

#### **RAJIV GANDHI NATIONAL UNIVERSITY OF LAW, PUNJAB**

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#### RGNUL Convention on Cherishing the Values of Dr. B. R. Ambedkar

The School of Social Sciences and Interdisciplinary Studies (SSSIS), Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law (RGNUL), Punjab, organized the Convention on "Cherishing the Values of Dr. B.R. Ambedkar" to mark Ambedkar Jayanti. The event was graced by Prof. (Dr.) Jai Shankar Singh, Vice- Chancellor; Dr. Ivneet Walia, Registrar (Officiating); Prof (Dr.) Kamaljeet Kaur, Dean Research and Student Welfare; Dr. Jasleen Kewlani, coordinator (SSSIS), RGNUL. Dr. Gautam Sood, Asstt. Prof., Deptt. of Sociology and Social Anthropology, Punjabi University Patiala and Coordinator, Punjab Institute of Social Impact Assessment, the Guest of Honor and Speaker; all the faculty members and all the non-teaching members of the RGNUL family including all workers, peons, guards, gardeners, and all heads and other officials of different departments of the institutions, along with students from all batches of B.A. LL.B. (FYIC), LL.M., and Ph.D. Programme.

The convention aimed to honour the enduring legacy and values of Dr. Bhimrao Ramji Ambedkar, the principal architect of the Indian Constitution and a tireless crusader for social justice, equality, and human values. The event fostered a spirit of inclusivity, encouraging everyone present to share their thoughts and pay tribute to Dr. Ambedkar's contributions. Dr. Gautam Sood delivered keynote address, highlighting Dr. Ambedkar's pivotal role in shaping modern India, his relentless fight against social discrimination, and his advocacy for the upliftment of marginalized communities. Dr. Sood emphasized Ambedkar's vision of equality, justice, and education as the foundation for empowerment and national progress. Dr. Sood remarked that "Dr. B.R. Ambedkar was the person who stood against powerful forces doing injustice. His efforts could cut the fanatical centric hierarchical structure of society and laid the base of society which could reflect equity, equality and justice". Dr. Kewlani called for strengthening the society for social justice and multi- dimensional equality.

An open session invited members of the RGNUL community to express their views and reflections on Dr. Ambedkar's values and their relevance in contemporary society. This interactive segment saw enthusiastic participation from faculty, staff, and students, who shared personal insights and discussed the ongoing significance of Ambedkar's ideals in legal education and social transformation.

The day serves as a reminder of Ambedkar's lifelong commitment to eradicating social inequities and promoting the principles of liberty, equality, and fraternity. Through such conventions, RGNUL reaffirms its dedication to nurturing these values within its academic and social environment.

The convention concluded with a Vote of Thanks by Dr. Ivneet Walia, Registrar (Officiating), stating that 'God made everyone equal and we should be no one to interfere in his will.' She appreciated the spirit of participation showcased by each and every member of RGNUL family.

The event, attended by almost two hundred people, successfully fostered a collective spirit of respect and reflection, inspiring the RGNUL community to uphold and propagate the cherished values of Dr. B.R. Ambedkar in both personal and professional spheres.

The strongest feature of the commemoration of the day was the Vice Chancellor invited employees from non-teaching as well as teaching staff of the University on the dais to share their views and there issues. This was indeed a truly democratic way of celebrating Jayanti of the revered Dr. B.R. Ambedkar.



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