



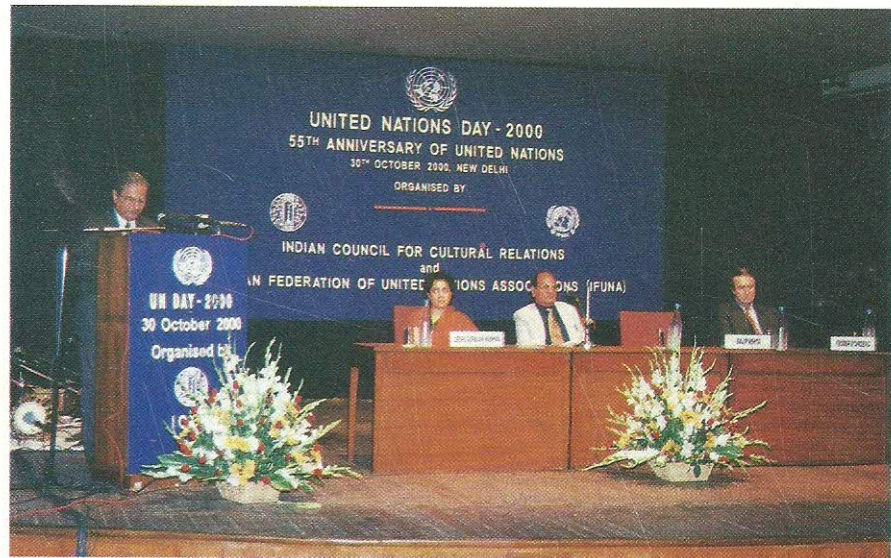
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UNITED NATIONS DAY FIFTY FIFTH ANNIVERSARY OF U.N.

Indian Federation of United Nations Associations celebrated October 30, the day India signed the Charter, as U.N. Day. This year the day was celebrated in collaboration with ICCR at Azad Bhawan, I.P. Estate. Smt. Deepa Gopalan Wadhwa, Dy. Director General ICCR welcomed speakers and guests. Mr. Fedor Starcevic Director, United Nations Information Centre read out the message of U.N. Secretary General Mr. Kofi Annan. India is one of the 51 founding member countries of the U.N. The contribution of India in various activities of the U.N. such as peace keeping, etc. were praised by Mr. Starcevic. He commended the role of IFUNA in spreading the ideals of the U.N. among the people of India.

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U.N., Speaking at the second session of the U.N. General Assembly 19 September 1947, - "Our organization,

the United Nations, has no 'isms' and ideologies; it embraces all civilisations of the West and East; its principles cannot be said to derive exclusively from any of the contending doctrines. That is why, in this most critical time, and notwithstanding the discouraging factors, we continue to place our faith in it."

India's contribution in the campaign against colonialism and apartheid, towards the creation of a more equitable international economic order, towards peace keeping operations among warring nations were highlighted by Sh. Mehta. He continued, India has consistently called upon the U.N. to enhance its development-oriented programme,



Ms. Piyali De presenting Odissi dance

MAHARASHTRA UNITED NATIONS ASSOCIATION



Mr. A.A. Syed, Secretary General MUNA welcoming participants

Report on activities of MUNA by A.A. Syed, Secretary General MUNA

U.N. Day was celebrated in collaboration with Govt. of Maharashtra on, 24 October 2000 at World Trade Centre Mumbai at 6.00 P.M., Hon'ble Mr. Justice F.I. Rebello, Mumbai High Court was Chief Guest and presided over the meeting. Guests of honour were, Hon'ble Principal Judge Mr. A.S. Augiar, of Mumbai City Civil & Session Court, Mr. A. Majeed Memon, renowned

Advocate & Mr. M.D. David, Professor University of Mumbai. Mr. P.D. Jadhav, Director, Information & Public Relations, Govt. of Maharashtra represented Govt. of Maharashtra. Dean of the Consular Corps, was H.E. Mr. Murtudha Mosin Ali, Consul General of Kuwait. Consul General of various countries, luminaries and distinguished members of of city were present.

Speeches covering the efforts U.N. has made in uplifting standards of human being, human rights and U.N.'s contribution in maintaining peace in the world were made. A colourful cultural programme of Folk Dances was presented. The programme concluded with the National Anthem played by Maharashtra Govt. Police Band.