



## The Internet Portal of Armenian Buddhists

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Your Holiness, All Venerable Sangha, distinguished guests, friends and devotees.

I would like to express the warmest and most heartfelt congratulations on the occasion of the thrice-sacred day of Vesak on behalf of all members of internet portal of Armenian Buddhists, which is the only Buddhist internet resource of Southern Caucasus countries, and a source of information on Dharma for all Russian-speaking people of the republics of former Soviet Union, who are learning and practicing Dharma.

It is a great honour for our internet resource to get such a wonderful opportunity to give full coverage to Vesak conference and convey thoughts and ideas of the participants of the conference to all the Buddhists of Republic of Armenia.

For a long time issues of socio-economical development are a matter of great concern not only to people of Republic of Armenia, but to all mankind.

The humanity is now living in a world of unlimited competition of information-based economies, in the century of the technological progress trying to open all new and unknown, each day brings us new economical ideas, each month brings us new technological solutions, people go straight in development new invents and rarely look back, we just do not stop, do not think of the act, BUT despite all of our amazing technological advances, our polluted cities with chemical dumps, awful condition of flora and fauna, polluted waterways, devastated forests show us that our technical gains have come at a steep price. Are there any doubts that this kind of unwise attitude not only lead to gradual destroy of beauty of our environment, but also seriously threaten mankind's capacity to sustain life?

Fortunately, Buddha-dharma can give answers to these problems, answers, which everyone is potentially able to understand right away. Buddha-dharma – is at least an appeal to search for alternative to the damage and destruction caused to our planet by unthinking exploitation of its natural resources. Acts of violence against the nature leads to violence in human relations, that is why unwise usage of material assets, especially of natural recourses is immoral, and today every person should act remembering that. Our personal attitude, every little act and intention count in the great deal of loving and saving the world we live in.

That is why such events are extremely important in the great mission of delivering Buddha's ideas to all of those who can swallow them, so once more, I join all of you in the celebration of the thrice-sacred day of Vesak and on behalf of all Buddhists of Republic of Armenia I wish the world brim with mercy and love, and all humanity come up to harmony with nature!

May all sentient beings be free from suffering!

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