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To spread Buddhism is to serve mankind

Dr. B. R. Ambedkar revived Buddhism in Modern India. Buddhism is now growing fast in India. Millions have followed in the footsteps of Dr. B. R. Ambedkar since 1956, the year of mass conversion. Dr. B.R. Ambedkar was also the greatest upholder of human rights, and in fact, he fought all his life for the eradication of caste system, and practice of untouchability. He gave India an enlightened constitution, which is based on human values of liberty, equality and fraternity, to ensure justice for most discriminated and downtrodden people in India. However he remarked that these values are essential basis of Buddhism.

Buddhism is the first universal movement in the world for human rights and human dignity. The Buddha was the advocate of equality and freedom for all human beings. His Dhamma based on wisdom and compassion is more than necessary for the modern world afflicted with several problems. The problems faced by modern world are far in magnitude and potential power to destroy human beings as a species.

Modern developments have helped human beings to come closer and live better than before due to development in the science and technology, effective human institutions such as judicial processes based on rule of law, Governments with checks and balance mechanisms to ensure welfare of the citizens.

This exchange between Buddhism and United Nation, on the occasion of Buddha Jayanti celebration, is paving a way for solving complex problems and relieve humanity from suffering due to discrimination, injustice and poverty.

Despite of the enlightened and humanitarian constitution, India is severely challenged by primitive caste system and untouchability. Dr. B. R. Ambedkar saw an integrated solution in Buddha's teachings and effective legal mechanism. Buddhism which stands for ultimate realization of human potential through the practice of Sila, Samadhi and Prajna is the only effective way to annihilate caste system.

On the behalf of the millions of Buddhists in India and over 250 millions of downtrodden people of India, we express our solidarity with this event, and wish this event a great success.

May the Light of Wisdom pervade the Universe!!  
May all beings be happy!!

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