

Need for understanding between organisations and mutts stressed

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CHENNAI: Hindu culture has to be preserved in order to preserve all the other cultures, because it is the only culture that tells that there is no reason to fight, said Swami Dayananda Saraswati on Monday.

Addressing a function organised in connection with his 80th birthday, he said, "I am born in a culture that claims that everything is Eswara and I want to preserve it."

He advocated networking and understanding between organisations and mutts, saying that they represented different sampradayas and all of them are ancient.

"They represent our dharma and we need all of them," he said and called upon everyone to be dharmarakshakas.

Pointing out how one third of the population had been left behind in the development process and were living without enjoying the benefits of liberalisation, industrialist Venu Srinivasan said, "When creating wealth we need to share with others." He argued it was these disenchanted people and areas that had become a breeding ground for Maoists.

"Ultimately there was no better way to serve the Hindu dharma than serve them all and love them all," he said.



(From left) Karumuthu Kannan, managing director, Thiagarajar Mills; Venu Srinivasan, industrialist; S. Jagathratchagan, Minister of State for Information and Broadcasting; Swami Dayananda Saraswati and N. Mahalingam, industrialist, at the 80th birthday celebration of Swami Dayananda Saraswati in Chennai on Monday.

Karumuttu Kannan, MD, Thiagarajar Mills, asked Dayananda Saraswati to help set up schools to train Oduvars, the musicians specialised in Thevaram singing.

Union Minister of State for Information and Broadcasting S. Jagathratchagan, former Vice-Chancellor of Tamil University Avvai Natarajan, Industrialist N. Mahalingam, dancer Padma Subramaniam, columnist S.Gurumurthy and actor Rajnikant were among those who participated.

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