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National Workshop on “Introduction to Saral Manak Sanskrit”

SLC(University of Delhi) Shyam Lal College’s Saraswati IKS Centre & IQAC in collaboration with Bharatiya Bhasha Samiti organized a National Workshop on “Introduction to Saral Manak Sanskrit” on 22 March, 2024. The workshop was held in four sessions introducing the participants to the importance of Sanskrit and how to pursue its understanding and learning. Various experts who have made promotion and spread of Sanskrit language their life mission addressed the workshop. There was total 123 participants.

The workshop was inaugurated with tradition lighting up of lamp. It began with the opening remarks by Prof. Rabi Narayan Kar, Principal, SLC. In his opening remarks Prof. Rabi Naryan Kar maintained that we as civilization suffered various setbacks and attacks due to which we lost the Sanskrit as the language of knowledge thereby the essence of our civilizational being. He drew participants’ attention to the fact that NEP, 2020 puts premium on introducing Indian knowledge System and thus the importance of understanding and learning Sanskrit to learn of our knowledge traditions. Prof. Kusha Tiwari, Head of Saraswati IKS Centre and Director, IQAC in her remarks highlighted the activities carried by Saraswati IKS center of the college. She further informed the participants the center is planning to introduce the certificate course in Sanskrit for the benefit of learners.

Prof. Chand Kiran Saluja of Sankrit Promotion Foundation presented his views to the participants as the Keynote speaker at the inaugural session of the workshop. In his keynote address Prof. Saluja highlighted the essence of India’s educational policies so far. He further maintained that NEP, 2020 stresses on the need of learning Sanskrit in order to impart Indian Knowledge traditions to the learners. He further emphasized on the need of making Sanskrit simple and usable for the benefit of beginners in the language. He said that learning Sanskrit is

essential if we are to understand the original texts of India's civilizational wisdom. He further maintained that Sanskrit has been central to the formation of academic terms in the languages spoken in various parts of India as per the mandate of NEP, 2020. He further maintained that merely knowing Indian Knowledge System is not going to suffice the purpose of NEP, 2020 but there is need that learners must get motivated to carry on with research work in the field. For that, Saral Manak Sanskrit is the need of the day.

Prof. Viroopaksha Jaddipal, Secretary, Maharshi Sandipani Rashtriya Ved Vidya Pratishthan remained present at the inaugural session of the workshop as the Chief Guest. In his address he maintained that Sanskrit is at the base of almost all languages spoken across the country and to that effect simple standard Sanskrit is necessary for understanding Indian Knowledge traditions. Further, he also maintained that India's ancient scriptures that have rich knowledge of linguistic grammar, science, medicines, and technology have been written in Sanskrit. To learn them as they are, there is need of learning Sanskrit language. He also emphasized on the need of evolving Sanskrit language in such a way that it reflects the modern knowledge in the present context.

The ensuing sessions of the workshop were addressed by Prof. Saraswati, Zakir Husain College, University of Delhi, Dr. Parmesh Kumar Sharma, Central Sanskrit University, Dr. Susheel, National Museum, Dr. Ajay Kumar Mishra, Central Sanskrit University.























