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Report of Social Program On "Celebration of Shri Sant Gajanan Maharaj Prakatdin"

Organized By:

Department of Electronics & Telecommunication Engineering, BSIOTR, Wagholi-Pune

Highlights of the session:

- 1. To pray tribute to lord Gajanan Maharaj on his prakatdin.
- 2. To create spiritual atmosphere among students and staff
- 3. To generate positive environment through Pooja and Aarti
- 4. To encourage and motivate students & staff for following thoughts of Sant Gajanan Maharaj for living peaceful life
- 5. To give social touch.

The students and staff members of department of Electronics and Telecommunication Engineering of BSIOTR, Wagholi had taken an initiative for the very first time to celebrate prakatdin utsav of Shri Sant Gajanan Maharaj on date 23-02-2023 in order to pray tribute to Sant Gajanan Maharaj on his prakatdin.

Gajanan Maharaj was an Indian Hindu guru, who first appeared at Shegaon, a village in Buldhana district, Maharashtra as a young man in his twenties. As per the Gregorian calendar, this happened in February 1878. Shri Gajanan Maharaj Prakatdin Utsav is annually observed on Magh Krishna Paksha Saptami tithi or the sprogramh day during the waning phase of moon in Magh

month as per traditional Hindu lunar calendar followed in Maharashtra. It is not the birth anniversary but appearance anniversary festival of the great saint from Maharashtra, Shri Gajanan Maharaj. However, the date of his first appearance is considered an auspicious day and is celebrated as Prakatdin. On this day lakhs of people arrive at Shegaon to offer prayers and take blessings. Pujas, charity, Satsangs, prayers, and food donation are part of the festivities at shegaon.

In line with this, on 23-02-2023, all students & staff members celebrated prakatdin utsav in the department, starting with lamp lightening followed by small puja and gajanan mahraj devotional group aarti. On this auspicious occasion Dr. Y. S. Angal, Head of E &TC department, Dr. A. L. Wanare, Prof. Ganesh Lohote (T & P Officer), Dr. Shrikant Honade, Prof. Y. S. Bahendwar have shared their thoughts, experiences and given very insightful about the fame, life character and inspiring thoughts of Sant Gajanan Maharaj. Anchoring was done by Mr. Mahesh (student of SE) and he also talked about his devotional experience about Gajanan Maharaj. All students of SE, TE, BE and staff members of the department were present for the celebration. Prakatdin utsav was basically organized in order to have a socialtouch, spiritual contact, enthusiasm and positive atmosphere in the department & institute at large which helps everyone and ultimately results into effective and productive work. Finally, the program was closed with the favorite and delicious Mahaprasad of Sant Gajanan Maharaj organized under the leadership of Dr. Y. S. Angal, HoD E & TC for all students and staff members of the department. The glimpses of the program are mentioned below.















OUTCOMES:

- 1. All students and staff members were devotedly involved in celebration of prakatdin utsav.
- 2. After puja and Aarti of Sant Gajanan Maharaj, the day seems full of enthusiasm and positive energy.
- 3. Students were really inspired by the real facts and thoughts of Sant Gajanan Maharaj.
- 4. Students also realize the importance and benefit of this program for their social and peaceful life.

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