

AARUPADAI VEEDU CAMPUS
REPORT ON ONE DAY SYMPOSIUM ON PROMOTION OF COMMUNAL
HARMONY AND NATIONAL INTEGRATION

Any institution that aims to promote events on social welfare and the welfare of mankind have always escalated in their own developments in a short span of time. AVIT also has not differed from offering itself in every possibly noble way to society. The AV campus celebrated an one day symposium on " The Promotion of Communal Harmony and National Integration". The program highlighted the basic understanding of how we should live in harmony with each other. It started at half past ten in the morning at the auditorium on 26/09/19. The function began with an invocation which was followed by the traditional lighting of the Kuthuvilakku. The Welcome Address was delivered by Dr R. Shanmugavalli, Director, School of Arts and Science. Dr. A.S Ganesan, The Honourable Chancellor, Vinayaka Mission's Research Foundation -DU presided over the function. she elaborated how the Institution strives hard to build harmony among all the students who comes from different religion, state or country. All the festivals of different religions/community or state whether it is Holi, onam, pongal, Diwali, Eid, Gurunanak Jayanti or Christmas is celebrated with full zeal and zest. The special address was given by Dr. Anuradha Ganesan, Director, Vinayaka Mission's Research Foundation -DU, following which Padmashree Dr. S. Rajaram from Sivananda Saraswathi Sevashram & Sivananda Orphanage, Chennai gave a talk on human values and how we need to dwell in communal harmony for a better and brighter future. The talk focussed on how essential it was to start in harmony, grow in harmony and remain in harmony. Dr. S.A.V SatyaMurthy the campus director of AV campus was the next to voice his thoughts as he elaborated on communal harmony in every possible way as he emphasized on the need to stay in harmony as not just one set of people build our country but it is the effort of many put together and that can be even better achieved through living in harmony.

Dr. Giri Rengasami Dean CSR of AV campus spoke about how the campus had grown in the past few years because of communal harmony. He highlighted that the college was a

product of communal harmony and whole-hearted cooperation and Dr. Mrs.Selvi Gnanasekaran Dean Academic Affairs Women Christian College Chennai spoke on the same.

Shri Asif. Ali, Arcot Dewan from Islam, Swamy Srihariprasad from Hinduism, Rev Fr. Maria Arul Raja from Christianity, Sri Harman Veerji from Sikhism, Prof Sunita from Jainism and Ms. Radhayan from Buddhism all spoke on the importance of interdependence of each person irrespective of the faith as it is the need of the hour to build a prosperous and flourishing nation that our future generations can look up to. Finally a vote of thanks was proposed by Dr. S.P. Sangeetha VP of academics after which the National Anthem was sung.

After lunch the students of AV campus performed cultural programs on the theme of communal harmony which was great treat to all the participants.

