

Statue of Chandra Shekhar unveiled by Sharad Pawar



Mumbai, Jan 7, 2020 (Issuewire.com) - The Statue of **Chandra Shekhar**, former Prime Minister of India, was unveiled recently by **Sharad Pawar** at **Bharat Yatra Kendra, Parantwadi, Maval, Pune**. The statue is dedicated to the '**Volunteers of Bharat PadhYatra**'. **Sudhindra Bhadoriya**, Permanent Trustee of **Bharat Yatra Kendra**, **Dr D Y Patil**, Ex-Governor of Bihar and Tripura, **Shrirag Barne**, Member of Parliament, Loksabha, **Amar Sable**, Member of Parliament, Rajyasabha, **Dr Ajeenkya DY Patil** and **Neeraj Shekhar**, Member of Parliament, Rajyasabha were among the distinguished dignitaries who graced the occasion.

All dignitaries were welcomed by **Dr Ajeenkya DY Patil**, President of **Ajeenkya DY Patil University and DY Patil Group**.

In his introductory speech, **Sudhindra Bhadoriya** took the audience back in time when **Janata Party President, Chandra Shekhar**, started his high profile **Bharat Yatra from Kanyakumari**. **Neeraj Shekhar**, son of **Shri Chandra Shekhar** fondly recalled childhood memories of his father, thereby gave a fascinating insight into the persona of the former Prime Minister.

Sharad Pawar addressed the crowd by recalling the contribution of the legend **Chandra Shekhar**. He opined **Chandra Shekhar's padayatra was unique and similar in many aspects like the Pad Yatra of Mahatma Gandhi and Vinoba Bhave**. He was the **first politician in recent times to walk from Kanyakumari to New Delhi and do it in a record six months**.

Supriya Sule, Member of Parliament, Loksabha felicitated all **Bharat Padh Yatris** present on the occasion, who had contributed with **Chandra Shekhar** during the journey from **Kanyakumari to New**

Delhi.

The event was also graced by the presence of **Sunil Shelke, MLA, Nana Navale, Ex-Member of Parliament, Madan Bafna Ex-Member of Parliament, Krushnakant Bhegade, Ex-MLA, Vilas Lande Ex-MLA, Mangalatai Kadam and Yogesh Behel, Ex-Mayor, Pimpri Chinchwad Municipal Corporation (PCMC).**

Picture Caption:- Felicitation of Neeraj Shekhar by Dr. Ajeenkya D Y Patil.

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