

World Brahman Convention 2007 (July 6-8, 2K7)

Schedule of Events (Tentative)

(Time and Schedule Coordinator- Vinod Tewary)

Friday, July 6, 2007

1000 – 2000: Registration and informal get together; registration/welcome/information desk to be kept open during the whole convention. An exhibition on Kashmir will be held for the whole day on Saturday.

Imperial Ball Room II

1130 – 1230

Lunch

1215 - 1230

Welcome Address by Convention Director

Time management & other announcements (Vinod Tewary)

Imperial Ball Room 1

1230 – 1300

Parashuram Pooja

Shubharambh and Benediction by Balshuk Gopeshji Maharaj

Track 1

Session I : Discussion of WBF Initiatives

(Initiatives Chairpersons will draft/coordinate resolutions that will be voted upon in the President's session.)

Co Chairs: Dr. Rajesh Shukla; Mr. R. S. Goswami

1300-1315

An overview of WBF Initiatives- Dr. Azad Kaushik
India's Perspective- Mr. Ganga Sahay Pathak

1315-1400

Educational & Matrimonial Initiatives- Dr. M G Prasad/
Dr. Ravi Chandrasekhara/ Dr. Raya Halemane

1400-1430

Government & Media Relations:

Dr. Rajesh Shukla/ Dr. Shiv Shankar Bhardwaj

1430- 1445

Break

Session II: Discussion of WBF Initiatives (Continued)

Chairpersons: Mr. Abhaya Maharaj, Pt. Supal Mishra

1445 - 1515 Role of Temples and Brahman priests in propagation of Brahman Tradition - Dr. M G Prasad, Dr. Raya Halemane, Mr. Chaitanya Agnihotri

1515- 1600 Session III Challenges and opportunities for Brahmanism: The Indian perspective
Chair Person: Mr. Dharnidhar Trivedi
Panelists: Ms. Rashmi Attri, Ms. Urvashi Attri, Mr. Shailesh Mehta, Ramnath Sharma

Track II (Imperial Ball Room 2)

1415 – 1600 Special parallel session for Children
Chairpersons: Ms. Prakashy Choubey, Ms. Lata Pandey
Educational Program- Pre and early Teen

1600 – 1630

Break

1630 – 1730

Social hour

1730 – 2030

Inaugural Session

Chair: Dr. Vinod Tewary

Co-Chair: Mr Ganga Sahay Pathak

1730-1745 Vedic Chanting

1745-1800 Contributions of Brahmans to the “World Thought” by Dr. Azad Kaushik

1800-1815 Strategy for the preservation of Brahman Tradition in India in the 21st Century by Pt. Mange Ram Sharma

1815- 1915 Inaugural Address by Prof. Rama Nath Sharma including questions and answers

1915 – 1920 Stage resetting for the cultural program

1920 – 2030: Cultural program

Coordinators: Dr. Anita Dubey, Ms. Sharad Tewary

Dances by Sailusha Rao, Anisha and Garima Choubey, Sheena, Shivani, Shelly Trivedi, Rishi Pathak, Jayasree Kottapalli, and Ranjana Pathak.

- 2030 – 2130: Dinner (WBF Canada presentation on Annual convention 2008; and Charitable Causes by Ranjana Pathak and Rama Sreenivasan)
- 2130 - 2330: Variety program (songs, music, poetry, jokes)
Co Chairs: Dr. Anita Dubey, Ms. Rajni Bhargava , Ms. Sharad Tewary
Songs from the golden era by Samir Chatterjee
Many other artists and entertainers.

Saturday July 7, 2007

- 0600- 0700: Suprabhat session (Yoga- Bushan Bhat, Bhagwat Katha and bhajan by Balshuk Gopeshji Maharaj, Jyotish by Acharya Badrish)
Chair: Dr Anita Dubey
- 0700- 0830: Breakfast (Imperial Ball Room II)
- 0900- 1030: Plenary Session I – Imperial Ball Room 1
Inspirational Session
Chair Mr. Kaushal Tripathi
- 9:00- 9:30 Chanting and Opening Remarks
Dr. M G Prasad
- 9:30 – 9:45 Veena recital by Srikar Kasinadhuni
- 9:45- 10:30 Inspirational Keynote by Dr. Mahesh Kasinadhuni and questions and answers
- 1030- 1045: Break
- 1045 – 1200: Plenary Session II – Imperial Ball Room 1
Panel Discussion: Brahmana Tradition: Challenges & Opportunities
Moderator: Dr. Ravi Chandrasekhara
Panel members: Dr. Rathna Prasad Kasinadhuni, Dr. M G Prasad, Mr Anshuman Tripathi, Srikar Kasinadhuni
- 1200- 1300: Lunch Imperial Ball Room II
- 1300- 1345: Plenary session III- Imperial Ball Room 1
Panel Discussion: Women’s Issues
Moderator: Ms. Ranjana Pathak
Panel Members: Dr. Smita Siddhanti, Ms. Rajni Bhargava, Dr. Suresh Kaushik, Dr. Asha Sharma, Dr. Madhu Sharma,
- 1345- 1400 Break

1400- 1600 Breakout Sessions I & II

- Track 1 Imperial Ball Room 1
Chairpersons: Mr. Rajesh Shukla, Mr. R.S. Goswami,
- Session I (1400-1500)
Kashmiri Pundits: Refugees in their own home.
- Panel Speakers: Mr. Bushan Bhat, Mr. R.D. Dixit, Dr. Rabinder Koul
- Session II: (1500-1530)
Mayawati's Latest Incarnation: Panacea of
Brahmans or a road block to the goal of merit based India
Panel Speakers: Mr Shiv Shanker Bhardwaj, Sailesh Mehta, Dilip Tribedi
- Session III (1530-1600)
- Temple Management- Are We Ready?
Panel Speakers: Mr. Ganga Sahay Pathak, Dr. Raya Halemane
- Track II Imperial Ball Room II
Health & Finance
- Session I Health (1400-1500)
Moderator: Dr. Anil Dubey
Panel Speakers: Dr. Kamla Bhardwaj, Dr. Sudhendu Choubey, Mr. Ashok Siddhanti and Dr. Ravi Chandrasekhara, Dr. K Krishna Bhat
- Session II Finance (1500-1600)
Moderator: Mr. Sanjay Tripathi
Panel Speakers: Mr. Bushan Bhat, Mr. Ashok Siddhanti, Mr. Bilgere Kripanidhi
- Track III Emerald I (Class Room Style Seating)
Brahmana Tradition Workshop- Pre Teenage
(This workshop will focus on the role of daily prayers, Gayatri and importance of Sanskrit)
- Session 1 (1400-1500)
Chair- Prem Lata Pandey

Session II (1500-1600)
Chair - Dr. M G Prasad

Track IV Emerald II (Class Room Style Seating)
Brahmana Tradition Workshop- High School/ College
Level Youth
(This workshop will focus on the role of Gayatri mantra
and importance of Study of Vedic Scriptures such as
Bhagavadgita and Upanishads, and address issues.)

Session I (1400-1500)
Moderator- Mr. Ashok Saraswat
Panelists Dr. M.G. Prasad and Dr. Rabinder Koul

Session II (1500-1600)
Moderator- Mr. Kaushal Tripathi
Panelists: Dr. Rathna Prasad Kasinadhuni, Mr. Anshuman
Tripathi

1600-1630 Break

1630 – 1730 Social hour

1730- 2000 Plenary Session IV Imperial Ball Room I

1730-1930 Keynote Session
Chair: Pt Mange Ram Sharma
Co-Chair: Mr. Madan Lal Sharma
Mr. Nirmal Chobey (Presidential Address)
Mr. Ashok Trivedi (Distinguished Guest Speaker)
Mr. Upendra Chivukula (Distinguished Guest Speaker)
Dr. Girija Vyas (Keynote Speaker)

1930-1935 Stage resetting for the cultural program

1935 – 2030: Distinguished cultural program
Coordinator: Dr. Anita Dubey
Kathak dance recital by Ms. Purnima Jha
Veena recital by Srikar Kasinadhuni

2030 – 2130 Dinner (Presentation to be announced)

2130 - 2330 Abhinav Night (Poetry by Mr. Abhinav Shukla, Dr. Girija Vyas)
Chair: Mr. Anoop Bhargava, Dr. Anita Dubey

Sunday July 8, 2007

- 0600- 0700: Suprabhat Session (Yoga, Bhagwat Katha and bhajan by Balshuk Gopeshji Maharaj, Jyotish by Acharya Badrish)
Chair: Dr. Anita Dubey
- 0700- 0830: Breakfast
- 0900- 1200 Plenary session – President’s session (WBF- past, present, and future;
Miscellaneous items as determined by the President)
- 1200- 1215 Closing Remarks- Mr. Manoranjan Mishra, Mr. Dharni Dhar Trivedi
- 1215- 1315 Lunch and farewells