News of World Hindu Summit in Bali from 9 to 12 June 2012

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Om Shanti and greetings from Bali – the land of gods.

For the first time in this Kalpa Wishwa Hindu Parishad – Bali – Indonesia hosted a World Hindu Summit in a very beautiful venue – Wishwa Sabha – Bali Governor's place Denpasar from 9 – 12 June 2012. Dadi Janki was specially invited for this Summit. As Dadi could not come Sis. Meera (Malaysia) along with Sis. Janaki represented the Brahma Kumaris.

The Summit began on The 9th of June with 2 beautiful dances combining Balinese and Indian Culture – The Governor of Bali gave the opening address. Representatives from all overseas Guru and Swamijis were present for The Summit.

Each session began with a special prayer by Hindu Balinese from different provinces. The theme of The Summit was "Peace and Harmony for The World". From the island of gods – Bali. Keynote remark was given by the main priest Ida Pedanda Sebali Tianyar. The Governor in his opening speech shared the Bali charter which the participants will pass with some amendments at the end of The Summit.

Everyday 5 members were choosen from the participants to chair the meetings -3 foreigner +2 Indonesia who conducted the proceedings. It was a great balance. On the second day of The Summit Sis. Janaki along with 1 Indonesia +3 Indian Gurus were choosen as chairpersons. It was the day delegates were given 10-15 min to share their thought on the theme of the Summit. Sis. Meera as a delegate delivered very beautifully the secret of Bringing Harmony and Peace in the world. Janakiben was the main interpreter to translate from English to Bahasa Indonesia for the speakers. Many delegates shared various thoughts.

It was interesting to note that the main point that came up was Vasudeva Kutumbakam – one world family, respect and mutual acceptance. Participants also had the opportunity to visit the famous temple in Tanah Lot, Puri Ubud, etc.

Many amendments were made by the participants in the Bali Charter that will be adopted at the end of the Summit. All participants were invited for the inauguration of the 34th Bali festival by the President of Indonesia, Bapak Susilo Bambang Yudoyono, in a very beautiful place, open air Ardha Chandra venue on the 2nd day. It was a memorable time for all the participants to witness the real Balinese spirit of keeping Hindu Culture alive with beautiful songs, music and dance. Well done Bali. On the 3rd day of the Summit Bali charter was unanimously adopted and signed by all participants (Charter will be sent later).

The closing ceremony of the Summit was hosted by the Regent of Badung Denpasar at Taman Ayun, Mengwi. Sis. Helen from Jakarta also joined this ceremony. Everyone really appreciated the participations of Brahma Kumaris actively throughout the Summit and thanked the Bks for the contribution.

The Art festival Bali will continue until 7 July 2012 and Brahma Kumaris have a very beautiful stall set up to give Baba's message to thousands who visit the festival. Special goodly gifts were also given to VIPs like books, stickers, blessing and toli. Everyone is looking forward for the Hindu Wisdom Meet 2013 in Bali (Photos attached).

Much love IBY. Bk. Janaki

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