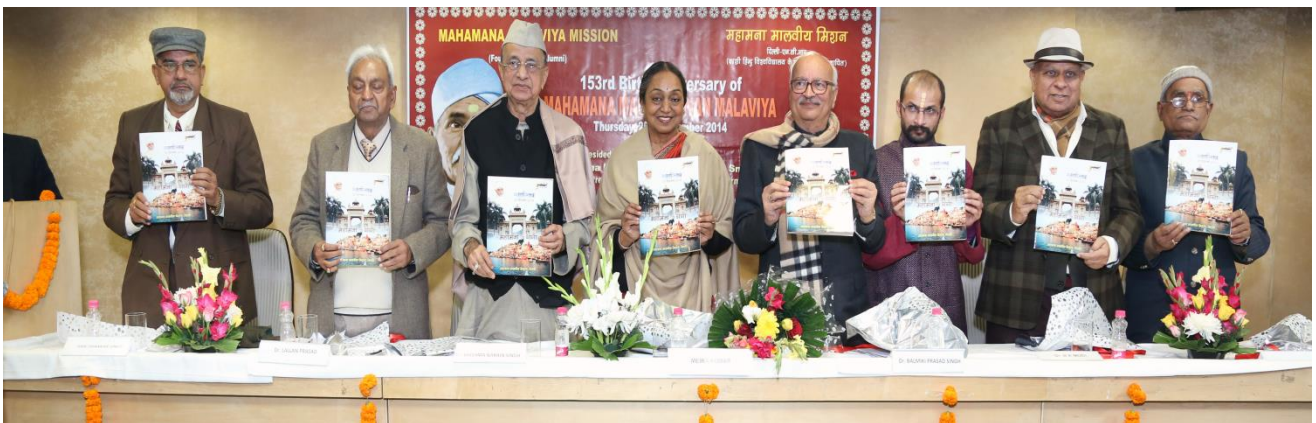


Delhi NCR Branch

Malaviya Mission Celebrates Malaviyaji's 153rd Birth Anniversary

Smt Meira Kumar, Former Speaker, Lok Sabha was the Chief Guest at the 153rd Birth Anniversary Celebrations of Mahamana Madan Mohan Malaviya. She paid glowing tributes to Malaviyaji and reminisced about how Malaviyaji broke the shackles of casteism and helped her father Babu Jagjivan Ram (former Dy Prime Minister of India) pursue his education at the BHU. Malaviyaji inculcated in Babu Jagjivan Ram the spiritual values and fearlessness that enabled him to become a great leader and a crusader for social justice.

Shri Bhisma Narain Singh, former Union Minister, in his presidential remarks, spoke of the values that sustain society. Shri Hari Shankar Singh Secretary General presented a report of the service activities of various Branches of the Mission. He appreciated the educational, humanitarian and social services being rendered by Branches. The Malaviya Jayanti function concluded with a cultural programme.



Smt Meira Kumar, Former Speaker, Lok Sabha, releasing the Souvenir. Seen on the dias: Shri Hari Shankar Singh, Sec General Mahamana Malaviya Mission, Prof Lallan Prasad, Shri Bhisma Narain Singh, Former Union Minister, Shri Balmiki Prasad Singh, Former Governor, Shri Anurag Singh, Dr B.K.Modi, Chairman Spice Global & Patron Mahamana Malaviya Mission, Shri Prabhu Narayan Shrivastava, Vice President Mahamana Malaviya Mission

International Yoga Day Celebrations

The International Yoga Day was celebrated at Malaviya Smriti Bhavan, New Delhi. Yogacharya Shri Sunil Gautam explained the benefits of Yoga. Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi during his address to UN General Assembly on September 27, 2014 had stated: "Yoga is an invaluable gift of India's ancient tradition. This tradition is 5000 years old. It embodies unity of mind and body; thought and

action; restraint and fulfilment; harmony between man and nature; a holistic approach to health and well-being. It is not about exercise but to discover the sense of oneness with yourself, the world and the nature...”

All members present practised Yoga with Yogacharya demonstrating and guiding all participants. It was decided that regular Yoga classes will be held under the direction of Yogacharya.

Teachers Day

Teachers Day was observed by Delhi NCR Branch. Prof J.S.Rajput (former Director NCERT) was the keynote speaker and Prof D.P.Singh (former Vice Chancellor) presided over the function. Prof R.H.Tupkary was the Guest Speaker. Prof Tupkary quoted a McKinsey study that found only 10-15% of engineering graduates fit for direct employment (without further training) in MNCs. He said that

the progress of society depends on good teachers who can impart necessary knowledge and skills to earn a living and the skills to live a meaningful social life. Prof S.V.Tatwawadi spoke of the spirit of the Sanskrit word ‘Guru’ which the word teacher does not connote. He said that Dr Radhakrishnan was a great teacher. He taught the essence of religion in his exposition of the Gita.

Prof J.S.Rajput stressed on the need for moral and spiritual values in education. He spoke of the NCERT logo which seeks to raise humanity to divinity. He said that the Supreme Court had in its verdict in 2002 declared that the basic moral tenets and human values of all religions could be taught to the students. The Court held that the meaning of secularism is not the negation of all religions but Sarva Dharma Sambhav – equal treatment and respect for all religions. He said that teachers have a great responsibility for nurturing the best out the mind and spirit of the student and for the reconstruction of society.

Prof D.P.Singh reminisced about the great teachers like Dr S. Radhakrishnan and Prof S.S.Bhatnagar. He spoke about Malaviyaji being a great visionary educationist and mentioned how a British official in London saw in the eyes of Malaviyaji the light of the divine.

Upgradation of Malaviya Mission Website

The upgradation of the website has been undertaken with the objective of uploading all the available writings, speeches, articles, photographs of Madan Mohan Malaviya and to make all the material available universally to scholars, researchers and the public. Selections / excerpts from material published on Mahamana will also be put on the website.

A lot of material has been digitised and uploaded on the website. Kindly visit the website www.malaviyamission.org and see the rich repertory of material on Malaviyaji. Much more material is being uploaded shortly.

The Website has the facility for members to share information about events, have a dialogue, post comments, write blogs, etc. Social media interaction has also been enabled. The website will disseminate information about our service projects and programmes and collect donations online. Mission Membership / Library membership / Conference registration can all be done online alongwith payments through credit cards/ debit cards/ netbanking. Facility for webcasting will be enabled.

We need your inputs, suggestions and support for improvement and enrichment of the Website. Branches may have some valuable material which they may like to upload on the website. Members may have some new articles / documents / books / photos / audios / videos on Malaviyaji and which they may like to be uploaded on the website. Kindly send us all such material that you may have and which could be preserved in digital format on the Mission Website. All material received will be gratefully acknowledged.

New material / reports of activities will continue to be uploaded on the website. We also welcome suggestions for improvement of the website. All suggestions and material for the website may be sent by email to: webeditor@malaviyamission.org and malaviyasmritibhawan@yahoo.com. All undigitised material may be mailed to: The Convenor, Website Committee, Mahamana Malaviya Mission, 52-53, Deen Dayal Upadhyay Marg, New Delhi 110002.

Mahamana Malaviya Mission Library

Mahamana Malaviya Mission Library has been set up to promote the values and ideals of Pandit Malaviya.

Under a grant received from the Ministry of Culture, Government of India, Mahamana Malaviya Mission Library has acquired a rich collection of books and electronic media on a variety of subjects: philosophy, spirituality, economics, ecology, political science, sociology, psychology, science, technology, leadership, management, ancient and modern history, future studies, biographies of national leaders, etc. The Library has a valuable collection of Books published on Malaviyaji.

The Mission has also set up a Digital Library with internet access to Digital resources all over the country and the globe. The Digital Library has a high end server with 15 computers and laptops. The Digital Library enables access to all resources available in digital format on Malaviyaji and the institutions associated with him. From Jan 2016 regular Digital Literacy classes will be conducted on a regular basis particularly for indigent students.

The Library has a Reading Room facility that can be used by students /scholars /members who can browse books, read newspapers and periodicals. Photocopying facility and DVD writing facility is available at nominal charges.

We seek the support of Members to develop and enrich the Library which already has a collection of over 4000 books and electronic media. The catalogue of books is available on the mission's website.

New books / electronic media that have perennial value will continue to be acquired. We seek your recommendation for books that can be procured for the library. Recommendations may be submitted online at "Suggestions for Books" by visiting the website: www.malaviyamission.org under the tab Malaviya Mission -- Library. List of books recommended for purchase can also be sent by email to: librarian@malaviyamission.org

Donation of books / electronic media to the Library will be gratefully acknowledged with the name of the donor prominently displayed on the book / media. Books /electronic media to be donated can be despatched to: Librarian, Mahamana Malaviya Mission, 52-53, Deen Dayal Upadhyay Marg, New Delhi 110002. Arrangements can also be made to collect the books. List of books and e-media you would like to donate may be sent by email to: librarian@malaviyamission.org and malaviyasmritibhawan@yahoo.com.

Members may like to make available any material they may have and which could be preserved in digital format.

All Life members of the Mission have the privilege of using the Library and the Digital Library. Others can become members of the Library and make use of the Library Facilities and resources.

Service Activities

The Delhi NCR Branch continued its support to the Guldasta Vidyalaya for poor underprivileged children in South Delhi. Efforts are being made for allotment of land and construction of a permanent school building for the children. A survey was conducted in the slums around the Mission's Smriti Bhawan to identify children and adults who can be made digitally literate and who can be imparted various skills (including computer skills, tailoring) for livelihood. Programmes for skill development and digital literacy are being launched shortly.