

## Ladies' hostel students celebrate multiculturalism on hostel day

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**CAMPUS:** A colourful performance was showcased by the students of St Aloysius college ladies' hostel on Wednesday, as they celebrated their hostel day here at the primary school grounds. A transgender activist and a radio jockey RJ Kajol was the chief guest for the evening. She addressed the gathering with the issues she had faced growing up as a transgender and how she overcame most of those problems growing confident by the day.

"I am indeed thankful to St Aloysius College and especially Radio Sarang for giving me an opportunity to be part of the team and for supporting me," Ms Kajal.

"People get tangled in complexities of caste, religion, gotra and status. But not in our community. It doesn't matter where you come from. All that matters is who you want to be," she added.

President of the function Fr



Chinese dance performed by the PG hostel students

Dionysius Vas SJ said, "It is good to see that this platform is used by the students of the hostels to showcase similarities and celebrate the differences," he said.

With the theme 'Reaching beyond borders, to restore faith in humanity', the evening was lit with various performances by the inmates of the hostels, such as music, dance and skits. Various dance forms like Chinese, dapamkuth, kathak and lavni were performed by the students of PG hostel. The

evening ended with the students coming together and dancing to the beats of the music played by DJ Akhil.

"It was good to see all the students working together to create variety programmes and this day will truly remain memorable to all of us," said Anu KJ, a student from MSC Physics.

Principal of SAC Dr (Fr) Praveen Martis SJ, Principal of PU College Fr Melwyn Mendonca SJ, were present for the function.

## Fishermen stage protest demanding new fish market

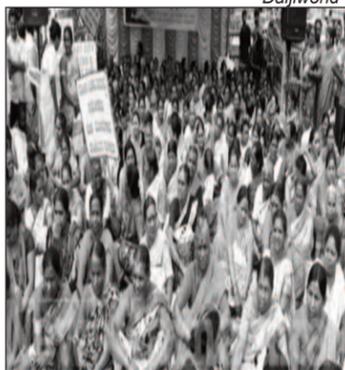
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**MANGALURU:** More than 300 fishmongers, who sell fish at State Bank fish market in the city, staged a demonstration in front of the DC office, urging for their long pending demand of constructing a new fish market at State Bank.

Addressing to demonstrators S P Chengappa, advisor, Mahila Meenu Marata Mandal, said, "For the past many years, the fishmongers are demanding for a new fish market at State Bank. But no one is paying heed to our demand. Still the women are selling fish under the shelter which was constructed 50 years ago. Now it is in very poor condition. There is no proper drainage system which is very essential for a fish market. More than 1000 women are selling fish here. There is no proper seating arrangements and counters. The market has not yet seen the electric lights,"

"Now everywhere we are giving hype for the Smart City. We are advertising ourselves that we are in the fore front in



Fisher women protesting

the race of development. But if someone visits fish market of State Bank, they will realize the actual situation of this city. So the demand for a new fish market is not only the demand of the fishmongers but also of the general public. In her speech, Baby Amin added that their husbands are going into deep sea for fishing and they are selling fish here at State Bank.

Before the agitation the protesters took a march from Rao and Rao Circle to DC office. Later they submitted memorandum to the district administration. K Geetha, Poornima and Gauri led the demonstration.

## Police raid illegal sand extraction unit

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**KUNDAPUR:** Police personnel of Kota station in the taluk raided an illegal sand extraction unit in the early hours of Thursday December 20.

The gang was extracting sand at Hirehole rivulet in Belur village in this taluk. The police had received complaints from the local people about illegal sand mining going on without a break at this spot.

The sand extraction business here is owned by a petty politician. When the police team accompanied by media persons reached the spot, the politician warned the reporters against publishing anything about his unit in the media. He said that media persons had visited the spot to collect money, and advised them to publish all news items other than illegal sand mining. Even as the police remained mute spectators, the politician had a heated argument with the media persons. The police at the end began to conduct inquest, and took into possession a Tata 407 vehicle, a Maruti 800 car and a boat.

## Life of India lies in villages, opines Prof. Gandhi

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**MANGALORE:** Grandson of Mahatma Gandhi, Rajmohan Gandhi said here on Friday that villages are the backbone of India and life lied in them and hence there was a need to restore life in the villages.

He was delivering a lecture on the topic, "Swaraj and Sarvodaya A Re-look" at the University College as part of its 150th anniversary.

Prof. Gandhi said, "Gandhi gave us gram swaraj and many other wonderful principles. However, India conveniently forgot his principles and adopted different model of growth. But, it is still possible to re-visit some of those important ideals of Gandhi and adopt them for our times."

The lecture also dwelt on his principles of 'swaraj' and 'sarvodaya' and how they were relevant in the present scenario. "Sarvodaya holds that no one should be left out and Gandhi lived this principle in his life. If you look at the life of Gandhi, we will come across many instances where he included everyone into his



Prof. Rajmohan Gandhi

fold, even as he may have had differences of opinions with them," Prof. Gandhi said.

Prof. Gandhi also elaborated on the quote 'my life is my message' of Gandhi and explained the incidents in Indian history in which Gandhi played a leading role.

He also shared memories of Gandhi and what he learnt from him. In fact, he got very emotional when he spoke about his grandmother Kasturba Gandhi and her role in Gandhi's life.

Prof Gandhi added that in present global scenario, no nation could survive alone as nations were interdependent. "All of us are related to everyone all over the world. We all are members of one human family," he said.

## Record results in Karnataka Regional Mathematical Olympiad

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**MANGALURU:** Centre for Advanced Learning (CFAL) gained record results at the Karnataka Regional Mathematics Olympiad (KRMO - 2018).

Addressing the media here on Thursday, December 20, programme coordinator of CFAL, Severine Rosario said, "Seven students from the city are among the 41 students selected from the state of Karnataka. All the selected candidates from the city are students of CFAL. Adithya of tenth standard is the second topper out of the 30 selected in Karnataka in the 8th to 11th standard category, while Koustubh and Anmol are the only two students selected from the city from First PUC."

"All selected students qualify for INMO (Indian National Mathematical Olympiad),

which leads to International Mathematical Olympiad (IMO). Mathematical Olympiad is one of the most prestigious examinations conducted by the government of

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CFAL Students who scored high marks

India under the aegis of National Board for Higher Mathematics (NBHM)," added Severine Rosario.

Severine further said, "Samarth is in the second position out of the only six selected students"