

## **B.K.M.SCIENCE COLLEGE, VALSAD**

## A lecture on "70<sup>th</sup> Azadi - A freedom of India" by Prof.Bhadresh Sudani

We celebrate our Independence day on 15th August in 2016 with a lot of joy and happiness in the air as well as in each of our eyes and hearts. It's our 70 th Independence day since 1947. It is a great feeling to be a citizen of an Independent republic. On the occasion of 70th year of independence a guest lecture on the theme of "Aazadi-70 Afreedom fight of India, was organized on 23/08/2016. Prof. Bhadreshbhai Sudani was the chief guest.

The distinguished speaker has insisted o the remembrance of the sacrifices of our great nation's heroes during the long independence struggle. Besides he encourages the students to pay a huge tribute to the martyrs of our nation. Many leaders in spite of being well off, came on to the streets and fought for free India. Some of the known leaders like Mahatma Gandhi, Pandit Nehru, Sardar Patel, Bhagat Singh, Subash Chandra Bose, Mangal Pandey Dadabai Nauroji, Alluri SeetaRama Raju, Pingali Venkaiah, Rani Lakshmi Bai, Dr Rajendra Prasad, Dr BR Ambedkar, Maulana Azad, Dadabai Nauroji, Pandit MM Malaviya, Sukhdev and Senapati Bapat have sacrificed their career, life, joy and family to make india free from the British rule. Most of the freedom fighters were prisoned who were treated harshly. A lot of them spent their own money to run press and write about the British atrocities and inform the whole world. That had put a lot of pressure on the British Throne. Some of them followed peaceful means of fighting, while the others followed revolutionary way. The freedom fighters were supported by the country people.

Prof.Sudani made the students aware by saying the proverb "Put yourself in someone's shoes. It means that for the present generation it is not possible. Very few of us will be ready to fight like them. This one point will simply tell us all the enormous favor that the freedom fighters did for us. In the present time some people fight only focusing on gaining the power and earn money. Moreover the fight was proved fruitful for the golden future of the nation. It was not against the British people, it was against their rule and injustice. Most of them fought selflessly for the noble cause. In the current scenario the people are thinking only for themselves not for the nation.

On this occasion Principal Dr.Vikas Desai added that, without the unforgettable efforts and glorious and noble sacrifices of freedom fighters, we would still be slaves of the Britishers. Their non-violent, non-cooperative, freedom fight won acclaim all over the world. Many countries got their Independence after India got it. India after independence has made some progress. In the seventy years there has been progress on many accounts. Now Indians are on the world map. Indian economy growing with great pace. Yet India still needs to accelerate its progress to be on par with other nations

Convener of the programme Prof. Anilbhai Goel said that its been 70 years that India faced tough hurdles to come to where it is now. Now people of India are more educated and knowledgeable and are probably on the path of progress that the freedom fighters had hoped for. The Programme ended with a vote of thanks by Prof. Anilbhai Goel.

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