



## MESSAGE

**W**e can do some extent measure our resource or most of them. But it is very difficult to measure the biggest of these resources that we have, that is man-power, and that psychology which makes people work for greater ends. Unless we utilize this man-power and unless we can produce that temper in our people which laughs at difficulties and gets things done, sometimes in spite of facts, we cannot achieve anything really big.

The proposal to start an organization to be called the Bharat Sevak Samaj, has this in view. It is an ambitious task and we want men and women with high ambitions for it, not the ambition for little and personal thing of life but the ambition to serve great causes, forgetting on self and achieve great ends.

This is not a political organization, even though, I, a politician, command it. It is meant for every able bodied men and women, whatever his or her views might be on other topics".

*Jawaharlal Nehru*

JAWAHARLAL NEHRU

### **...: Founder President ...**



**Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru**

Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, the first Prime Minister of independent India was born at Allahabad on 14 November 1889. He was the only son of Motilal Nehru and Swarup Rani. From the age of 15 to 23 Jawaharlal studied in England at Harrow, Cambridge and the Inner Temple returning to India in 1912.

Jawaharlal Nehru remained the Prime Minister of India for 17 long years and can rightly be called the architect of modern India. He set India on the path of democracy and nurtured its institution - Parliament, multi-party system, independent judiciary and free press. He encouraged Panjayati Raj institutions.

With the foresight of a statesman he created institutions like Planning Commission, National Science Laboratories and laid the foundation of a vast public sector for developing infrastructure for industrial growth. Besides, developing the public sector, Nehru also wanted to encourage the private sector to establish a social order based on social justice he emphasised the need of planned development. Nehru gave a clear direction to India's role in the comity of nations with the policy of non alignment and the principle of Panchsheel, the five principles of peaceful coexistence at a time when the rivalries of cold-war were driving the humanity to its doom.

His vision was that of extensive application of science and technology and industrialisation for better living and liberation from the clutches of poverty, superstition and ignorance. Education to him was very important for internal freedom and fearlessness. It was Nehru who insisted if the world was to exist at all; it must exist as one. He was generous and gracious. Emotional sensitivity and intellectual passion infused his writings, giving them unusual appeal and topicality even today. He was awarded Bharat Ratna in 1955. He never forgot India's great cultural heritage and liked to combine tradition with modernity

Jawaharlal was a prolific writer in English and wrote a number of books like 'The Discovery of India', 'Glimpses of World History', his autobiography, 'towards Freedom' (1936) ran nine editions in the first year alone.

Pandit Nehru loved children and they call him affectionately as Chacha Nehru. His birthday is observed as Children's Day. He believed that children are the future of the nation. Nehru passed away in 1964.