

150th anniversary of Vande Mataram: November 19, 2025

Indraprastha College for Women, University of Delhi, marked the historic 150th anniversary of Vande Mataram with a solemn and stirring mass singing held at 10:30 AM in the college auditorium. The event was graced by Prof. Yogesh Singh, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor of the University of Delhi, as Chief Guest, accompanied by Dr. Vikas Gupta, Registrar, University of Delhi, and Prof. Poonam Kumria, Principal, IPCW. The celebration echoed Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi's national vision for commemorating 150 years of Vande Mataram, an anthem he described as "a mantra, an energy, a dream, and a solemn resolve" during the inauguration of the nationwide observance. The Prime Minister's call to revive the spirit of Maa Bharati and strengthen India's collective resolve formed the guiding inspiration of the programme. Addressing the gathering, Vice Chancellor Prof. Yogesh Singh emphasised the transformative potential of the 150-year celebrations, stating: "Vande Mataram is more than a song; it is a call to solidarity and resilience. As our Prime Minister inspires the nation, universities must lead in nurturing cultural consciousness and national pride. Let us honour our history and pledge ourselves to a brighter, united future." His message strongly resonated with the Prime Minister's vision of channeling cultural heritage into national advancement. Principal Prof. Poonam Kumria reflected on the hymn's relevance today, noting: "As we commemorate this milestone, let us carry forward the spirit of the Vande Mataram andolan—reviving our forgotten histories, deepening awareness, and honouring our shared legacy with pride." Students rendered Vande Mataram with stirring unity and patriotic zeal. The programme also included the 'Swadeshi Sankalp Shapath', administered by the Vice Chancellor, followed by a symbolic Kadamb tree plantation ceremony. The event reaffirmed the University of Delhi's commitment to promote national spirit and contributing to the vision of Viksit Bharat 2047. Vande Mataram! Bharat Mata ki Jai!