Educators are empowered by Brahma Kumaris through a two day conference



Inauguration of Conference - Dr.P.Vijayan, Vice Chancellor, Indian Maritime University, Prof.Dr.D.Viswanathan, Former Vice Chancellor, Anna University, Chennai, Rajyogini B.K.Vedanti Behen, Rajyogini B.K.Beena, B.K.Kalavathy & Others

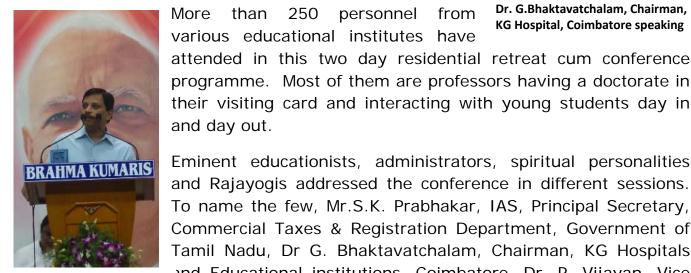
Recently, it was in news that the enrolment for higher education has increased Considerable numbers of new colleges are coming up and more

numbers of students are enrolling for research. Brahma Kumaris have chosen right time to host a conference exclusively for educators from universities and colleges empowering them with spirituality. It was a national conference for educators with apt theme of "New Education" conducted Paradiam in as conference on 26th and 27th of October 2013 at Brahma Kumaris Happy Village Retreat Center.

and day out.



Dr. G.Bhaktavatchalam, Chairman, KG Hospital, Coimbatore speaking



Mr.S.K.Prabhakar, IAS, Principal Secretary, Govt. of Tamil Nadu

More than 250 personnel from various educational institutes have

Eminent educationists, administrators, spiritual personalities and Rajayogis addressed the conference in different sessions. To name the few, Mr.S.K. Prabhakar, IAS, Principal Secretary, Commercial Taxes & Registration Department, Government of Tamil Nadu, Dr G. Bhaktavatchalam, Chairman, KG Hospitals and Educational institutions, Coimbatore, Dr. P. Vijayan, Vice Chancellor, Indian Maritime University, Sir Dr. M. Ponnavaikko, /ice chancellor, SRM University, Chennai, Dr. P. Gunasekaran,

programme. Most of them are professors having a doctorate in

Vice Chancellor Thiruvalluvar University, Vellore, Journalist S. Gurumoorthy, Chartered Accountant & Corporate Advisor, Chennai, Prof. DrD.Sankar, Registrar, Tamilnadu Dr. AmbedkarLaw University, D.S. Ramachandra Murthy, Chancellor, St. Peter's University, Chennai, Kalaimamani Prof. Dr. Karu. Nagarajan, Member-Secretary, Tamilnadu State



Dr. M.Ponnavikko, Vice Chancellor, SRM University, Chennai & B.K.Mruthyunjay speaking Dr.P.Gunasekhar, V.C.,Thiruvalluvar University

council for Higher *Education*, *Dr. P. Mannar Jawahar*, *Former VC*, *Anna Univerisity*, *Chennai*, *Prof. Dr*. D. Viswanathan, , Former Vice Chancellor, Anna University, Chennai graced the occasion with their valuable ideas expressed through their interesting lectures.

The programme had five sessions including a talk show, besides an inaugural and valedictory session. Some of the topics that covered in these sessions of conference are 'New Paradigm in Education', 'Education for Better Relationship',



Rajyogini B.K.Vedantibehen, Regional Director, Brahma Kumaris, Africa Region

'Spirituality-the bedrock of values', 'Education for stress free & Professional excellence', and 'Values-the crown and glory of life'. In addition, three sessions for practical meditation sessions were conducted for experiencing peace and happiness.

Spiritual leaders like B.K. Mruthyunjay, Vice-Chair person, Education Wing, International H.Q., Mt. Abu, Rajyogini B.K. Vedantibehen, Regional Director, Brahma Kumaris World Spiritual University, Africa Region, Rajyogini B.K. Beena, Service Co-ordinator, Tamilnadu Zone, Rajyogini B.K. Kalavathy, Senior Rajyoga Teacher, Happy Village, B.K.

Pandiamani, Director, Distance Education Programs, Brahma kumairs, RE & RF, Prof. Dr. B.K. Pandian, Retd. Principal & Program

Director, Happy village, Prof. E.V.Swaminathan, Engineering & Management faculty member, Mumbai, B.K. Kiranchandak, Executive Member, Education Wing, Bhopal, Dr. B.K. Seema Chopra, Executive Member, Education Wing, Ludhiana, have made the event divine one with their thoughts, words and presence.

Emphasis for values in education, particularly in highe education, was expressed almost by all the speakers and special



highe Prof. E.V.Swaminathan, Engineering & Management, Specia Faculty Member, Mumbai



Dr. P.Vijayan, Vice Chancellor, Indian Maritime University with B.K.Mruthyunjay

guests during these sessions. Everyone felt the need for change in approach of the present education system. Imparting values and spirituality in the higher education only can bring back moral values in the society. Education, instead of just focusing on enhancing the knowledge quotients, it should make every student to become more balanced, composed and matured human being. There are so many leaders who can bring

transformation in society are hiding in the class rooms as common students. They need to be identified, encouraged and enriched with knowledge and spirituality.

The current association of Brahma Kumaris with various educational institutes was

hailed by the speakers. The Diploma, PG Diploma, Degree and Master Degree courses offered in collaboration with universities helps in giving awareness about the importance of values in their respective stream of profession.

Being inspired by this, honorable Vice Chancellor Dr. P. Vijayan of Indian Maritime



Vice Chancellors listening...

University, agreed to introduce Value Education and Rajyoga Meditation, in collaboration with Brahma Kumaris Education Wing, in their university.

The ambience and environment of the venue was so positive and relaxing that the participants enjoyed the peace and divinity on these two days. The hospitality



given in terms of food and accommodation was much appreciated by one and all.