Ramakrishna Mission, Vijayawada
Jagruti Cultural Competitions

A Brief Report

Ramakrishna Mission, Vijayawada conducted Jagruti Cultural Competitions for high school students in connection with 150\textsuperscript{th} Birth Anniversary of Sister Nivedita on Sunday, 19\textsuperscript{th} February 2017 at its school premises in Sitanagaram. The essay, elocution and quiz competitions based on life of Sister Nivedita and Swami Vivekananda were conducted for two age groups viz. 11-12 years and 13-15 years separately. 1300 students from 50 schools of East Godavari, West Godavari, Guntur, Krishna, Khammam, Prakasam districts of Andhra Pradesh and Telangana participated. Prizes in the form of cash, certificates and books exceeding worth Rs.2 lacs were given away to the winners from both the age groups separately. All participants were given a copy of Telugu version of the book ‘Self Development’. A lamination of Swamiji’s picture (12” x 36”) with quotation was presented to each participant school. Book exhibition and sale was organized to expose young minds to Ramakrishna-Vivekananda literature. Teachers, students and devotees offered voluntary services to make the programme a grand success. All participants, audience and volunteers, in all 1500 were provided lunch.