

## **Charter of**

## Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan Australia

The Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan (Bhavan) is a non-profit, non-religious, non-political NGO. Bhavan has been playing a crucial role in educational and cultural interactions in the world, holding aloft the best of Indian traditions and at the same time meeting the needs of modernity and multiculturalism. Bhavan's ideal is "*The whole world is but one family*" and its motto says "*Let noble thoughts come to us from all sides*".

Like Bhavan's other centres around the world, Bhavan Australia facilitates intercultural activities and provides a forum for true understanding of Indian culture, multiculturalism and foster closer cultural ties among individuals, governments and cultural institutions in Australia.

Bhavan Australia Charter derived from its constitution is:

- 1. To advance the education of the public in the:
  - a. the cultures (both spiritual and temporal) of the world
  - b. literature, music, the dance,
  - c. the arts,
  - d. languages of the world generally
  - e. philosophies of the world
- 2. To foster awareness of the contribution of a diversity of cultures to the continuing development of multicultural society of Australia
- 3. To foster understanding and acceptance of the cultural, linguistic and ethnic diversity of the Australian people of widely diverse heritages
- 4. To edit, publish and issue books, journals and periodicals, documentaries in Sanskrit, English and other languages, to promote the objects of the Bhavan or to impart or further education as authorized
- 5. To foster and undertake research studies in the areas of interest to Bhavan and to print and publish the results of any research which is undertaken

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