

High Commission of India

Kuala Lumpur

Press Release

**Birth Anniversary of Swami Vivekananda -
'Arise, Awake' – A tribute to Swami Vivekananda**

Ramakrishna (RK) Mission, Petaling Jaya (PJ), Malaysia in partnership with High Commission of India and Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose Indian Cultural Centre commemorated the Birth Anniversary celebrations of Swami Vivekananda as well as the 25 years of presence of RK Mission, PJ, in Malaysia at Penang Institute, George Town, Penang on 19 January 2025.

2. This event titled “Arise, Awake” was the 2nd of the 25 events planned by Ramakrishna Mission, Malaysia under guidance of its President, Rev Swami Supriyananda. The series of events was launched with the first event “BE & MAKE” in Kuala Lumpur on 12 January 2025.

3. YB Dato’ Seri Sundarajoo Somu, Penang State EXCO (State Minister) for Housing and Environment represented the Chief Minister of Penang and graced the occasion as the Chief Guest.

4. HE.Mr.B.N.Reddy, High Commissioner of India, welcomed the gathering and commended Swami Supriyananda for his visionary leadership of over 15 years in Malaysia. He lauded the efforts of Ramakrishna Mission Malaysia for organizing this event and for its unwavering commitment to the spiritual and social welfare of humanity.

5. Rev Swami Satyalokananda, Vice-President, Ramakrishna Mission, Singapore graced the event and delivered the key note address. Rev Swami Supriyananda, President, Ramakrishna Mission Malaysia delivered the valedictory address on the occasion.

6. High Commission of India organised an exhibition on the life and teachings of Swami Vivekananda as part of the event along with a book display related to Swami Vivekananda. On this occasion, High Commission of India gifted books on Swami Vivekananda to Penang Institute.

6. The event was attended by about 160 members including members of Ramakrishna Mission Malaysia, representatives of various community associations, children from Tamil Schools in Penang and members of media.

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