

## **PRESS RELEASE**

### **Guinness World Record™ Event**

Learning Times Tables always remain a challenging task for the students. It has been observed by researchers and experts that 90% of the students of even higher classes don't know the tables thoroughly till 19, due to which they feel unequipped to tackle even the most basic arithmetic processes such as long multiplication, division, etc.

Just like learning to walk before you can run, learning the times tables are building blocks for other math topics taught in school. To give some innovative solution to this problem, in the **National Mathematical year 2012** and to mark the **occasion of 125<sup>th</sup> Birth Anniversary of great mathematician Srinivasa Ramanujan**, Brahmakumaris had organized 2 hours workshop for students from 5<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> standard, to learn the times tables not only till 19 but upto 99.

During the occasion Brahma Kumaris have also **broken a Guinness World Record** for the **“Largest Maths Lesson”** and created a new record for teaching times tables upto 99 to the largest audience in the shortest time.

This event was **organized at Om Shanti Retreat Centre, Gurgaon** of Brahma Kumaris on **17<sup>th</sup> December, 2012**. Over **3300 participants from more than 30 schools** of Delhi and NCR region had participated in the event.

The earlier record for Largest Maths Lesson involved 1,591 participants and was achieved by Super Bimbel 'GSC' at the Aryaduta Hotel in Palembang, Indonesia, on 9 June 2011.

**The largest Maths lesson was given by 2 national record holder Ms. Aditi Singhal & Sudhir Singhal** of Delhi. During the session they presented some innovative techniques of memory and smart techniques of Vedic Maths to work out tables till 99 in seconds, and help the students get rid of learning the tables through the tormenting process of rote memory.

Students participated with great excitement and enthusiasm throughout the session. A small assessment of students was taken after the session for the tables upto 99 and all the students were able to do it very fast. The event was witnessed by Mr. VVR Murty, Manager Limca Book of Records, Shri Kishan Bhardwaj, Principal of Govt. School, Dhaka, DR. Harish Gupta, CMO Delhi Jal Board, S.Vecan, Principal, GuruDrunaharya College, Dr. V.S. Antil, HOD Maths, GuruDrunacharya College.

BK Asha, Director of Om Shanti Retreat Centre and BK Chakradhari, Director BK Centres in Russia and Baltic States, gave tips to students to excel in their studies. Along with many BK Brothers and Sisters, BK Sunaina made special efforts to make the event successful.

**Brahma Kumaris**, a worldwide spiritual university serving mankind for its betterment through education in Rajyoga meditation and values for 75 years.

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Trainers **Aditi Singhal & Sudhir Singhal** are the regular students of Brahma Kumaris and have been practicing Rajyoga Mediation for the last 3 years. They both run an educational organization and provide trainings in the field of memory and vedic maths in various schools for teachers & students. **Aditi Singhal**, a dynamic trainer, has to her credit **2 National Records** for Memory & Fastest Calculation and awarded by **Limca Book of Records**. She has been awarded – “**The Best Memory Trainer**” by the India Book of Records. She has also authored books on smart calculation techniques – “*How to Become a Human Calculator?*” and “*Master Times Tables till 99*”.