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## Global Cultural Fest grand finale held successfully at USTM

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**GUWAHATI:** The three-month long Global Cultural Fest organized by the University of Science & Technology Meghalaya which started since July this year on a virtual platform has culminated successfully with the Grand Finale held at the Central Auditorium of the university here today. 23 participants from India and Bangladesh showcased their talents in the final round in two categories - solo song and solo dance. Renowned singers Dr. Sangeeta Kakoti and J. P. Das and renowned

dancer Barnali Pujari were the chief judges while the famous singer duo Shanta Uzir and Bhupen Uzir were also present in the event as special guests.

Speaking about the objective behind holding the Global Cultural Fest 2021, Mahbubul Hoque, Chancellor of USTM said, "Our objective is to create a competitive culture to promote the cultural activities among the institutions at college and university level. We organized a virtual cultural festival on international level during the pandemic. Now that the situation is becoming little normal, we have decided



Dr. Sangeeta Kakoti and J. P. Das being felicitated at the Global Cultural Fest organised by USTM on Saturday.

to hold the final round at the Central Auditorium of USTM." "A huge enthusiasm among

the student community was visible as more than 300 participants enrolled in the Global

Cultural Fest 2021. After the Preliminary round 135 participants were selected for the next round from the two categories: Global Melody Star (Solo Song) and Global Rhythmic Heels (Solo Dance). Juries have again selected 40 & 30 participants respectively from both the categories. Now after a long virtual journey the competitions are concluding with the Grand Finale (The Final Battle of Rhythm & Melody) physically in the presence of audiences at the Central Auditorium of USTM", stated Dr. Polly Borgohain, Director of University Classes and Convener,

Cultural Forum of USTM. The singing competition winner has been awarded a cash prize of Rs 25,000 along with certificate, the first runner up received Rs 15,000 while 10 participants received special prizes of Rs 3,000 each. In the dancing competition, the winner received cash prize of Rs 10,000, the first runner up received Rs 8,000, the second runner up received Rs 6000 and seven participants received special prizes of Rs 2,000 each. The competitions began from 11 AM onwards at Central Auditorium of USTM and ended with prize distribution in the evening.

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## Guwahati Bhaona Samaroh-2022 held at USTM

● Guwahati Bhaona Samaroh-2022 ends with staging of "Kurma Avataar" at USTM

ONE MILE, Khanapara, Ri Bhoi, MAY 17: The Guwahati Bhaona Samaroh-2022 which began from 14th May, has ended here today magnificently with the staging of the play "Kurma Avataar" Bhaona (mythological play) by the artists of Panchajanya Natyashilpi from Malow Ali, Jorhat at the Central Auditorium of the University of Science and Technology Meghalaya (USTM). The programme was jointly organized by Cultural Forum, USTM and supported by IQAC, USTM and Directorate of Cultural Affairs, Assam.

The function began with lighting of the lamp by Mrinalini Devi, Vice President, Assam Sahitya Sabha; Satradhikar Prafulla

Pran Mahanta, Belguri Satra, Narayanpur; Shri Mahbulul Hoque, Chancellor, USTM; Prof GD Sharma, VC, USTM; Dr Balendra Das, Pro-VC, USTM; Padmashree Surjya Hazarika, Prabhat Ch Das, Asam Sahitya Sabha; Dr Sikha Bezbarua Goswami, President, Guwahati Bhaona Samaroh; Prabhat Bordoloi, Secretary Guwahati Bhaona Samaroh and others. It was attended

by hundreds of USTM students and cultural enthusiasts.



Welcoming the audience including artists, litterateurs and Vaishnavite scholars to USTM, Mahbulul Hoque, Chancellor, USTM said, "We are very happy to host this Bhaona as this will boost our students because they will get new ideas about the cultural heritage of the region".

Addressing the gathering, Mrinalini Devi, Vice President, Assam Sahitya Sabha said, "We hope that the invaluable con-

tribution made by Mahapurush Sankaradeva will always encourage and support the Assamese nationality to achieve newer heights."

The keynote address was delivered by Shri Prabhat Ch Das, Jt. Secretary, Axom Adarsha Siksha Sansad, Assam Sahitya Sabha. He thanked USTM for hosting the Bhaona and said that Sankaradeva first used songs and dramas as effective means of reforming and reconstructing the society.

Speaking on the occasion, Dr Balendra Kr Das, Pro VC of USTM said, "We are very happy that Guwahati Bhaona Samaroh-2022 has come for performance at the Central Auditorium of USTM and the whole USTM family is welcoming them because this is a place where a mosaic of north-eastern students are studying and they should know their heritage".

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## USTM team in 1st National Football Federation cup 2021

Assam Rising, Guwahati, Dec 23 : Six students from the University of Science & Technology Meghalaya played brilliantly in the recently held First National Football Federation cup 2021 and have led the Assam team to win the Runner Up Trophy. The tournament was organised by Salvo Sports & Games Federation India at Changsari, Guwahati which was held from December 10 to 12. The students are: Marshal Thaosen (Dept: Sociology), Sameer Hussain (Dept: BSM), Mantong Jemphang (Dept: Pol.Sc.), Harihar Rabha (Dept: BPT), Karan J Marak (Dept: BA. LLB) and Thaisring Hojai (Dept: BSW). The team was trained by Vilibeizo Kreditsu (Coach) from Nagaland and he achieved

the Best Coach of the tournament in the 1st National Football Federation Cup 2021.



JANAMBHUMI

## USTM student shines in Meghalaya Games with golds in gymnastics

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Guwahati, May 4 : A second Semester student of BA Administration and Governance (BAAG) at the University of Science and Technology Meghalaya (USTM), Miss Wandalang Magdalene Malngiang, has won hearts of many by her performance in gymnastics at the ongoing 4th Meghalaya Games-2022 being held in Shillong.

Wandalang has won gold medals in all the three Gymnastic events -- Floor Exercise, Balance Beam and Vaulting holding 1st rank in category 4.