

'Hyderabad Diary - Educational-cum-Cultural Youth Exchange Programme':

KU team bridging cultural gaps, connecting diverse people



Hyderabad, January 15: The Kashmir University Youth and Cultural Team Sunday left an indelible mark during their visit to Hyderabad as part of the 'Viksit Bharat @2047' initiative.

The Kashmir University (KU) team, with its diverse representation, actively contributed to the cultural amalgamation, emphasising the significant role of such initiatives in bridging cultural gaps and fostering lasting connections.

Students from Jammu and Kashmir, Telangana, Bihar, Orissa, Andhra Pradesh and local institutions in Hyderabad, participated in the inaugural day of the educational-cum-cultural youth exchange programme showcasing the rich diversity of their respective cultures.

On the occasion, Director, Youth Affairs, Bosco Institute of Research and Development for Youth, Hyderabad, Father (Dr) Yeruva Joji, highlighted the significance of cross-

cultural exchanges in connecting diverse people while expressing delight at the vibrant performances by the students from KU and other participating states.

In a statement, Vice-Chancellor, Kashmir University, Prof Nilofer Khan emphasised the importance of cultural understanding by encouraging and facilitating youth from both the main and satellite campuses for national-level cultural exchange programmes.

“Beyond immediate cultural exposure, these initiatives aim to mold participants into global citizens with a profound appreciation for diversity, promoting an inclusive worldview,” Prof Khan said.

Emphasising the significance of students embracing diverse cultures, ideas and perspectives, KU Registrar, Dr Nisar Ahmad Mir, reiterated his support for initiatives transcending traditional education, the statement read.

Dean, Students Welfare, KU, Prof Aneesa Shafi, said the Department of Students Welfare provides students with opportunities to evolve into well-rounded individuals capable of contributing to a globalised world.

Underscoring the importance of sustainable youth exchange meetings and summits for the success of such programmes, tour in-charge and Cultural Officer, DSW, KU, Shahid Ali Khan, said that these interactions create heart-to-heart connections, fostering a sense of unity among diverse communities.

The representatives from Kashmir University anticipate further engagement in Hyderabad, nurturing intercultural understanding, encouraging global connections and enriching the collective educational experience, the statement further read.

The contingent, comprising 25 members from various KU departments and satellite campuses, will visit educational institutions, historical sites and cultural heritage places in Hyderabad and Delhi during the two week’s youth exchange programme.