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3RD EDITION
Bodh Gaya
Global Dialogues
2020

19–20 DECEMBER 2020

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The Dialogues create a platform for expression of experiences, reflections and insights from plural perspectives connecting heritage, education and sustainability for building a future on the foundations of the Buddha's legacy on enlightenment and compassion.





A MOSAIC OF PARALLEL EVENTS Plenary Session | Online course on Bodhgaya: Religion, Art, Archaeology and Heritage | Multimedia Digital Heritage Centre on Bodhgaya | Panel Discussion | Talk | Film Show | Exhibition

Day-1 Saturday, 19 December 2020

REGISTRATION | 9:00 AM ONWARDS INAUGURAL SESSION | 10:30 AM TO 12:00 PM VENUE | AUDITORIUM, IGNCA, NEW DELHI

SITAR VADAN

Dr. Sumita Chakravorty, Assistant Professor, Daulat Ram College, University of Delhi, Delhi

SHORT VIDEO PRESENTATION Bodh Gaya Global Dialogues, 2019

CHAIR

Dr. Sachchidanand Joshi, Member Secretary, Indira Gandhi National Centre for the Arts [IGNCA], New Delhi

MODERATOR Dr. Pravin Sinha, Member, World Economic Association, New Delhi

WELCOME SPEECH AND CONTEXT Mr. Sanjay Kumar, Secretary, Deshkal Society, Noida

GUESTS OF HONOUR

Dr. Shekhar Dutt, Former Governor, Chhattisgarh Dr. Shakti Sinha, Director General, International Buddhist Confederation Dr. D. M. Mulay, Hon'ble Member, NHRC, Gol Mr. Ganga Kumar, Joint Secretary, Gol

NOTE:

Presentation by Dr. Abhishek Amar (Associate Professor, Hamilton College, USA): Online Course on Art, Heritage and Religion of Bodhgaya

REMARKS BY THE CHAIR

VOTE OF THANKS Mr. Jai Prakash, Senior Consultant, Deshkal Society, Noida

TEA BREAK | 12:00 PM TO 12:15 PM

Session-1

TIME | 12.15 PM TO 1.30 PM VENUE | AUDITORIUM, IGNCA, NEW DELHI

Fostering the Relations Between India and South East Asian Countries with reference to the Rising Role of Buddhism in India's Soft Power and Bodh Gaya

MODERATOR

Dr. Gautam Kumar Jha, Centre for Chinese & Southeast Asian Studies, JNU, New Delhi

PANELIST

Shri Niraj Kumar, Author and Deputy Secretary, Gol 'Rethinking Primary Cause of Magadh Decline as Centre of Buddhist Activity – Was it Foreign Invasion or Technological Changes?'

Dr. Anuja, Centre for Study of Social Exclusion and Inclusive Policy, School of Social Sciences, JNU, New Delhi

Dr. Vikash Ranjan, M.Phil/ PhD International Relations, JNU, New Delhi

Dr. Sneha Bhagat, Centre for Canadian, US and Latin American Studies, School of International Studies, JNU, New Delhi

LUNCH BREAK | 1:30 PM TO 2:30 PM

Session-2

TIME | 2:30 PM TO 3:30 PM VENUE | AUDITORIUM, IGNCA, NEW DELHI

MOVIE SCREENING

MODERATOR Mr. Uday Sahay, Author and Chairman & Director, SAUV Communications

White Robes, Saffron Dreams

DIRECTOR Ms. Teena Amrit Gill

White Robes, Saffron Dreams is a film on gender, discrimination and inter sectionality in Theravada Buddhism in Thailand. Through the life of a young monk and a Mae Chi (Thai nun who wears white and takes 8 precepts or vows) the film examines the differential treatment of women and men by Buddhist institutions, and Thai society; at the same time looking at the spaces women practitioners have carved out for themselves – despite all odds.

TEA BREAK | 3:30 PM TO 4:00 PM

Session-3

TIME | 4:00 PM TO 5:00 PM VENUE | AUDITORIUM, IGNCA, NEW DELHI

Conversation

Dr. Shovana Narayan, distinguished Kathak Performer & Scholar with Dr. Sudhir Lall, Professor and Head, Kalakosa Division, IGNCA, New Delhi

The central theme of the conversation is around the life of Buddha, gender and contemporary world. The salient features of the conversation are as follows:

Yashodhara: Sacrifice of the wife of Lord Buddha: Exploring the tender relationship between Buddha and his wife Yashodhara through the eyes of YashodharaSound of Emptiness and Harmony: A Symphony of Kathak and Buddhist Chants for World Peace

Sujata: The questions raised by Buddha's initial refusal of taking meal from Sujata raised several questions?

Session-4

TIME | 7:00 PM TO 8:30 PM VENUE | CONFERENCE HALL, CV MESS BUILDING, IGNCA, NEW DELHI

Heritage Centre on Art, Architecture and Religion: Relevance and Possibilities in Bodh Gaya

FORMAT | ONLINE

MODERATOR

Dr. Bijoy Kumar Choudhary, Executive Director, Bihar Heritage Development Society, Patna

PANELIST

Dr. Max Deeg, Professor in Buddhist Studies, School of History, Archaeology and Religion Cardiffe University, UK

Dr. Janice Leoshko, Associate Professor and Associate Director, Center for Asian Studies, University of Texas at. Austin, USA

Dr. Manish Sinha, Professor and Head, Dept. of History, Magadh University, Bodhgaya

Dr. Priyanka Jha, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Political Science, Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi



Day-2 Sunday, 20 December 2020

FORMAT | VIRTUAL [ALL SESSIONS]

Session-1

TIME | 10:00 AM TO 11:00 AM

THEME Art, Heritage And Buddhism In India

MODERATOR Dr. Manvi Seth, Museologist and Professor & Dean, National Museum Institute, New Delhi

PANELIST

Dr. Shashank Sinha,(Independent Scholar and Author who works as Publishing Director, Routledge,South Asia)

'How and Why does the Afterlife of a Heritage Site Matter? The Making of Bodh Gaya'

Dr. Shushmita Dutt, Educationist & Research Consultant, New Delhi 'The Paintings of Ajanta and Echoes in Other Buddhist Sites'

Session-2

TIME | 11:30 AM TO 01:00 PM

THEME Heritage Education, Teachers and Schools in Bihar with Special Reference to Bodh Gaya

FORMAT | ONLINE

MODERATOR

Dr. Binodanand Jha, Director, Research and Training, Department of Education, Government of Bihar

PANELIST

Dr. Gyan Deo Mani Tripathi, the Dean, School of Educational Training and Research, Aryabhatt Knowledge University

Shri. Kishore Darak, Educationist and Manager, Education at Tata Trusts

Session-3

TIME | 4:00 PM TO 5:30 PM

Valedictory Address and Recommendations

CHAIR

Shri Rambahadur Rai, President, IGNCA, New Delhi

RECOMMENDATIONS TO BE PRESENTED BY

Shri Manish Sinha, Director General, NICF, New Delhi

Shri Arvind Mohan, Author and Journalist, New Delhi.

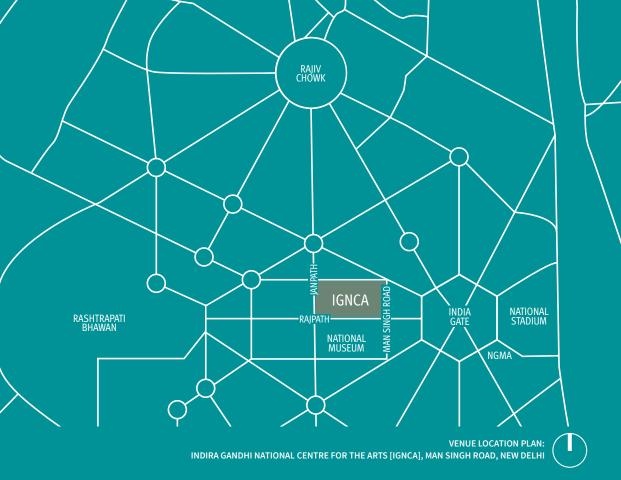
VALEDICTORY ADDRESS

Shri Manoj Sinha, Hon'ble Lt. Governor, Jammu & Kashmir

RAPPORTEURE

Nassif Muhammed Ali, Documentation and Communication Officer, Deshkal Society, Noida





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