

## **Report on Independence Day Celebration**

Our college celebrated 73<sup>rd</sup> Independence Day on 15<sup>th</sup> August 2019. Every year the occasion is celebrated jointly by VVLC, VVFGC, VV HIGH SCHOOL and VVPUC. Sri Shrishylarammanavar, Hon'ble Treasurer, VVSangha® hoisted the tri colour flag and addressed the gathering. He spoke on importance of celebrating independence day on 15<sup>th</sup> August. He said it was not easy for the India to get freedom from the British; however, our freedom fighters, political leaders and the people of India were determined to gain independence.

Citing some incidents from history he said after the British victory in the Battle of Plassey of 1757, the rule of East India Company started in India. By 1858, the British Crown had assumed control over India. The situation after World War I was marked with suppressive and exploitative laws by the British. This led to revolutionary calls for independence, and sparked the phase of non-violent and non-cooperation movements followed by the civil disobedience movement.

The enduring leader and a national symbol for all these movements was Mohandas Karamchand Gandhi - the Father of the Nation. The next decades were marked with constant struggles between the Indians and the British for freedom. Many movements and acts were carried out by the Indian National Congress, freedom fighters and the people of India.

Finally they succeeded on August 15, 1947, when the complete Legislative powers were granted to the Indian Constituent Assembly. Many have sacrificed their lives in attaining the freedom for their future generations without worrying about their comfort, rest and freedom.

They planned and acted upon various Independence Movements including violent and nonviolent resistance to gain absolute freedom. However, independence has its own sorrows as it was followed by the partition of Pakistan. The partition wasn't acceptable to some of the classes, consequently, resulting in communal riots on both sides.

He advised students to be good citizens of India and fight for the cause of poor.

Sri S. Shivalingaiah, Hon'ble President, VV Sangha ® spoke in this occasion and said Independence Day is an annual observance day which is celebrated on every 15<sup>th</sup> August. India celebrates Independence Day and remembers the sacrifices that our freedom fighter made during the struggle against the British Empire. 15<sup>th</sup> August is declared as National and Gazetted Holiday to commemorate the Independence of our country from the British Empire.

After the separation of India into two Nations, India got its Independence. India celebrates 15<sup>th</sup> August as the day of its sovereignty from the Britishers but now that was the past and becomes the history and now what remains is the glory of India's struggle.

Further he highlighted some of the incidents-

- On 5<sup>th</sup> July 1947, the British Parliament passed the Indian Independence Act provided for two dominions states i.e India and Pakistan. Britain king continued as the head of the state until it becomes a Republic State.
- In 1929, Jawaharlal Nehru Ji demanded: "Poorna Swaraj" that is Complete Independence from colonial rule. 26<sup>th</sup> January was chosen for the Independence Day and even celebrated it from 1930 until India's got their full Independence.
- Britishers declared the end of the British rule on 15<sup>th</sup> August 1947. The British Parliament passed an Indian Independence Act which was based on the Mountbatten plan which clearly mentioned that the date of Independence will 15<sup>th</sup> August 1947.

The programme conclude with the vote of thanks delivered by student from vidyavardhaka high school

