

Mahavir Janma Kalyanak



Mahavir Janma Kalyanak has left an indelible imprint on Jains and people of other faiths for over two millennia and will continue to do so, as long as mountains last and rivers flow. This festival is an reminder for all people to pledge themselves to eternal Non-Violence in thought, word and deed.

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"Lord Mahavir's life and teachings are a shining beacon, which lead us on the path of truth, sacrifice, non-violence and right conduct. His profound message will remain eternally relevant for all times"

Mahavir's teachings are universal in application and eternal in their appeal. The passage of the millennia has not reduced their relevance in the slightest. On the contrary, the importance of Mahavir's message of non-violence (ahmisa), truth (satya), non stealing (asteya), chasity (brahmacharya) and non-possession (aparigraha), which is full of universal compassion are more relevant today than ever.





**“The nature of all living beings is to be happy.
Every one wishes to eliminate pain so that
he/she can be happy forever”**

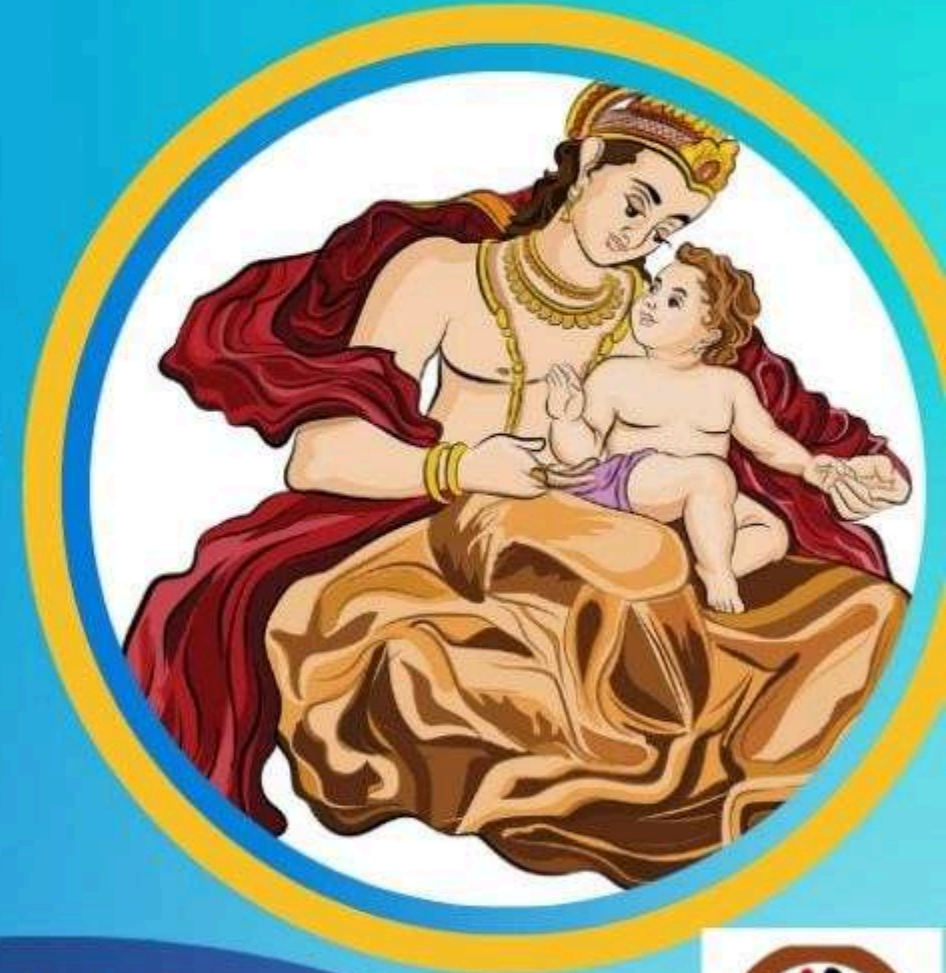
**“One who knows the demerit of destruction of
plants and trees, knows the merit of reverence
for nature”**

**“One who neglects or disregards the existence
of earth, fire, water and vegetation disregards
his own existence which is entwined with
them”**

The above truths proclaimed by Mahavir are perhaps some of the highest saving principles of human life. The modern man which seeks to exploit and destroy every kind of living species for his own advantage, is in danger of landing the entire human species in the deathly peril

During this year's Mahavir Janma Kalyanak celebrations, let us contemplate on Lord Mahavir's teachings which even after 2600 years have a greater relevance in this modern age by creating:-

- Universal friendliness and peace through non-violence
- Non exploitation of our environment *Parasparopagraho jivan*—(All life is bound together by mutual support & interdependence)
- Social patterns without exploitation and violence
- Responsibilities for one's actions and their consequences
- Compassion for all living beings
- Inner peace and happiness



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