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40th Convocation of DEI Gloriously Held



The 40th Convocation of Dayalbagh Educational Institute was held in the most solemn and dignified manner on 12 February 2022. Most Revered Prof. P.S. Satsangi Sahab, Chairman, Advisory Committee on Education, Dayalbagh Educational Institutions (Non-Statutory body, serving as a Think-Tank for DEI) and Most Respectable Rani Sahiba graced this milestone event in the virtual- virtuous mode. Dr Ajay Kumar, IAS, Secretary, Ministry of Defence, Government of India, was the Chief Guest on this occasion. The Convocation ceremony began after the robed Academic Procession reached the Convocation Hall and the members, including the Chief Guest, took their respective seats. After the rendering of the Institute's Prayer, Prof. P.K. Kalra, Director DEI, sought permission from, Shri GS Sood, President DEI, and declared the Convocation open. Thereafter, the Director presented his Annual Report in which he first and foremost enlightened the gathering about the unique lifestyle followed at Dayalbagh and DEI based on the trinity of 'Better worldliness' (selfless service to the neighbouring community), 'Fatherhood of God and Brotherhood of Man' and 'Sigma Six V-Q-I'. He also introduced the audience to the latest contributions and innovations made by DEI in different fields and shared the voice-overs of highly encouraging remarks made by three of the distinguished visitors to DEI.

This was followed by the conferring of various Degrees, Medals and Awards and signing of the Scroll of Honour by the Director. This year, a total of 5742 students of different programmes of study received a degree/diploma from the institute. 89 students were awarded PhD Degrees, 3136 students got Bachelor's degrees, and 708 students received Master's degrees, 65 attained M.Phil. degrees, 821 received diplomas, 175 got post-graduate diplomas, 327 got High School certificates and 422 got Intermediate degrees. 153 students received the Director's Medal for attaining the highest-grade points in their respective programme of study. This year three students received the President's Medal for their remarkable achievements. For securing the highest-grade point in All Undergraduate Examinations, 2021, Ms Mitali Varshney was awarded the President's Medal whereas for securing the highest-grade point in All Postgraduate Examinations, 2021, Ms Arti Gupta and Ms Tanya Singh received this prestigious medal. In the end, President, DEI presented the Lifetime Achievement Award on behalf of the Systems Society of India to the Chief Guest, Dr Ajay Kumar.

During his Convocation Address, Dr Kumar after congratulating the students for their respective



achievements enthralled the audience with his most remarkable speech. He commended DEI for creating a unique blend and a successful model of 'Tradition and Technology' and establishing itself as a formidable force that has constantly grown in size and stature. He inspired the students to work towards excellence through innovation by sharing the success stories of various innovative feats attained by India in different walks of life. In the end, calling the present century to be the one that belongs to India, Dr Kumar encouraged the students to go forth and grab the glorious destiny that awaits them.

Dr Ajay Kumar, before attending the Convocation, had paid a visit to the Exhibitions and the various academic initiatives and facilities of the Institute. The overwhelmed Dr Kumar, thus, put his feelings on record:

“Visiting DEI and delivering the Convocation address was an exceptionally revealing experience. It is difficult to believe that there exists an institution which combines science with spirituality, modern tech with traditional Indian values, theoretical concepts with practical work with such ease and conviction. Achieving this symphony in moulding young minds is a task impossible for most institutions. But not for DEI. One sees this everywhere in DEI as DEI goes about in its normal work.

What I liked most was how working with hand, learning by doing and dignity of work is embedded in life of every individual of DEI whether a student, a faculty member or staff. This aspect of training by itself ensures students of DEI are moulded into worthy citizens of India.

Thank you for inviting me. I consider myself fortunate to have been blessed with spending a day at DEI. DEI-an institution which has so much to offer and about which so little is known. A hidden nugget not only for students but for educationists, policy makers and others. Merely seeing the functioning of DEI is a great education.

My prayers and best wishes for DEI and all members of DEI family”.

Celebration of 'Founder's Day' at DEI



On 31st January Dayalbagh Educational Institute celebrates its Founder's Day to commemorate the birth anniversary of Revered Dr M. B. Lal Sahab, the Founder-Director of this Institute. This year this event was organized in a simpler, yet effective manner while following the safety measures recommended at the time of the pandemic.

The celebration commenced with *Shramdaan* at the agricultural fields by the staff and students in the wee hours of the morning. Alongside this activity, a lecture on Agroecology by Prof. Geoff Sim, Director, Global Academy of Agriculture and Food Security, University of Edinburgh, UK was organized through video conferencing. Prof. Sim explained how the hunger crisis could be dealt with on a global level. While doing agricultural work, Most Revered Prof. P.S. Satsangi Sahab, Chairman, Advisory Committee on Education, Dayalbagh Educational Institutions (Non-Statutory body, serving as a Think-Tank for DEI) observed the educational progress of DEI through a video film. Later *Prasad* was distributed to all.

While maintaining the safety protocol, the students, faculty and staff of various Schools, Faculties and Colleges of DEI displayed their achievements, creative products and innovative projects through both physical and virtual media on the occasion. The day was celebrated with great enthusiasm and gaiety around DEI's 477±1 distance learning and ICT Centres across India and abroad.

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