

Aurobindo carried forward legacy of Vivekananda: Dr Mahesh, Prof Madhulika

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JAMMU: Guest speakers Dr Mahesh Kaul, Post Doctoral Fellow with the Indian Council of Philosophical Research, Ministry of Education, New Delhi and Madhulika Singh, Sr Assistant Professor, Department of History, University of Jammu cast spell on the audience, especially the youth during their impressive lectures on day-3 of the ongoing Inter-District UT Level Youth Festival being organised by the Directorate of Youth Services and Sports at Zorawar Singh Auditorium, JU here.

In their guest lectures, both the dignitaries asserted that Aurobindo Ghose, Indian Philosopher, Yoga Guru and poet had carried forward the legacy of another Indian Monk and Philosopher, Swami Vivekananda and had succeeded in completing almost all his unfinished missions.

While throwing light on the history and mission of Aurobindo, Prof Madhulika



Guest speakers Prof Madhulika and Dr Kaul receiving mementos from Director Sports Gazanfar Ali at JU.

said that Aurobindo studied for the Indian Civil Service at Kings College, Cambridge, England and after returning to India he took up various Civil Service works under the Maharaja of the Princely State Baroda and became increasingly involved in nationalist politics in the Indian National Congress and the nascent revolutionary movement in Bengal with the Anushilan Samiti.

He joined the Indian movement for Independence from British Colonial rule, until 1910 was one of its

influential leaders and then became a spiritual reformer, introducing his visions on human progress and spiritual evolution," added Madhulika.

Dr Mahesh said that Aurobindo was arrested in the aftermath of a number of bombings linked to his organisation in a public trial where he faced charges of treason for Alipore Conspiracy, adding, however, he could only be convicted and imprisoned for writing articles against British Colonial rule in India.

"During his stay in the jail,

he had mystical and spiritual experiences, after which he moved to Pondicherry, leaving politics for spiritual work," Dr Mahesh added.

Dr Mahesh further said the main literary works are The Life Divine, which deals with the philosophical aspect of Internal Yoga; Synthesis of Yoga, which deals with the principles and methods of Internal Yoga and Savitri: A Legend and a Symbol, an epic poem.

Meanwhile, young artists from various districts of twin divisions of Jammu and Kashmir displayed extraordinary cultural and artistic skills today on day-3 of the six-day long event to vie for the top honours and get the nod of the adjudicators for their selection in the National Youth Festival, being held at Puducherry from January 12 to January 16, 2022.

Young artists representing different districts presented a variety of cultural and items, which depicted tradition and culture of their respective

areas.

A total of 344 young artists, with 207 boys and 137 girls drawn from all 20 districts of the Union Territory are taking part in this cultural gala, besides 48 contingent in-charges.

On the occasion, the Director Youth Services and Sports served strict instructions to the in-charges of various contingents with regard to adhering to the SOPs and other Government guidelines during ongoing COVID pandemic.

The Director also honoured both the guest speakers with mementoes as a token of gratitude from the organisers.

Prominent among others present on the occasion were Bashir Ahmed, Joint Director (K), Jatinder Mishra, Deputy Director Jammu and DYSSOs from various districts.

Varinder Sharma (PEM) is looking after all the logistic arrangements for smooth journey of J&K contingent to Puducherry.

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Samta declared Best Boxer in Ramban C'ship

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Skill India State Coordinator, Pawan Singh and DDC Ramban, Renuka Katoch introducing boxers.

RAMBAN: Samta Devi adjudged best boxer in the 1st District Ramban Boxing Championship that took place at Prayas Hemkrisht High School, Govindpura Maitra, here on Monday under the aegis of Jammu and Kashmir Amateur Boxing Association (JKABA) and sponsored by J&K Sports Council (JKSC).

Samta secured gold in junior girls' 48 kg weight category and defeated Sanjeeta Devi in an interesting bout of the competition.

In this competition Skill India State Coordinator, Pawan Singh was Chief Guest while DDC Ramban

Boxing Association, Renuka Katoch was Guest of Honour. Among other distinguished gathering were Principal of host Prayas Hemkrisht School, S K Suman Atri and BJYM district president, Gurdeep Singh Chib.

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Bhalwal, Gold and Vikrant Singh, Silver. 44 kg: Kirten Chib, Gold; Kirten Singh, Silver and Hritik Singh, Bronze. 46 kg: Sourab Badyal, Gold and Andeep Singh, Silver.

BOYS: JUNIOR: 48 kg: Ranjeet Singh, Gold; Balbir Singh, Silver. 50 kg: Ubaid Katoch, Gold, and Veer Singh, Silver. 60 kg: Zuhaiab Katoch, Gold; Munawar Khan, Silver and Yatayi Singh, Bronze. SUB-JUNIOR: 46 kg: Kajal Devi, Gold and Shristhi Sharma, Silver. 48 kg: Tanvi Katoch, Gold and Sheetal Devi, Silver.

GST, Mahesh Rustogi leads the event with SP Sharma Soham Kamotra, Sumit Grover, Khalid Amin and Ajit Singh by scoring two points each.

Earlier, the organising committee held a meeting with players under the chairmanship of president AJKCA, Atul Kumar Gupta. Fide Arbitrator, Anil Kotwal was appointed as chief arbiter while AR Wani, Mushtaq Ahmed Malik and Burhan Wani made technical experts of the event.

Chandan qualifies Ph.D

STATE TIMES NEWS JAMMU: Chandan Sharma, son of Mohinder Kumar Sharma and Rajani Sharma, has been declared qualified for the award of Degree of Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D) in Chemistry by University of Jammu.



He worked on the topic 'Development of Heterogeneous transition metal catalysts based on nitrogen modified supports and their applications in organic synthesis' under the supervision of Prof. Satya Paul.

Volleyball meet begins at Zone Sathra

STATE TIMES NEWS POONCH: Part of the YSS Cup, the inter-Panchayat Zone level Volleyball tournament of Zone Sathra in district Poonch started today under the banner of Department of Youth Services and Sports (DYSS).

In total, seven teams of different Panchayats of Sathra are taking part in this event which is being held on knock-out basis.

Earlier, the competition declared open by Zonal Education Officer (ZEO) Sathra, Mohd Aslam Kohli, who was chief guest.

The event is being held under the supervision of Incharge Zonal Physical Education Officer (ZPPO) Sathra, Kulwant Singh.

Jammu hosts NZ Rollball C'ship from Jan 9

STATE TIMES NEWS JAMMU: Rollball Association of Jammu and Kashmir (RBAJK), under the aegis of J&K Sports Council (JKSC) shall host Ist Senior (Men and Women) North Zone Rollball Championship from January nine at MA Stadium, here.

"In this two day event, six states are likely to take part. And, the host J&K team shall be named on January five, the last day of the ongoing 15-day coaching camp," informed general secretary of the Association, Madhu Sharma.

J&K Chess meet gets underway

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JAMMU: The J&K UT Chess Championship, organised by the All J&K Chess Association (AJKCA), started today at Press Club, here. Selected players from district and divisional level competition are taking part in this UT level event.

The championship was declared open by Sports Officer of the J&K Sports Council (JKSC), Ashok Singh, who was Chief Guest. Amidst interaction



Chess matches in progress.

with officials and the participants, he wished everyone good luck.

The events are being held in Senior Men, Senior women and Under-19 open

Principals Commissioner

as well, a handout issued by the Association here on Friday informed.

Also present on the occasion were Arshid Ahmad Kulu (Secretary AJKCA), Khalid Amin, Baldev Raj, Kuljeet Singh Jamwal, Raj Kumar and Faisal Farooq.

The competition is being conducted in Swiss system by Swiss software as per latest International rules.

In total, seven rounds will be played in this event. Final will be played on January 5.

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adjudged as Player of the Match for his all-round performances.

On the occasion, the Lt. Colonel HMT Srinagar, Aashish Srivastava was the Chief Guest, who along with

the President of Budgam Tennisball Cricket Association, Dr. Mubashir Malik, gave away trophies and medals to winner and runner-up teams and players.

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YSS-Cup 2021: Inter-Zonal Block Level Volleyball tournament starts at Kishtwar, Paddar

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KISHTWAR: Sports Department officials on Monday hosted Inter Zonal Block Level Volleyball tournament in Block Kishtwar and Paddar under the aegis of YSS-Cup 2021.

More than 16 teams of Panchayat Hidyal, Lachchayaram-B, Matta-A, Matta-B, Pochhal-A1, Pochhal-A2, Pochhal-B1, Pochhal-B2, BT-1st, BT-2nd, Lachkhazan, pt. Machali Pyt, Palali Pyt, Atholi, Pyt. Kundal registered their name for the said tournament.

In the final played today, Bismillah XI Hajibugh defeated Madni Mohalla Hajibugh by two runs.

The third place was secured by Shah Fighters Hajibugh HMT Srinagar. In the final match, Faisal Ashraf was

adjudged as Player of the Match for his all-round performances.

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