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EVALUATION OF WORK DONE BY PROF. B K BHATTACHARYA
ON DR. RAM MANOHAR LOHIA CHAIR

This is to acknowledge with gratitude and pleasure the valuable services rendered by the well known scholar and a creative writer, Professor B K Bhattacharya during his tenure as Professor of Dr. RAM MANOHAR LOHIA CHAIR, KURUKSHETRA UNIVERSITY from November, 1994 to November, 1996.

During this period, he not only prepared the text of the book "Salient Ideas by Dr. Ram Manohar Lohia" but also organised Lohia Memorial Lectures by scholars of eminence. He himself delivered a number of lectures outside including Professor Nirmal Kumar Bose Memorial Lecture at Indira Gandhi National Centre for the Arts, New Delhi and the key note address at the seminar on 'Fifty Years of Freedom' organised by the Indian Institute of Advanced Studies, Shimla. He also undertook the project of an anthology on 'Lohia and his Ideas' and a plan to prepare 'A Complete Bibliography of Lohia's Writings'. Professor Bhattacharya set up an excellent Library of scholarly works and rare collection on life and ideology of Dr. Ram Manohar Lohia as a part of the Chair. Apart from this, Dr. Bhattacharya presented papers in seminars and made valuable contribution in Sahitya Academy and the Jnan Pith Award Selection Committees which he attended as one of the members.

It has to be recognised that Prof. Bhattacharya galvanised the working of the Dr. Ram Manohar Lohia Chair of Kurukshetra University. He has certainly left a deep imprint on the teaching faculty, administration, students and research scholars of Kurukshetra University by his profound scholarship, dedicated work, pleasant nature and unassuming personality.

I wish him a long, healthy, happy, prosperous and fruitful life.


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