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President calls for expansion of education facilities in the country

Quality of higher education must improve

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USPA NEWS - President, Mr. Pranab Mukherjee addressing at inauguration of Centenary Year Celebration of Adyama's Adment with opening of Annada B. Ed College and an Orphanage of Boys, at Dakshineswar Ramakrishna Sangha Adyapeath, West Bengal on April 02, 2015. Governor of Mr. Keshari Nath Tripathi is also seen.

The President of India, Mr. Pranab Mukherjee stressed the need for expansion of primary, higher and tertiary education facilities in the country so as to enhance opportunities of employment for younger generation.

The President participated in the celebration of the 100th year of the advent of the Divine Adya Mata organized by Dakshineswar Ramakrishna Sangha Adyapeath at Kolkata on April 2. He also inaugurated Adyapeath Annada B. Ed. College and an orphanage for boys on the occasion. He appreciated the contributions of the Adyapeath in this regard as well as its initiative to set up a B. Ed College and give a home to thousand orphan boys.

Addressing the gathering, the President said he was pleased to see the numerous activities that have been taken up in the various centres of the Dakshineswar Ramakrishna Sangha Adyapeath- particularly the old age home, the home for widows, the charitable dispensary, the girls' school, Sanskrit Mahavidhyalaya and Teacher Training Institute. The Adyapeath has never discriminated against any religion or caste or section of society. It is a symbol of communal harmony that has opened its doors to give local inhabitants medical treatment and spiritual succour.

Referring to the golden era of education in the country between 3rd Century BC and 12th Century AD when universities like Nalanda existed in the country, the President said students and scholars from various foreign nations used to come to India for higher studies. But after the 12th Century AD, our education system started losing its glory. The President said the quality of higher education in the country must improve.

He said that the 11th Five Year Plan made provisions for improving the quality of higher education in the country. The President called upon educational institutions to encourage innovations and research by students.

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