

Sita is the role model for the Indian women: Prof. Malashri Lal

CUO-HAL Distinguished lecture on 'in Search of Sita: Revisiting Mythology'



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Aeronautics Limited at Bhanja Mandap, HAL Township, Sunabeda today. Prof. Malashri Lal, Dean of Colleges and Dean, Academic Activities and Projects, Delhi University delivered the distinguished lecture on the topic as a distinguished guest. Prof. Sachidananda Mohanty, Vice-Chancellor of the University delivered the welcome address as the Chief Speaker of the

Programme. The programme was presided over by Er. Debasish Dev, General Manager, HAL, Sunabeda.



Prof. Sachidananda Mohanty Vice-Chancellor, CUO who delivered the inaugural lecture said "as many readers so many Sita, as many tradition so many Sita. Our tradition has to be reinvented. Men and women have to go together".

HAL, Sunabeda General Manager Shri. Debasish Deb in

his presidential address said "although we know many things about Sita but this Distinguished lecture revealed many unknown aspects of Sita. Every woman in our country deserves their rightful place in our society".

Prof. Malashree Lal elaborated different character of Sita by revisiting Ramayan from various authors of our country and also from the films and TV serials produced by different producers time to time. "Every woman has Sita in themselves and also every man has an imaginary Sita in them. She fulfilled her duties even in the extreme condition, as she was a highly confident and strong woman". Said Prof. Malashri Lal while addressing a the distinguished audience. She also said that "young generation of our county need to grow up with the tradition of our country. In many ways Sita is the role model for the Indian women of the decade".

From the Department of English Language and Literature Sushree Priyanka Sharma, scholar of the compeered the programme and Sushree Mehuli Santra gave vote of thanks. Students, faculty members and staff of the university along with the Officer and family members from HAL, Sunabeda were present at the large in the programme.





Prof. Malashri Lal, Professor of English - CV in brief



Prof. Malashri Lal, Professor of English, is the Dean of Colleges, Dean, Academic Activities & Projects and also Chairperson, Research Council at the University of Delhi. She has held other senior administrative positions in the same University, including being Head, Department of English (2000-2003), and Director, Women's Studies (2000-2006). As a recipient of fellowships from the Fulbright, the British Council, the Rockefeller Foundation and the Shastri-Indo Canadian Institute, she has conducted research in prestigious institutions including Harvard University, USA, Bellagio, Italy, and Newcastle, UK, Malashri Lal's academic specialization is in Women and Gender Studies about which she has fourteen books. Recently she has published *Tagore and the Feminine: A Journey in Translations*, *Speaking For Myself: An Anthology of Asian Women's Writing*, and *In Search of Sita: Revisiting Mythology*. She has served on international book award committees including the Commonwealth Writers Prize, The Hindu Fiction Prize and the DSC Prize for South Asian Literature.

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