

DELHI INSTITUTE OF ADVANCED STUDIES

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ANNUAL CULTURAL FEST, ECSTASY 2019 ECSTASY 2019

Cultural fests are the gateways to polish extracurricular skills of the students. They provide the students the platform in which they can interact with students of different background and showcase their creative skills and talents. Amid much fanfare and enthusiasm, DIAS organized its 16th Annual Cultural Festival, Ecstasy '19 on 9th March 2019.

The Institute's Annual Fest **ECSTASY** is tantamount to zeal, competition, elation, triumph and tradition. It is an effective platform for students to unleash their creativity and showcase their talent. Living up to its spirit, 'ECSTASY-2019' will be an assortment of various cultural and literary activities from various colleges from Delhi and NCR, honoring the students' interests, competencies and creativity through its theme-'Indianism-The New Religion'.

The edifice of India is its culture. This culture stems from traditions, values and belief that have been passed from one generation to another. The religions practiced by people are varied but what unite's each one of them is the love for their country and the pride one takes in their motherland. The youth of today is moving beyond the realms of religion advocating unity in spirit of religion representing Indianism.

With this thought DIAS brings Ecstasy 2019, "Indianism – **The New Religion**" which aims to reflect freedom of all faiths with no division into cults, caste or creed but only one belief of togetherness of being a "**Proud Indian**".

This year, the college festival witnessed huge participation from all around Delhi with more than 120 colleges and institutes. The festival comprised of several events which included Gully Cricket, Treasure Hunt, Rangoli Making, Debate competition, Group singing, Solo Dance, Group Dance, photography and Mr. And Ms. Ecstasy. The eye-catcher of this event was a soulful performance by the famous rock band "Engineer's Band" that attracted enormous crowd in this Annual festival.











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INAUGURAL SESSION



The fest was declared open in the inaugural ceremony by the director, Dr. N. Malati. Lamp was lighted by the distinguished guests Dr. N. Malati, Director, Dr. Shilki Bhatia, Head of Department (Management), Dr. Barkha Bahl, Head of Department (IT), Dr. Anju Batra, Head of Department (BBA), Ms. Neetu Chadha, Head of Department (B.COM (Hons)), and Ms. Savita, Ms. Monika Sharma, Ms. Aashima Singhal and Ms. Jyoti Tandon, STF Advisors, DIAS.

INAUGURAL SPEECH BY DR. S.N. MAHESHWARI, PROFESSOR EMERITUS AND ACADEMIC ADVISOR, DIAS



Dr. S.N. Maheshwari welcomed the guests, faculty members and the participants of various institutes and the audience with his lovely words of welcome. He stated that the central theme of this year's ecstasy "Indianism - The New Religion" is in consonance with the present political, environmental and geographical situations prevailing in the Indian sub-continent. He laid special emphasize upon the fact that the time has come where people of all ages, have to realize, that irrespective of their castes, colour, creed or religion that they are first all Indians for whom the security and sovereignty of India is of utmost importance. India has a

glorious history. It is the country where one of the greatest civilizations existed. According to the distinguished American writer, Mark Twain, "India is the cradle of human race, birth place of human speech, mother of history, grandmother of legend and great grand-matter of tradition": Let us therefore all understand and appreciate in the present turbulent times that Indianism demands from all of us, that we all people of this great country rededicate ourselves to build a new and vibrant India. An India that is united in thoughts and action and not divided by religion, culture, caste or political affiliations. An India that is caring and inclusive where every citizen will be blessed with a life of peace and happiness.

He welcomed Mr. Beni Kinha as the Chief Guest for this year's cultural festival Ecstasy and took the opportunity to welcome and greet the young participants from different educational Institutions.Dr. Maheshwari also expressed his profuse thanks to the Chief Guest, Mr. Beni Kinha, distinguished guests and other dignitaries for benign presence. He also expressed his thanks to the team of energetic and enthusiastic teacher and student volunteers who meticulously organized, conducted and concluded this mega event with total precision and professionalism under the pleasing and dynamic leadership of Dr. N. Malati, the Director of the Institute.

INAUGURAL SPEECH BY DR.N. MALATI, DIRECTOR, DIAS



Dr. N. Malati welcomed the guests, faculty members and the participants of various institutes and the audience with her lovely words of welcome. She emphasized upon the fact that while every new religion sought to move away from the evils of previously existing religions, none of them despised other religions in order to gain followers and that the spirit of 'Indianism' takes inspiration from all those great religious reformers who tried to evolve something better

without degrading any other religion or faith. Indianism acts as an umbrella which covers all the religions and religious activities under it. The decision was pronounced in the light of the fact that Indianism is the only '–ism' that stands true on the philosophy of our Constitution, apart from 'secularism', which is a part

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of the preamble itself. At a time when feelings such as Religious Nationalism, Hinduism, Sikhism and others are running high among the citizens, Indianism takes us back to what our forefathers had in mind while framing the Constitution, and what we have, as a society. It is believed that it is the youth which can take this philosophy forward. The potential of the younger generation coupled with their zeal, enthusiasm, energy and versatility can work aid the country to rise above individual religion and practice one universal religion and that being Indianism. We need to empower and inculcate this spirit in our youth so that they can make a better tomorrow.

ADDRESS SPEECH BY

BENI KINHA,

FOUNDER AND MANAGING TRUSTEE OF NECTAR FOUNDATION & MOTIVATIONAL SPEAKER.



Taking about the theme of the Annual fest 'Indianism-The New Religion', he stated that Indianism is an umbrella which covers all the religions and religious activities under it. The idea of Indianism is something similar to a religion, a unique conviction developed with the principles evolving from the synthesis of several outlooks that have been born out of or at least touched India. Indianism is the only '–ism' that stands true to the philosophy of our Constitution, apart from 'secularism'. It is an ideology that makes all these communities and cultures live together in peace and harmony, proud of their rich diversity and harmonious existence.

He stated that the concept of Indianism is propagated far and wide and youth ought to take the responsibility of promoting the feeling of oneness across the nation. "Gen Next," the backbone of the nation, must leave behind any orthodox, partisan or narrow mentality to maintain national integrity. The millennials have taken a step forward to create an India which is indivisible, invincible and inseparable by geographical boundaries, culture or religions.

He concluded his address by congratulating the management, the student coordinators and the participants for organizing a successful event.

VOTE OF THANKS BY

MS. MONIKA SHARMA & MS. AASHIMA

EVENT COORDINATOR

Ms. Monika Sharma and Ms. Aashima Singhal on behalf of the other STF Advisors and event coordinators Ms. Savita and Ms. Jyoti Tandon thanked all the participating students and their institutes for participating in such large numbers. They thanked the chief guest of the event Shri Beni Kinha, for sparing his valuable time and gracing the occasion with his presence. They also extended their heartfelt thanks to Dr. S. N. Maheshwari, Academic Advisor, DIAS and Dr. N. Malati, Director, DIAS for their guidance and support for the event. They appreciated the efforts of the team of student coordinators, the sponsors of the event and the staff of the institute for collectively contributing in making Ecstasy'19 a huge success and a memorable day.