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Akhil Bhartiya Vigyan Mela



Sanskriti Mahotsav 2024



ATL Innovation Expo Techathon

Akhil Bharatiya Vigyan Mela - 2024, Jaipur



The closing ceremony featured of Rajasthan, Minister of State for Cooperation and Civil Aviation, Shri Gautam Kumar Dak; Manju Sharma from Jaipur Metropolis; Director of Utkarsh Classes, Dr. Nirmal Gehlot; Western Uttar Pradesh Prant Organizing Secretary, Shri Domeshwar Sahu among others.

Jaipur | Akhil Bharatiya Vigyan Mela - 2024, (Science Fair) was held at Saraswati Balika Uchcha Madhyamik Vidyalaya, Jaipur, from November 13 to 16, 2024. The fair was inaugurated by of Rajasthan, Hon'ble Education Minister Shri Madan Dilawar. On this occasion, alumnus and Director of Allen Career Institute Kota, Shri Naveen Maheshwari announced special coaching packages for Vidya Bharati students. The Western Uttar Pradesh region secured first place. The main highlight of the science fair was the "Science Talk" in which Prof. Ravindra Kumar Agarwal, Senior Director at DRDO, guided the students and praised the models presented, encouraging them to work diligently to contribute to the nation's progress. 177 brothers and 119 sisters participated in the fair.



ATL Innovation Exhibition "Techathon-2024", Delhi



The three-day Atal Tinkering Lab Innovation Exhibition Techathon-2024 was organized at IIT Delhi from November 9 to 11. Jointly conducted by Vidya Bharati and Unnat Bharat Abhiyan, in collaboration with NITI Aayog and AICTE, the event aimed to foster technical innovation and entrepreneurship and to promote technical innovation, creativity, and entrepreneurial skills among students. It provided a platform for students to showcase their innovative ideas and contribute to the development of new solutions that can benefit society. The event showcased the top 100 models selected from schools across the country, highlighting student innovation and creativity in various technical fields. Out of the 100 models displayed at the event, 22 students received awards for their outstanding models, while 78 were honored with trophies and certificates. Earlier, addressing the event, Shri Gobind Chandra Mahant, Akhil Bharatiya Organizing Secretary of Vidya Bharati, encouraged students to contribute to the progress of the nation through continuous innovation. He emphasized the importance of persistent creativity and technological advancement in shaping the future. Vidya Bharati's General Secretary, Shri Avneesh Bhatnagar, emphasized that students should use new technologies and innovations to make life simpler and easy for common people. This aligns with Vidya Bharati's goal of encouraging the development of technologies that can empower the nation, making it self-reliant and capable of progress. At the event, Ms. Dipali Upadhyay, Program Director of the Atal Innovation Mission at NITI Aayog, encouraged students to strive to become job providers rather than job seekers.

During the event, a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) was exchanged between Atal Innovation Mission, NITI Aayog, and Vidya Bharati. During the Techathon event, several prominent individuals shared their insights, including Nitin Choubey, Akhil Bharatiya ATL Coordinator of Vidya Bharati, Narendra Singh Jaisal, Senior Principal Scientist at CSIR Chandigarh, Shri Deshraj Sharma, Regional Secretary of Vidya Bharati North Region, and other key figures like Kamal Kishore Sinha, Satish Maheshwari, and Dr. Alok Choubey, Registrar of IGNOU. In this event. Significant contributions were made by Meeta Bolia, Senior Manager of the Unnat Bharat Abhiyan at NCI IIT Delhi, Shalini Middha, Program Coordinator, and Manvi Ajeet Singh, Senior Scientist at Unnat Bharat Abhiyan, NITI Aayog. Their efforts played a key role in the successful execution of the event, highlighting the importance of collaboration in promoting innovation and technical advancements among students.

Resolve to integrate schools and colleges with villages

Prof. V.K. Vijay, National Coordinator of Unnat Bharat Abhiyan, emphasized that the vision of a developed Bharat cannot be complete without integrating villages. Therefore, we have to resolve to integrate every school and college of the country with villages. AICTE Vice Chairman Abhay Jere encouraged students to remain determined, loyal and dedicated towards their work. Dr Ravindra Kanhere, Vice President Vidya Bharati, described the development of self-reliant defense technology as important and called for technological development according to the needs of Bharatiya society. R.P. Khaitan, Vice President



Lecture on Kutumb Prabodhan

The Concept of Family is Bharat's Unique Gift to the World: Avneesh Ji

Indore | The Vidwat Parishad, Indore, Malwa Prant, organized a lecture at the Lata Mangeshkar Auditorium. On this occasion, Vidya Bharati's General Secretary, Shri Avneesh Bhatnagar, emphasized that disintegrating families are a major issue in Bharat and worldwide. He explained that the Bharatiya cultural concept of family is extensive and profound. Individuals develop mental resilience, emotional depth, and virtuous character through family structure. Unfortunately, this time-tested social system is now fragmenting. He noted that breaking families and strained relationships are becoming a severe global problem. Family is the foundation of social life, and its collective strength is essential. The concept of family is a significant gift from Bharat to the world, a unique contribution derived from the profound reflections of Bharatiya sages. Today, the world is amazed by the originality, and strength of the Bharatiya family system.

Moira Sariya's Managing Director, Shri Pawan Singhania, presiding over the event, highlighted how various relationships enrich a child's life and instil a sense of responsibility. Shri Pankaj Pawar, Prant Pramukh of Vidya Bharati Malwa Prant, discussed the importance of "Sanskriti



Bodh Mala" and "Devputra" in daily life. Several notable figures participated in the lecture, including Shri Vivek Shendye, Secretary of Vidya Bharati Central Region; Shri Yogesh Sharma, Organizing Secretary of Vidya Bharati Malwa Prant; Dr. Kamal Kishore Chitlangya, Presedent; Shri Prakash Chandra Dhangar, Secretary; and Ms. Hina Neema, Shri Rakesh Bhavsar, and Shri Keshav Gupta. The program was conducted by Shri Kamal Bawadiwal.

Students from Saraswati Vidya Mandir, Manik Bagh, Indore, gave an impressive presentation on the life of Devi Ahilya, while students from Keshav Vidyapeeth performed a dance on Saraswati Vandana.



Akhil Bharatiya Sanskriti Mahotsav 2024: Ujjain



Ujjain | The 36th Akhil Bharatiya Sanskriti Mahotsav was organized in Malwa Prant, Madhya Pradesh from 16th to 19th November 2024 at Saraswati Vidya Mandir, Rishinagar, Ujjain. A total no. of 417 participants (both boys and girls) from 10 regions, 80 mentor teachers, and nearly 100 volunteers who contributed to the overall organization made the festival a grand success. The Mahotsav featured competitions at the national level, including cultural knowledge quiz, storytelling, impromptu speech, paper reading, sculpture art, and folk dance performances. Students from classes 4 to 12 participated in various categories.

On Nov 16, 2024, Shaheed Rajabhau Mahakal Sanskriti Dirgha (Exhibition) was inaugurated in the presence of the chief guest Shri Navneet Bhasin, D.I.G. Police, Ujjain, special guest Shri Balkrishna Sharma, former Vice Chancellor, Ujjain, and Dr. Anshu Ghosh, Gynecologist. On Nov 17, 2024, the official inauguration ceremony of the Mahotsav was graced by the chief guest, Shri Balayogi Umeshnath Ji Maharaj, Member of Parliament (Rajya Sabha), special guest Shri Gautam Tetwal, Minister In-charge of Ujjain, Government of MP, Shri Anil

Jain Kaluheda, MLA, and chaired by Smt. Sadhna Bhandari, Dr. Lalit Bihari Goswami and Prant Organizing Secretary Shri Bhalchand Rawale. The purpose of the event was outlined by Dr. Ramendra Singh, Director of Sanskriti Shiksha Sansthan. In his address, the chief guest, Shri 1008 Balayogi Umeshnath Maharaj, emphasized that organizing events related to culture is of immense importance for Bharat. On Nov 17 and 18, 2024, a cultural evening was organized, featuring folk dance performances. On November 19, the event included a quiz competition, teacher's Paper reading, and cultural talks. The main guest, Pandit Shyamji Manavat, renowned Bhagwat Acharya, presented the topic before the children.

On Nov 19, the closing ceremony of the Mahotsav was held with the chief guest Shri Gajendra Singh Shekhawat, Union Minister of Culture, Government of Bharat. The keynote speaker was Shri Avneesh Bhatanagar, General Secretary of Vidya Bharati. The overall championship was won by the Western Uttar Pradesh region, followed by the North-East region in second place and Eastern Uttar Pradesh in third place. In the Children's category of the quiz competition, the Eastern Uttar Pradesh region took first place, Western Uttar Pradesh region came second, and the Rajasthan region secured third place. In the Boys' category, the Western Uttar Pradesh region was first, followed by Eastern Uttar Pradesh in second place and the North-East region in third place. In the Youth category, the

North-East region secured first place, Eastern region was second, and the Rajasthan region was third. In the Youth category, the Northern region took the first position, followed by the Western Uttar Pradesh region in second place and the Central region in third place.



Zakinei Khoubé Awarded the Shree Krishna Chandra Gandhi Award



Kohima | The 18th Shree Krishna Chandra Gandhi Award ceremony was organized by the Purvottar Janjati Shiksha Samiti in Kohima. On this occasion, Shri Zakinei Khoubé, a prominent educator and promoter of Hindi in Nagaland, was honored for his significant contributions. As part of the award, he was presented with a certificate of honor, local traditional attire, and a cash prize of one lakh rupees. Shri Khoubé has made notable efforts in promoting the Hindi language in Nagaland, including the establishment of the Kohima Hindi Shikshak Sangh and the development of Hindi textbooks for classes 5 to 8 in collaboration with SCERT Kohima.

Transformative Role of NEP in the Education System

During the seminar on the topic "Challenges in the Implementation of the National Education

Policy 2020," held on the same occasion, Nagaland's Minister of Higher Education, Shri Temjen Imna Along, discussed the transformative role of NEP in the state's education system. Dr. Kekhriehouli Yom, advisor to SCERT, highlighted that literacy among girls remains a major challenge, and efforts are being made through skill development centers run by Vidya Bharati to address this issue. Shri Dusi Ramakrishna Rao, President of Vidya Bharati, described NEP 2020 as a crucial reform in the educational system.

Dr. J. Alam, Chief Secretary of Nagaland, reaffirmed the state government's commitment to achieve the goals of NEP 2020. Shri Rajesh Sundararajan, Secretary of Higher and Technical Education and the Governor's Secretary, praised Vidya Bharati's contribution to the upliftment of education. Vidya Bharati's Secretary, Shri Brahmaji Rao, was also present at the event.

During the ceremony, the book of Hindi scholar and writer Padmashri Pyong Temjen Jamir was also released. The seminar was organized in collaboration with Nagaland's Ministry of Higher Education and the PJSS. Representatives from Vidya Bharati's North-East region, as well as other educational and local institutions, actively participated in the event.

Guru Nanak Dev Ji's Jayanti

Guru Nanak Dev Ji's birth anniversary was celebrated with great enthusiasm and devotion in the Vidya Bharati schools. The students, teachers, and staff actively participated in various activities to commemorate the life and teachings of Guru Nanak Dev Ji. (A few Glimpses)



Akhil Bharatiya Ganit Mela-2024, Odisha



Odisha | Vidya Bharati Akhil Bharatiya Ganit Mela was held from 19th to 22nd November 2024 at Saraswati Shishu Mandir, Anugul, Odisha. The event was inaugurated on 19th November under the chairmanship of Dr. Lakshmikant Maharana, with the chief guest Prof. Yashovanta Jena, Director of the Mathematics Research Institute, Odisha, and the keynote speaker Shri Sriram Aravkar, Akhil Bharatiya Jt. Organizing Secretary, Vidya Bharati.

From 20th to 22nd November 2024, various competitions were held for the top-performing regional participants, including Vedic Mathematics Quiz, Math Experiments, Math Paper Reading for students, and Math Paper Presentation for teachers. The event concluded on 22nd November 2024 at 10 AM.

The closing ceremony was presided over by Shri Kishorchand Mohanti, President of the Shiksha Vikas Samiti, Odisha, with the chief guest Prof. Hrishikesh Senapati, Prof., Department of Education, Regional Education Institute, Odisha, former Director of NCERT, and the keynote speaker Shri Gobind Chandra Mahant, Organizing Secretary, Vidya Bharati Akhil Bharatiya Shiksha Sansthan.

The event's report was presented by Shri Devendra Rao Deshmukh, Akhil Bharatiya Coordinator for Vedic Mathematics, and the competition results were compiled by the team of Shri Prasanna Sahu, Akhil Bharatiya Co-Coordinator. In the competitions, the Overall Championship was awarded to the Eastern Uttar Pradesh region in first place, the South-Central region in second place, and the Eastern region in third place.

The fair featured an exhibition of math-based models created by the top-scoring participants at the regional level. These models, based on mathematical experiments, were displayed for public viewing at the exhibition venue.



Inauguration of the Newly Constructed Building

Pithoragarh: The newly constructed building at Sher Singh Karki Saraswati Vihar, Muwani, Pithoragarh district, Uttarakhand, was inaugurated by the P.P. Sarsangh Chalak of Rashtriya Swayamsevak Sangh (RSS) Dr. Mohan Bhagwat Ji.



Two-Day Headmaster's Chintan Varg



Hyderabad: A two-day Headmaster's Chintan Varg was organized at Shri Saraswati Vidyapeeth Sharda Dham, Hyderabad, Telangana, on 16-17 November 2024. On this occasion, guidance was provided by the Prant Organizing Secretary, Shri Sudhakar Reddy. The program was attended by retired IAS Dr. Uma Maheswar Rao, Regional President, Dr. Tirupati Rao, retired Vice Chancellor, and other distinguished guests.

Orientation Program on Communicative English

Vidya Bharati presented Ideal Education Model : Domeswar Ji



Noida | An orientation program for Communicative English was organized at Bhaurao Deoras Saraswati Vidya Mandir, Noida, on 14th November 2024. During the event, Shri Domeswar Sahu, Prant Organizing Secretary of Vidya Bharati, Western Uttar Pradesh, stated that according to the current education system, thoughts and principles are directly connected to our nation.

Education is now Bharat-centered. According to Vidya Bharati's vision and goals, we are committed to Hindutva and filled with the enthusiasm of patriotism.

Shri Domeswar Sahu emphasized on the concept of development of the five Sheaths (Panchkosha) and said that we believe in education based on Bharatiya philosophical principles. We have presented an ideal education model. Keeping in mind the necessity and importance of English communication in the current scenario, classroom activities need be conducted. We must express our thoughts in English without hesitation.

Vidya Bharati North-East Region Principal Conference

Value-Based Education is Essential for Positive Change: Avneesh Ji



Assam | In the three-day Principal Conference organized by Vidya Bharati North-East Region, Akhil Bharatiya General Secretary Shri Avneesh Bhatanagar stated that value-based education is essential for positive change. He also provided guidance on the development of

Panchkosha and the Panchpadi Learning methodology. Akhil Bharatiya Secretary Shri Brahmaji Rao shared information about the status of tribal education in North-East Bharat. Regarding border areas, Prant Organizing Secretary Dr. Pawan Tiwari highlighted key points. Rukma Gohaimbaruwa Ji provided insights on the education system, the National Education Policy, the role of teachers in social transformation, and the duties of principals. Vice Chancellor of Central University Tripura and Regional President Prof. Ganga Prasad Parsai, along with Regional Secretary Dr. Jagdindra Rai Chaudhary, also expressed their views. Renowned artist, poet, and thinker Baba Satyanarayana Maurya presented a national tribute in a theatrical program.

Vidya Bharati's Literature Presented to Governor Shri Om Prakash Mathur

Gangtok | On November 13, Vidya Bharati Sikkim's Office bearers, led by President Shri Chandra Kumar Rai, met with Governor Shri Om Prakash Mathur at Raj Bhavan, Gangtok, and presented Vidya Bharati's literature. General Secretary Shri Vijay Kumar Sharma introduced the officials of Vidya Bharati Sikkim. During this meeting, discussions were held on the current status of Vidya Bharati Sikkim, its projects, upcoming plans, and community support. The Governor released Vidya Bharati's new book, "The Concept of Panchkosha and Holistic Development in Bharatiya Education," in line with the National Education Policy 2020 and the Sanskriti Bodh Mala.



Executive Member Shri Raj Kumar Agarwal, Vice President Smt. Tara Sharma, Convenor Shri Mohan Sharma, Joint Secretary Shri Ajit Limbu, and others were also present .

Students of Sarvahitkari Vidya Mandir Meet the Honorable President



New Delhi | November 14, 2024, was a day of great pride, fortune, and joy for Sarvahitkari Vidya Mandir, Bhoa, when students of the school had the honor of meeting the Honorable President, Smt. Draupadi Murmu Ji, at Rashtrapati Bhavan, New Delhi, upon receiving an invitation. Four students from the school Gauri, Gurupurnima, Shivansh, and Viraj along with Principal Jyoti Sharma Ji and Acharya Surekha Ji, had the privilege of meeting the Honorable President.

Inauguration of Another Saraswati Sanskar Kendra in Sikkim



in remote tribal, border, tea garden, coastal, and hilly areas.

On the occasion of the centenary year of the Rashtriya

Swayamsevak Sangh and the Silver Jubilee year of Vidya Bharati Sikkim, the work is being expanded and developed as per the

Sikkim | Saraswati Sanskar Kendra, run by Vidya Bharati Sikkim in the North District, is dedicated to the holistic development of children through patriotism, values, Bharatiya traditions, education, music, sports, and more. Smt. Shanti Vishwakarma and Smt. Chandra Subba Acharya are overseeing the center with a spirit of service. The center regularly organizes activities related to the environment, water, energy conservation, health camps, and educational programs. Saraswati Sanskar Kendras serves as a bridge to connect society. These centers are being run

plan. Under this initiative, one more Saraswati Sanskar Kendra was inaugurated on November 23 in the Geyzing Development Block of West Sikkim. The inauguration was done by Ward Councillor Shri Pasang Bhutia, Executive Member of Vidya Bharati Sikkim, and Sanskar Kendra Scheme Head, Krishna Kumari Subba Ji. This center will be operated at the residence of social worker Shri Bhakta Kumar Limbu.

A 7-member committee has been formed for the center's operations. Currently, four Saraswati Sanskar Kendras are being run in the state.

Matri Sammelen Organized

Silchar | A Matri Sammelen was organized on November 12, 2024, in the Silchar Cluster of Vidya Bharati South Assam, in Commemoration of the 300th birth anniversary of Lokmata Rani Ahilyabai. On this occasion, 15 women were honored for their special contributions. The conference was attended by Akhil Bhartiya Secretary Shri Brahmaji Rao, Head of the Department of History at Assam University Dr. Suparna Roy, Dr. Shamita Bhattacharya, Vice President of the Shiksha Vikas Parishad Dr. Malvika Bhattacharya, Minister of the Shiksha Vikas Parishad Dr. Dipankar Pal, Patron of the Shiksha Vikas Parishad Shri Nikhil Bhushan De, Prant Organizing Secretary Shri Mahesh Bhagwat, Regional Training Head Shri Pinku Malakar, Vice President of the Shiksha Vikas Parishad Shri Apurv Kumar Nath, Head of the Publications Department Smt. Sudipta Bhattacharya, President of the Silchar Cluster Matri Sammelen Smt. Laki Chowdhury, Secretary of the Matri Sammelen, Smt. Papia Chakraborty, and others.



Achievements

Dr. Puja Receives International Eminence Award for Youth Leadership



Gurugram, November 30, 2024 - Dr. Puja, Samaydaani Karyakarta Vidya Bharati Uttar Purva Shektra and Director of Shailputri Katyaini Foundation, was conferred with the prestigious International Eminence Award for Youth Leadership. The award ceremony was held at Hotel Lemon Tree, Gurugram, and was attended by 200 awardees and guests from around the world.

The award recognizes Dr. Puja's outstanding contributions to youth leadership and her dedication to making a positive impact in the world. She was selected as one of the top 30 youth leaders globally, and her achievement is a testament to her hard work and commitment.

The ceremony was graced by the following guests of honour:

- Shri Georjee Kochupurakal, Founder Chairman & Council Director, Governor's Commission on Corrections Reform
 - Hon'ble Shri Som Parkash, IAS, Former Union Minister of State for Commerce and Industry, Government of Bharat
 - Hon'ble Shri Bhanu Pratap Singh Verma, Former Minister of State in Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises, Government of Bharat
 - Hon'ble Smt Harisoa Lalatiana Accouche, Seychelles High Commissioner to Bharat
 - Smt Rita Mathew Benjamin, Former Chairperson, Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Degree College
 - Dr. Senorita Isaac, Trade Commissioner, Latin American Caribbean Trade Council
 - Dr. Jeff Mazzini, Founder & Managing Director, AAMC Training Group, Australia
- Sankul Samvad greets Dr. Puja for her special achievement.**

Former Student Dr. Divya Pokhrel Achieves 99.8 Percentile in INI-CET



Dr. Divya Pokhrel, a former student of Devka Saraswati Shishu Mandir located in Kage Rural, Kalimpong District, West Bengal, under Vidya Bharati Sikkim, has secured a 99.8 percentile in the INI-CET exam conducted by AIIMS, New Delhi, achieving an All India Rank(AIR) of 120 in the General category.

Sankul Samvad greets Dr. Divya for her remarkable achievement.

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