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*“Urban Catharsis: The Psycho-Moral Cleansing
Effect of Literatures in English”*
(NCUC 2012)

3 February 2012

Inaugural Ceremony

The Inaugural function of NCUC-2012 started with the prayer song “Lead Kindly Light ...” Presented by Ms.Christina, Ms.Himani and Ms.Supriya of B.Tech 4th year. The Pro Vice Chancellor Dr.G.S.Yadava welcomed the gathering. The Chief guest Mr.Keki .N.Daruwalla accompanied with the Guest of Honour Prof.Mohd.Akhtar Siddiqui, the keynote speaker Dr.Usha Bande, the Chancellor Prof.K.K.Aggarwal and the Pro Vice Chancellor Dr.G.S.Yadava lighted the ceremonial lamp as a gesture of inaugurating the two-days National conference.

The honourable Chancellor Prof.K.K.Aggarwal highlighted the possibility and the need of the beautiful harmony among language, literature and the technology for the best educational output. During the inaugural address the Chief guest, Mr.Daruwalla discussed the significant cathartic role of literature on society. Prof.Siddiqui exposed the miraculous scope and the necessity of catharsis in students for their better performance and better personality development. Dr.Usha Bande, the keynote speaker called the attention of the audience to the relevance of catharsis in the present scenario. The scholarly and inspiring speeches of the inaugural session were really a feast to the lovers of literature.

The guest of honour, Prof. Siddiqui released the Conference Proceedings and gifted to the dignitaries on the dais. The Guests were honoured and the session came to an end with the Vote of thanks proposed by the Convener, Dr.Omana Antony. The session was enriched by the esteemed presence of the Deans, Departmental Heads and the faculty members.

The reported 74 delegates from different States of India presented their papers in three parallel

sessions Chaired by experts from Literature. The paper presentation sessions were incorporated with the Plenary sessions by Prof.Manju Mehta, Dept. of Psychology, AIIMS, New Delhi; Prof. Pashupati Jha, IIT, Roorkee, Prof.Shyamala .A.Narayan, HoD, English, Jamia Millia Islamia, New Delhi. Ms.Nazia Mallick, the author of “Meshes of Smoke” interacted with the delegates creating a platform for warm discussion on Catharsis. Ms.Sumedha Dhani from MDU gave a slide show on Diaspora which also encouraged very good interaction session. The faculty members Ms.Anita Tomar, Ms.Priyanka Chauhan, Mr.Dinesh Phogat and Ms.Jemima Mercy took care of the Paper presentation sessions.

On 4 Feb. the Valedictory function started at 2.30pm with Dr.Usha Bande, Prof.Shyamal.A.Narayan, Pro Vice Chancellor Dr.G.S.Yadava and the Dean Dr.Kakkar on the Dais. The Session Chairs shared their Review feed back. The delegates volunteered to share their feed back. The Pro Vice Chancellor Dr.G.S.Yadava and the Dean Dr.Kakkar distributed the prizes for the delegates whose papers had been selected as the ‘Best Paper’ of the Conference. The winners were Dr.Neeta from S.V.College, Aligarh, Mr.Qudsi Rizvi from MNIT, Allahabad and Dr.Payal Khurana from ITM University, Gurgoan. The two days Conference came to an end at 3.30pm with the Vote of Thanks .

The student volunteers from B.Tech 4th year were highly appreciated by the dignitaries, guests and the delegates for their dignified behavior and dedicated service.

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