

3rd Day of Centenary Celebration: A Tribute to Swami Vivekananda

The third and final day of the Centenary Celebration of Ramakrishna Mission Ashrama Sohra, held on April 8, 2024, was dedicated to the revered Swami Vivekananda. The day's events commenced at 9:00 am with Vedic chanting by the monastic group, setting a sacred tone for the festivities.

Youth Convention: Empowering the Next Generation

The Youth Convention, themed "A Message of Strength, Fearlessness, Character, Sacrifice, and Excellence," was a resounding success. This inspiring event brought together esteemed speakers, thought leaders, and young minds to explore the values and principles essential for personal and societal growth.

Welcome Address and Cultural Performances



Swami Anuragananda, Secretary, Ramakrishna Mission, Sohra, delivered the welcome address, setting the tone for the convention, followed by the students of RKM Schools who showcased their talents through a vibrant cultural programme, including:

- Group Song "Vivekananda Ah Trai bashlur" by RKM LP Maraikaphon
- Recitation of Swami Vivekananda's teachings by RKM students
- Group Dance "Theme on Sw. Vivekananda" by RKM HSS Sohbar
- Group Dance "Bharat Mate India the land of light" by RKM HSS Shella
- Solo Song "Khun Samla Ka Ri" by RKM LP Khliehshnong
- Phawar "Lyngkhuh 100 snem ka RKM" by RKM SS Laitryngew



Eminent Speakers and Panel Discussion

The day featured talks by esteemed guests, including:

- Prof. D P Goyal, Director, IIM Shillong, (*Chief Guest*) shared his insights on leadership and excellence.
 - Swami Bodhamayananda, Adhyaksha, Ramakrishna Math, Hyderabad, and Pawan Deshmukh from Vivekananda Institute of Human Excellence (VIHE) engaged the audience with interactive talks on '*Learn to learn*'.
 - *Shri Babar Ali, the youngest headmaster in the world, as recognized by BBC , and Anshul Chaturvedi from the Times of India group.*
 - *A panel discussion moderated by Dr. Vivek Modi, Faculty VIHE, Hyderabad, featured a distinguished panel consisting of:*
 - *Swami Bodhamayananda*
 - *Pawan Deshmukh*
 - *Swami Madhurananda*
 - *Swami Narashimananda*
 - *Babar Ali*
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Conclusion and Vote of Thanks

Youth Convention embodied the spirit of Swami Vivekananda's message to the youth, emphasizing the importance of strength, fearlessness, character, sacrifice, and excellence ¹. By providing a platform for knowledge sharing, inspiration, and connection, the convention empowered the next generation to become active contributors to society.

The Centenary Celebration came to a close with a vote of thanks, marking the end of three days of festivities, cultural performances, and enlightening talks. The event was a testament to the enduring legacy of Ramakrishna Mission Ashrama Sohra and its commitment to spreading the message of Swami Vivekananda.

