

Education Minister Ratan Lal Nath as the Guest of Honour in the programme said, Rabindranath Tagore's ideals are still relatable in this time. The younger generation has to move forward taking inspiration from the poet. Rabindranath Tagore was a humanist. One can find many good sides of the society in his essays. His essays never have any negative thoughts in them. He had a friendly relationship with the Tripura's monarch in those days. The path on which Tripura is moving ahead in Tourism, that has already been mentioned by Rabindranath Tagore.

Presiding over the Kabi Pranam and prize distribution ceremony, ICA Minister Sushanta Choudhury said, we know Rabindranath Tagore with three names- Kabiguru, Biswakabi and Gurudev. His birth anniversary is being celebrated in different parts of the state. We must all follow his ideals, thought process and principles in our lives. His contribution in Indian independence is also mentioned. The Poet even returned his Knighthood bestowed to him as a protest to Jallianwala Bagh killing by the British. Our culture will be further enhanced only through Rabindranath Tagore's ideologies. He will forever be remembered as long as the literature, poems, dramas exist.

While delivering welcome speech, Secretary of ICA department Dr. P. K. Goyal spoke on the significance of celebrating Rabindra Jayanti. He also spoke about Poet Rabindranath Tagore's visit to Tripura during the royal period. He said, starting from Maharaja Birchandra Kishore Manikya Bahadur to Maharaja Bir Bikram Kishore Manikya Bahadur, the poet has visited Tripura quite many times. Mukut, Rajarshi and Bisarjan were his creation.

Mayor of Agartala Municipal Corporation Dipak Majumdar, Chairman of State Higher Education Council Dr. Arunoday Saha, Secretary of Education department Brijesh Pandey, ICA Director Ratan Biswas, Vice Chairman of State Level Cultural Advisory Committee Subhash Deb were present as special guests in the programme. Sit & Draw competition, group recitation competition, group singing competition, speech competition, quiz competitions were conducted in the 2-day Kabi Pranam programme. The Chief Minister, Education Minister, ICA Minister, AMC Mayor and other guests distributed awards in the concluding programme. The concluding programme was then followed by cultural performances by artistes.
