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**Report: Guest Lecture on Buddhist Teachings and Knowledge Traditions**

**Date: 03/01/2026**

**Theme:** The Teachings of Buddhism, Knowledge Traditions, and its National & International Expansion

**Keynote Speaker:** Dr. Siddharth Jadhav (Head, Dept. of History, Nankibai Wadhvani Arts College)



**Chairperson: Principal**

Dr. Uday Manjre

**Overview of the Event**

Under the aegis of the Indian Council of Philosophical Research, Nehru College organized the third lecture in a series aimed at raising awareness about Indian philosophical thought. The


session focused on the global relevance of Buddhist philosophy in the 21st century.



**Key Highlights of the Address**

In his insightful speech, Dr. Siddharth Jadhav emphasized

that the world today requires the path of Buddha (peace), not Yuddha (war). He highlighted several critical points:

  
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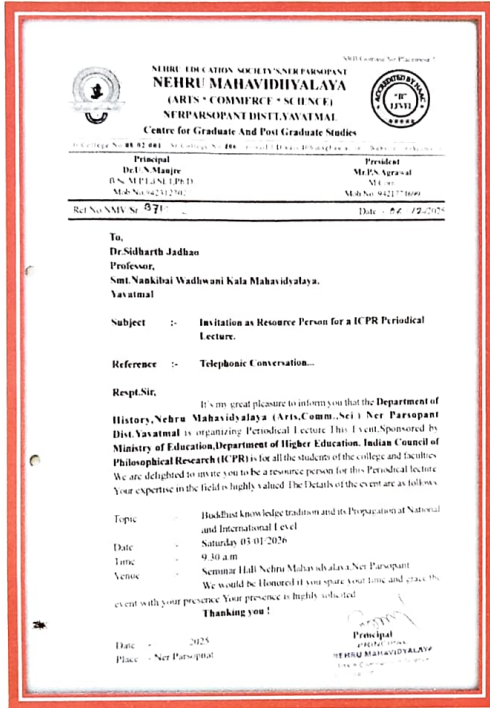
**Historical Legacy:** Great rulers like Emperor Ashoka, Kanishka, and Harshavardhana played a pivotal role in spreading Indian knowledge traditions globally.

**Diplomacy of Peace:** Emperor Ashoka dispatched ambassadors to Sri Lanka, China, Cambodia,

and Japan to spread messages of truth and non-violence.

**Philosophy of Governance:** Dr. Jadhav quoted Ashoka's philosophy: "It is better to rule over hearts than over bodies."

**Ancient Centers of Excellence:** He noted that ancient



universities like Nalanda and Takshashila served as global hubs, attracting students from across the world.

**Concluding Remarks**

Presiding over the function, Principal Dr. Uday



Manjre stressed the importance of the New Education Policy (NEP) in revisiting India's heritage, including Vedas, Yoga, and Science.

The program was introduced by Dr. Mahesh Gomease and hosted by Prof. Pankaj Chavan. The event concluded with a vote of thanks by Dr. Gomease, following active participation from

students and staff.

"Human prosperity lies within the philosophy of Buddha." — Dr. Siddharth Jadhav

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