Sadbhavana Diwas Samaroh

Date: 29th November, 2020

In order to commemorate the 551st birth anniversary of Guru Nanak Dev, the Gurudwara Prabandhak Committee in collaboration with Guru Nanak College, Dhanbad organised the Sadbhavana Diwas Samaroh on 29th November, 2020. The event was organised virtually (through Zoom, which was live streamed on YouTube) in order to maintain the norms of social distancing in these difficult times of pandemic.

The major thrust of this event was on "Guru Nanak's Vision of State and Society", which was taken over by eminent scholars coming from different parts of the country.

The session began with a Welcome Address by Sardar Tejpal Singh, the President of Gurudwara Prabandhak Committee, which was followed by a Shabad performed by the students of Guru Nanak College, Dhanbad (Singers :Aastha Ranjan, Hitesh Srivastava, Rohan Raj, Ankit Kumar Sharma, Neha Karmakar, RituKar; Harmonium:Avinash Hazra; Tabla:Kaushik Kumar Dubey) under the guidance of Dr. Mina Malkhandi.

Prof. P. Shekhar made his Introductory Speech in order to throw light on the history of celebrating Sadbhavana Diwas as well as on the proposed theme for discussion.

The Guest Speakers who made their deliberations during the session were, Dr. Jaspal Singh, Former Vice Chancellor – Punjabi University Patiala (Keynote Speaker); Prof. Harishankar Prasad, Retd. Prof. & Head, Dept. of Philosophy, University of Delhi; Prof. P. Shah, Banaras Hindu University; Prof. N. Naqvi, Retd. Prof. & Head, Dept. of Urdu, Persian and Arabic, Punjabi University Patiala; and Rev. Fr. Chandrakant Kumar, Prof. of Philosophy, St. Albert's College, Ranchi.

To mark the official conclusion of the event, Sardar D.S. Grewal, Secretary, Guru Nanak College, Dhanbad, proffered a Vote of Thanks.

The event was compered by Daljeet Kaur and Sukhneet Chahal.

Sardar R. S. Chahal, President, Guru Nanak College, along with the IT support system, and non-teaching staff were present during the entire event which was virtually hosted and live-streamed by Dr. Varsha Singh.

Around 800 viewers attended the event virtually and made it a success.

YouTube Link: <u>https://youtu.be/4v_7AKBUX1k</u>