

## **Acharya Dr. Lokesh Muni Ji: Brief Profile**

Founder President 'Ahimsa Vishwa Bharti'

Acharya Dr. Lokesh Muni Ji was born on April 17<sup>th</sup> 1961 he renounced his worldly life at the young age of twenty-two and studied Jain, Budhist and Vedic philosophy. Acharya Ji is a versatile thinker, creative writer, poet, social reformer and an excellent orator. He has travelled in India and Abroad to promote Peace, Harmony and Non Violence. In order to give practical shape to these values he founded '**Ahimsa Vishwa Bharti**' and thus made his field of activities spreading throughout the world. He is an author of more than dozen books both in prose and poetry.

He is a master in the field of **Meditation, Yoga and Peace Education**. His contribution towards Peace Education is an integration of age-old meditation and Yoga with current scientific research. It brings an end to the animal instinct in the human beings and awakens the human and spiritual values.

Acharya Dr. Lokesh Muni was honored with '**Ambassador of Peace**' by Universal Peace Federation in Interfaith Conference 2014 organised at **United Nations**. In the year 2010 Acharya Dr. Lokesh Muni was awarded '**National Communal Harmony Award**' by **Government of India**, Honorable Vice President of India Mohd. Hamid Ansari and then Prime Minister Dr. Manmohan Singh honored Acharya Ji with the award. In 2006, Hon'ble Smt. Pratibha Patil conferred the famous 'Ethical Honor' of Gulzarilal Nanda Foundation to Acharya Lokesh. In the year 2007 the honorary degree of 'Doctorate' was conferred on Acharya Lokesh Muni by the Indian Board of alternative medicines.

**Acharya Ji has made endless efforts to establish Bhagwan Mahavir values of Non-violence, Unity in Diversity and Harmony in the society. A few remarkable efforts made by him in this field are:-**

- a. In 1993 Government of India had taken the decision to introduce eggs in mid-day meals served to students in schools. Acharya Ji with his influential efforts convinced Government to withdraw this decision.
- b. In 2000 Government of India had taken the decision to introduce smell of meat in tea, biscuit and ice cream. Acharya Ji with his influential efforts convinced Government to withdraw this decision.
- c. In 2002 Government of India had taken decision to open 4000 new slaughter houses. Acharya Ji made important contribution in making Government of India to withdraw this decision.
- d. Efforts of Acharya Dr. Lokesh Muni and Jain Community became successful in making Holy Jain Tirth Palitana Violence free in 2014.
- e. Efforts of Acharya Dr. Lokesh Muni and many eminent Jain leaders resulted in announcement of Minority Status to Jain Community at National Level by Government of India in 2014.
- f. Acharya Lokesh Muni efforts and protest by Jain Community the Rajasthan Government Project to construct Modern Slaughter houses in 26 districts in the state was cancelled in 2015.

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