

YOUTH CONVENTION

On the occasion of

125th Anniversary of Swamiji's Historic Speeches in the Parliament of World's Religions, Chicago

And

National Youth Day, 2019

On: 18-01-2019

11th September 1893 was a historic day for India, as because, on that day, the entire world came to know about the glorious past and rich cultural heritage of India. From the mouth of Swami Vivekananda, the world got the time less message, 'All Religion is true', "We believe not only in universal tolerance, but we accept all religion as true". Through Chicago speeches Swamiji showed the entire world that without making others down truth can be established in clear voice. Through His speeches He enhanced glory for the country. When He uttered the words, "I thank you in the name of the most ancient orders of Monks in the world; I thank you in the name of the mother of religions",... the world came to know about the glorious past of our motherland, India. After hearing Him, American media had written, "He is undoubtedly the greatest figure in the Parliament of Religions. After hearing him we feel how foolish it is to send missionaries to this learned nation". Yes, India indeed, is a learned nation. Its past was glorious and its future will be more glorious –exclaimed Swamiji.

The journey began at the world's Parliament of Religions and continued for a short span of about 9 years. Within this short period of time He has shown a direction to the world civilisation and stated that the Christian is not to become a Hindu or a Buddhist, not a Hindu or a Buddhist to become a Christian. But each must assimilate the spirit of the others. His timeless message for the world is, "'Help and not Fight', 'Assimilation and not Destruction', 'Harmony and peace and not Dissension'". He has also shown a path and worked to awaken India. In the words of Sri Aurobindo, 'The visit of Swami Vivekananda to America and the subsequent work of those who followed him did more for India than a hundred London Congresses could effect'. Swamiji always reposed faith on the youths. He wanted that the youths must stand on their own feet. That is why he uttered, "We want that education by which character is formed, strength of mind is increased, intellect is expanded and by which one can stand on one's own feet." Assam University is going toorganise a youth convention and will celebrate the occasion by arranging lecturesby eminent speakers as well as a speech writing competition. The overall objective of the programme is to motivate the youths towards positive thinking which in turn help them to increase their thinking ability and their contribution towards nation building.

Speech Writing Competition

In this occasion, there will be a speech writing competition so that the youths can rejuvenate their thought process and can ventilate the same by drawing a pen picture for the same. Rabindranath Tagore (Nobel laureate) told to Roman Rolland (another Nobel laureate), "If you want to know India, read Vivekananda, in him everything is positive nothing negative." If our youths, through this speech writing event can know India a little more and can become familiar with power of positive thoughts of Swami Vivekananda, then the convention will achieve its goal. The competition will be organised in two categories for students and faculty/staffs of AUS:

Category – A: Student Category. Category – B: Faculty and Staff Category. (Any student, staff and faculty of AUS may participate in the competition in their respective category. No. TA/DA will be given to the participants.

Sub-themes of the Speech Writing Competition are as follows:

- Enhancement of India's glory through Swamiji's Chicago Speeches.
- Chicago Speeches of Swamiji and the Timeless Message for the world.
- Importance of Chicago Speeches in the socio economic condition of India.
- Relevance of Swami Vivekananda in this 21st century to youths and society.

Participant have to write a speech in any one of the sub-theme (one participant will write only one speech) within 1000 words, maximum 3 page of A4 size, typed in MS word in Times New Romans scripts of 12 font size, heading may be 14 font size in bold, 1.5 line spacing. Appropriate reference must be given within the words limit and the same must be plagiarism checked. Every speech will be evaluated by a Jury Board. Decision of the Jury Board will be the final. The best speeches in each Category, i.e. A & B, and in each sub-theme will be awarded after they read the same in the convention.

Award for Speech Writing Competition

There will be 3 awards for each sub-theme and 12 for each category. There will be altogether 24 awards in both the categories of speech writer. Each awarded speech will be recognised with a certificate, a memento and books as prize.

Publication

All the award winning speeches and the addresses of the resource persons along with some invited articles on the themes/sub-themes will be published in a book (with ISBN). It will be a commemoration volume, captioned as, 'Relevance of Swami Vivekananda to Youths & Society in 21st Century', on the occasion of the 125thAnniversary of the Historic Speeches of Swami Vivekananda in the World's Parliament of Religions at Chicago.

Registration

All the participants intending to participate in the 'Youth Conference' must register themselves on/or before 31st December 2018 with speech and on/or before 11th January 2019 without speech. Registration Fees: Rs. 50/- for students and Rs. 200/- for faculty and staff. Registration fee is to be paid to the Assam University UCO Bank A/c No.20050100000007,IFSC: UCBA0002005. Filled in Registration Form (given below) along with copy of fee payment bank receipt and the written speech is to be submitted by email to Prof. Supratim Ray : Email: supratimray75@gmail.com or to Prof. Paritosh Mandal : Email: paritosh.au@gmail.com or to Mr.Sagnik Choudhury :Email: schoudhury72@gmail.com. Written speech and the Registration Form is to be sent in MS word file only.

Important Dates Venue

Last date for registration (with speech) :: 31-12-2018. Date of Youth Convention :: 18-01-2019.

Organising Committee

Patron :Vice Chancellor, Assam University Committee:1. Prof. A. L. Ghosh, Coordinator; 3. Prof.G. Ram, Member; 5. Mr.Niharendu Dhar, Member; Last date for registration (without speech)::11-01-2019 Venue::Bipin Chandra Paul Auditorium . Time: 10.15 am.

2. Prof. Gangabhushan, Jt.Coordinator,

4. Prof. ProjitPalit, Member;

6. Prof. Atri Desmukhya, Member;

7. Prof. Paritosh Mandal, Member; 9. Dr. Alauddin Mandal, Member; 11. Mr. Kishore Paul, Member; 13. Mr.Sagnik Choudhury, Member; 15. Dr. Albin Joseph, Member; 17. Dr. Govind Sharma, Member: 19. Mr. Prasanta Das, Member; 21. Mr.Partha Sarathi Bhattacharjee, Member; 22. Student Member, 23. Dr. Tuhina Debroy, Member, 25. Prof. Pradip Ch. Paul, Member.

For Future communication

Future communication may please be made to:

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Registration Form

1. Name :..... 2. Father's Name: 3. Category: Student Category – A Faculty/Staff Category – B It Tick) Address in Assam University: Department/Section.... For Student: UG/PG/Research(Put Tick), Semester Roll No. Written Speech submitted: Yes/ No. If Yes, Sub-Theme. 6. Title of the speech

- 7. Whether the speech is plagiarism checked: Yes / No. (plagiarism check is compulsory)
- 8. Fees paid : Rs. 50/- Rs. 200/- (Put Tick), dt......(Copy for bank receipt is to be attached).

I certify that the information given above is true and correct. I also undertake that I shall abide by the rules and regulations and the decision of the committee and of the Jury board.

Signature with date: