

# **OBITUARY**

Dr. Badrinarayan Barwale, the Doyen of Seed Industry of India, was laid to rest on 24 July 2017 at Mumbai at the age of 86. He led a simple yet fulfilling and active life till the very end. His life was and will remain an inspiration to many in Jalna and elsewhere. Golden Jubilee School will miss him dearly for his vision, motivation and patronage. This bulletin is dedicated to him.

Death and Love are the two wings that bear the good man to heaven.

- Michelangelo



The life of the dead is placed in the memory of the living.

-Marcus Tullius Cicero

Life and death are one, even as the river and sea are one.

-Kahlil Gibran

Dr. Badrinarayan. R. Barwale: 1931-2017

Principal's letter of condolence to Dr. Usha Barwale Zehr

27-Jul-17

Dr. Usha Zehr, Mahyco, Dawalwadi, Jalna-431203

Dear Ma'am,

The death of your father has come as a shock to all of us; it must be for you as well. Though he was aged, his mind was active and at no time did we get the feeling that he would leave us so suddenly. The loss will be great for you, but it is no less for us, the Golden Jubilee family; for that matter, for the community, Jalna, Marathwada and the country. I cannot imagine the school without his benevolence and care. He was not just a father to you, but to all of us. His rare visit to the school infused energy and purpose, reminding us of our responsibilities, his vision and dream for Jalna. Every word he uttered was received like gospel and revered. Personally, my wife and I fondly remember the blessings we received on Diwali every year at his residence and the long chats we had, mostly pertaining to education. These will remain ever etched in our minds.

On 25 July, we had a special assembly to condole the death of our benefactor, where all children including the KG children attended, to pray for the departed soul. We had prayers read out from the Bhagavat Geeta, the Koran and the Bible.

We, the Golden Jubilee family share your grief with you. We pray that his soul rests in peace. Please accept our heart-felt condolences.

Yours sincerely,

(P Suresh) Principal

### **Photographic Memories**



**World Food Prize** 



**Technology Award** 

#### You are the one

You are the one
Who gave us inspiration
You never refused
To give appreciation
You are the son of soil
Who didn't let anyone spoil
You blossomed the tree
Of our life
I wish sir
You were alive
This is a moment we grieve

This is a moment we grieve The pains will never relieve



Padma Bhushan Award



**Maharashtra Corporate Excellence Award** 

None can replace you Thank you sir We miss you

Megh Chhabda, 7A

#### The Seed-man

From a small farmer to being a *Padma Bhushan* awardee, Dr. Badrinarayan Barwale has worked very hard to achieve greatness. He worked hard to develop the seed industry in a small place like Jalna. Born on 29 August 1930, he built a facility for the research to produce high quality seeds called Mahyco. As a gesture of gratefulness towards society he built world class eye care centre - Shri Ganapati Netralaya to

provide eye care facilities, and a college (named after him) and a school (our school), to raise the standard of education in Jalna.

A man with twinkle in his eyes, a smile on his face and a very soft heart, though a recipient of Padma Bhushan and the World Food Prize he humbly believed that he wasn't a deserving person for such accolades.

He lived, 86 years of a fulfilling and satisfying life. He is survived by his wife, five daughters and a son. He died on 24 July 2017 in Mumbai while returning home from an Angioplasty. Losing a man who displayed magnificent qualities and knowledge is really a great loss of the nation.

I don't feel competent enough to write about him. May the departed soul rest in peace.

Rutvika Bagadiya, 10A

#### **The Humble Soul**

From farming at his ancestral land to cultivating high yielding seeds to establishing the Maharashtra Hybrid Seeds Company (MAHYCO), Dr. B. R. Barwale has always been a great inspiration and pride for everyone. He is widely regarded as the father of Indian seed industry due to his efforts in this field. His devotion for the upliftment of Indian farmers and to develop a strong seed pipeline in India was instrumental in making food security, a reality in the country.

Dr. Barwale's simplicity, humility and inspiring personality endeared him to all. Being one of the greatest personages of India, he inspired thousands of people and proved that hard work indeed, is the key to success. He is a role model to many people. India, in fact the world, has lost one of the iconic figures in agricultural sector and his passing away has left a tremendous void. He will always be remembered and will stay in our hearts forever.

Disha Pitty, 10B

#### The Famous Simple Soul

'Great achievement is usually born of great sacrifice, and is never the result of selfishness.'

Badrinarayan Barwale, widely regarded as the father of the Indian seeds industry, worked relentlessly to revolutionize the farming practices. Having produced cheaper and high-yielding seeds in Marathwada region of India he widely helped farmers to cultivate their lands more efficiently.

This great man was born in 1931 in Hingoli, Maharashtra, India. He initially began with cultivating his family's land in the 1950's and thereafter started

MAHYCO in 1964. Mahyco expanded to a network of farmers producing new seed varieties of several different crops. With selfless devotion to work, assistance and guaranteed loans, Mr. Barwale's team was able to gain valuable feedbacks on different crops and make improvements in their yield and quality.

He was bestowed with the prestigious WORLD FOOD PRIZE in 1998 for his valuable work in the field of Agriculture. He was also presented with the PADMA BHUSHAN AWARD in 2001 for his distinguished service of high order in the field of trade and Economic activity.

'Neither fire nor wind, Birth nor death can erase the good deeds of great men.'

This great man took his last breath on 24<sup>th</sup> July 2017 in Mumbai. Though he is not with us any more physically, his altruistic deeds will always stay in our hearts and a respect for him will always be alive in our minds and hearts.

Aastha Agrawal, 9A

#### **An Inspiration Ends**

Dr. B.R. Barwale - 'the son of soil' was an inspiration and role model for many people. He was a man with a great vision, progressive mindset and a person completely filled with optimism.

Dr. Barwale's life shows us what one man's passion and noble thoughts can do to the world. His life reflects the values of hard work, patience, patriotism and kindliness. Dr. Barwale didn't only contribute towards the seed industry but also made valuable contribution to education and health. No words are enough to talk about such an extraordinary person. Dr. Barwale will certainly be missed, but surely not forgotten. May the departed soul rest in peace.

Varad Rathi, 11 C

#### **Bhagirathi of Indian Agriculture**

What you are is God's gift to you. What you become is your gift to God. In between these two ends is your life. No one can go back and change a bad beginning. But everyone can start today and create a successful ending. Likewise, Dr. B.R. Barwale, Founder Chairman of MAHYCO started his journey from this small town of Jalna and spread his wings far and wide, actualizing his infinite potential. He was a great visionary, well-known entrepreneur, philanthropist and educationist.

Barwale Sir had a humble beginning. He has written an inspiring script of his life creating lasting footprints on the hearts of all the Jalna people. He had started from the very place we all belong to, he had the same struggles which we all had, yet he has not only done his home land but also his home country proud.

We all will continue to draw inspiration from his values and work. Together, we shall strive to take his vision forward and strengthen our commitment towards improving the lives of Indian farmers. Grieved to share about the sad demise of Dr. B.R. Barwale. He devoted his life for the upliftment of Indian farmers and the best way to pay him homage would be to strive hard like him for our people.

Madhu Totla, 11 C

## **Awards and Recognitions**

Throughout his life, Dr. B R Barwale had received array of awards and recognitions for his contributions in various fields. Here is a list of some significant awards won by him.

**Father of Seed Industry in India** by Crop Science Society of America in 1973.

Honorary Life Membership of FIS, the international apex body of Seed Industry in 1996.

12th World Food Prize in 1998

Star of Asia award by Business Week in 1999.

Padma Bhushan Award in 2001

**Doctor of Science (Honoris Causa)** from the Tamil Nadu Agricultural University in 2002.

**Biotechnology Award** in 2003

Indian Council of Agricultural Research Excellence (ICAR) award in 2014.

Maharashtra Corporate Excellence (Maxell) Lifetime Achievement Award in 2016.

Felicitation by Prime Minister in 2016.

Compiled by- Amogh Sangewar, 11C

## 'The One; Who inspires Millions!'

All of us like to hear stories that inspire us. These stories of great men, generally titled 'The Rags to Riches' stories; have a typical plot; where the main character starts from humble beginnings and eventually turns out to be someone extremely important. Such is the story of late Dr. Badrinarayan Ramulal Barwale.

Dr. Barwale was born in 1931, in Hingoli district of Maharashtra. Badrinarayanji had to face numerous hardships at a very tender age. This ability to deal with Promethean hardships proved to be highly beneficial in his life. He was also a great patriot.

Dr. Barwale tested his fortunes in the field of agriculture on a small fragment of land inherited by

him. His sense of innovation coupled with his business acumen, paved way towards the incorporation of MAHYCO, a leading seed company of India. Since its establishment in 1964, MAHYCO has undertaken numerous successful ventures that have ushered new era in the field of seed industry.

Unfortunately, this true epoch maker remains no more with us. His demise has deeply pained many. Nevertheless, his story will continue to inspire a lot young people and will provide wings to millions of aspirations.

Amogh Sangewar, 11 C

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डॉ.बद्रीनरायण बारवाले यांच्या महान कार्याचे मोल सर्वांनाच चांगल्या प्रकारे माहित आहे. परंतु आज मला त्यांच्या आठवणीतुन काही सांगावे वाटते.मी 2002साली, श्री गणपती नेत्रालय जालना. येथे व्यवस्थापन विभागात काम करित असतांना एकदा डॉ.बद्रीनरायण बारवाले सर भेट देण्याकरिता श्री गणपती नेत्रालयात आले असता स्वागता साठी अनेक अधिकारी कर्मचारी होते त्यात मी ही होतो, प्रवेश करताच बाजूला श्री गणपतीची मूर्ती आहे सरांनी दर्शन घेतले आणी मूर्तीच्या खालील बाजुस कमळाचे पांढरेशुभ्र असलेले मार्बल काळपट झाले होते. मी बाजुलाच होतो आवाज दिला. मी लगेच गेलो आणी हळ्वार आवाजात म्हणाले मुर्तीच्या खाली बरेच काळे झाले.एवढें बोलून सर वरच्या मजल्यावर निघुन गेले. मी लगेच दोन महिला कर्मचारी बोलावल्या आणी तो संपूर्ण काळा झालेला भाग उभा राहन स्वच्छ करून घेतला. मी विचार करत होतो. एवढे मोठे सर पण, प्रत्येक बारिक गोष्टीकडे त्यांचे लक्ष, असे करता दोन तास होवून गेले. सर, पुन्हा खाली आले आणी गणपती दर्शन घेतांना त्यांचे लक्ष त्या स्वच्छतेकडे गेले आणी मला म्हणाले छान स्वच्छ केले. मला एवढा आनंद झाला कि मी सरांना हात जोडून नमस्कार केला.

2003 साली गोल्डन जुबिली शाळेत शिक्षक म्हणून आलो. अनेकदा डॉ.बद्रीनरायण बारवाले यांच्या आर्दश आठवतच होता त्यातच पुन्हा एकदा 2015 साली प्रि प्रायमरी स्पोर्टस डे होता. कार्यकम चालु असतांना डॉ.बद्रीनरायण बारवाले सर पाहुण्यांसह आले मंडपाच्या मागील बाजूस गाडी लावली मी फोटो काढत असल्याने मी लगेच जावून पोहचलो आमच्या प्राचार्य सरांनी मला चांगली खुर्ची आणायला सांगीतले परंतु डॉ.बद्रीनरायण बारवाले सर म्हणाले नको राहुदया. बसतो मी इथे मला फार आश्चर्य वाटले इतके मोठे सर, साधे व सरळ थोडा वेळ बसून निघाले आणी कार मध्ये बसतांना म्हणाले मी कार्यकमात व्यत्यय तर नाही आणला. तेव्हा मला फार गहिवरून आले. असा आर्दश का न ध्यावा.

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