

**Welcome Speech by
Hon'ble Mr. Justice U.C. Srivastava
Chairman, J.T.R.I., U.P.**



Hon'ble Chief Justice of India Mr. Justice A.M. Ahmadi, Chief Minister of Uttar Pradesh Ms. Mayawati, Mr. Justice K. Ramaswamy and Mr. Justice S. Saghir Ahmad of Supreme Court, Mr. Justice K.J. Reddy, Chairman, Law Commission of India, Mr. Justice A.L. Rao, Chief Justice of Allahabad High Court, brother Judges of the Allahabad High Court and other High Courts, delegates of the International Jurists Organisation, other esteemed guests, ladies and gentlemen.

This is the most historic and memorable day in the annals of the Institute that the Head of the Country's judiciary himself has honoured it by inaugurating its new complex, the foundation stone of which was laid down by the then Chief Justice of India on 19.12.1993. Distinguished dignitaries from far and near, from our country and abroad have gathered at this moment to join us in celebrating the function. On this memorable day, it is my unique privilege to extend a very cordial and warm welcome to all of you on behalf of the Institute, in this historic city of Lucknow, known for its cosmopolitanism and communal amity and tolerance. Asafudduala's charity which is proverbial and acclaimed as "jisko na de maula usko de Asafuddaula" and Begam Hazratmahal's patriotism, who fought with the Britishers in 1857 for regaining freedom with the slogan 'Firangi Bharat Chhodo', that is "Quit India".

Hon'ble the Chief Justice of India who had visited the Institute earlier twice is coming to this Institute as the Chief Justice for the first time. The Institute had earlier invited Hon'ble the Chief Justice of India in March, 1995 to inaugurate this

building on 02.04.1995 but as it was not possible for the Hon'ble the Chief Justice to come to Lucknow on that date, the programme was deferred and in the meantime some more construction work was also done.

On behalf of the Institute we also welcome Chief Minister of U.P., who has been a great champion of equality of status and opportunity and has opened new pages in the country's history and Indian democracy.

We also welcome Mr. Justice K. Ramaswamy who had visited this Institute earlier last year for delivering valedictory address and had commended and praised the working of the Institute.

We also welcome Mr. Justice S. Saghir Ahmad who has been associated with our Institute from the very beginning and I would not like to be charged with partiality and localism in this regard.

We also welcome Mr. Justice K. Jayachandra Reddy, Chairman Law Commission whose guidance will give us great encouragement. As a result of decision taken, in the conference of Chief Justices and Law Ministers in 1985 and in the light of 117th Report of Law Commission, the U.P. Government took a lead and announced establishment of Judicial Training and Research Institute. It was established in collaboration with High Court. The entire financial responsibility was taken by the State Government. The High Court was to approve training courses for judicial officers and send on deputation Director and other officers who were to deal with training and research. The training course for District Government Counsel, Prosecuting Officers and other Law Officers and Officers performing quasi judicial functions like Prescribed Authority under Public Premises (Eviction of Unauthorised Occupants) Act is to be approved by the State Government. The Institute has been organising national level programmes for District Judges, and on Legislative Drafting and Parliamentary Affairs. This year a National Level Programme was started for training of Additional District Judges also. After all the country is the same, people are the same and laws with certain local variations are also the same. This is also in tune with the composite culture of this country, the preservation of which is one of the fundamental duties under the Constitution of India. The Chief Justice of India who is a great exponent of composite culture while delivering M.P. Birla Lectures last year stated, "I am proud of our Indian culture and am sure that it has much to offer to the world. The spiritual aspect of Indian culture is unique in many respects because it is a culture with a blend of different cultures which came together within a period of time."

This year we have started publication of a quarterly magazine as well as digest of cases as a part of regular training. The Law Commission had also recommended 4 Regional Institutes apart from National Academy. We are prepared to impart training to as many regions as permitted. Foundation

Course, Refresher Course, production of judgments within quality and quality language, etiquettes & behaviour, court management, inter action, group discussion, Constitutional and Environmental law, Social-justice and modern trend in dispensation of justice are all in our syllabus.

Dispensation of justice is a divine duty and we in this Institute make our best endeavour to teach the trainees this path of administration of justice and it is on record that we have done in the past and are doing and shall continue to do to their best satisfaction with our missionary spirit.

We hope that the Govind Ballabh Research Unit will now be revived by the Government and the construction of hostel work will also start which is an essentiality.

We would also extend our thanks to Nirman Nigam officials and other workers who worked day and night with devotion to make the inauguration possible on 17th of September, 1995 which is observed by artisans and those who work with tools and instruments as Vishvakarma day.

In the end ! welcome you once again the Hon'ble Chief Justice of India, Chief Minister of U.P. and all other distinguished guests and invite you to bless on this happy occasion, this great Institution so that it may serve as a fitting medium for the realisation of the cherished mission of ours.