## GUEST LECTURE ON "IMPORTANCE OF HINDI" ON 14 SEPTEMBER 2015.

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## **DESCRIPTION OF THE PROGRAMME:**

Prof.S.V.S.S.Narayana Raju explained the reason for celebrating Hindi Divas on 14 September. He said that on 14-09-1949, the Constituent Assembly of India had adopted Hindi written in Devanagari script as the official language of the Republic of India. Several stalwarts rallied and lobbied pan-India in favour of Hindi, most notable person Beohar Rajendra Simha along with Hazari Prasad Dwivedi, Kaka Kalelkar, Maithili Sharan Gupt and Seth Govind Das who even debated in Parliament on this issue. As such, on the 50th birthday of Beohar Rajendra Simha on 14 September 1949, the efforts came to fruition following adoption of Hindi as the official language. This decision was ratified by the Constitution of India that came into effect on 26 January 1950. Under the Article 343 of the Indian Constitution, Hindi written in Devanagari script was adopted as the official language.

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