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“Unity Does Not Mean Uniformity; It Means Respecting Differences: Aravind”

Sadbhavana Divas Observed at Vidyavardhaka First Grade College - Harmony, Fraternity and National Integration Emphasised at NSS Programme

Mysuru, August 20: Vidyavardhaka First Grade College, Mysuru, observed Sadbhavana Divas with a meaningful programme organised by the National Service Scheme (NSS) unit of the college. The programme focused on the values of national integration, communal harmony, mutual respect, fraternity and peaceful coexistence among the younger generation.

Sri Aravind R., Assistant Professor of English, Vidyavardhaka First Grade College, was the speaker on the occasion. Addressing the NSS volunteers and students, he highlighted the significance of Sadbhavana Divas and emphasised that harmony does not mean the absence of differences, but the ability to respect and live together despite differences of religion, language, culture, region and ideology.

Speaking on the importance of the day, he explained that Sadbhavana means goodwill, harmony and a positive feeling towards fellow human beings. He noted that India's greatest strength lies in its extraordinary diversity and that national unity should not be understood as uniformity. He urged students to recognise diversity as a strength and to cultivate empathy, compassion and mutual respect.

Referring to the historical significance of Sadbhavana Divas, Sri Aravind explained that August 20 is observed as Sadbhavana Divas to commemorate the birth anniversary of former Prime Minister Rajiv Gandhi, with the day being associated with the promotion of national integration and communal harmony. He stressed that the values of Sadbhavana have a much wider relevance in contemporary society, particularly at a time when social divisions and polarisation can spread rapidly through digital and social media platforms.

He further emphasised the relevance of Dr. B. R. Ambedkar's concept of social fraternity, observing that liberty and equality can become meaningful only when accompanied by mutual respect and a genuine sense of belonging. He urged the students to understand that disagreement should never become hatred and that an educated society must learn to engage with differences through dialogue rather than hostility.

Drawing attention to India's rich linguistic, cultural and religious diversity, he stated that the country's unity is not based on sameness but on shared belonging. He encouraged the NSS volunteers to become ambassadors of harmony by rejecting discrimination, resisting prejudice and respecting the dignity of every individual.

The speaker also reminded the students that education should not merely make a person employable but should make the person more humane. He called upon the youth to practise Sadbhavana in their everyday lives—in classrooms, friendships, social media interactions and communities.

The programme was presided over by Dr. S Marigowda, Principal, Vidyavardhaka First Grade College, in his presidential address. He stressed the importance of cultivating harmony, mutual respect and social responsibility among students. He urged the NSS volunteers to translate the values of the Sadbhavana into action through service, empathy and becoming responsible citizens of India. Sri Siddaraju, NSS Coordinator, played a key role in organising the programme. Dr. Sriharsha B.S. Head of the Department of Geography was present on the occasion. The teaching and non-teaching staff, NSS volunteers and students were also present on this occasion.

The programme concluded with an appeal to the students to uphold the ideals of peace, unity, fraternity, tolerance and national integration and to contribute towards building a society where diversity is respected and every individual is treated with dignity.

The active participation of the NSS volunteers added significance to the programme, reaffirming the NSS motto of “Not Me But You” and the spirit of service towards society.



