

## Dallas Indian Lions Club presents prestigious Melvin Jones Award



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Dallas, TX: The Dallas Indian Lions Club had their annual Festival of India on Saturday 17 May at the beautiful Park Plaza Tower on the 7th floor with a gorgeous view of the entire Dallas area from all four directions of this sprawling banqueting floor.

The President of the Dallas Indian Lions Club, Shabnam Modgil presented the prestigious Melvin Jones Award to 3 outstanding individuals from the Indian community of the DFW metroplex.

Dr. Prasad Thotakura, Chairman of the Mahatma Gandhi Memorial of North Texas (MGMNT) for his exemplary community service.

Dr. Sacheen Mehta for all his contributions to the Indian community.

Mr. Mahesh Patel, the Immediate Past President of the Dallas Indian Lions Club for his outstanding service and spirit of Lionism.

Besides the honor bestowed on these 3 individuals by conferring on them the Lions Club International Foundation's Melvin Jones Award, which is named after the founder of Lions Club, president Shabnam Modgil also presented the club's individual awards of Lion of the Year to Dr. Raghu Naath Singh, Grassroots Lion of the Year to Lion Satish Shah, President's Award to Lion Mahesh Patel.

She also gave a very special award on behalf of the Dallas Indian Lions Club to Padma Shri Ashok Mago for having received this title and award from the President of India last month.

Entertainment for the evening was an Acapella presentation by students of the University of Texas, Dallas, a fashion show by StudioDdallas.com which included winners and participants of the recently held FunAsia Beauty pageant 2014.

There was also a stand-up comedy show by Comedian Paul Varghese.

The evening was attended by 300 guests which included Lion members of the club also, and they all enjoyed delicious food cooked by the chefs of FunAsia and concluded the evening with thanks for a well-enjoyed event by all.