

What they say about Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan.....



Shri Pranab Mukherjee, *President of India*

"..... Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan which was started as an institution is now a massive cultural and educational movement. It is a moral movement that steers people towards a life guided by ethics. The Bhavan, is today rendering yeoman service to the people of our nation and through them to entire human kind. The Bhavan has not merely adopted, as its motto the Rig Vedic proclamation "Vasudaiva Kutumbakam", but proves it

through its words and deeds.....

"Movements such as the Bhavan are the need of the day. The Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan has stood the test of time and has been a beacon light guiding Indians and foreigners alike in their paths to live a balanced and wholesome life. With 119 centers in India and around 7 centers abroad including the United States and the United Kingdom, Munshiji's dream of promoting ethical and spiritual values in day to day life is successfully accomplished by the Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan. I pay my compliments to the staff of Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan for their tireless efforts in translating Munshiji's vision into reality....."



Shri Narendra Modi, *Prime Minister of India*

Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan has been a pioneer in the field of education and in promoting and preserving Indian classical music. I hope that Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan will continue to walk on the path shown by its founder, Late Dr. K.M. Munshi.

Shri Jawaharlal Nehru, *Former Prime Minister of India and Bhavan's Founder Member*

"The Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan has served Indian Culture with ability and perseverance and has made truly remarkable progress in many aspects of Indian Culture. The Bhavan's past record gives assurance that this progress will continue in the future also and the Bhavan will create fresh records in the service of India's culture. A very fine institution which deserves every encouragement and support."



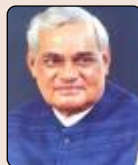
Dr. Manmohan Singh, *Former Prime Minister of India*



"The Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan is a unique institution because its feet are firmly placed on the solid foundation of our rich heritage and culture, while its head has soared into the skies to embrace all that is new and modern. The Bhavan has spread its wings and has flown into new areas of education. It is a valued institution across the country. I compliment the Bhavan on its unceasing and untiring efforts to remain relevant to the needs of our society. I assure you that I will always be here to support and encourage the good work of the Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan. May your path continue to be blessed."

Atal Behari Vajpayee, *Former Prime Minister of India*

"It is only instruments like the Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan which can guide the society along the desired path by radiating the light and wisdom of our ancient and modern seers. There can be no two opinions that the Bhavan has been in the forefront of transmitting the knowledge and wisdom of the great minds of India both within the country and through its branches abroad. In doing so, the Bhavan has truly lived up to its Rigvedic motto: Aa No Bhadrasha Kratavo Yantu Vishwataha." Let Noble Thoughts Come To Us From Every Side. The Bhavan has blended all the spiritual and intellectual streams of India and the world-and for this, too, it deserves to be heartily commended. I Join millions of my countrymen in wishing the very best for the Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan's noble endeavours in the coming decades."



Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam, Former President of India

"I was searching what is the significance of 'everlasting beauty'? What is the everlasting in a human life? Particularly in the life of nation like ours? I get an answer. Everlasting beauty is nothing but integration of multi-cultures and multi-philosophies with tolerance leading to great civilisational heritage. Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan is one such institution spreading the message and spreading that everlasting beauty. My greetings to Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan for their intellectual, cultural and educational missions leading to civilisational heritage".



Mrs. Margaret Thatcher, Former Prime Minister of United Kingdom

"Years ago we were delighted and greatly honoured when you decided to establish here in London the first cultural centre outside India. Today you are taking a splendid further initiative... I would echo the phrase you have used "The Majesty of the Moral Law."

His Holiness the Dalai Lama, The 14th Dalai Lama of Tibet

"I am encouraged to see that the Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan continues to thrive in its various activities, seeking to preserve and promote India's spiritual, ethical, social, and educational heritage. Religious harmony is still very much alive in India and I feel it is important that the rest of the world take note and learn from that. The Bhavan makes a special effort to foster with its emphasis on Sarva Dharma Samabhav, equal respect for all religions, and which I too wholeheartedly support."



Bill Gates, Ex. Chairman and Chief Software Architect, Microsoft Corporation, USA

"My faith in India is well placed... Bhavan's Gandhi Institute's Project of making even poor and disadvantaged computer savvy was a model to the world and the privilege of being involved in it spurs me on."

Reverend Mother Theresa, Beatified Saint and Honorary Member of Bhavan

"I assure all of you in Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan of my prayers and those of poor for the success of the work you are undertaking to spread culture and religious consciousness. People everywhere are hungry for God. If we pray- we will believe, if we believe, we will love. If we love, we will serve. Only then we will put our love for God into living action through service of Him in the distressing disguise of the Poor."



H.H. Sri Sri Ravisankar, Founder of The Art of Living Foundation

"Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan is one institution which has reached the elite as well as the rural poor. They have undertaken so many service activities for the last 75 years and have also spread the ancient Vedic wisdom all over the globe. We have all grown as children and have all heard about Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan quite a lot. Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan's publications are most reputed, intellectually stimulating and emotionally enriching. Every child in this country at some time or other should read the journals of Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan because they give you an idea of how rich our culture is. I congratulate Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan which has kept the light alive which Dr. K. M. Munish has lit 75 years ago.



Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, Former Dy. Prime Minister of India and Bhavan's Founder Member

"The Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan has to its credit achievements which older institutions may well be proud of. May this institution become the nursery of torch-bearers of a composite civilization, taking just pride in all that is best in the past, imbibing all that is noble in the present, shedding light and glory wherever they go and moulding the life and destiny of a great nation".

