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### **REPORT**

## "Mother Teressa Memorial Lecture Series"- "Democracy And Affirmative Action". September 28th, 2024



'People for whom Democracy was established are being ignored'

Post Graduate Teaching Department of Law (Autonomous), RTMNU organized its maiden guest lecture on "Democracy And Affirmative Action" under an initiative "Mother Teressa Memorial Lecture Series" on September 28<sup>th</sup>, 2024. the sessions



were graces by auspicious presence of Hon'Ble Shri Justice R. C. Chavan (Retd.) Bombay High Court as Chief Guest and Mr. Ravindra Thakare I.A.S, Additional Tribal Commissioner as Guest Of Honour at Ramanujan Hall, Department of Mathematics Rashtrasant Tukadoji Maharaj University. 81 students, research scholars, teaching and non teaching staff of PGTD, Law attended the programme.

"THE people, for whom the Democracy was established, are being ignored today," said Justice R C Chavhan (Retd), former judge of Bombay high court while delivering Mother Teresa lecture' on the topic 'Democracy and affirmative action' at Ramanujan auditorium, Jotiba Fule academic premises, Amravati Road. The programme was presided over by Dr Smita Acharya, Director, Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC). Ravindra Thakre, Additional tribal commissioner; Dr Smita Acharya felicitating Justice R C Chavhan (Retd) in presence of Dr Payal Thaware and Ravindra Thakre.

Justice Chavhan, in his address, elaborated the history of discrimination in India, its types and current situation. He said, "Democracy was established in India 76 years ago. Before that British ruled for about 150 years. Kings were ruling different parts of India before the British. The social divide that existed that time exists even today."He also expressed surprise over presence of only one justice in Supreme Court from Scheduled Caste community. Justice Chavhan also spoke about relevance of reservation.

In his lecture, Mr. Ravindra Thakare shared his the ground realities about the implementation of affirmative actions in favour of marginalized tribal communities with further possible scope of sensitivity in law and policy. He urged that 'Active Community Participation' coupled 'Bureaucracy And The Community Connect' to infuse confidence could be key for attaining the expected welfare. Sir mentioned successful data of students of marginalized groups being successfully assisted for higher professional as well as foreign education demonstrating need to further seriously develop systems of education, infrastructure development, mentioned an example of 'Bolka Varg' an extempore initiative at school to build confidence. Existing Law and policy with honest qualified official personnel can indeed make a difference, added Mr. Thakre. Shri. Ravindra Thakre informed about various schemes run by Government for development of tribal community. He emphasized the importance of active participation by society is vital along with the administration for development of tribal community. He also stated that education development is in community is a sign of change in society. Shikha Gupta hosted the programme while Dr Vijayata Uikey proposed a vote of thanks.

Appreciated the balancing acts by Mr. Thakre to serve marginalized sections without criticizing the Government, Honorable Shri Justice R. C. Chavan further added few points to ponder to his sermon. Addressing the aspects of kinds & stages, history and contemporary situation of discrimination, Sir discussed the validity of reservations, as well as failure to action against real picture of beggary and bonded slavery keeping a society 'fractured'. Quoting social as well as judicial experts, Hon'ble Chavhan Sir mirrored social aspects of affirmativism for the audience that is truly towards egalitarianism. Sir appreciated Constitutional imperative to address the needs of marginalized without accepting the excuse of paucity of financial resources and added that these 'Affirmative Actions Need Representation Of the Few'. He put forth the importance and position of DPSPs and discussed judicial activism and responsibility for the same. Sir focused on education as a most befitting & benefiting instrument for successful affirmative actions. Analyzing the state of facts around in he urge that State

has to usurp back its right to control and manage sectors of economy & education from their outsourced private counterparts.

Dr. Vijyeta Uikey proposed a formal vote of thanks towards dignitaries on and off the dias. Mrs. Shikha Gupta, Faculty, PGTD,Law organized, coordinated and conducted proceedings of the session under the guidance of Dr. Payal Thaorey, assisted by Mr. Tariq Khan, Faculty, PGTD,Law. Heartfelt condolence was dedicated to Late Vice-Chancellor, RTMNU, Dr. Subhash Chaudhary by observing silence by the signatories and









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### MOTHER TERESSA MEMORIAL LECTURE SERIES ATTENDANCE SHEET

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