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PALLAM RAJU TELLS CHILDREN TO HAVE COURAGE TO WALK THE UNCHARTED PATH CHILDREN'S DAY CELEBRATED ON THE THEME "UNIVERSAL BROTHERHOOD AND PEACE"

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On Children's Day, Union Minister for Human Resource Development Dr M M Pallam Raju gave a simple message to young minds---don't go where the path may lead. Go instead where there is no path, and leave a trail. The Minister was addressing thousands of children at Bal Bhavan, on the theme "Universal Brotherhood and Peace", in New Delhi today.

Dr Pallam Raju said the theme of brotherhood and peace was most apt in the modern day context—our world is still not comfortable for children to live in, fragmented as it is into region, religion and nation. He said the more children come together on a common platform and participate in activities, the more they would become compassionate leaders, and harmonious, sensitive adults. Paying rich tributes to Pandit Nehru, the Minister said his life and work has influenced the way we think, and the way we have grown as a nation.

As part of the Children's Day celebrations, for over an hour children presented a variety of spell-binding song and dance programmes.

The Minister took the occasion to launch Delhi Tourism's Ho Ho (Hop-on-hop-off) bus stop right outside the Bal Bhavan premises, putting the 56 year old institution on Delhi's cultural-tourism circuit.

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