

World Heritage Week Celebration Organized by Archaeological Museum, Sanchi

(19th – 25th November, 2016)



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World Heritage Week was Celebrated by the Archaeological Museum, Sanchi from 19th – 25th November 2016 along with the School Children of Sanchi in the Museum Premises. The activities of the celebration were as under.

(a) <u>Inaugural Function</u> :- The inaugural function of World Heritage Week was held 19th November, 2016 with great enthusiasm. Shri A.K. Panda, Principal, Kendriya Vidhyalaya, Vidisha was the Chief Guest and Shri Chandra Rattan, of Mahabodhi Society, Sanchi was the Special Guest of the occasion. Besides, Principals and Teachers of various schools of Sanchi were also present. The main attraction of the programme was the presence of school children from 3rd to 12th standard and they have participated in speech on our rich cultural heritage.



Programme began with Saraswati Puja





Students and other dignitaries

Dr. M.C. Joshi, A.S.A., Museum welcomed the Chief Guest and other dignitaries and expressed on the objectives of World Heritage Week celebration and importance of our ancestral heritage. Shri A.K. Panda the Chief Guest addressed to the audience and explained about total number of World Heritage Sites and Monuments in India. He also encouraged students to come forward in preserving our monuments and culture. Besides, School Principals & Teachers shared their views.



Dr. M.C. Joshi, ASA welcoming Chief Guest



Shri S.K. Verma, C.A., Sanchi Sub Circle welcoming Shri Chandra Rattan Mahabodhi Society



Shri A.K. Panda, Chief Guest Addressing to the audiences



School Teacher of Govt. school Addressing to the audiences



Students sharing their views on cleanliness & preservation of monuments

(**b**) <u>Awareness</u> <u>Programme</u> :- To create cultural awareness; drawing & essay writing competitions were organized among the school children and the winners were rewarded.



School Children participating in essay writing & drawing competitions



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(c) <u>Closing Ceremony :-</u>

(Release of Booklet on Sanchi Museum and Prize distribution)

The valedictory function was held on 25th November, 2016 and during the occasion; a Booklet named as **"Archaeological Museum, Sanchi a celebrated collection**" (Hindi/English) was released. Prize distribution to the winners of essay & drawing competitions was also done. Besides, mementos to the Chief Guest as well as other dignitaries were presented. Dr. Narayan Vyas (Former Superintending Archaeologist of the ASI) was the Chief Guest of the occasion. During the ceremony, Principals and School Teachers of Sanchi were also present. Shri S.K. Verma, Conservation Assistant of Sanchi Sub Circle along with his staff, Shri Umesh Sharma, Garden Assistant Sanchi Division along with his Staff and all the staff members of Archaeological Museum, Sanchi were participated enthusiastically in the programme.



Dr. M.C. Joshi, ASA, welcoming Dr. Narayan Vyas



Dr. M.C. Joshi, ASA, Addressing to the audience



Release of booklet on Sanchi Museum



Dr. Narayan Vyas Addressing to the audience



Mementos being presented to the School Teachers







Wining School students are being rewarded



Memento is being presented to Dr. Narayan Vyas, the Chief Guest