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**MARGARET ALVA TO RELEASE HER AUTOBIOGRAPHY ON THURSDAY IN JAIPUR**

Jaipur, 19 July:  The veteran politician and ex- Governor of Rajasthan, Ms. Margaret Alva will be in Jaipur to release her much-talked-about autobiography -- ‘Courage & Commitment ‘on 21 July. She will be in conversation with senior journalist, Ms. Nupur Basu, who is also a media educator and an award winning documentary film maker. Ms. Alva will also read extracts from her book. On the occasion, London based popular artist Ms. Shivani Sethia will perform a song in honour of Ms. Alva.

The event, which will take place at Hotel Hilton, is an initiative of Prabha Khaitan Foundation and is presented by We Care and Raghu Sinha Mala Mathur Charity Trust. Said Sudhir Mathur of Raghu Sinha Mala Mathur Charity Trust and Apra Kuchhal of We Care: “The book which has been released in many parts of the country has already made waves for its details manipulations and machinations in politics while shedding light in her inimitable way on friends and foes.”

‘Courage and Commitment’ outlines Alva’s forty year career under four Prime Ministers – Indira Gandhi, Rajiv Gandhi, P.V. Narasimha Rao and Manmohan Singh and her eventual transition from politician to Governor. It is essentially the story of a simple life made remarkable, and is narrated with the author’s trademark candidness.

It is worth noting that this will be for the first time that Ms. Alva will be visiting Jaipur after leaving office in 2014

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