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&
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Diaspora Research and Resource Centre
New Delhi**

VIRTUAL CONFERENCE

Role of Diaspora in Promotion of Indian Culture Abroad

SEGMENT – II : Western Region (Europe, Americas and the Caribbean)

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DATE: 09 December 2020

TIME: 19.30 - 21.30 IST

PROGRAMME

INAUGURAL SESSION (30 mins)

Chair/Moderation/Introduction – **Amb. Virendra Gupta**, President, ARSP

Welcome Address - **Dr. Vinay Sahasrabuddhe**, President, ICCR

Guest of Honour - Dr. Vindhya Vasini Persaud, MP and Minister of Human Services and Social Security, Government of Cooperative Republic of Guyana, **Guyana**

Chief Guest: Keynote Address by **Hon'ble MoS Shri V. Muraleedharan**

Vote of Thanks - DG, ICCR

TECHNICAL SESSION (80 mins - 6 mins each intervention)

Chair/Moderator: **TBC**

Prof. Bal Ram Singh, Founder, Indic Centre, University of Massachusetts, Dartmouth, USA

Ms. Lata Pada, Founder & Artistic Director, Sampradaya Dance Creations, Mississauga, **Canada**

Mr Nanda Kumar, Director, Bhartiya Vidhya Bhawan, London, **UK**

Mr Rabin Baldewsingh, Former Deputy Mayor of Hague, The **Netherlands**

Dr. Arnold Norman Thomas, Retired Diplomat and Professor of Political Science, Suriname

Dr Satnarine Balkaransingh, Founder and Director, Kathak Kala Sangam & author, Trinidad & Tobago

Prof. Chandrashekar Bhatt, Founder and Former Director of Indian Diaspora Studies, Hyderabad University, India

Ms. Rama Vaidyanathan, Bharatnatyam artist, one of the Directors of Ganesha Natyalaya, India

(Reserved list: Mr. Anoop Bhargava, USA and Ms Mira Kaushik, UK)

Rapporteur: Amb. Anup Mudgal, Chairperson, Diaspora Research and Resource Centre

DISCUSSION & QUESTIONS (20 mins)

CLOSING SESSION (5 mins)