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Pravasi Bhartiya and Vishwa Hindi Diwas

The Consulate General of India, New York celebrated Vishwa Hindi Diwas (World Hindi Day) on Saturday, January 12, 2019 at the Consulate premises. Prominent guests from the Indo-American community and Hindi enthusiasts from Tri-state area gathered to mark the occasion.

Prime Minister Mr. Narendra Modi's message on Vishwa Hindi Diwas was read on the occasion. In his message Prime Minister asked Hindi enthusiasts to encourage widespread usage of Hindi. Participating scholars presented new initiatives that have been launched to promote Hindi using new technologies. Students of Hindi USA as well as children learning Hindi under the guidance of Consulate's Hindi teacher Dr. Dayashankar Vidyalkar, recited Hindi poems and narrated stories. This was much appreciated by the audience. Consul General Mr. Sandeep Chakravorty felicitated children on their excellent performance and presented them with Certificate of Participation and Hindi Books. He also commended the efforts of the Hindi literary community in promoting the language in the US. Prominent Hindi poets from the region recited their poems in a Hindi Kavi Sammelan. The poets included Mr. Ashok Singh, Mr. Ashok Vyas, Ms. Susham Bedi, Ms. Swadesh Rana and Mr. Vijay Mehta from New York. Mr. Anoop Bhargava and

Mr. Sandeep Vyas from New Jersey also recited their poems. Mr. Maneesh Srivastava and Ms. Sunayana Kachroo from Boston, Massachusetts also participated in the Kavi Sammelan. Deputy Consul General Mr. Shatrughna Sinha felicitated the poets and commended the creativity and sensitivity shown in their work.

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