

National Seminar on “Relevance of Ekatma Manav Darshan and Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam in the Modern Global Context”

The **Pandit Deendayal Upadhyaya Research Chair, Khwaja Moinuddin Chishti Language University (KMCLU), Lucknow**, organised a **One-Day National Seminar** at the University’s **Atal Auditorium** on the occasion of the birth anniversary of Pandit Deendayal Upadhyaya. The seminar was centred on the theme “**Relevance of Ekatma Manav Darshan and Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam in the Modern Global Context.**” The programme also included a collective rendition of *Vande Mataram* at the beginning of the event. The programme provided an academic platform for deliberations on Indian philosophical thought, holistic human development, social harmony, global cooperation, and the relevance of human values in the contemporary world. The session was presided over by the **Hon’ble Vice Chancellor, Prof. Ajay Taneja**, who highlighted the significance of Pandit Deendayal Upadhyaya’s ideas and the concept of *Ekatma Manav Darshan*. In his address, he emphasised the importance of holistic human welfare, social harmony, coordination among different sections of society, and the spirit of *Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam* in promoting global peace, cooperation, and human values.

The **Chief Guest and Key Speaker, Mr. Sanjay**, elaborated on the fundamental principles of *Ekatma Manav Darshan*, particularly its emphasis on the integrated development of the **body, mind, intellect, and soul**. The discussions also highlighted the interconnectedness and responsibilities of the individual, family, society, nation, and humanity. The concept of *Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam*, meaning the world as one family, was discussed in the context of dialogue, cooperation, coexistence, mutual understanding, and the promotion of human welfare. The speaker also encouraged students and young people to connect the Indian knowledge tradition with contemporary global challenges through serious academic inquiry and dialogue. The **Special Guest, Devkant Tripathi**, Member, District Consumer Commission, Sitapur, emphasised the importance of social harmony, human values, mutual cooperation, and the spirit of universal brotherhood. **Prof. B.D. Shukla of Dr. Ambedkar University** discussed the life, ideas, and philosophy of Pandit Deendayal Upadhyaya and highlighted their contemporary relevance. The programme witnessed active participation from university teachers, officers, staff members, and students, thereby creating an environment for intellectual exchange and academic engagement.

The seminar contributed to the broader objectives of **Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) 4: Quality Education** by promoting knowledge-based learning, critical thinking, academic dialogue, and value-oriented education. Its emphasis on social harmony, equality, cooperation, peaceful coexistence, and universal brotherhood also resonates with **SDG 16: Peace, Justice and Strong Institutions**, particularly the promotion of peaceful and inclusive societies. Furthermore, the theme of *Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam* supports the spirit of international understanding and collective action reflected in **SDG 17: Partnerships for the Goals**. The seminar therefore provided an opportunity to connect philosophical and cultural perspectives with contemporary educational and societal challenges.

The programme concluded with a vote of thanks delivered by **Dr. Anshul Pandey**, Convener of the event. The proceedings were conducted by **Dr. Neeraj Shukla**. The event was attended by the University Registrar Vikas, Finance Officer Santosh Kumar, Co-Convener Dr. Manish Kumar, Organising Secretary Dr. Nalini Mishra, Dr. Rajkumar Kumar Singh, Dr. Anamika Singh, along with other faculty members, officials, staff, and students. The seminar successfully provided a platform for meaningful academic discourse on holistic development, social harmony, human values, and global cooperation.

Glimpse of the event





