

## INTERNATIONAL DAY OF NON-VIOLENCE **02 OCTOBER**

The International Day of Non-Violence, established in 2007 by the United Nations, is observed on 2 October, the birthday of Mahatma Gandhi, leader of the Indian independence movement and pioneer of the philosophy and strategy of non-violence.

On this day, the world remembers Gandhi not just for his passionate adherence to the practice of non-violence and supreme humanism, but as the benchmark against which we test men and women in public life, political ideas and government policies, and the hopes and wishes of our shared planet.

Gandhiji held up before mankind the image of what every human being could be: he held up before us all a mirror reflecting the spiritual heights all of us could reach. Subconsciously, we all see in him our better self.



Some men changed their times, **One man changed the world for all times!**  "We may never be strong enough to be entirely nonviolent in thought, word and deed. But we must keep nonviolence as our goal and make strong progress towards it." .... Gandhi

## **QUOTE BY MAHATMA GANDHI ON AHIMSA - NON-VIOLENCE**

"No religion of the world has explained the principle of non-violence so deeply and systematically, with its applicability in life as in Jainism...Bhagwan Mahavir is sure to be respected as the greatest authority on non-violence."

"I say with conviction that the doctrine for which the name of Lord Mahavir is glorified nowadays is the doctrine of Ahimsa. If anyone has practiced to the fullest extent and has propagated most the doctrine of Ahimsa, it was Lord

Mahavir."

