

# University and College Educators' Conference on Value Education & Spirituality

The Reception Session of the **University and College Educators' Conference on Value Education & Spirituality** organized by the Education Wing of Rajayoga Education & Research Foundation (RERF), a sister organization of Prajapita Brahma Kumaris Ishwariya Vishwa Vidyalay, commenced at 6.00 p.m. on 12th May, 2017 in the auditorium of Gyan Sarovar, Mount Abu, Rajasthan with inquisitive participation of almost 600 University and College Educators from different parts of India. They were welcomed with bouquets, badges, song and speech.

**Dr B.K. R.P. Gupta** heartily welcomed them, saying, "A teacher lives less for himself but more for the society. Teachers should be instrumental for halting the further deterioration of the standard of education through introducing value and spirituality into the curriculum, and inculcating value and spirituality in their personal life."

**Shri Amit Aggarwal**, Chairman of Jaipur Engineering College & Research Centre (JECRC) & University, Jaipur, Rajasthan, said, "In India epics like The Ramayan, The Mahabharat, The Gita, The Upanishad and Purans are valuable documents that teaches values. Earlier, the country had the culture of *Shiksha* and *Deeksha*. Today, our students have *Shiksha* but no *Deeksha*. *Whatever progress and prosperity are made in the world are due the efforts of youth*. Our youth have potentialities which need to be harnessed. Value and spirituality are the missing links in our education. Our youth need *Deeksha* for fulfilling this gap."

**Prof. Radheshyam Sharma**, Former Vice Chancellor, Cahudhury Devilal University & Guru Jambeswar University, Haryana, said, "Not only in our country but also in the whole world, people are in tension-ridden, hopeless and despondent. The reason is the lack of value education and spirituality, which the Brahma Kumaris Instituion is providing now. On the basis of values, India was world teacher (Vishwaguru). Our youth urgently need this value education and spirituality through which they can get purity in body, mind and heart."

**Dr. Rewat**, Pro-President of Madhav University, said, "Now there are more than 700 universities in India, but there is lack of values. If one gets anything easily, he does not give any value to it. With efforts, one can understand the value of things. With good company, one can develop good qualities. With the company of the Brahma Kumaris, I learn to perceive the world as a vast family."

**Dr. B.K. Nirmala**, Director, Gyan Sarovar, said, "Values have the highest place in the society. One can change one's life with value education. Once, India had great honour due to its tradition of values and spirituality. Now, people are addicted to intoxicants like cigarette and liquor. Corruption is everywhere. People have knowledge of bad impacts of these, but due to lack of power, they cannot get rid of all these. Value and spiritual education of Brahma Kumaris can help them get rid of all these and generate in them the spirit of universal brotherhood."

**B.K. Shiellu**, National Co-ordinator, Education Wing, transported the audience to the metaphysical world of peace and silence through her powerful meditation commentary.

**B.K. Supriya**, Executive Member, Education Wing, made a nice presentation of Rajyoga Thought Lab, highlighting how positive thought can bring about changes in life of youth and people.

**Dr. B.K. Lognathan**, Principal, Chartered Institute of Technology (CIT), Abu Road, offered vote of thanks to the guests, speakers and the audience.

**Dr. B.K. Mamta**, Executive Member, Education Wing, co-ordinated the stage programme very nicely and successfully.