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Vice President Inaugurates 60th Anniversary Function Of Springdales School

“˜The World Is A Family´

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USPA NEWS - The Vice President, Shri Mohd. Hamid Ansari at the inauguration of the Springdales Diamond Jubilee & Educational Conference on “˜In Search of a Humane Society “ The Role of Education´, in New Delhi on September 19, 2015. Mrs. Salma Ansari and other dignitaries are also seen.

The Vice President of India Mr. Mohd. Hamid Ansari said that in ancient India, the focus on learning of a very high order was premised on exclusivity and the exclusion of some. In ancient Greece, Plato´s three-fold formula “ gymnastics for the body, mathematics for the mind and music for the soul “ was widely acclaimed but on the fundamental premises of a slave society. Delivering inaugural address at a function on the occasion of “60th Anniversary of the Springdales School, New Delhi“, he said that the same pattern can be discerned in other societies.

The Vice President said that what then is our fundamental principal in modern India? To me as a citizen, the formula is spelt out in the Constitution, and admirably summed up in its Preamble: “To secure to all its citizens:

Justice, social, economic and political;
Liberty of thought, expression, belief, faith and worship;
Equality of status and of opportunity; and to promote among them all;
Fraternity assuring the dignity of the individual and the unity and integrity of the Nation.“

The Vice President opined that each of these is critical and cannot be diluted or deferred in favour of another. If each is implemented in practice, in letter and spirit, the foundations of a humane society would be laid. The role of education in our society is to imbibe these fundamentals, not to deviate from them on any pretext, and reflect them faithfully in educational curricula.

The Vice President said that from its beginning as a small nursery and kindergarten at the home of Mrs. Rajni Kumar, the Chairperson of Springdales Education Society and her husband the late Mr. Yudishter Kumar, the School today “ with two campuses in New Delhi, one in Jaipur and one in Dubai “ is counted among the top schools in the country. The motto of the school, “Vasudhaiv Kutumbkum“ “ “The World is a Family“ reflects the ethos and philosophy of the school.

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