

UNIVERSITY OF DELHI
GANDHI BHAWAN
COMMUNAL HARMONY Programmes
(24th – 25th November 2014)

SNo	Date	Programmes	Time
1.	24/11/2014	Display of books “Multi faith Readings”	11.00 am onwards
2	24/11/2014	Suggestion box: Suggestions invited from all for promoting Communa; Harmony	Email or drop suggestion in the suggestion box placed at Gandhi Bhawan
2	24/11/2014	Group Discussion Topic: “Nationalism is greater than Sectarianism” Mahatma Gandhi	3.00 pm
4	24/11/2014	Creative Writing Competition “Sharing experiences of actions promoting Communal Harmony-unity,compassion and love”	300 words to be emailed to gandhibhawan32@gmail.com by 25/11/2014 Certificates to 1 st , 2 nd and 3 rd prize winners
5	25/11/2014	Poster Making Theme: Communal Harmony	Walk in to make a poster 10.00 am to 5.00 pm Certificates to 1 st , 2 nd and 3 rd prize winners
6.	25/11/2014	Inter faith Dialogue: Reflections on Religions –an interactive session	3.00 pm to 5.00 pm

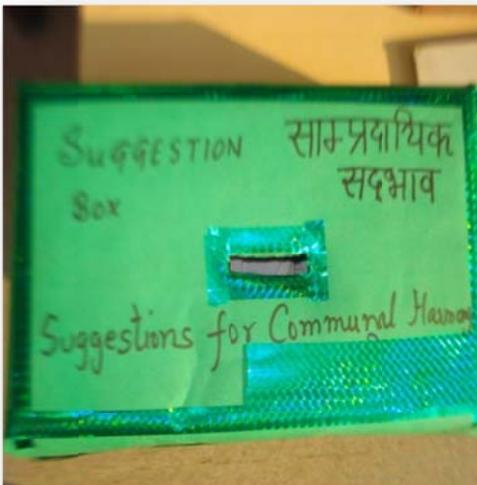
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“The essence of true religious teachings is that one should serve and befriend all”
- Mahatma Gandhi

Photographs of Communal Harmony Programme:



Gandhi's views on Communal Harmony have an important place in his Constructive Programme. Since Gandhi had faith in the ethics of all religions as conveying the message of love, peace and compassion, he stressed the importance of teaching and understanding the fundamental ethics of all religions. Keeping in mind his views on Communal Harmony, Gandhi Bhawan, University of Delhi, organized the following programmes:

- a) Display of books - Multi Faith readings: Books and religious texts of different religions were kept on display and students took interest in reading portions from them.
- b) Group discussion: Students, teachers and the non-teaching staff of the University of Delhi participated in a group discussion organised promoting Mahatma Gandhi's views on the topic "*Nationalism is greater than Sectarianism*" (Mahatma Gandhi). Some personal experiences of friendship, affection and compassion with persons of different religions promoting equality of all religions were an important part of the discussion. The discussion was recorded by the Delhi University Community Radio and will be broadcast at DUCR 90.4
- c) A creative writing competition on the topic "Sharing experiences of actions promoting Communal Harmony-unity, compassion and love" was also organized. Ms. Megha, Gandhi Bhawan and Mr. I.M.Raman, Gandhi Bhawan won certificates as 1st and 2nd prizes respectively.
- d) A Poster Making Competition on the theme: "Communal Harmony" was also held. Mr. Kaushal Kumar, Hindi Academy, Gandhi Bhawan and Mr. Sunny Kr Pandya, Satyawati College won the 1st and 2nd prizes respectively.
- e) An interactive session on 'Inter faith Dialogue: Reflections on Religions' was also held. Students, teachers and non-teaching staff of Delhi University participated. The discussion concluded with the opinion that since every religion teaches the principles of a good moral life, the basic tenets of all religions should be a part of the educational curriculum. The same was recorded on DUFM 90.4 to be aired soon.
- f) A suggestion box was kept to seek opinion from students, teachers and non-teaching faculty for the promotion of communal harmony. The following feedback was received.

'Nationalism is a belief, that involves an individual identifying with, or becoming attached to one nation.' – Ms. Jyoti Yadav, School of Open Learning.

'One should know that our routes of life may be different but roots are one' – Dr. Satyendra Srivastava, Assistant Professor, Hansraj College

'We have many reasons to be proud of ourselves because we're the a nation where people of different caste, color & creed stay together united' – Neeti B, School of Open Learning

'हमें कभी धर्मों में भेदभाव नहीं करना चाहिए' - पूनम

'हर इंसान, धर्म, जाती, रंग, रूप, भाषा आदि के नाम पर भ्रष्टाचार फैलता जा रहा है, हमें इसे रोकना होगा' - मेघा गुप्ता

दया धर्म, हृदय बसे
बोले अमृत बेन
तेई ऊंचे जानिदो
जिनके ऊंचे नैन
- इन्द्रा नारायण रमन

'हमें एक सभ्य समाज बनाने के लिए एकता में बंधकर रहने की आवश्यकता है' - मुशरफ अली

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