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Governor inaugurates National Conference on Gandhi

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The Governor of Arunachal Pradesh Brig. (Dr.) B.D. Mishra (Retd.) inaugurated the Two-day National Conference on the theme 'Relevance of Mahatma Gandhi today' at National Institute of Technology campus, Yupia on 28th September 2019.

The Governor said that relevance of the teachings of all our ancient Saints and Philosophers, including Gandhi ji's was relevant then, is relevant now and will be relevant till human beings live on this earth. He said that all Indian philosophies propound for integral humanism and universal fraternity. Ved Vyas's Vedas, Mahabharata, Valmiki's Ramayana, Buddha's teachings and in the same line Mahatma Gandhi's philosophy are all universal and timeless. It is the quintessence of Indian Culture, he said.

The Governor said that two cardinal principles of Gandhi ji were 'Satya' and 'Ahimsa'. He explained that Gandhian Ahimsa is for human wellbeing and it is the not mean meek submission to the evil doers.

The Governor said that Gandhi ji's other philosophies were to make children skilled and independence. Strengthening of villages and village Panchayats, Gandhi ji's religious ideals encompass good sense, forgiveness, non-conceitedness, non stealing, cleanliness, control over senses, fortitude, knowledge, truth and no anger. These ten components of Dharma have always been relevant and will continue to remain so.

Underscoring the carry forward of cultural heritage under the Gandhian Philosophy, the Governor said that Gandhi stressed on preservation and promotion of language, traditions and culture for overall homogeneity of the society.

Earlier, Director NIT, Arunachal Pradesh Prof. P. Mahanta briefed on initiative of Gandhi Study Centre of NIT, Arunachal Pradesh in promotion of Gandhian philosophy. The Centre was inaugurated by the Governor on 2nd October 2018. The Director also thanked the Governor for the Bamboo Conference Hall, which has been constructed by North Eastern Council, Shillong at the initiative of the Governor.

First Lady of the State Smt Neelam Misra, Vice Chancellor of Rajiv Gandhi University Prof. Saket Kushwaha, Director NERIST, Prof. H.S. Yadav, former Vice Chairman, UGC and former Vice Chancellor of Central University of Haryana, Prof. (Dr.) Mool Chand Sharma, Prof (Dr.) Naresh Dadhich and faculty and students of NIT were present on the occasion.

PRO to Governor
Arunachal Pradesh
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