

## GENERAL SECRETARY'S REPORT

The twenty-eighth annual session of All Orissa Philosophy Association was held in S.V.M. Autonomous college, Jagatsinghpur on 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> January 2016-02-16. The inaugural function was held at 11AM in the auditorium of S.V.M. Autonomous College. The Conference was inaugurated by Dr. Kulamani Samal, Honourable M.P., Jagatsinghpur and S.J. Bishnu Charan Das, Ex-Minister, Govt. Of Odisha. The chairman of the reception Committee Prof. Lingaraj Behera welcomed the guests and delegates. Prof. S.K. Mohanty, Vice-President of the Association introduced the guests and Prof. S.C. Panigrahi, General Secretary readout the annual report of the association. Chief Guest. Dr. Kulamani Samal, Honourable M.P. released the proceedings of the last year which was in the form of Journal of All Orissa Philosophy Association. As per the tradition Prof. Saroj Kumar Mohanty, and late professor Mrs. Tandra Pattnaik were felicitated for their life time achievement and contribution to philosophy. Mrs. Sashi Prava Bindhani, Honourable Commissioner, Information Govt. of Odissa also being felicitated for her achievement in the field of social service and honouring the post.. Like every year this year Essay Competition were organised for under Graduate and Post-Graduate students on the topic **Sarvodaya** and **Animal Rights** respectively. The winners were awarded prizes by the chief guest and Guest of Honour. Chief Guest and Guest of Honour addressed the delegates and students. The General President of this session, Prof. Ganesh Prasad Das delivered this year's general President's address on the topic. Whither Epistemology. After that prof P.K. Mohapatra gave his presidential address Then the Local Secretary, Dr. N.C. Samaantaray gave vote of thanks.

Just after this inaugural session Ratnakar Pati "s Memorial Lecture was delivered by Prof. Dhneswar Sahoo, Retd professor of philosophy on Gita.


In the next session the sectional presidents of three different sections i.e., Logic and metaphysics, History of Philosophy and Ethics and Social Philosophy were delivered.

On 25<sup>th</sup> January, 2016, two symposia were conducted on the topic, *Affirmative Action* and *Bhakti*. There was a serious discussion on Gita. And most of the delegates participated in it.

After lunch Paper presentation were conducted in three different sections by the sectional presidents.

The Executive Body meeting was held in the afternoon in auditorium. More than 150 delegates including the students were attended the session. The association records its sincere thanks and gratitude to the organisers for their hearty co-operation and full support for organising this session a successful one.

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