

Report of the celebration of 'Constitution Day'



Chandrashekar P., Hon'ble VII Additional Dist. & Session Judge, Mysuru, inaugurating 'Constitution Day'



Audiences are taking oath of the Preamble of the Indian Constitution

The Vidyavardhaka Law College is a pioneer legal education institution located in Mysuru, the cultural capital of Karnataka. The college, popularly known as VVLC –Mysuru, is widely recognized as one of the Karnataka’s best law college affiliated to Karnataka State Law University. The VVLC is an aided institution established in the year 1974 and run under the patronage of Vidyavardhaka Sangha ®, Mysuru.

The Vidyavardhaka Law College organized Constitution Day which is also known as the ***Samvidhan Divas*** is celebrated every year on November 26 to mark the day on which the Constitution of India was adopted. While the adoption of the Constitution took place on November 26, 1949, it came into effect on January 26, 1950. On November 26, 1949, the Constituent assembly had met and with loud and prolonged cheers and thumping of desks greeted the passing of the Constitution. This assembly met for the first time on 9th December 1946 and continued its sitting till 24th January 1950. Factually the draft Constitution was ready

before the last sitting of the Assembly and the same was adopted by the Assembly on 26th November 1949 itself.

It was on November 19, 2015, when the government of India with the help of a gazette notification declared November 26 as the Constitution Day. There is no public holiday on this day. The draft of the constitution was prepared by the drafting committee under Dr.B.R. Ambedkar's guidance. According to the government notification, the Constitution Day was also a tribute to Ambedkar. The day of adoption of Constitution is now being observed as 'Law Day' throughout India. The VVLC organized Constitution Day at Sri P.M. Chikkaboraiah Hall, Mysuru on Tuesday the 27th November 2018.

Prof.K.B. Vasudeva, Principal, VVLC through his welcome address greeted all the dignitaries on the dais and off the dais and Prof. Indumathi M.J. compered the entire event. Prof.P.Deepu proposed the oath of the Preamble of the Indian Constitution.

Chandrashekar P., Hon'ble VII Additional Dist. & Session Judge, Mysuru, inaugurated the program. In his inaugural address he said 'the Indian Constitution came into force on 26th January 1950, without Constitution we can't run a country like India in peaceful manner. The original Constitution consisted of 90000 words, where unity in diversity is the soul of our Constitution. We can rule a state either by force or by adopting the law. We have been ruled by so many kings, and even in British regime we had no right to adapt a child. For the first time, Babasaheb Ambedkar suggested to implement the Hindu Code Bill for the liberation of women in India.

This draft was presented to a committee chaired by Dr.B.R. Ambedkar in 1948 and was called Hindu Code Bill, Despite its name, the 'Hindu' Code Bill was to apply to Sikhs, Buddhists and Jains as well as all Hindu castes and sects. Its basic objective to codify all the Hindu laws, to elevate the rights and status of Hindu women and to do away with the disparities and divisions of caste, abolish polygamy, allow adoption of children from other caste, divorce can be filed by either of the partners, allowing equal share of property to the widow, daughter of the dying man as the son.'

The program was presided by Sri Lakshminarayana, Hon'ble Treasurer, Vidyavardhaka Sangha ®, Mysuru, through his Presidential address he felt very happy to be part of Constitution Day.

He opined that ‘the Constitution of India is the supreme law of India. It lays down the framework defining fundamental political principles, establishes the structure, procedures, powers and duties of government institutions and sets out fundamental rights, directive principles and the duties of citizens.’

Smt.K.Meera Bai delivered vote of thanks. The program was concluded followed by National Anthem and screening of the Kannada movie Navilaadavaru (A thematic movie on National Integrity and Secularism).