Promoting international trade through education

Every year, September 5 is observed as Teachers' Day to commemorate the valuable role of teachers in producing productive youth for the overall development of the society. This day is also celebrated to pay tribute to Bharat Ratna Dr. Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan, who is the legendary Indian philosopher, statesman and who served as the second President of India from 1962 to 1967.

World Trade Center Jaipur organized a panel session on 'Trade in Education under the GATS Framework' in memory of Bharat Ratna Dr. Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan to highlight the prominence of education in promoting international trade and economic prosperity to the Nation.

Distinguished Guest speaker, Adv. Meenakshi Sharma, Director Rajasthali SSC, Jaipur shared Dr. Sarvepalli's vision, "A meaningful life is only possible through adequate knowledge of science, building values such as courage, determination, having the strength of character and an ethical way of living."

Engineer Ashok Gurjar Doi, Director of Sunflower Academy, Jaipur also recalled the legendary philosopher's ideas and ethos. He said, "The main purpose of academia is not to grant degrees and diplomas but to nurture future leaders of society by inculcating human values and building character among youth. Educators play an important role in shaping the future of youth. If we fail to deliver, we cannot develop tomorrow's entrepreneurs, traders, exporters, and engineers."

Guest speaker Mrs. Pooja Sharma, Social Activists and President, Jalmahal Block, Rajasthan Congress Committee, Jaipur emphasized the need for entrepreneurial training and including a subject on international economic relations in academic curriculum to encourage youth to opt for career in foreign trade."

Mrs. Sharma speaking on the subject of education, remarked, "Trade in services is an essential part of international commerce and it is regulated by World Trade Organisation's General Agreement on Trade in Services (GATS). Industry associations may conduct knowledge sessions about the various agreements under WTO so that exporters and importers are made aware of the various provisions in these agreements that govern foreign trade."

Mr. Navneet Agarwal, Assistant Director, World Trade Center Jaipur proposed vote of thanks.

The event was held on September 5, 2023



Photo caption: center: Adv. Meenakshi Sharma, Director Rajasthali SSC, Jaipur, and (to her left), Er. Ashok Gurjar, DoI