

NAIC Donates Surplus Funds To Charities

Toronto: Pankajkumar Dave, Vice President, The National Alliance of Indo-Canadians (NAIC) that had organized the Toronto reception for Prime Minister Narendra Modi, recently presented to the group the complete accounting for the event. Dave disclosed that a total of \$715,696 were raised through sponsorship and donations from community and business corporates for making the mega event such a great success.

Nareshkumar Narayanbhai Chavda, Secretary General, NAIC and Chair of financial and organizational management, ensured effective execution of the accounts that were professionally managed by a chartered professional accountant. Chavda stated that a total of \$585,014 were spent for hosting the event where minimal monies were spent on administration as volunteers contributed through their own time, money, and effort. Most monies were spent on expenses related to facility rental and event management amounting to \$529,812 followed



by website and event logistics (\$39,205).

To ensure financial transparency in public interest, NAIC sought the services of an outside firm, 'ENT Vaughan LLP', to independently audit the accounts and the financial statements.

Dr. Azad Kumar Kaushik, President, NAIC and Chair, Organizing Committee stated that given the surplus monies raised for PM Modi event, a total donation of \$95,000 has been made to the community based charity or-

ganizations as follows:

Anjumane Burhani (\$40,000), Sanatan Mandir Cultural Centre (\$10,000), Sringeri Vidya Bharati Foundation Canada (\$10,000), Bochasanwasi Shree Akshar Purushottam Swaminarayan Sanstha (\$20,000), Voice of Vedas Cultural Sabha (\$5,000) and Pushtimargiya Vaishnav Samaj of Canada (\$10,000).

Dr. Kaushik thanked the community for helping host the reception for Indian Prime Minister Modi and making a major contri-

bution towards bringing Canada-India friendship to a high level.

Dr. Kaushik applauded the efforts of Co-Chairs, Organizing Committee, Deepak Ruparell, Ramesh Chotai and Vikram Khurana, together with all the members of the organizing committee, in ensuring the event a grand success. The pan-Canada efforts of Dr. Shivendra Dwivedi (Montreal), Mr. Shiv Bhasker (Ottawa), Prabhu Mishra (Calgary) and Mr. Aditya Tawatiya (Vancouver) helped make the event an all Canadian affair.

Raj Grewal Appointed To Key House of Commons Committees



Brampton: Raj Grewal, Member of Parliament for Brampton East, has been appointed as a member of the House of Commons Standing Committee on Finance, as well as the Standing Committee on Government Operations and Estimates.

The mandate of the Standing Committee on Finance is to study and report on all matters relating to the mandate, management, and operation of selected federal departments and agencies, including the Department of Finance and the Canada Revenue Agency.