

Shridhar University Pilani Rajasthan Celebrates National Education Day with Advait Experiential Learning

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The National Education Day is being celebrated across India on November 11 commemorating the birthday of Bharat Ratna Maulana Abul Kalam Azad, a great freedom fighter, an eminent educationist and the First Education Minister of Independent India.

Azad's thundering lines "Every individual has a right to an education that will enable him to develop his faculties and live a full human life. Such education is the birth right of every citizen" which are excerpts from AIR Broadcast, New Delhi, September 30, 1953 still reverberate in everyone's heart.

Educational institutions at all levels across the country organized seminars, symposia, workshops, panel discussions and rallies to highlight the importance of literacy and nation's commitment to all aspects of education on the 'National Education Day'.

Moulana Azad had played a key role in establishing the Indian Institute of Technology - IIT at Kharagpur which was followed by other IITs at Mumbai, Chennai, Delhi and Kanpur which are among the top ranking in India today.

Maulana Abul Kalam Azad is one of those rare personalities through whom the distinctions of the 20th century can be recognized and possibilities of the 21st century determined. He stood for a learning society through liberal, modern and universal education combining the humanism of Indian arts and the rationalism of western sciences, a society where the strong are just and the weak secure, where the youth is disciplined and the women lead a life of dignity - a non-violent, non-exploiting social and economic order. He was free India's first Education Minister and guided the destinies of the Nation for eleven years.

Way to Transform Shridhar University celebrated National Education Day by organizing a talk and workshop by Mr Ravi Rautela Deputy Manager, Advait Life-Education Private Limited, NOIDA.

The vision of Advait which is all about Invoking oneness within founded by IIT – IIM Alumni is to help realize the potentialities inherent in individuals, professionals as well as students and partner them in having a fulfilling and rewarding personal and professional life. Partners of Advait range from Government Institutions to leading Business Houses and top ranking academic institutions. To know more about Advait see www.advait.org.in/

Prof BR Natarajan Pro Vice Chancellor in his welcome address spoke on the contribution of Azad for the cause of education and introduced Mr Ravi Rautela to the students and faculty members of the University. Mr Ravi conducted an Experiential

Learning session with focus on self-initiative, goal setting, experimenting observing, reviewing and action planning.

Taking inspiration from the quote of Sri Aurobindo "Everyone has in him something divine, something his own, a chance of perfection and strength in however small a sphere which God offers him to take or refuse. The task is to find it, develop it & use it. The chief aim of education should be to help the growing soul to draw out that in itself which is best and make it perfect for a noble use", the participants experienced the joy of learning new skills, new attitudes as well as entirely new ways of thinking.

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About Shridhar University: An initiative of the Sarvhit Trust, Shridhar University Pilani has been established under Section 2(f) of UGC Act 1956 incorporated by Government of Rajasthan vide Ordinance No. 3 of 2009 and the same ratified by the Rajasthan Legislative Assembly vide Act No. 4 of 2010 as The SHRIDHAR UNIVERSITY ACT BIGODNA, JHUNJHUNU. Further, Vide letter F.No 8-3/2010(CPP-I/PU) dated 31 May 2010; the University Grants Commission (UGC) has also notified Shridhar University under Section 2(f) of UGC Act 1956. Shridhar University has 11 Schools of Learning offering various Certificate, Diploma, Under Graduate, Post Graduate as well as Doctoral programmes. In order to prepare students for a global future, Shridhar University has actively taken up collaborations with various national & international institutions and already has signed MoU with top ranking Athens University of Economics and Business – AUEB, Greece. For more details see www.shridharuniversity.ac.in

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