुख्य प्रशासिका राजयोगिनी दादी रतनमोहिनी ने कहा कि परमात्मा की जो शिक्षा मनुष्यों के लिए है वह सबसे अच्छी और श्रेष्ठ है। इसे जीवन में धारण करने के लिए सिर्फ खुद को ईश्वर को सही अर्थों में जानने की जरूरत है। यही शिक्षा मनुष्य को श्रेष्ठ बना सकती है। कार्यक्रम में प्रभाग के अध्यक्ष बीके निर्वर ने कहा कि हमारा प्रयास है कि ज्यादा से ज्यादा लोगों को नैतिक मूल्यों की शिक्षा मिले और लोग अपना जीवन श्रेष्ठ बना सकें। इसके लिए बच्चों के लिए खासकर बाल व्यक्तित्व विकास का आयोजन किया गया है जिससे आज तक बड़ी संख्या में बच्चों का जीवन बदला है।

अखिल भारतीय तकनीकी शिक्षा परिषद नई दिल्ली के अध्यक्ष प्रो० डॉ० अनिल सहस्रबुधे ने कहा कि आजकल के युवाओं को सही रास्ते पर ले जाने के लिए जीवन में अच्छे गुणों का होना जरूरी है। इससे ही हम सही और सभ्य समाज बना सकेंगे। परन्तु माता पिता की भी भूमिका इसमें महत्वपूर्ण हो जाती है। माता पिता को भी चाहिए कि वे भी बच्चों को संस्कार के प्रति प्रेरित करें।

कार्यक्रम में प्रभाग के राष्ट्रीय संयोजक डॉ हरीश शुक्ला, प्रभाग के उपाध्यक्ष बीके मृत्युंजय ने भी अपनी शुभकामनाएं देते हुए बच्चों के बेहतर भविष्य के लिए अच्छे स्कूलों में पारिवारिक मूल्यों के प्रति भी सोचने की जरूरत है।

इस अवसर पर शिक्षा प्रभाग के मुख्यालय संयोजक डॉ आरपी गुप्ता, शिक्षा एवं मूल्य पाठ्यक्रम के निदेशक बीके पांड्यामणि, बीके सुमन समेत कई लोगों ने अपने अपने विचार व्यक्त किये।

फोटो, 23एबीआरओपी, 1, 2, 3, 4 कार्यक्रम का दीप जलाकर उदघाटन करते अतिथि, सभा में उपस्थित शिक्षाविद, सम्बोधित करते अतिथि।

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