

UNIFEST MIRROR

A TUMKUR UNIVERSITY SPECIAL BULLETIN FOR YUVASAMBHRAMA-2014 (FOR PRIVATE CIRCULATION ONLY)

Curtains Down to 30th Inter-University South Zone Youth Fest UNIVERSITY OF KERALA EMERGE OVERALL CHAMPIONS

Dr Sree Shivakumara Swamiji Auditorium: University of Kerala, Trivandrum, bagged the overall championship of Yuva Sambhrama-2014, the 30th Inter-University South Zone Youth Festival. Sri Sankaracharya University of Sanskrit, Ernakulam, Kerala, emerged the runner ups.

Sri Abhaychandra Jain, Hon'ble Minister of State for Youth Services, Sports & Fisheries, renowned Kannada actor Sri Devaraj gave away the trophies to the winners during the valedictory of the five-day long youth festival held at Tumkur University on Friday evening.

Among the eight events held under the category of fine arts, Sri Sankaracharya University of Sanskrit, Ernakulam, bagged the overall championship, while in the literary events Cochin University of Science and Technology, Kerala, won the cham-



The University of Kerala team in their happiest moments after receiving the overall championship on Friday. PIC: Lakshmana H.

pionship. The overall championship in the dance category went to University of Mysore, while the championship of the theatre events was bagged by Mangalore University. University of Kerala, again, secured the overall championship in music events.

University of Mysore bagged the first prize in the cultural procession, held as part of the youth festival, prior to its inauguration of December 8. The second prize was secured by Sri Sankaracharya University of Sanskrit, Ernakulam. The third prize was shared among three universities, i.e., Bangalore University, Krishna University, Machalipatnam, AP, and Tumkur University.

The winning teams sang, danced and pirouetted in adro with drums and other instruments. That was, indeed, the climax of Yuva Sambhrama.

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Cultural programmes unite youth: Minister

Tumakuru: Cultural programmes unite youth. Students should make the best use of their younger years by participating in the cultural and literary activities, said Sri Abhaychandra Jain, Hon'ble Minister of State for Youth Services, Sports & Fisheries.

Addressing the valedictory of five-day long Yuva Sambhrama-2014, the 30th Inter University South Zone Youth Festival, organized by Tumkur University under the aegis of Association of Indian Universities (AIU) on Friday, he said the youth festivals provide right platforms to the young talents to explore and develop greater skills.

Congratulating Tumkur University for the successful organization of the youth festival, the Minister said the credit should go to the excellent team of teaching, non-teaching staff and students led by its Vice Chancellor and Registrar.

"The event has ushered in more energy among the youth. More such programmes should be held in the university," he wished, adding that the university has grown strong and robust in the past 10 years.

In his address, Sri Sampson David, Joint Secretary, AIU, said the moment he experiencing is the best one in his life. "India is the epicenter of youth power of the universe. Youth should use their energy for constructive purposes," he advised.

Dr. M. Mohan Alva, President of Alva's Education Foundation, Moodabidri said youths can derive artistic talent and patriotism only if they have an aesthetic sense. The ones who do not have them, will become dangerous to the country, he observed. "The universities and other educational institutions



Sri. K. Abhaychandra Jain, Minister of State for Youth Services, Sports & Fisheries, being presented a memento by Prof. A. H. Rajasab, Vice Chancellor and Prof. D. Shivalingaiah, Registrar, Tumkur University. Dr. A. M. Manjunatha, Sri. Sampson David, Dr. M. Mohan Alva are seen.

should impart timely cultural values to the youth along with the formal education," he suggested.

We should not forget that the Indian culture has a strong base due to the efforts our ancestors. Culture should be our passion but not fashion. Our folk arts are endangered. We have to do something to preserve them, Dr. Alva said.

In his presidential address, Prof. A. H. Rajasab, Vice Chancellor of Tumkur University said the success of Yuva Sambhrama due to the team work teachers, non-teaching staff and the students. He appreciated the efforts of Dr. A. M. Manjunatha for being the cultural coordinator of the youth fest.

"Youth are the cultural ambassadors of the country. They are the future of this country," he noted. "The goodness of the public of Tumkur has enhanced my confidence. The event is a live witness to the fact that the people of Tumkur are always with good programmes,"

he added.

Dr. Sorabh Lakhnapal, Observer from AIU said he is greatly satisfied at the excellent organization of the youth festival. "I had told earlier that though small, the Tumkur University team will certainly do well. They have proved my expectations," he stressed.

Sri K. S. Satyamurthy, Deputy Commissioner, Tumkur district, Prof. D. Shivalingaiah, Registrar, Tumkur University were present. Prof. N. B. Naduvnamani, Registrar (Evaluation) welcomed; Dr. A. M. Manjunatha, the Cultural Coordinator proposed an elaborate vote of thanks. Earlier, Smt. Geeta Rudresh, Mayor, Sri Hucchaiah, President, Zilla Panchayat, Sri. R. Lakshman, Additional SP, Sri. A. Sharief from City Corporation, Sri Rangaswamaiah from TUDA and Dr. M. Mohan Alva were felicitated by Tumkur University.

(With inputs from Govardhana S. N., Majeedh H. N., and Mounesha Mallera)

Film stars draw limelight

Two ace film personalities Sri Yogaraj Bhat and Sri Devaraj drew the limelight during the valedictory of Yuva Sambhrama—2014. Large number of youths at the jam-packed Dr. Sree Shivakumara Mahaswamiji Auditorium were on their toes to listen to the words of their favourite stars. Famous film director Sri. Yogaraj Bhat attracted the huge fan crowd in his own typical humorous style. "We are born children, but grow impish gradually," he said in a lighter vein and there was a loud applause. "We come to know about our responsibilities when we get our children," he again received hundreds of whistles and claps. Sri Devaraj said the event is a great memorable moment in his life. "Along with others, I too have learnt a lot of new things today," he said. "Youths who are ready to face challenges should not forget their culture wherever they go in the world. Only by such youths our country becomes rich," he added.

Overall Champions and Runners	
Prize	Name of the University
Overall Champions	University of Kerala, Trivendrum
Runners up	Sree Sankaracharya University of Sanskrit, Kalady

Event-wise championship			
Sl. No	Event	Merit	Name of the University
1	Music Group	Champion	University of Kerala, Trivendrum
		Runner	
2	Dance Group	Champion	University of Mysore, Mysore
		Runner	
3	Literary Group	Champion	Cochin University of Science and Technology, Kochi.
		Runner	
4	Theatre Group	Champion	Mangalore University, Mangalore
		Runner	
5	Fine Arts Group	Champion	Sree Sankaracharya University of Sanskrit, Kalady
		Runner	

Procession/Cultural Rally		
Event	Name of the University	Prize
Procession /Cultural rally	University of Mysore, Mysore	I
	Sree Sankaracharya	II
	University of Sanskrit, Kalady	
	Krishna University, Machilipatnam	III
	Bangalore University, Bangalore	III
	Tumkur University, Tumkur	III

Cultured ones will never fail: Jeevanram

Sri. Jeevanram Sullia is a noted theatre director, who has rendered yeoman service to the field in the past two-and-half decades. In his direction, the Alva’s Ranga Adhyayana Kendra, Moodabidri, has bagged six national awards. A diploma holder in Theatre Arts from Neenasam, Jeevanram has expertise in various aspects of theatre like acting, music, light, costume, make-up, etc. He has directed hundreds of street plays intending to create social awareness. Mricchakatika, Suryashikari, Tale-danda, Mahamayi, Andhayuga, Bhasa Bharata, Panjara Shale, etc. are some of the well-known plays directed by Sri Jeevanram.

Sri Jeevanram was in Tumkur University as the manager of the Alva’s Ranga Adhyayana Kendra that performed a prodigious cultural variety prior to the valedictory of Yuva Sambhrama 2014. Here are a few excerpts from his interview with the ‘MIRROR’:

What is your opinion about Yuva Sambhrama?

I have been participating in youth festivals for the past 10 years. Seldom had I found a fest of this kind anywhere. Excellent organization and arrangements.

How do you find Tumkur University campus?

It is marvelous indeed. Beautiful structures, sufficient greenery, fresh air and artistic expressions. The Vice Chancellor and Registrar have a very good team of teaching, non-teaching staffs and disciplined students. I have



never come across a university like this giving more importance to culture.

What kind of plays you are interested in?

I like to direct plays with mythological themes that give more importance to language and cultural hues.

Your opinion about UNIFEST MIRROR?

It is a very good effort. I appreciate the efforts put by the Journalism students in producing the bulletin.

What is your message for youth?

Youth need to inculcate more cultural values in their life. An individual with cultural ethos will never face failure in his life.

Interview by: Lakshmana H.

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Result sheet event-wise

Folk/tribal dance	University of Mysore, Mysore	I
	Mangalore University, Mangalore	II
	Bangalore University, Bangalore	III
Classical Dance	Vijayanagara Sri Krishnadevaraya University, Bellary	III
	University of Calicut, Calicut	I
	University of Kerala, Trivendrum	II
	Cochin University of Science and Technology, Kochi.	III
	Mahatma Gandhi University, Kottayam	III
Quiz	Cochin University of Science and Technology, Kochi.	I
	University of Calicut, Calicut	II
	University of Kerala, Trivendrum	III
Elocution	Central University of Kerala, Kasargod	I
	University of Calicut, Calicut	II
	Cochin University of Science and Technology, Kochi.	III
	University of Kerala, Trivendrum	III
Debate	Cochin University of Science and Technology, Kochi.	I
	University of Kerala, Trivendrum	II
	Central University of Kerala, Kasargod	III
	University of Calicut, Calicut	III
One-act play	Mangalore University, Mangalore	I
	Sree Sankaracharya University of Sanskrit, Kalady	II
	Kuvempu University, Kuvempu	III
	University of Kerala, Trivendrum	III
Skit	Mahatma Gandhi University, Kottayam	I
	Mangalore University, Mangalore	II
	University of Kerala, Trivendrum	III
	Bangalore University, Bangalore	III
Mime	Mahatma Gandhi University, Kottayam	I
	Bangalore University, Bangalore	II
	Mangalore University, Mangalore	III
	Acharya Nagarjuna University, Guntur	III
Mimicry	University of Kerala, Trivendrum	III
	Sree Sankaracharya University of Sanskrit, Kalady	I
	Mangalore University, Mangalore	II
On-the-spot Painting	University of Calicut, Calicut	III
	Gulbarga University, Gulbarga	III
	Mahatma Gandhi University, Kottayam	III
	Sree Sankaracharya University of Sanskrit, Kalady	I
Collage Making	University of Kerala, Trivendrum	I
	Vellore Institute of Technology, Vellore	II
	Amrita Vishyavaidyapeethm, Coimbatore	III
	Mahatma Gandhi University, Kottayam	III
	Gulbarga University, Gulbarga	III
Poster Making	Gulbarga University, Gulbarga	I
	Sree Sankaracharya University of Sanskrit, Kalady	II
	University of Calicut, Calicut	III
	Kuvempu University, Kuvempu	III
Clay modeling	Vellore Institute of Technology, Vellore	III
	Sree Sankaracharya University of Sanskrit, Kalady	I
	Mangalore University, Mangalore	II
	Tumkur University, Tumkur	III
	University of Mysore, Mysore	III
Cartooning	Gulbarga University, Gulbarga	III
	University of Calicut, Calicut	I
	Sree Sankaracharya University of Sanskrit, Kalady	II
	Gulbarga University, Gulbarga	III
	University of Mysore, Mysore	III
Rangoli	University of Kerala, Trivendrum	III
	Tumkur University, Tumkur	I
	Vijayanagara Sri Krishnadevaraya University, Bellary	II
	University of Mysore, Mysore	III
	University of Calicut, Calicut	III
Spot Photography	Acharya Nagarjuna University, Guntur	III
	Sree Sankaracharya University of Sanskrit, Kalady	I
	University of Kerala, Trivendrum	II
	KLE University, Belgaum	III
	Amrita Vishyavaidyapeethm, Coimbatore	III
Installation	Acharya Nagarjuna University, Guntur	III
	Acharya Nagarjuna University, Guntur	I
	University of Kerala, Trivendrum	II
	University of Mysore, Mysore	III
	Sree Sankaracharya University of Sanskrit, Kalady	III
	Tumkur University, Tumkur	III

Research projects flood in TU

Fifty four research projects worth Rs. 6 crore in four years! That is unbelievable for a young university, but one should inevitably believe it, because it has happened in Tumkur University. Research projects have literally flooded the varsity in the past 4-5 years.

The University has submitted more than 300 research proposals to various funding agencies across the country in the recent years. As many as 54 research projects have already been sanctioned to the university from prestigious institutions like UGC, DRDO, DST, ICSSR, ICHR, CSIR and the like. The university has received one project in 2010, 8 projects in 2011, 12 projects in 2013, 29 projects in 2013 and 4 projects in 2014.

Some of the major projects include Rs. 16,41,000 project from ISRO (Dr. H. Nagabhushana), Rs. 36,05,000 project from DST (Dr. P.

Raghavendra Kumar), Rs. 20,00,000 project from Govt. of Karnataka (Dr. R. G. Sharthchandra), Rs. 40,00,000 project from Govt. of Karnataka (Dr. S. Deveraja), Rs. 90,84,000 from DST Nano Mission (Dr. H. Nagabhushana), Rs. 24,08,000 project from SERB (Dr. R. G. Sharthchandra), Rs. 25,02,000 project from SERB (Dr. Vijay Kumar G. R.), Rs. 22,92,000 project by CSIR (Dr. P. Ragavendra Kumar), Rs. 30,00,000 project from VGST (Dr. S. Devaraj), Rs. 24,28,000 project from SERB (Dr. T.N.Ramesh), Rs. 51,50,000 project from DST (Dr. P. Ragavendra Kumar).

Rs. 550000 project from British Council (Ashwin Kumar AP), Rs. 452575 project from ICSSR (Dr. MouneshwaraSrinivasaRao), Rs. 528900 project from ICSSR (Srinivasa Murthy M. D.), Rs. 800000 project from ICSSR (Dr. B. Ramesh), Rs. 491000 project from UGC (Dr. Kes-

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have already registered for Ph.D in different disciplines in the past three years, while the university has recognized about 150 research guides.

The University has also recognized a total of 68 prestigious institutions across the country as its research institutes, while the university itself has established 29 research centres on its campus. 'Prof. CNR Centre for Advanced Materials' is an ambitious project of the University that has brought all kinds of science research under a single umbrella.

Through its various research projects, the university has acquired the most advanced scientific equipments for its laboratories which will be a boon for its researchers. The university has more than 50 unique equipments such as the advanced XRD equipment worth Rs 60 lakh, remote sensing and GIS software worth Rs 20 lakh and FFIR spectrometer worth Rs 15 lakh.

Yuva Sambhrama-2014: A Retrospection



Yuva Sambhrama-2014, 30th Inter-University South Zone Youth Festival, gave a rare opportunity to Tumakuru, known as 'Kalpataru Nadu' (the land of coconut), to witness the cultural diversity of South India. Tumkur University, being at its decennial year (2004-2014), underwent some of the proudest moments of its history to host a mega event involving the participation of about 800 competitors from 22 universities of Kerala, Tamil Nadu, Andhra Pradesh, Pondicherry and Karnataka. The youngsters blessed with talents unraveled the Indian diversity through their participation in various competitions. Yuva Sambhrama proved an excellent platform for students from different cultural, social and economic backgrounds to mingle, learn and understand each other, besides taking the message of unity, integrity, fraternity, peace, harmony and development.

The five-day long Yuva Sambhrama, organized by Tumkur University, under the aegis of Association of Indian Universities (AIU) witnessed a grand start on December 8, 2014 in the august presence of eminent guests and dignitaries. Renowned Kannada writer and film maker Prof. Nagathihalli Chandrashekhara inaugurated the youth festival in the presence of Prof. Chandrakala Padia, Chairperson of the IIAS Shimla and the Vice Chancellor of Maharaja Ganga Singh University, Bikaner, Prof. Furqan Qamar, the Secretary General, AIU, Sri Sampson David, Joint Secretary, AIU and Dr. Sorabh Lakhnarpal, Observer, appointed by the AIU.

The observation of Prof. Nagathihalli in his inaugural address that "cultural poverty is the most dangerous phenomena of our country" is something that requires serious thought from every individual of the society. He also mentioned that we will certainly lose our cultural diversity if we forget our cultural values in the pretext of globalization. His advice to Indian universities to strive towards achieving a harmonious blend of Arts and Science faculties is worth remembering.

Deputy Commissioner of Tumakuru district Sri K. S. Satyamurthy, Superintendent of Police Sri Raman Gupta were present on the occasion. 'A Golden Saga of Youth Festivals' by Sri Sampson David, the Joint Secretary of AIU, and a souvenir of the Yuva Sambhrama was released at the function.

Prior to the inaugural, there was a colorful cultural procession where troupes from different universities participated with full of vigour and energy. The procession was flagged off by Sri. K. S. Satyamurthy at Mahatma Gandhi Stadium, in the presence of MLA Dr. Rafique Ahmed among other dignitaries. The procession was led by a troupe of folk artists formed by the District Kannada and Culture Department.

The 30th Inter-University South Zone Youth Festival had a total of 35 competitions in five categories namely, music, dance, literary, theatre and fine arts. Tumkur University had arranged six venues at different corners of the campus for conducting different competitions, and one more

venue outside the campus. Dr. Sree Shivakumara Mahaswamiji Auditorium, Sir M. Visvesvaraya Auditorium, University College of Arts, Dr. P. Sadananda Maiya Block, the Amphitheatre, Bharatratna Dr. M. S. Subbulakshmi Dept. of Fine Arts were the venues inside the campus, while Dr. Gubbi Veeranna Kalakshetra was the venue for theatre events at the heart of the City.

Competitions like One Act Play, Spot Photography, Spot Painting, Elocution, Group Song (Indian), Classical Vocal Solo (Hindustani/Carnatic), Classical Dance, Collage and Installation were held on December 9, the second day of the festival. One Act Play, Poster Making, Debate, Group Song (Western), Classical Instrumental Solo (percussion), mimicry, clay modeling competitions were held on December 10, the third day of the event.

Folk/tribal dance, skit, mime, cartooning, classical instrumental solo (non-percussion), light vocal (Indian), rangoli and quiz competitions were held on December 11, the fourth day of the youth fest. There were two competitions on the last day - folk orchestra and western vocal (solo).

The five-day cultural extravaganza reached its climax with the announcement of winners of various competitions and the champions at the valedictory ceremony that began at 3pm on December 12 (The details of winners have been given on page 1 & 2). The valedictory ceremony became more colourful with a two-hour long cultural feast by the students of

Alva's Ranga Adhyayana Kendra from Moodabidri, Dakshina Kannada. The audiences were excited to witness the participation of celebrities like Sri Yogaraj Bhat and Sri Devaraj. Sri Abhaychandra Jain, Hon'ble Minister of State for Youth Services, Sports & Fisheries, and Dr. M. Mohan Alva, artiste and educationist, were the chief guests.

The teaching, non-teaching staffs and student volunteers have worked day-and-night to make Yuva Sambhrama a grand success. There were a total of 22 committees to look into the various aspects of organizing the mega event. Prof. A. H. Rajasab, Vice Chancellor, and Prof. D. Shivalingaiah, the Registrar of Tumkur University were the two guiding forces for the entire battalion, coordinated by Dr. A. M. Manjunatha, the Cultural Coordinator of the event. UNIFEST MIRROR, a special daily 4-page bulletin brought out by the Media & Publicity Committee received laurels from all the participants including various dignitaries, guests, juries and the members of the public.

Union Ministry of Skill Development, Entrepreneurship, Youth Affairs and Sports was the major sponsor of this cultural festival. Various educational institutions, private organizations and generous individuals have also given financial support to the university in organizing the youth festival. The cooperation of the district administration, City Corporation and police are also worth appreciating.

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SPECTACULAR CULTURAL SHOW ON THE LAST DAY



A spectacular cultural show by the students-troupe of Alva’s Ranga Adhyayana Kendra, Moodabidri, was the highlight of the last day of Yuva Sambhrama. The troupe comprised of 150 students representing the diverse India and even some other neighboring countries. The show included Yakshagana, Banjara dance, Manipuri Dance, Bengali lion dance, Sri Lankan folk dance etc. A few of the snaps of the event, besides a few others are given here.

WHEN ‘MIRROR’ TURNS A LAB

The UNIFEST MIRROR has been a laboratory for the students of University College of Arts, who study Journalism along with Kan-
nada and Political Science as
Optional Subjects. They just felt
like working for a hot newsroom as
they covered the entire Yuva
Sambhrama for five days. The cred-
it of the professional MIRROR
should be shared among them too.
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