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COFFEE TABLE BOOK "TIDES OF TIME: BHARAT'S HISTORY THROUGH MURALS IN PARLIAMENT" BY SMT. SUDHA MURTHY, MP, RELEASED BY VICE PRESIDENT OF INDIA AND LOK SABHA SPEAKER

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Lok Sabha Speaker Shri Om Birla today emphasized the intrinsic relationship between a nation's past and its future. He remarked that the strength and direction of a nation's development are deeply influenced by the depth of its historical consciousness. Reflecting on India's civilizational journey, he observed that despite facing numerous challenges across centuries, the country has consistently demonstrated resilience, courage, and an unwavering commitment to progress.

Shri Birla made these remarks while releasing, along with Vice President of India and Rajya Sabha Chairman Shri C. P. Radhakrishnan, the coffee table book "Tides of Time: Bharat's History Through Murals in Parliament", authored by Smt. Sudha Murthy, Member of Parliament in the Princes' Chamber, Samvidhan Sadan, New Delhi. The occasion witnessed the gracious presence of Union Ministers, Members of Parliament, former MPs, and other dignitaries.

Shri Birla described the book as a powerful and accessible medium that brings to the people the rich history, culture, and civilizational heritage depicted in the murals of Parliament. He noted that the murals in the historic Samvidhan Sadan serve as a vivid visual narrative of India's extraordinary journey, capturing its ancient traditions, cultural evolution, and the monumental struggle for independence. He further observed that the book rearticulates Parliament's artistic legacy, democratic spirit, and collective

national memory. By presenting these narratives in a compelling and engaging format, it acts as a bridge between the past and the present, inspiring future generations to embrace the values of service, dedication, and nation-building.

Shri Birla commended Smt. Sudha Murthy for her simplicity of expression and depth of insight. He noted that her lucid and sensitive writing style makes complex historical themes accessible to a wide audience, particularly the youth. He expressed confidence that the book would play an important role in reconnecting younger generations with India's roots, cultural heritage, and national identity, thereby fostering a deeper sense of pride and belonging. He also remarked that nations, that remain connected to their heritage, draw strength and inspiration from it, enabling them to chart a confident path toward the future. In this context, he described the book as a significant contribution to strengthening the country's cultural and intellectual foundations.

In her remarks, Smt. Sudha Murthy thanked Lok Sabha Speaker Shri Om Birla, Lok Sabha Secretary-General Shri Utpal Kumar Singh, and the Lok Sabha Secretariat for their support in bringing out the book. Sharing the inspiration behind her work, she stated that her interactions with young people across the country revealed a concerning gap in awareness about India's history and heritage. She emphasized that history is not merely a collection of dates or isolated events, but a living continuum that shapes our identity, values, and worldview. She underscored that the sacrifices, struggles, and achievements of our ancestors must be communicated in a manner that is engaging, relatable, and meaningful for younger generations. By doing so, she noted, it is possible to instil a sense of confidence, pride, and belonging among the youth, while also encouraging them to contribute meaningfully to the nation's future.

Secretary-General, Lok Sabha, Shri Utpal Kumar Singh, delivered the welcome address and highlighted the significance of the publication as an important addition to the documentation of Parliament's artistic and cultural heritage.

The Coffee Table book has been published by Lok Sabha Secretariat.

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