Happiness and Good Life: Philosophical Reflections through Cultures

NEW DELHI, INDIA

PROGRAMME
A Seven Days Residential Seminar

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JANUARY 6

VENUE: Seminar Hall, International Guest House, University of Delhi

11 A.M. TO 1 P.M.

Inauguration

Seminar Inaugural Address:

Dr. Ramesh Chandra Sinha
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Group Photograph

1 P.M. TO 2 P.M.
Lunch

2 P.M. TO 5 P.M.
Session 1

CHAIR
Prof. V. T. Sebastian
Former Professor of Philosophy
Panjab University
Chandigarh, India
SPEAKER

Mr. Iwo Greczko
Research Scholar of Philosophy
Adam Mickiewicz University
Poznan, Poland

SPEAKER

Dr. Debora Spini
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Undergraduate Student
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4 P.M.

Tea

DINNER AT
INTERNATIONAL GUEST HOUSE
JANUARY 7

VENUE: Seminar Hall, International Guest House, University of Delhi

11 A.M. TO 1 P.M. Session 2

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Father Thomas Menamparampil
Apostolic Administrator
Roman Catholic Diocese of Jowai
Shillong, India

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Dr. Balaganapathi Devarakonda
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Mr. Sudeep Raj Kumar
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1 P.M. - 2 P.M. Lunch

VISIT TO AND DINNER AT ISKCON TEMPLE, DELHI - GLORY OF INDIA
VENUE: Seminar Hall, International Guest House, University of Delhi

11 A.M. TO 1 P.M. Session 3

CHAIR Dr. Sanjeev Kumar H.M.
Professor
Department of Political Science
University of Delhi
Delhi, India

SPEAKER Ven. Dr. Phramaha Somphong Khunakaro (Unyo)
International Buddhist Studies College
Mahachulalongkornrajavidyalaya University
Wang Noi, Thailand

SPEAKER Dr. Sunita Sengupta
Professor, Head and Dean
Faculty of Management Studies
University of Delhi
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RESPONDENT Ms. Anmolpreet Kaur
Doctoral Researcher
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1 P.M. - 2 P.M. Lunch
JANUARY 8

2 P.M. TO 4 P.M.  

Session 4

CHAIR  
Dr. Lalan Prasad Singh  
Former Professor  
Department of Philosophy  
Magadh University  
Bodh Gaya, Bihar, India

SPEAKER  
Mr. Colton T. Ames  
Doctoral Researcher  
School of Education  
Indiana University  
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SPEAKER  
Ms. Piyali Mitra  
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Department of Philosophy  
University of Calcutta  
Kolkata, India

RESPONDENT  
Ms. Megha Kapoor  
Doctoral Researcher  
Department of Philosophy  
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Delhi, India

4 P.M.  
Tea

DINNER AT  
INTERNATIONAL GUEST HOUSE
JANUARY 9

VENUE: Seminar Hall, International Guest House, University of Delhi

10 A.M. TO 1 P.M. Session 5

CHAIR
Dr. Rajnish Kumar Mishra
Professor
School of Sanskrit and Indic Studies
Jawaharlal Nehru University
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SPEAKER
Ms. Lisa Häberlein
Research Employee
Coburg University of Applied Sciences and Arts
Coburg, Germany

SPEAKER
Dr. Anant Kumar Giri
Professor
Madras Institute of Development Studies
Chennai, India

SPEAKER
Ms. Megha Kapoor
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LUNCH AT DELNET - DEVELOPING LIBRARY NETWORK, NEW DELHI
JANUARY 9

VENUE: DELNET - Developing Library Network, New Delhi

3 P.M. Session 6

“In Pursuit of Happiness: Embracing Compassion for Global Well-Being”

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JANUARY 10

VENUE: Lecture Hall, IGNCA, 11 Man Singh Road, New Delhi

Session 7 at Indira Gandhi National Centre for the Arts

10 A.M. TO 10:45 A.M. Opening Session

Dr. Sachchidanand Joshi
Member Secretary
Indira Gandhi National Centre for the Arts

Dr. Ramesh C. Gaur
Professor, Dean and Head
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10: 45 A.M. TO 11:30 A.M.  Yoga and Sound Healing Session
Mr. Shiv Aditya Purohit
Indira Gandhi National Centre for the Arts

11:30 A.M. TO 11:45 A.M.  Tea

11:45 A.M. TO 12:45 P.M.  Interaction on Creating Happiness
Through Vedic Wisdom
Speaker
Dr. Sudhir Lal
Indira Gandhi National Centre for Arts

12:45 A.M. TO 1:30 P.M.  Lunch

1:30 P.M. TO 2:30 P.M.  Tour of Cultural Heritage Resources

2:30 P.M. TO 3:30 P.M.  Lecture cum Film Screening of
“Leela in Kheriya (2016 film)”
Dr. Molly Kaushal
Director of the film “Leela in Kheriya”
Professor and Head (JS)
Indira Gandhi National Centre for Arts
JANUARY 10

3:30 P.M. TO 4:30 P.M.  Sharing Cross Cultural Experience -
between IGNCA Scholars and
Visiting Scholars

Moderator
Dr. João J. Vila-Chã
Professor
Faculty of Philosophy
Pontifical Gregorian University
Rome, Italy

4:30 P.M. TO 5:30 P.M.  Cultural Performance

Evening walk from IGNCA to India Gate

DINNER
JANUARY 11

VENUE: Seminar Hall, International Guest House, University of Delhi

11 A.M. TO 1 P.M. Session 8

CHAIR Professor Sunita Sengupta
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1 P.M. - 2 P.M. Lunch
JANUARY 11

2 P.M. ONWARDS

Valedictory Session

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Professor and Former Chairperson
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4:30 P.M.

High Tea

Dinner hosted by Dr. Sakshi Khurana,
Research Associate at NITI Ayog, Delhi
*Thirty minutes will be given for each presentation in a session, followed by a discussion.