



## Dr JP Urges NRIs To Rejuvenate India

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Dr. Jayaprakash Narayan (Dr. JP) of Lok Satta had a well-attended public meeting at the Global Mall on May 29<sup>th</sup>, as part of his month long "Rejuvenate India" tour of different cities across the US.

"A small group of thoughtful, committed individuals can change the world," he said, quoting Margaret Mead, while explaining the role non-resident Indians



or Tamils, Northerners or Southerners, Hindus or Muslims, and not on any linguistic or caste basis, but, as Indians. Do not forget that," he said.

The spirited address elicited a standing ovation.

(NRIs) can play in rejuvenating India. NRIs have contributed much to the country, right from pre-independence days he said to the recent tech revolution, he said, adding, "NRIs can play a bridge between India and the rest of the world and can be true brand ambassadors of the country."

Dr JP talked about the achievements of NRIs, their problems with the Indian political system and ways to change the system. He delved into the role the youth and the middle class can play in the fight to clean up the political landscape.

He exhorted the best and the brightest to take politics as a calling and not as a business. Dr. JP's message was hard hitting, with several people trying to find out what or how they could help him in attaining his goal of seeing a better India, where the future of the country is in the hands of the people and not the politicians.

"There is a pervasive sense of frustration and helplessness everyone feels with the problems faced by the country and the only way to change it is through good politics," he said. Calling upon the educated middle class to indulge more in the democratic process, Dr. JP emphasized that we need to overcome the narcissism of small differences in the interest of the bigger cause of national reformation.

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"Fine designs and intricate workmanship are our forte," says Shiv Aggarwal.

"We have a large range of gold jewelry in traditional, antique and Victorian styles. Our diamond jewelry section has some of the most exquisite creations.

We also have stunning pieces of gold jewelry set in pearls, rubies, emeralds and other precious and semi-precious stones."

The store also has a wide range of silver puja and gift items.



Legacy Jewels opened nine years ago at the mall, and has, today, become a name synonymous with quality jewelry and great prices. "We have built a loyal clientele over the years," says

Aggarwal.

"Today, we have clients from all over the south east. Legacy Jewels has set a standard for quality and unbeatable prices."

## Children's Activities Galore At Global Mall

**Global Art** - offers the first structured art and creativity program for children in the Atlanta area, says cen-



ter owner Sudha Gopalakrishnan.

The Global Art program's goal is to inspire, shape, and develop creative thinking and artistic mastery in children ages 4 and up. With over 100,000 students internationally, Global Art has centers in 17 different countries.

"Global Art USA opened in Fall 2009 and has become popular in the Atlanta area as our students win school competitions, such as the PTSA Reflections

program, as well as one of the state finalist positions in Google's Doodle 4 Google Competition (out of 33,000 possible candidates)," says Gopalakrishnan.

Global Art consists of different levels that form a comprehensive art education for children. Global Art also offers other stand-alone programs such as G-Clay, Glass Painting, and Cartoon & Comic. Year-round Annual, National, and International competitions are conducted.

"Our Global Mall location is conveniently located on the 2nd floor near Ladlee," adds Gopalakrishnan.

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**Plaster Zone** - Put on a smock, grab a paintbrush, and have lots of fun! Plaster Zone is a great spot for arts and crafts loving children to let loose their creativity. Kids choose plaster items, molded into fun figures to paint.

"Plaster Zone is a great place to bring

out the artist in all your little guests," says owner Nikita Kuruganty. "Our arts and crafts parties are fun and memorable. Plaster Zone is a great place for birthday parties."



"Walk-ins are always welcome," adds Kuruganty. Walk-in painting prices range from 5.99 - 14.99 per child. To-go kits are also available.

**Plaster Zone - Ste # 590**  
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**Absolute Fitness** - This fitness place near the food court is home to Qi Force martial arts, which provides an energy release and structured class for children as well as adults. In the martial arts class attendees focus on mixed martial arts with a Taekwondo



base while learning self defense techniques. Each class is approximately 2 hrs in length, taught by a professor of the arts with over 30 yrs of experience.

"Here children learn coordination, discipline, and respect while gaining physical strength and flexibility," says Absolute Fitness owner Gelice Pace.

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