

## Homage to Mahatma Gandhi in Dallas, TX

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**Dallas, TX:** Several community members gathered to pay rich tribute to Gandhiji on January 30th at the Mahatma Gandhi Memorial Plaza, Irving, TX, the largest Gandhi memorials in the USA.

**Mr. Rao Kalvala**, Secretary, Mahatma Gandhi memorial of North Texas (MGMNT) stated that this Mahatma Gandhi Memorial became the landmark for the Indian-American community Dallas / Fort Worth community. The idea of this landmark is to memorialize Mahatma Gandhi's struggle for India's Independence, his teachings and methods to bring peace and harmony.

**Dr. Prasad Thotakura**, Chairman, MGMNT, appreciated the community for their participation to pay homage to Mahatma Gandhi. He emphasized that this is the day to recollect and remember the hard work of Gandhiji to free India from the colonial British rule and rededicate ourselves in serving our motherland, India. Gandhiji's value foundations of society – Truth, Nonviolence, Love, Compassion, Respect and Equality are ever applicable anywhere.

**Mr. Taiyab Kundawala**, Co-chairman of the MGMNT stated that Gandhiji's efforts, the peaceful methods used to attain India's Independence and the support that received from people across the country was unparalleled.

**Mrs. Shabnam Modgil**, MGMNT Board of Director said Mahatma Gandhi was an inspiration to many world leaders to start civil rights movements in many continents and he belongs to the whole world not only just for India.

MGMNT leaders – Dr. Prasad Thotakura, Mr. Rao Kalvala, Mr. Taiyab Kundawala, Mrs. Shabnam Modgil, and Community leaders Dr. Viswanadham Puligandla, Mr. Gopala Pillai, Mr. Rahul, Mr. John Sherry, Mr. Alex Alexander, Mrs. Aleyakutti Francis, Mr. Satyan Kalyandurg and many members have paid floral tribute at the feet of Mahatma Gandhi's Statue.