INDIRA GANDHI NATIONAL CENTRE FOR THE ARTS Regional Centre – Puducherry

National Seminar from 18th April to 21st April- 2022

Puducherry Regional Centre in collaboration of Pondicherry University is organising the four days National Seminar on **Relevance of Saint Guru Nanak Dev ji's Philosophy in the Context of National Integration and Environmental Considerations** on commemoration of 550th Birth Anniversary of Guru Nanak Dev Ji from 18th April to 21st April, 2022 through online mode.

Guru Nanak Dev ji is one of the greatest saint poets and philosopher of medieval period of the Hindi Literature, which also known as 'Bhakti Period'. Saint Guru Nanak Dev ji's teachings of love, peace, equality, humanity and brotherhood are much relevance for all the times. His philosophy covers vide range of ideology. Some of his important philosophical considerations are universalism, national integrity and environmental friendliness, which are much relevant in contemporary times. He led exemplary life and his teaching led us to develop new vision for secularism, gender sensitivity, dignity of labour, cooperation, and love and our duty for environmental protection etc., ultimately holistic growth of humanity. Guru Nanak has exemplified the divine in Nature and developed the spirit of harmonious living with Nature. Gurubani is also a divine worship of the Nature i.e., Sun, Moon, Earth, Water, Air, Flora and Fauna.

In view of Saint Guru Nanak ji's spiritual philosophy is for National unity building reasons, regional centre proposes to organize a four days National Seminar in collaboration with Pondicherry University. Like this, historical spiritual philosophy for Human beings was developed in South India by great saint Ramalinga Swamy Vallalar in the eighteenth century. A National seminar on saint Vallalar ideas of spirituality for national unity will also be held at the Pondicherry Regional Centre in the forthcoming months. It is also an initiative event held to expose the spiritual philosophy of India for National Integration.

In four days National Seminar, eminent scholars have been invited to present their seminal works to commemorate Guru Nanak Dev ji's Philosophy in the context of National Integration and Environmental Considerations. By our Regional Centre conducting these 4 days' National seminar, the Philosophical contribution of saint Guru Nanak will be communicated to the world. The Seminar focuses on the packed philosophy for National Integration of saint Guru Nanak ji.

And it is hoped that it will enhance the allurement as well as enrich the specialty of the Seminar and it will be ever a beading beacon for the academic scholars. This specific selection would enrich the Standard of the Seminar and the Academic arena as well. All the research papers will also be collected and published by the IGNCA with the approval of competent authority.