

Police Commemorations Day - 2021

On the occasion of Police Commemoration Day for the year 2021, a Programme was conducted on the topic of THE ROLE OF POLICE IN THE SOCIETY on Wednesday, the 27th October, 2021 between 12.00 noon and 1.00 p.m. at the Seminar Hall of Bharath Medical College & Hospital, (a Constituent College of Bharath Institute of Higher Education & Research – BIHER) Selaiyur, Chennai – 600 073.

This Joint Celebration (BIHER with Greater Chennai Police Personnel) commenced with Thamizh Thaa Vaazhththu followed by the Welcome Address.

Dr. R. Hariprakash, Additional Registrar, Bharath Institute of Higher Education & Research, Selaiyur, Chennai – 600 073 welcomed the Guests and officials. In his Welcome Address, he mentioned that this Police Commemoration Day is celebrated in the Country since 21st October 1959 and it continues till this day. This Commemoration Day is meant to pay the tributes and respects to the Police personnel who lost their lives during the service to the Society. He remarked the Chinese Attack incident on our Police force at Ladakh, Jammu & Kashmir. Taking into consideration of the importance of this Commemoration Day, Bharath Institute of Higher Education & Research (BIHER), Deemed to be University, has planned to organize this event at the Institution's Campus itself and thanked the Management of BIHER. He appreciated the hard efforts and attempts made by the Police Personnel in maintaining the Law & Order and Peacefulness in the country, including the tough situation of COVID 19. He narrated that people were not able to buy even the essential commodities and purchase even the basic needs, during the Pandemic Covid period and feared off to come to the open area whereas the Police authorities have undertaken all the challenging measures with utmost vigilance to protect the people from the disaster. They are the Warriors. He complimented the Police authorities for the safe and secured lives led by people. He recollected the sad incidents of losing their valuable lives by late respectable Warriors Easwaran, Asst Commissioner of Police, Tambaram (one of our close Associates), Gurumurthy, Uma Shankar, Balamurali, Ravi Babu and others during COVID period, while performing the duties, ignoring their safety and family members. We cannot express in words about the great service rendering by the Police Personnel.

He was proud to mention that the way of functioning by Tamil Nadu Police in cracking the crimes and initiatives which have been lauded and glorified by the International Police authorities.

The initiatives like Friend of Police, Third Eye, Ambulance Service and Facial recognition software (Face tagger App) etc. makes a Friendly Module between the Police & Public.

He mourned for the 377 personnel who laid their lives in line of duties and expressed the condolences to the respective bereaved families.

A two-minute silence was observed for the Martyrs who sacrificed their lives during their service.

Dr. K. Vijaya Bhaskar Raju, Vice Chancellor In-charge, Bharath Institute of Higher Education & Research while delivering the Inaugural Address, stated that though it is the responsibility of Police personnel to act and perform duties in accordance with the Government guidelines, the co-operation from the people only determines the success. The public should understand and co-operate with them. They are the people leaving their family, children – hours together, days together and even months together at times when they serve for the nation.

He also appreciated the Doctors and Medical Team for their noble cause of treating the patients with extra care, during COVID situation. The Government recently announced with pride that 100 crores of the People got vaccinated. This cannot be achieved just like that unless the unstinted combined attempts of both Police authorities and Medical Team.

He concluded his speech with thanking the Police personnel and Medical people for their excellent service for the nation.

Mr. R. Murugesan, the Assistant Commissioner of Police briefed the reasons for organizing the event of Commemoration Day. It is the day to pay our respects and homage to the deceased police personnel while in action. He thanked the Management of Bharath Institute of Higher Education to come forward for organising this remarkable event and publicising its importance.

He added that the Police personnel are serving for the country on 24 x 7 basis taking care of the Children community, Student community, Elders community apart from the common people in the Society. The Police personnel are facing much difficulties and hurdles which cannot be narrated in Public. The responsibilities vested with them in controlling Rowdyism and maintaining the Law & Order. Every day, they leave their family, their children and they also miss the opportunity of participating in the family events. They cannot execute their plan as per schedule because of many hindrances. The problems they face are uncountable and it is pathetic situation on the part of them. He advised the

students to become civil servants both in State & Central Governments and serve the nation.

While delivering the address, Mr. Arun Balan Gopalan, I.P.S., the Deputy Commissioner of Police of St. Thomas Mount Police District, Greater Chennai Police, regretted for his delay due to attending a complaint raised by a Senior Citizen. He further stated that he was humbled by the heartiest welcome extended by the Management of Bharath Institute of Higher Education & Research. He also congratulated the Medical Team for their wonderful service during the COVID situation. Quoting the necessity of organising this event every year, he expressed that the duty of Policing is not a time bounded job and it is a 24 x 7 service oriented as indicated by Mr. Murgesan, the Assistant Commissioner of Police. He felt energetic on seeing the youngsters who gathered in large, despite of his tiredness and timeless service. He referred Malcom Gladwell's Book titled "Talk to Stranger" for friendliness. The Police Personnel starting at the level of Constables to the top most Director General Level have been facing much difficulties and hardships in protecting the people and preventing them from the threats.

In spite of the danger to their lives, the Police personnel involve themselves valiantly. Few may raise a question about the volume of work and duties performed by Police in a day. This question cannot be answered as the Police personnel cannot quantify the volume of work and issues. For a Police man finding in a street – being there itself is a work. When any person feel that he is safe and secured, that is the sense of security. It is a greatest thing.

Progressing economically, scientifically, itself indicates sense of security. Every problem in the society comes to Police to solve. When the world is changing, the Society itself is changing. The Society is complex. The Deputy Commissioner of Police finally in his address, thanked the sincere efforts taken by the Management of Bharath Institute of Higher Education & Research to conduct this programme.

After honouring the Guests, a tribute video, received from the Office of the Assistant Commissioner of Police, Selaiyur Range, Chennai – 600 073, is screened.

The Special Address was given by Dr. Sylvia Daisy, Assistant Professor, Department of Social Work, Madras Christian College, Chennai. At the outset, she thanked the dignitaries and organizers of the programme. She continued explaining the difference between Celebration & Commemoration. The

Commemoration is a concept remembering, Honouring and respecting to those who sacrificed their lives while in service. It is a ceremony that honours someone's memory relating to someone and something. She remarked that the students are the future pillars of the country and the contribution of students for the development of the nation will be vast.

Similarly, she mentioned that the collaboration is an action of working with someone to produce something. The collaboration in the Family is the relationship between Husband and Wife. Likewise, the collaboration in the Society means the relationship with youth and police. The youth are energetic and it is possible for them easily to achieve anything. The youth should create a separate own identity for them. She added that the Family is a primary Institution and the Police Mechanism / Police System is a secondary Institution. The Police Mechanism / Police System is bounded with Rules and

Regulations. When these Rules & Regulations are followed honestly, the Society is safeguarded.

She quoted an incident during the implementation of curfew on account of the COVID, offering her social service to the Society. At that time, the Borders between the State and even between the Districts were closed. The Police authorities have thanked her coming forward to render the voluntary service but they assured that they will protect the people and advised her to be safe.

She praised the Police personnel for their active involvement and recordable service during the period of natural calamity, disaster and curfew etc.

Captain Dr. R. Udayakumar, ANOI (TN) ARMD SQN NCC – BIHER proposed vote of thanks.

This remarkable event was crowded with more than 200 students of Engineering & Technology, Medical, Law, Pharmacy, Agriculture, Arts & Science. Nursing, Physiotherapy and the family members of the Police Personnel.

The entire participants paid tributes to all martyrs during this event and the event ended with National Anthem.

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