

75 years of India's Independence

Dear Parents, Students and Teachers, the 15th of August this year is a red letter day in the history of Independent India. It is the day on which India gained freedom after 200 years of British rule !!! And today we celebrate 75 years since that great event !!!

However freedom from foreign rule was not achieved overnight !!! It took almost 100 years of struggle to bring our people together as a nation to demand our right as a sovereign nation to be free from foreign rule, to be free also from the rule of petty nawabs, rajas, maharajas and badshahs and to become a democratic nation ruled by the people themselves through their elected representatives and a Constitution of our own !!!

Great leaders like Mahatma Gandhi, Jawaharlal Nehru, Subhash Chandra Bose, Lokmanya Tilak and many others gave inspiration to our people across different parts of the country to come together and turn this struggle for freedom into a national movement !!! Independence on 15th. August, 1947 is a fruit of their struggle

However, the fullness of freedom is not merely freedom from foreign rule, it is freedom from hunger, poverty, ignorance, injustice, inequality, illiteracy, disease, discrimination and unemployment. This struggle continues to this day !!! Until all our people are free from all these weaknesses we cannot say we have achieved the fullness of Freedom !!! Each generation that comes has to play its role in bringing the fullness of freedom that we all dream of !!!

Our ancestors have played their part and created a new future for us in different spheres and we owe them our respect, homage and gratitude !!! It is now for us students, parents and teachers to take responsibility for the future of our country and forge ahead on new paths !!! The future of the country is in the hands of our parents, and you students who are the hope of the future for your parents and the country !!!

As we move into this 75th year of our Independence there are many challenges before us !!! The present Corona Virus pandemic is a test of our courage and self-resilience in the face of heavy odds that confront us in many spheres of life !!! Will we rise up to face these challenges, and march ahead to a future full of hope that we can overcome the problems that face us today ???

**Wishing you all a Happy 75th Independence Day and a Hope-filled year ahead
for us all !!!**

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