

On 22nd March 2019, the Vice President of India Hon'ble Shri Venkaiah Naidu released a 3 Volume book titled *Felicitating a Legendary Archaeologist: B.B.Lal*, Co-Edited by Neera Misra, along with Chief Editor Dr B.R.Mani, and other Co-Editors AVM Rajesh Lal and Dr Vinay Kumar. Through contributions of articles by eminent scholars, this book is a tribute to the contribution of a 97 years young archaeologist who pioneered the excavations on Mahabharata Epic related places Hastinapura, Indraprastha, Kausambi, also working on Shishupalgarh and explored with significant outcomes the Indus Sarasvati River Civilization, Ayodhya, and unearthing many ancient roots of Bhartiya civilization.

A galaxy of dignitaries honored the occasion including Dr Lokesh Chandra the Czar of Buddhist Cultural Studies, Padmashri Awardee Archaeologist Shri K.K.Muhammad, Army Veteran Lt Gen Vishnu Kant Chaturvedi, Mahatma Gandhi's granddaughter Smt Tara Gandhi Bhattacharya senior officials from ASI and scholars from Delhi, Uttarakhand, Punjab and Uttar Pradesh and students of Archaeology.

The program was organized at the Conference Hall of the official residence of the Vice President of India, and hosted by his august office. The highlights of the program were telecast on Rajya Sabha TV.