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# Plea to include inter-faith study in schools

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Dr Karan Singh, member of parliament, today suggested inclusion of activities on inter-faith exchange in school curriculum so that the children of different communities would imbibe the spirit of integration.

Delivering the lecture 'The Inter-Faith Movement' at the National Institute of Advanced Studies, Dr Singh said inter-faith interface should be popularised through television and other media. He said the media had made the cause of ecology very popular and it was now the turn of inter-faith movement to get a similar recognition.

He lamented that the media was regularly reporting on religious disharmony but nothing had been written home about the positive interaction between communities.

Dr Singh said inter-reiligious peace and harmony moves were going on across the globe and world religion movement was taking shape.

He felt that each religion could be interpreted in different ways

and said the Taliban destruction of Bamiyan Buddhas was 'un-Islamic'. Prof Mumtaz Ali Khan, participating in the group discussion after the lecture, said any religion was misinterpreted by the followers of other faiths. He called upon 'maths' and 'madrassas' to study the other religions too.

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## Tipu descendents start indefinite dharna

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The seventh descendant of Tipu Sultan, Asif Ali Shah, and his family members under the aegis of Kannada Ranadheerara Pade (KRP) launched an indefinite dharna today demanding the government to rehabilitate them at Srirangapatna. Mr Shah said the previous Janata Dal government had assured in the State Assembly that it would rehabilitate them.