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On

GANDHI AS A GLOBAL LEADER (Chapter-2)





Keynote Address



Ela Gandhi The Gandhi Development Trust, Durban South African Peace Activist and Former Politici:

Ela Gandhi (born 1 July 1940), is a South African peace activist and former politician. She served as a Member of Parliament in South Africa from 1994 to 2004, where she aligned with the African National Congress (ANC) party representing the Phoenix area of Inanda in the KwaZulu-Natal province. Her parliamentary committee assignments included the Welfare, and Public Enterprises committees as well as the ad hoc committee on Surrogate Motherhood. She was an alternate member of the Justice Committee and served on Theme Committee 5 on Judiciary and Legal Systems. She is the granddaughter of Mahatma Gandhi. Gandhi served as an executive member of the Natal Organisation of Women from its inception until 1991. Her political affiliations include the Natal Indian Congress, which she served as vice president, the United Democratic

Front, Descom Crisis Network, and Inanda Support Committee. During apartheid, Gandhi was banned in 1975 from political activism and subjected to house arrest for a total of nine years. She worked underground for an end to the practice. One of her sons was killed during the struggle against apartheid. She was among the members of the United Democratic Front who met with Nelson Mandela prior to his release from Pollsmoor Prison on February 11, 1990. Prior to the 1994 elections, Gandhi was a member of the Transitional Executive Council. After serving in parliament, Gandhi developed a 24-hour program against domestic violence, founded the Gandhi Development Trust, serves as a member of the Religious Affairs Committee, and oversees a monthly newspaper. She also chairs the Mahatma Gandhi Salt March Committee and the Mahatma Gandhi Development Trust. Ela Gandhi served as the Chancellor of Durban University of Technology for several years.

Theme Speaker-1



Christian Bartolf
President, Gandhi Information Center
Berlin, Germany

Theme : "Lead Kindly Light" - Gandhi as a Global Guide

Christian Bartolf is a German educational and political scientist. Since November 1993, he has been the first chairman of the Gandhi Information Center in Berlin. Bartolf has been researching and documenting issues of non-violence, pacifism and conscientious objection since 1987. Bartolf published several works on Gandhi and Tolstay, including a book on Leo Tolstoy's social philosophy and several books on Mahatma Gandhi in correspondence with famous contemporaries. He has published several books and research articles on Gandhiji and non-violence and other social concerns and conducted various Exhibitions in the Anti-War Museum (Peace Gallery), Berlin. In 2007, Bartolf participated in the Satyagraha conference at the invitation of the Government of India. The results of this conference led on June 15, 2007 to the UN resolution for the "International Day of non-violence", which is celebrated annually on October 2, the birthday of Mahatma Gandhi. In 2010 he has been awarded the "Shanti Doot" (Ambassador of the Peace Award) on the occasion of the "International Seminar on Education and Peace" of the "World Peace Movement Trust" in Mumbai (India)

Theme Speaker-2



Chief Functionary Gandhian Forum for Ethical Corporate Governance SCOPE, Lodi Road, New Delhi

Theme: Mahatma Gandhi's leadership that inspired the world.

Dr Shobhana Radhakrishna is a globally renowned Gandhian recognized for her invaluable contribution to literature, social service and spreading the vision of Mahatma Gandhi. She is on a mission to reintroduce Mahatma Gandhi to the people of India and abroad. She has imbibed Gandhiji's values as she was born and brought up in his Sevagram ashram, Wardha in Maharashtra. She is the Chief Functionary of the 'SCOPE Gandhian Forum for Ethical Corporate Governance' formed under the aegis of the Standing Conference of Public Enterprises for promoting ethical business practices and organizational integrity in Public Sector Enterprises and Dr Shobhana Radhakrishna have given 278 talks in 39 major PSEs in India. She has regularly addressed young probationary officers of the Indian Civil Services in the apex training academies of Government of India. On the UN International Day of Nonviolence, she has given lectures since 2007 to Japan, Thailand, Sri Lanka, Tunisia, China, Indonesia,

Netherlands, Austria, Germany and Kenya organized by respective Indian Missions. On 2nd October, she has given the keynote address at the UN office, Bangkok in 2014, in the Peace Palace, The Hague in 2017, in King Faisal Centre of Islamic Studies and Research, Riyadh in 2018, UN office, Vienna in 2019 and Embassy of India in Kenya and UN Office, Nairobi in 2020. As a part of the 150th Birth anniversary celebrations of Mahatma Gandhi from September 2018 to October 2020, she has delivered 267 lectures and Gandhi Katha in 134 countries with support from Indian Missions and facilitated by the Ministry of External Affairs and Ministry of Culture, Government of India. Since 2019, she has presented the Gandhi Katha at the 'UpaRashtrapati Niwas', various Raj Bhavans and Raj Niwas and apex cultural institutes in India. The national and international community has honoured her with several recognitions and awards. She was given the 'Eminent Citizen' recognition from the Ministry of Rural Development, Government of India from 2010-2013. She is a trustee of Lal Bahadur Shastri National Memorial Trust and the advisor for National Coalition for Education, India and member of International Association of Studies on the Mediterranean and the East in Rome, Italy. She was former Chairperson of Gandhi Peace Centre, New Delhi. She is the advisor for Gandhipedia, a social media platform of Ministry of Culture, Government of India jointly implemented by IIT-Kharagpur and IIT-Gandhinagar.

Presided By



Nadoja Dr. Wooday P. Krishna President Karnataka Gandhi Smaraka Nidhi Rengaluru India Honorary General Secretary, Seshadripuram Educational Trust

Nadoja Dr. Wooday P. Krishna is a transformational leader with a rare blend of a technocrat, educationist and Gandhian Social worker, based in Bengaluru. He is the President of Karnataka Gandhi Smaraka Nidhi. Dr. Krishna is a recipient of the prestigious fellowships of the Institution of Engineering and Technology, UK, and World Academy of Productivity Science, Canada. He is the National President of the Indian Institution of Production Engineers, Chairman of Gandhi Peace Foundation and Honorary General Secretary of the well known Seshadripuram Group of Educational Institutions in Karnataka. He has also held key positions in the National Management of Highly Credible Service Organizations like the Indian Red Cross Society and the Tuberculosis Association of India, which have pan India presence. The Government of Karnataka has honored him with the state award for the empowerment of persons with disabilities; State Youth Award for youth and community

services and State Rajyotsava Award for social service. In recognition of his dedicated services to the nation, Dr. Krishna has been conferred with President's Gold Medal, the highest national award given for exceptional Red Cross Humanitarian work of high order, by the President of India and prestigious Nadoja Award by Kannada University Hampi.

Guest of Honor



Sri P. C. Narayana Chairman Governing Council

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ABOUT SESHADRIPURAM EDUCATIONAL TRUST:-

The **Seshadripuram Educational Trust** was founded by two lady educational enthusiasts viz. Smt. Anandamma and Smt. Seetamma started a primary school with about 20 children in two rooms. The institution has grown in all dimensions and today the total strength of students is more than 22,000. The Trust runs 34 educational institutions all over Karnataka from kinder garden to postgraduate courses and research; it has collaborative programs with Universities overseas too. Under the umbrella of our trust more than 1,500 employees are serving.

ABOUT SESHADRIPURAM EVENING DEGREE COLLEGE:-

Seshadripuram Evening Degree College was established in the year 1971, the first college established by the Seshadripuram Educational Trust for higher education which is celebrating its golden jubilee this academic year. It is affiliated to Bengaluru Central University. In the beginning, the College catered basically to the needs of those who were in the employment but had zeal to enhance their educational qualifications and achieve higher standards of learning. The crux of the idea is to let people learn while they earn.

ABOUT KARNATAKA GANDHI SMARAKA NIDHI, BENGALURU:-

The **Karnataka Gandhi Smaraka Nidhi** was registered as an autonomous state body for furthering the objective of perpetuating the memory and message of Gandhiji to coming generation. If planned to have an appropriate building to house the state headquarters permanently. The Government of Karnataka graciously granted a suitable site in Kumara park adjacent to Kumara Krupa Guest House where way back in 1927 Gandhiji stayed during his visit to the old Mysore state as the honored guest of the state. It was inaugurated by Dr. S. Radhakrishnan the president of India on 8th December 1965. From time to time the Gandhi Bhavan has housed within its premises various Gandhian constructive institution such as Karnataka Sarvodaya Mandal, the SarvodayaSahithyasamithi, the HarijanSevak Sangha, Gandhi Peace Foundation and Institute of parliamentary affairs. The integral departments of the Karnataka Gandhi smarakaNidhi at Gandhi Bhavan are Mahatma Gandhiji Memorial Library with over 10,000 books of Gandhi and Sarvodaya Literature in kannada, English and Hindi. This is biggest reference library in the state for Gandhian thought. Publication section which was instituted in 1956 and which has published over 50 titles in Kannada most of them being edited and translated writings of Gandhiji himself. Unit for audio visual education and examination on the life and message of mahatma Gandhi for schools and the public, video cassettes and records are available for students & Public.

ABOUT GANDHI INFORMATION CENTER, BERLIN, GERMANY:-

Established in 1990 the **GANDHI INFORMATION CENTER** has been freely available for Education. It has more than a hundred members at home and abroad, amongst them well-known scientists, artists and authors such as Dr. Arun Gandhi (* 1934, a grandson of Mahatma Gandhi), Count Serge Tolstoy (1911-1995, one grandson of Count Leo Tolstoy), Dr. Sushila Nayar (1914-2000, personal physician and secretary of Mahatma Gandhi), Professor Joseph Needham (1900-1995), and the Nobel Peace Laureate Adolfo Perez Esquivel (* 1931). The Gandhi Information Center became well-known all over the world on account of the distribution of the Manifesto against Conscription and the Military System. This Manifesto revives attention to two manifestoes signed by Gandhi, Einstein, Buber and Freud against military training of youth. In the meantime this Manifesto has been translated into 25 languages and has been signed by more than 200 outstanding personalities from over thirty different countries. Among them are, for instance, Ela Gandhi (* 1940, a granddaughter of Mahatma Gandhi), Count Serge Tolstoy (1911-1995, a grandson of Count Leo Tolstoy), the artists Pete Seeger (1919-2014), Luciano Pavarotti (1935-2007) and Ravi Shankar (1920-2012). Since 1990 the Gandhi Information Center for Research and Education on Nonviolence, has organised educational activities with publications about Mahatma Gandhi. The Gandhi Information Center has made contacts all over the world and contributes to an international network. The nonviolent, active resistance as developed and lived by Gandhi is to serve as focus and support. Connected with this the active members wish to document the origins of Nonviolence in multifold traditions (e.g. Leo Tolstoy's concept of nonviolent non-cooperation in Russia, the Civil Disobedience of Henry David Thoreau, the Civil Rights Movement of Martin Luther King in the USA, the social critic John Ruskin in England). Satyagraha was the motto under which the Gandhi Information Center has published quarterly information worldwide from 1994 to 2008. The first two issues were dedicated to the commemoration of Gandhi's 125th birthday and our correspondences to the followers of Leo Tolstoy in Russia.