

One Day Seminar on “Gandhian Concept of Higher Education; Its Relevance Today”

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To commemorate 150th Birth Anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi, a one day seminar on "Gandhian Concept of Higher Education : Its Relevance Today", was organized by the Centre for Women's Studies, Pt.Ravishankar Shukla University, Raipur(C.G.)

This year is marking the Sesquicentennial birth anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi. Gandhi is known in different circles for his different statures. He was a leader, a preacher, a practitioner but most importantly an educator. Gandhi throughout his life has written, spoken and emphasised extensively on the importance of education and learning.

Guest of honour was Prof. K.L.Verma, Vice Chancellor , Pt.Ravishankar Shukla University, Raipur the invite speakers were Prof. Usha Dubey, Prof. (Retd.) School of Studies in Economics, Pt.RSU,Raipur, Prof. Abha Rupendra Pal, HoD, School of Studies in History, Pt.RSU, Raipur & Mr. Tuhin Deb, Director, State Resource Centre (Adult & Continuing education) Raipur

The programme was inaugurated by our Vice Chancellor, Prof. Keshari Lal Verma by lighting lamp and putting a floral garland on Mahatma Gandhis picture. After the floral welcome of the esteemed guest Associate Director, Centre for Women's Studies, Pt.Ravishankar Shukla University, Raipur(C.G.). There after the VC addressed the house and asked the students to understand and follow the path that Mahatma Gandhi had shown to the whole world. He not only asked the students to follow his principles but also asked them to spread his views and philosophy.

The second speaker was Mr. Tuhin Deb, Director, State Resource Centre (Adult & Continuing education) Raipur . He gave a brief description of the works of Mahatma Gandhi and he emphasized to follow the path shown by Mahatma Gandhi. He encouraged the students to apply the principle discussed in Young India Magazine about the role of education particularly about higher education in framing a strong north.

Prof. Abha Rupendra Pal discussed that Gandhiji was against the education system of that time as learning English was encouraged in place of our mother tongue or other vernacular languages. Gandhiji encouraged the use of mother tongue rather than English language. He also stressed upon Physical Education, and Moral Education. He emphasized upon developing moral in lives and to import free education to the students of the country.

Next speaker was Dr. Usha Dubey designation is to be added. She told about the value of Mahatma Gandhi and how he believed for the education of women to build up a strong nation. He encouraged the study of development of Acupressure, Acupuncture, Ayurveda and other disciplines of medicine. He stressed upon "Simple Living & high Thinking"

The last phase of the programme there was a open discussion on the principles and morals of Gandhiji. Students participated in the open discussion which was headed by Mr. Tuhin Deb. At last Mr. Tuhin Deb encouraged the students to follow the foot steps and the path shown by Mahatma Gandhi and appealed the students with help of a song.

To end up the programme Prof. Priyamvada Shrivastava gave the vote of thanks. The programme ended up with tree plantation in the university premises.

