

REPORT ON NOBEL PEACE PRIZE LECTURE- 24.4.2018

The Department of Social Work, Bharathidasan University, Tiruchirappalli and Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC), Bharathidasan University, Tiruchirappalli conducted a Nobel Peace Prize Lecture on “International Campaign to Abolish Nuclear Weapons (ICAN): Efforts and Relevance for World Peace” under BUDS THINK (Bharathidasan University Depicts Scholastic Themed High Intent Nobel Knowledge) on April 24th, 2018 by 10.30 AM at BUTP Hall. ICAN has won Nobel Peace Prize in the year 2017. Hon’ble Vice Chancellor Prof.P.Manisankar, Bharathidasan University, Tiruchirappalli, presided over the lecture programme. He ideally introduced the chief guest Guru Mahasannithanam Thavathiru Kundrakudi Ponnambala Adigalar by expressing his works and uniqueness. He expressed Kundrakudi Adigalar’s contribution towards peace and rural development. Thavathiru Kundrakudi Adigalar, Thiruvannamalai Adheenam, Kundrakudi delivered the special address. He appreciated the nobel peace prize laureates and narrated his speech towards peace through various conceptual stories. He made the participants to understand the need of peace in today’s society. He recalled Gandhiji’s non violence by quoting the words “One who knows the importance and benefits of peace chooses the way of ahimsa”. He also highlighted Stephen Hawking, his great achievements and will power. In his Key note address, Prof. P Lazarus Samraj, Department of Politics and International Studies, Pondicherry University highlighted the nuclear disarmament and world peace under the topic ‘A peaceful world without war’. He listed out the history of nuclear wars like Hiroshima and Nagarsaki and other wars which resulted in conflicts between nations. He expressed the import and export of weapons in terms of percentage by India, America and other countries. He gave an idea about propaganda of intolerance which affects the mind and behaviour of people. He concluded his key note by quoting that unity among civil society will bring peace without war. Prof.M.Selvam, Senior Advisor, IQAC, Bharathidasan University, felicitated the resource persons. He listed out the number of nobel peace prizes rewarded so far. He revealed the reasons that due to world wars and conflicts the nobel prizes were not honored in between and concluded his speech by indicating the importance of peace. Prof.V.Sethuramalingam, Head, Department of Social Work, Bharathidasan University, Tiruchirappalli welcomed the gathering and gave a brief note about the theme of the lecture. Dr.J.O.Jeryda Gnanajane Eljo, Assistant professor, Bharathidasan University proposed the vote of thanks. The faculties of the department Dr.P.Ilango, Dr.R.Mangaleswaran, Dr.D.Nirmala and Dr.N.Rajavel participated and honored the chief guests. The lecture got over by 1.30 pm.