Dear Friends,

From 25th to 28th February 09, we had a 4 day Athletic Meet at Parivaar. It started at 8 AM on 24th with a torch-run in which a huge group of Parivaar children and elders ran through the Barkalikapur village onto Bakhrahat Road and returned to light the lamp which was lit by our most loved Sevavratee Pulakda (Shri Pulak Banerjee). Pulakda then declared the Meet open.

For 4 days through out the day after 9 AM (except a 2 hour break for lunch in the afternoon) to 5 PM there were a large number of events for each age-group of children (both boys and girls). In some age-groups different sub-groups were there. In all there were about more than 110 different competitions as listed below (many also had multiple qualifying rounds as well). There were competitions for elder Seva-vratees too. The Meet ended with a closing torch-run on the evening of 28th at 7 PM where again the run was done through the villages.

On 11th April, we had the Medal Distribution Ceremony for the Athletes. For that we were privileged to have eminent Sports Historian Dr. Boria Majumdar (Rhodes Scholar and author of widely acclaimed social histories of Indian cricket ('Twenty-Two yards to Freedom), Indian football ('Goal-less'), and the Indian encounter with the Olympic Movement ('Olympics : The India Story')

Events List

Boys’ events

1. 50 Meter Race for Boys (Category - 6yrs - 1st Category)
2. 50 Meter Race for Boys (Category - 6yrs - 2nd Category)
3. 50 Meter Race for Boys (Category - 7yrs - 1st Category)
4. 50 Meter Race for Boys (Category - 7yrs - 2nd Category)
5. 50 Meter Race for Boys (Category - 7yrs - 2nd Category)
6. 50 Meter Race for Boys (Category - 8yrs - 1st Category)
7. 100 Meter Race for Boys (Category - 8yrs - 2nd Category)
8. 100 Meter Race for Boys (Category - 8yrs - 3rd Category)
9. 100 Meter Race for Boys (Category - 9yrs - 1st Category)
10. Collect the Ball into Bowl Race for Boys (Category - 8yrs - 1st Category)
11. Collect the Ball into Bowl Race for Boys (Category - 8yrs - 2nd Category)
12. Collect the Ball into Bowl Race for Boys (Category - 8yrs - 3rd Category)
13. 100 Meter Race for Boys (Category - 9yrs - 1st Category)
14. 100 Meter Race for Boys (Category - 9yrs - 2nd Category)
15. 100 Meter Race for Boys (Category - 9yrs - 3rd Category)
16. Run while picking up the Goods (Duster, Pen, Pencil, Erazor, Cutter, Scale, Socks) for Boys
17. Run while picking up the Goods (Duster, Pen, Pencil, Erazor, Cutter, Scale, Socks) for Boys (Category-9yrs - 1st Category)
18. Run while picking up the Goods (Duster, Pen, Pencil, Erazor, Cutter, Scale, Sock) for Boys (Category-9yrs - 2nd Category)
19. 100 Meter Race for Boys (Category - 10yrs - 1st Category)
20. 100 Meter Race for Boys (Category - 10yrs - 2nd Category)
21. Bag Race for Boys (Category-10yrs - 1st Category)
22. Bag Race for Boys (Category-10yrs - 2nd Category)
23. Special Category for Boys - 100 Meter Race
24. 100 Meter Race for Boys (Category - 11yrs - 1st Category)
25. 100 Meter Race for Boys (Category - 11yrs - 2nd Category)
26. Touch & Back 100+100 meter Race for Boys (Category - 11yrs - 1st Category)
27. 100 Meter Race for Boys (Category - 12yrs - 1st Category)
28. 100 Meter Race for Boys (Category - 8yrs - 1st Category)
29. 100 Meter Race for Boys (Category - 8yrs - 2nd Category)
30. 100 Meter Race for Boys (Category - 8yrs - 3rd Category)
31. Collect the Ball into Bowl Race for Boys (Category - 8yrs - 1st Category)
32. Collect the Ball into Bowl Race for Boys (Category - 8yrs - 2nd Category)
33. Collect the Ball into Bowl Race for Boys (Category - 8yrs - 3rd Category)
34. 100 Meter Race for Boys (Category - 9yrs - 1st Category)
35. 100 Meter Race for Boys (Category - 9yrs - 2nd Category)
36. 100 Meter Race for Boys (Category - 9yrs - 3rd Category)
37. Run while picking up the Goods (Duster, Pen, Pencil, Erazor, Cutter, Scale, Sock) for Boys (Category-9yrs - 1st Category)
38. Run while picking up the Goods (Duster, Pen, Pencil, Erazor, Cutter, Scale, Sock) for Boys (Category-9yrs - 2nd Category)
39. Run while picking up the Goods (Duster, Pen, Pencil, Erazor, Cutter, Scale, Sock) for Boys (Category-9yrs - 3rd Category)
40. 100 Meter Race for Boys (Category - 10yrs - 1st Category)
41. 100 Meter Race for Boys (Category - 10yrs - 2nd Category)
42. Bag Race for Boys (Category-10yrs - 1st Category)
43. Bag Race for Boys (Category-10yrs - 2nd Category)
44. Special Category for Boys - 100 Meter Race
45. 100 Meter Race for Boys (Category - 11yrs - 1st Category)
46. 100 Meter Race for Boys (Category - 11yrs - 2nd Category)
47. Touch & Back 100+100 meter Race for Boys (Category - 11yrs - 1st Category)
48. 100 Meter Race for Boys (Category - 12yrs - 1st Category)
49. 100 Meter Race for Boys (Category - 12yrs - 2nd Category)
50. Touch & Back 100+100 meter Race for Boys (Category - 12yrs - 1st Category)
51. Touch & Back 100+100 meter Race for Boys (Category - 12yrs - 2nd Category)
52. 100 Meters Race for Boys (Category - 13yrs and Above - 1st Category)
53. 100 Meters Race for Boys (Category - 13yrs and Above - 2nd Category)
54. 200 Meters Race for Boys (Category - 13yrs and Above - 1st Category)
55. 200 Meters Race for Boys (Category - 13yrs and Above - 2nd Category)
56. 400 Meters Race for Boys (Category - 13yrs and Above - 1st Category)
57. 400 Meters Race for Boys (Category - 13yrs and Above - 2nd Category)
58. Relay Race for Boys (4x100meters) Senior Boys
59. Relay Race for Boys (4x400meters) Senior Boys
60. High Jump for Boys (Senior Boys)
61. Long Jump for Boys (Senior Boys)

Girls’ Events

1. 100 Meter Race for Girls (Category - 8yrs - Ist Category)
2. 100 Meter Race for Girls (Category - 8yrs - 2nd Category)
3. Collect the Ball into Bowl Race for Girls (Category - 8yrs - 1st Category)
4. 50 Meter Race for Girls (Category - 6yrs)
5. 50 Meter Race for Girls (Category - 7yrs)
6. Collect the Ball into Bowl Race for Girls (Category - 8yrs - 1st Category)
7. Run while picking up the the Goods (Duster, Pen, Pencil, Erazor, Cutter, Scale, Sock) for Girls (Category-9yrs - 2nd Category)
8. Run while picking up the Goods (Duster, Pen, Pencil, Erazor, Cutter, Scale, Sock) for Girls (Category-9yrs - 3rd Category)
9. 100 Meter Race for Girls (Category - 9yrs - 1st Final)
10. 100 Meter Race for Girls (Category - 9yrs - 2nd Final)
11. 100 Meter Race for Girls (Category - 12yrs )
12. Throwing the Cricket Ball for Girls (Category - 12yrs)
13. Musical Chair for Girls (Open to All - 1st Final)
14. 100 Meter Race for Girls (Category - 8yrs - 1st Final)
15. 100 Meter Race for Girls (Category - 8yrs - 2nd Final)
16. Collect the Goods (Duster, Pen, Pencil, Erazor, Cutter, Scale, Sock) for Girls (Category-9yrs - 1st Final)
17. 100 Meter Race for Girls (Category - 9yrs - 1st Final)
18. Run while picking up the Goods (Duster, Pen, Pencil, Erazor, Cutter, Scale, Sock) for Girls (Category-9yrs - 2nd Final)
19. 100 Meter Race for Girls (Category - 9yrs - 2nd Final)
20. 100 Meter Race for Girls (Category - 12yrs )
21. Throwing the Cricket Ball for Girls (Category - 12yrs)
22. Musical Chair for Girls (Open to All - 1st Final)
23. 100 Meter Race for Girls (Category - 10yrs - 1st Final)
24. 100 Meter Race for Girls (Category - 10yrs - 2nd Final)
25. Bag Race for Girls (Category-10yrs - 1st Final)
26. Bag Race for Girls (Category-10yrs - 2nd Final)
27. 100 Meter Race for Girls (Category - 11yrs - 1st Final)
28. 100 Meter Race for Girls (Category - 11yrs - 2nd Final)
29. Touch & Back 100+100 meter Race for Girls (Category - 11yrs - 1st Final)
30. Touch & Back 100+100 meter Race for Girls (Category - 11yrs - 2nd Final)
31. Handi Bhanga for Girls (Category - Open to All)
32. Walk Race 100 meters for Girls (Category - 13yrs and Above - 1st Final)
33. Walk Race 100 meters for Girls (Category - 13yrs and Above - 2nd Final)
34. 50 meter Spoon Race for Girls (Category - 13yrs and Above - 1st Final)
35. 50 meter Spoon Race for Girls (Category - 13yrs and Above - 2nd Final)
36. Throwing the Cricket Ball for Girls (Category - 13yrs and Above - 1st Final)
37. Throwing the Cricket Ball for Girls (Category - 13yrs and Above - 2nd Final)
38. 100 Meter Race for Girls (Category - 13yrs and Above)
39. 200 Meters Race for Girls (Open to All)

Sevavratee Events

1. Musical Chair for Sister-Sevavratees
2. Throwing the Cricket Ball for Sister-Sevavratees
3. Handi Bhanga for Sister-Sevavratees and other Helping Staff (Female)
4. Spoon Race for Helping Staff (Female)
5. Throwing the Football for Helping Staff (Female)
6. 100 Meters Race for Helping Staff (Male)
7. Hitting the Wicket for Helping Staff (Male)
8. 400m race for brother-Sevavratees
9. 4*100 m Relay race for brother-Sevavratees
10. 4*200m Relay race for brother Sevavratees

From next year onwards many more events like Swimming, long-distance running, cycling etc. shall be introduced.