



8th Dharma Dhamma Conference 2024

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Recently, the [8th Dharma Dhamma conference](#) was organised by the **India Foundation** in collaboration with **Gujarat University** in **Ahmedabad**.

- Vice-President **Jagdeep Dhankhar** was the **chief guest** for the event.
- The theme for the 2024 conference is "[Cosmology in Dharma and Dhamma.](#)"
- **Dharmic cosmology**, unique to Indian traditions, **frees people** from the **fear of death**. It highlights the perspective that **life is brief** and **may not have a definitive meaning**.
 - The roots of Dharmic cosmology are found in the [Vedas](#) and further developed in texts like the **Itihasa-Purana** and [Brahmanas](#), as well as the Buddhist [Nikayas](#) and **Sutras**, and [Jain Karikas](#) and **Sutras**.
- The conference is an initiative of **India Foundation**, aiming to highlight the essential identity between the Dharma (Hindu) and Dhamma (Buddhist) viewpoints.
 - India Foundation is an **independent research centre** focussed on the issues, challenges and opportunities of the Indian polity
- The conference seeks to facilitate the exchange of ideas and foster **harmony** between [Hindu and Buddhist civilisations](#), emphasising their relevance over millennia.

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