

## Developing awareness on "Cultural Heritage in School Education" from 14 December to 18 December, 2020@CCRT, Regional Centre, Udaipur

The Centre for Cultural Recourses and Training, New Delhi, has started Converting challenges into opportunities by organizing online Workshops for the teachers working in various states of India. These E-learning Workshops are focused on introducing aspects of Culture in the curriculum Teaching at Delhi and Regional Centers at Hyderabad, Guwahati, and Udaipur.

175 teachers from Tamilnadu, Maharashtra, Assam, Chattisgarh, U.P., Rajasthan, Punjab, Haryana, Gujarat, Karnataka, and West Bengal are participating.

During the First session, noted painter and scholar Dr. Shail Choyal delivered a pictorial lecture on "An Understanding of Indian Paintings." Through various slides, he explained the journey of ancient paintings to

influenced by geographical, time, situational changes?

The second session was dedicated to Indian Music (Evolution, History, and Musical compositions). Noted singer, Music composer, and lyricist Dr. Prem Bhandari and Dr. Pamil Modi discussed various creative and technical aspects of Indian Music. They gave a live demonstration of Dhrupad, Khyal, Tarana Gayaki to light Music. Both the sessions had interactive question-answer sessions.

On 15 December 2020. The First Session was on "Innovation in Education from the perspective of New Education Policy" taken by Dr. Alpana Singh, Head of the Department of Education, MLS University. In her lecture, she explained all the vital points of New Educational Policy highlighting the issues like Education for all, Protection of Rights, Identification of skills, Development of Brotherhood, To prepare for new challenges, and improve quality of Education. While discussing the principles of NEP-2020, she said that primary Education should be given in Mother's tongue, and the Languages

may also be given respect. Having a multidisciplinary and holistic approach, she narrated that the teachers (who are the heart of the learning process) should ensure students' All-around development by making them creative and enhancing critical thinking. She Quoted Gandhiji's New Taleem and the vision of Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam in her session. She appealed to teachers to be innovative and sensitive.

The Second Session was dedicated to Indian Drama. Noted Dramatist and Director, Bhartiya Lok Kala Mandal, Dr. Laique Hussain, gave a narrated story of Drama's evolution in India.

He exhibited various slides to illustrate ancient Sanskrit Theatre in Temples, Folk theatres prevailing in different parts of India to the production of National School of Drama and other groups doing contemporary Theatre.

The workshop on the third day started with a lecture on "The Cultural History of India by Prof. Lalit Pandey, noted Archaeologist, Scholar, and former Director of Institute of Rajasthan Studies, Udaipur. He said that Civilization is



the highest manifest of Culture. Quoting various examples, he said that we have a living culture. Many excavations and researches reveal that India has the Oldest Civilization in the World. Haddapan culture is the materialistic aspect of our ancient Vedic Culture. India has given many things to the World.

The knowledge of Mathematics, Astronomy, Medical Science, Metallurgy, and literature, along with the oldest grammar, was given by India. The experience was made available by the Indian Scientists and Scholars in "Sootras" long back. He replied to various queries of Teachers.

During the second session, Vidushi Guru Radha Bhaskar Menon had a live demonstra-

tion of various aspects of the Indian Classical dance form "Bharat Natyam." She explained Abhinaya and Margam's elements through live demonstration by Guru Bhaskar Menon, Shri Ananth Menon, Aparna Kiran Menon, Smidha Ananth Menon, and Vaishnavi Menon. of Bharat Natyam. The spellbinding performance with expressive narrations by Vidushi Guru Radha Bhaskar made the session very impressive.

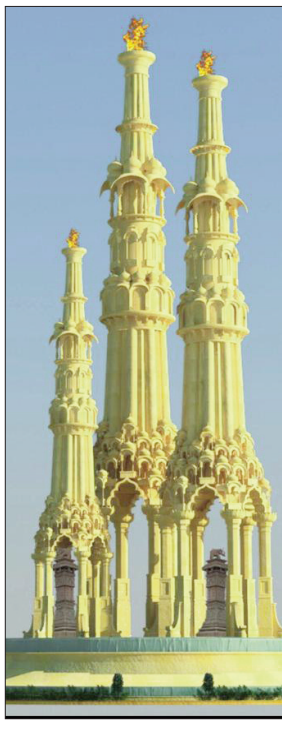
These workshops would continue till 18 December 2020, in which other experts will also share their vast knowledge and rich experience with the teachers who are taking a keen interest in the Sessions.

-Vilas janve

## Dhariwals Dream Project: First traffic city of Rajasthan - Kota

In the pursuit of making Kota India's first traffic light free city, Shri Shanti Dhariwal, Hon'ble Minister, UDH, wanted this major traffic crossing at the Aerodrome Circle to be constructed with a very new and innovative design concept. The area adjoining the Aerodrome Circle will also be decorated with beautiful monuments, especially the Ghodewala Chauraha, which will have a 50 ft. high marble monument of Horses. The central Aerodrome Circle will have iconic three Towers of Liberty, which will signify the victory of freedom over slavery. The Towers of Liberty are being developed in typical Rajasthan Architecture and the traditional chhatris and mihrab of the Hadauti Region. Three Towers are being constructed of different heights, 50 mtrs, 40 mtrs, and 25 mtrs. The towers will be visible from a long distance and carry metal sheets of brass in the golden finish at the top, which will be lit to give an effect of moving flames of fire igniting the spirit of freedom.

The year 2022 is going to be the 75th year of India's Independence. These towers of liberty will be completed in 2021. The towers will be decorated with Jaisalmer and Jodhpur Stone and will have beautiful illumination and will become a signature element as a face of the city of Kota. The Aerodrome Circle, apart from this, is being designed for zero traffic intersection, and the UIT has already built the underpasses, and construction is going on in full swing. The pedestrian crossover of the Aerodrome Circle will have six pairs of escalators for public convenience. The pedestrian traffic from one end to another can actually through escalators traveled to the central towers of liberty and crossover to the other side. The buildings adjoining the Aerodrome Circle will also uplift the façade by the government in a traditional and heritage theme. Hon'ble Minister for UDH, Shri Shanti Dhariwal Ji, was particular to decorate the Aerodrome Circle as its best junction. The existing pillars of elephants in stone have been retained and will merge with the new design. The beautiful metal sculptures of people in Rajasthani dresses will adorn the periphery of the towers of liberty in a stepped garden towards the underpasses. The construction for the same will be completed within this year and will be dedicated to the public. This iconic architectural creation in Rajasthani heritage will add a lot of tourist value to Kota. Shri Anoop Barataria of Sincere Architects does the beautiful architectural design.



## Ray of Honesty needed to eradicate Corruption

International Anti-Corruption Day is celebrated every year on 9 December all over the world. On 31 October 2003, the United Nations passed an anti-corruption pact and since then the day has been celebrated. The main purpose of this day is to eliminate corruption in order to maintain a prosperous, value-oriented society all over the world. On this day, many activities like conferences, speeches, rallies, exhibitions, dramas etc. are organized by the United Nations and the respective member states with the spirit of fighting corruption.

Corruption is spreading very fast but it is not only a problem of any society, province or country; it has corrupted every person and system, it is necessary to stop this process and not wait. Power and selfishness have shown moral cowardice in perfecting corruption. Because of this, the confidence in the people got so much down that even the man who was standing on the right side seems to be false, corrupt and immoral. Eyes find truth on that face. Corruption is a serious crime that undermines moral, social and economic development in all societies.

In today's time, no country, region or community has survived from corruption. It has spread to all parts of the world whether it is political, social or economic as well as weakens democratic institutions, contributes to government instability and slows down economic growth, we have to control over this huge problem. To achieve this, the United Nations decided to organize Anti Corruption Day.

The question is what is corruption? Simply put, corruption refers to a kind of dishonest or fraudulent conduct by those who have power. It also spoils the structure of society. It kills people from their freedom, health, wealth and sometimes their lives. Someone has rightly said that corruption is a sweet poison. "Every year, trillions of dollars in the world are either bribed or bitten by corrupt methods, which reduces

the importance of the rule of law, as well as narcotics, illegal trafficking of arms and people, violence and terrorism are also encouraged. Every year, this amount of trillions of dollars, which is presented by corruption, is equivalent to about 5 percent of the global domestic product (GDP). Due to this, more than the prosperity of nations, credit is in danger.

Today our shoulders also bowed down because it has become our habit to bear the burden of corruption. In the intoxicating feeling of corruption, the road got caught wrongly and that is why wrong mates, traditions, advice, cooperation were added to the crowd of corruption. When everything is wrong, how will its sum, rest, multiplication or division result? Only then, corruption is creating huge obstacles in the way of efforts to create a better world.



Celebrating Anti-Corruption Day, some nations of the world have set an example of giving honest governance, in which the Narendra Modi government has given rise to a new agile, transparent, accountable and corruption-free work culture in the country. The Prime Minister's claim of 'Na khaunga na khane dunga' will hold its place but these storming words are still not able to show its effect. The government is expected to take strict as well as practical steps to end corruption. The corrupt work culture of the last seventy years blocked the development of the country. If the

accounts of corruption and scams in the country have been added since independence, the vast scenes of development could have been saved in the country.

The corrupt political system, weak opposition and increasing power of regional parties pushed the entire system into the dark well of corruption. It remains to be seen whether our country will actually be corruption free? This question is arising again and again in the mind of every citizen of the country. How can we get rid of the corrupted blood of corruption flowing in the veins of the country. The current government's policy and intention is to make the country corruption-free, but its effect should be seen.

Various political parties became masters instead of becoming public servants. Modi took the initiative to change this rotten and corrupt system and its results were also seen. The Prime Minister's call for himself as the Principal can be a matter of jumbo for the opposition. The true concept of democracy starts taking shape when public confidence, public respect in democracy is filled with energy. Modi has made the people realize that they are masters in democracy. But the question is, why is this same public still not awakened against corruption? Corruption cannot be eradicated without public awareness.

It is a big reality that there is no fault in the government's intention to work. If seen, these three qualities of policy, intention and decision are necessary for the successful development and progress of any successful democracy and nation. The intentions and decisions of public welfare, public respect, and national pride are clearly visible in the policies of the Modi government. The Modi government is doing the work of transforming the resolve of respect, prosperity and security of the country into reality. But a question also stands here: why are

the BJP's provincial governments and BJP leaders not able to set an example for corruption freeing? If seen, corruption weakens any state on many levels. This causes delay in functioning. This affects production and other outcomes. The worthy are ignored and the unworthy comes into command. Due to corruption, allegations of looting of natural wealth and public funds are also made in the country. Negative thinking towards the government is created by these tragedy situations, as well as the common people also start getting mentally frustrated and irritated.

The atmosphere created against corruption is definitely an auspicious sign to give pure breath to the country. Because we have fallen so much in falling, that corruption has become a courtesy. If there was any voice of national character building, morality, transparency, then it seems that it is an alien element which is entering our life. But it was better late that Modi has aroused some possibilities; there have been some lessons and some reasons for this awakening. The first reason for this is that the fight of corruption cannot be fought with the soul, but with the soul. The second reason is that only by becoming a Gandhi or some Gandhi can give the real destination to this fight. There is also a reason to expect corruption from the Congress and other opposition parties, to find a needle in the dark.

In the midst of the extreme climax of corruption, there is a small ray in the form of Modi, which gives sunlight as well as the moon's coolness. And above all he says that 'all is not finished yet. Still everything can be alright'. People standing against corruption are saying in each other's ears, "this country has faced many storms of corruption on its chest; you have to bear the storm, but do not dim or down the radiant light of India's honesty and morality".

- Lalit Garg

## Role of NGOs' in Environment Conservation - Talk by Dr. Vartika

Udaipur: Anandam Diwas was celebrated by Nathdwara Institute of Biotechnology and Management, Upali Odan, Nathdwara in collaboration with Mohanlal Sukhadia University, Udaipur, Govind Guru Tribal University, Banswara and Prajapati Brahmakumari Ishwariya University, Mount Abu on Monday, 7th December, 2020 on Zoom platform. Principal of the Institute Dr. Ranjana Sharma gave the welcome speech. Mrs. Deepika Sharma introduced the speakers and convened the session. Keynote speaker Dr. Anjali Sharma spoke on the problems of elderly persons.

Dr. Vartika Jain who is working as an Assistant Professor in Department of Botany, Govt. Meera Girls' College, Udaipur delivered her invited speech on the topic "Role of NGOs'

in Environment Conservation". Dr. Jain described that on the basis of Ananda sutram, bliss is infinite happiness and to obtain bliss, giving (service) should be done in unilateral mode without expecting anything in return. She explained about Non-Governmental Organizations and their functions and told that NGO's act as a bridge between government and common man and work harder for up-liftment of weaker sections of the society. NGO's also act as pressure generators to form people and planet friendly policies. She also explained importance of the environment and biodiversity and reasons for their fast depletion. She gave examples of various national and international NGOs' working for the betterment of environment such as Earthwatch, WWF, CSE, CEE, Kalpvriksh etc. A local example of Semal Conservation Mission run by Society for Microvita Research and Integrated Medicine (SMRIM), Udaipur appealed the students very much. She urged students to do group activities to save the environment and

also address local environmental problems and prepare a Biodiversity Register. Students also asked the practical problems which they face in the field while working for environment conservation which were answered by Dr. Jain.

In the end, Mr. Ashish Kumawat gave thanks to all the speakers and participants for attending the celebration of the Anandam diwas.

## All set to launch TAFD's Magazine second issue

The second issue of the TAFD's Magazine is all set to launch soon. The magazine, referred to as the Magazine of the future, is a trans disciplinarian's delight. We bring you a fascinating array of discourse on areas as diverse as nanotechnology, biotechnology, artificial intelligence, futurism, literature, economics, trans humanism and many more. We,

at TAFD's, believe in preparing ourselves to unravel the prospects and challenges that we need to meet and face and see eye to eye the coming life. TAFD's paves the way for a better understanding of and approach to the myriad hues that the future is to unfold.

In addition to great reads we also bring to you a list of nominees for the TAFD's Certification of Excellence. The nominations are done in four areas of Futurist Leaders, Futurist Authors, Futurist Activists and Futurist Keynote Speakers. This is our way of showing gratitude recognising and rewarding these seemingly ordinary people who with their extraordinary work, remarkable zeal and vision bring to the world to make it a better place for all. They with their dedication and service to humanity inspire millions across the globe!



## Bank working on war footing to resolve IT issues- Sashidhar Jagdishan

HDFC Bank CEO Sashidhar Jagdishan apologises to customers; says bank working on war footing to resolve IT issues

Udaipur: After the RBI order asking HDFC Bank to temporarily stop any new digital banking launches and sourcing of new credit card, the bank's MD and CEO Sashi Jagdishan has assured its customers that there is no reason to worry and they can continue to transact with the bank without any concern.

The RBI has put temporary restrictions on the bank's new digital banking launches and proposed business generating IT applications until it resolves the outage issues.



"Many of you may have read / heard about the RBI order asking us to temporarily stop any new digital banking launches and sourcing of new credit card customers. We will comply with the regulator's requirements," said Jagdishan in a statement. "We take this opportunity to assure our existing customers that there is no reason to worry. You can continue to transact with the Bank without any concern."

Jagdishan said the bank had two outages, one in November 2018 and second one in December 2019 and it has taken help of external expertise, understood what needs to be done further and have substantially implemented the inputs to strengthen IT infrastructure and systems.

Unexpectedly another incident happened on November 21, 2020, and the primary reason for the same was the power outage in the bank's Primary Data Centre, Jagdishan further said.

"We are working on war footing to strengthen this area also now."

"Some of our strategic digital initiatives to improve the front end digital experience, improve digital origination, straight through processing, next generation of mobile and internet banking, APIs based banking on the edge etc would now be readied and launched post the approval and clearance from regulator."

"We will work with the experts and the regulator to fortify the identified areas for improvement. Internally, we are looking at this as an opportunity to further improve ourselves and emerge stronger." "It is our commitment to you that we will leave no stone unturned in our quest to ensure a smooth experience for you all across our digital channels. We shall keep striving to further reinforce the trust you have reposed on us," Jagdishan said.

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