



# patrika

राजस्थान पत्रिका | पत्रिका

**address:**

"Patrikayan" 5E,6A,  
Jhalana Institutional Area,  
Jaipur - 302017  
Ph.: 0141 - 7156666

**regd. office:**

rajasthan patrika pvt. ltd.  
kesargarh, j.l.n marg, jaipur - 53

**email:**

info@rajasthanpatrika.com

## Message

I am glad to know that the second International conference on Science and Jain Philosophy is being organized virtually jointly by Florida International University Steven Green School of International and Public Affairs and Jain Education and Research Foundation (JERF) USA from 19 march 2021.

I consider the theme 'consciousness Science and Jain Philosophy' highly significant. Religion plays an important role in society. Though many of its beliefs are a matter of faith and cannot be verified scientifically. They are ingrained in human psyche and most people believe them. While the jains and the followers of other traditions think that consciousness is an attribute of the soul science rejects the very existence of Atma or the soul. They consider consciousness biologically such as the neural correlates of consciousness. While science explores the visible world and religion believes in the invisible world which is the basic source of the material world. Our seer-scientists have explored the inner world which is infinitely infinite. Science also believes – energy which one cannot see but according to them energy and matter are interchangeable. The *vedas* talk of *pranais* which as a matter of fact are supraphysical energies. Both science and spirituality need to work together. Both have different areas and one cannot dismiss the other merely because one cannot see it.

I am glad for this webinar is bringing eminent scientist, spiritual leaders and scholars to a common platform. They will share their vision which may pave the way for the reconciliation between science and spirituality. I wish the webinar a great success.

**Dr. Gulab Kothari**