

RASHTRIYA SANSKRIT SANSTHAN CELEBRATES ITS' CONVOCATION

The third Convocation of Rashtriya Sanskrit Sansthan, Deemed University under Ministry of Human Resource Development, Government of India was held at Sirifort Auditorium, New Delhi on 12.09.09. Shri Kapil Sibal, Minister of Human Resource Development and President, Rashtriya Sanskrit Sansthan presided over the ceremony. The convocation address was delivered by Justice P.N. Bhagwati, Former Chief Justice of India Supreme Court. The dignitaries were welcomed by Panchvadyam (traditional instrument from Kerala).

Prof. Radhavallabh Tripathi, Vice Chancellor, Rashtriya Sanskrit Sansthan in his report and welcome speech apprised the audiences of the latest development and recent activities in the University. Rashtriya Sanskrit Sansthan is the biggest Sanskrit University in the world and it is the only multi campus University with 10 fully developed multi faculty campuses located in various cities in the country and 24 Adarsh Sanskrit Mahavidyalayas and model research institutes. He offered good wishes for the graduates being awarded degrees of the University on this occasion. 4951 students were awarded degrees of Vidyavaridhi (Ph.D.), Acharya (M.A.), Shiksdha Acharya (M.Ed.), Shiksha Shastri (B.Ed.), Shastri (B.A.). 43 gold medals were awarded to the meritorious students. One special gold medal instituted by Shri N.G. Kaushal in the memory of his sister late Smt. Sanyukta Thungan was given by Shri Kapil Sibal Ji to Vinayak Bhat for securing highest marks in all the PG Exams. Prof. Ram Karan Sharma and Pt. N.S. R. Tatacharya were honoured with degree Honoris causa on this occasion.

In his address Shri Kapil Sibal ji appreciated the efforts of the University towards modernization of Sanskrit education and use all new technologies for upgradation of learning techniques. He was of the view that Sanskrit is our mental and spiritual link with the larger world inhabit. He also cited Pt. Jawaharlal Nehru's remark that "Sanskrit is the greatest treasure that India possesses and her finest heritage".

In his Convocation address Justice P.N. Bhagwati, Chief Justice of India, Supreme Court called the Hon'ble Human Resource Minister to further encourage Rashtriya Sanskrit Sansthan. He advised the youths to adopt the ideas and values from Indian tradition. The values like renunciation and penance should be incalculated amongst the members of younger generation. He said that Sanskrit is the richest store house of such values.

The vice Chancellor of the University also informed that Rashtriya Sanskrit Sansthan has been given the opportunity to organize the 15th World Sanskrit Conference which will be held in January, 2012. Two important publications Vyavahar Mayuka an ancient Indian Text of Law with English Translation of P.V. Kane and one Sanskrit work by Vishvanath Singh Judeo King of Reeve State in 18th Century were also released at this occasion by the Minister. The Minister also released some CDs and DVDs prepared by Rashtriya Sanskrit Sansthan.

The Convocation was attended by a large number of academicians, members of the Faculty, Deans and members besides more than a thousand of students from various campuses of Rashtriya Sanskrit Sansthan.