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DEAN'S MESSAGE ON NURSES' DAY

"I slept and dreamt that life was joy. I awoke and saw that life was service. I acted and behold, service was joy."

- Rabindranath Tagore


I extend heartiest greetings to one and all on the occasion of Nurses Day 2020. The theme for this year "Compassion II Expertise II Trust", indeed, embodies the most revered and consecrated principles of human conduct, in general, and of the nursing profession in particular. Each year, on 12th May, we celebrate the joyous occasion of the birth anniversary of Florence Nightingale-'The Lady with the Lamp'. It is a day to commemorate not just the medical contributions of our nursing professionals, but also to acknowledge the hope and healing, the succor and solace that their service imparts to the diseased and the dying.

In today's times of great adversity, when the ominous cloud of the COVID- 19 pandemic looms large over us, the relevance and responsibilities of our nursing staff stand augmented manifold. We know that a lot is expected from medical professionals. We also know that we have the strength and the forbearance to rise up to the challenge and emerge victorious. We know that great personal sacrifice is expected from us. We also know that we are capable of it and of much more.

The foundation of the modern nursing was laid down during the Crimean war in the service of wounded soldiers. Adversity inspires men to discover who they are, what they are made of, what they can rise above, and what the heights they can achieve. If Florence Nightingale could single handedly, turn a disaster into an opportunity and pioneer a revolution in nursing care in the testing and trying times of war, let us be assured that every single service rendered, every small sacrifice made by us, multiplied over a million can change the destiny of humanity and the world as we know it.

The great Florence Nightingale once herself said, "I attribute my success to this- I never gave or took an excuse" Exceptional times call for exceptional measures. It is now time to rally all our resources, channelize all our energies and work with single minded devotion and focus on surmounting this colossal catastrophe that occurs but once in a lifetime.

I would like to end with this soul stirring lines by Harivansh Rai Bacchan;

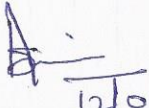

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वृक्ष हों भले खड़े,
हों घने हों बड़े,
एक पत्र छाँह भी,
माँग मत, माँग मत, माँग मत,
अग्निपथ अग्निपथ अग्निपथ।

तू न थकेगा कभी,
तू न रुकेगा कभी,
तू न मुड़ेगा कभी,
कर शपथ, कर शपथ, कर शपथ,
अग्निपथ अग्निपथ अग्निपथ।

यह महान दृश्य है,
चल रहा मनुष्य है,
अश्रु श्वेत रक्त से,
लथपथ लथपथ लथपथ,
अग्निपथ अग्निपथ अग्निपथ।


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