

"Bharatachi Pratibha" a book on First Woman President of India to be Unveiled by Pranav Mukherjee

Former President of India to facilitate Pratibha Devi Singh Patil at Pune tomorrow

NEW DELHI, DELHI, INDIA, December 29, 2017 /EINPresswire.com/ -- The First Woman President of India Honourable Smt. Pratibha Devi Singh Patil completes fifty years of glorious political and social career. A book 'BHARATACHI PRATIBHA' (Jeevan Gaurav Grantha) and the Website are being released to commemorate this momentous occasion on Saturday, December, 30th 2017, 11am at Balgandhrava Ragamandir, JM road, Pune.

This book 'BHARATACHI PRATIBHA' (Jeevan Gaurav Grantha) has collated and documented the memorable and sterling contributions and the illustrious services rendered by Honourable Mrs Pratibha Devi Singh Patil in enriching the social and political fabric of our country.

Former President of India and Padamvibhushan Honourable Shri. Pranav Mukherjee will felicitate Honourable Mrs. Pratibha Devi Singh Patil on this remarkable occasion by unveiling the book. A galaxy of eminent personalities will grace the occasion with their august presence. Padamvibhushan Shri. Sharad Rao Pawar, Former Union Minister of Agriculture and Former Chief Minister of Maharashtra will preside over the ceremony. Honourable Mr. Davendra Fadnavis, Chief Minister, Maharashtra, Shri Sushil Kumar Shinde, Former Union Minister, Former Chief Minister, Maharashtra, Shri Girish Bapat, Guardian Minister, District Pune, Shri Prithvi Raj Chavan, Former Chief Minister, Maharashtra and Shri Patangrao Kadam, Former Chief Minister, Maharashtra will be present as the chief guests. Smt Supriya Sule, Member of Parliament, Lok Sabha Smt Vandana Chavan, MP, Rajya Sabha, Shri Sharad Ranpise, Party leader, Maharashtra Legislative Council, Shri Siddharth Dhende, Dy. Mayor, PMC, Pune and Dr. Ajinkya D.Y. Patil, President D.Y. Patil Group will attend the ceremony as special guests.

Padamshree Dr. D. Y. Patil, Former Governor and chairman of this Felicitation Ceremony showered light on the program and guest list of the ceremony at the press release on Monday.

Padamvibhushan Honourable Shri. Pranav Mukherjee will present to Smt. Pratibha Devi Singh Patil with a memento, Puneri saree, a shawl and a bouquet tomorrow to pay a tribute to her contributions in the field of politics and society as the first woman president of the country.

The book gives an insight into the inspiring journey of the former president from her home town in Jalgaon to Rashtrapati Bhavan. The Jeevan Gaurav Grantha showcases various experiences she had and the memories she made in her journey of life as a mother, wife, political leader, President of India and a philanthropist - supporter of women and people from weaker sections of the society. The book also gives accounts of her interactions and enriched experiences with distinguished personalities from diverse fields.

Under the able leadership and guidance of Dr. D.Y. Patil, an illustrious editorial committee of eminent personalities from different fields was constituted to give their contributions in making of Gaurav

Grantha. These eminent persons from diverse fields have contributed their experiences and accounts of their interactions with the former first Woman President to make it a valuable read. The committee consists of : Dr. D.Y. Patil, Dr. Bhishamnarayan Singh, Dr. Raghunath Mashilkar, Dr. Vijaya Bhatkar, Dr. Narendra Jadhav, Smt. Sayyeda Hamid, Shri Raghuvver Singh Shekawat, Dr. K.H. Sancheti, Dr. Niranjan Hiranandani, Shri. Ashok Jain, Shri Kumar Ketkar, Shri Suresh Bhatewara, Shri Madhukar Bhawe, Shri Alok Mehta, Shri Ulhas Dada Pawar, Shri Sharad Ranpise, Shri Mohan Joshi, Shri Balasaheb Shivalkar, Shri Uttam Singh Pawar, Shri Ramesh Bhagave, Shri Sanjay Jagtap, Shri Raosaheb Shekawat, Shri Jayesh Rathore, Dr. Sudhir Bhongale, Shri N.C. Joshi, Shri Shyamalatai Desai, Dr. Sanjay Gavhanne, Dr. Shailash Gujar, Adv. Pratap Pardeshi, Shri Ravi Choudhary, Shri Maruti Jadhav, Shri Amar Patil, Dr. Jaswant Patil, Shri Dileep Singh Hajare, Shri Premendra Patil, Smt. Roshni Jain.

Smt Pratibha Devi Singh Patil was born in Jalgaon on December 19th 1934. Smt. Patil received her early education from RR Vidyalaya, Jalgaon and later obtained her Master's degree in Political Science and Economics from the Mooljee Jetha College, Jalgaon. Later, she obtained the degree of Bachelor of Laws (LL.B.) from Government Law College, Bombay (Mumbai). While in college, she took active part in sports, excelled in table tennis and won several shields at various Inter-collegiate tournaments. Even as an MLA, she pursued her studies as a law student. Smt. Patil started her professional career as a practicing lawyer at the Jalgaon District Court and simultaneously devoted herself to various social activities, especially, for the upliftment of poor women on July 17th 1965 she got married to Shri Devi Singh Shekhawat.

At the young age of 27 years, she successfully contested her first election to the Maharashtra State Legislature from the Jalgaon Assembly constituency. Subsequently she was continuously elected four times as MLA from the Edlabad (Muktai Nagar) constituency till 1985. Thereafter, she served as a Member of Parliament in the Rajya Sabha from 1985 to 1990 and later elected as a Member of Parliament to the 10th Lok Sabha in the 1991 General Elections from the Amravati constituency. She enjoys the unique distinction of not having lost a single election that she contested till date. She held positions as governor and the Deputy Chairman of Rajya Sabha. On 25th July 2007 she was elected the first woman President of India.

At the age of 83 years today, when she has retired from active politics, she selflessly and zealously is working for the upliftment of poor and weak. She tirelessly is championing the cause of women empowerment.

Her sole aim is to provide education to all and raise the status of Indian women in the society. Her life is an inspirational journey. A journey of a woman who came from a conservative background, balanced beautifully the role of a career woman with that of a mother and wife, carved a niche for herself in the history of India by becoming the first citizen of India and yet so humble, graceful and simple.

She is very sensitive to the issues of women empowerment and firmly believes "Education of women will ensure women empowerment."

We salute her dignity and simplicity and would endeavor to imbibe her values to become better citizens and better human beings.

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