IIM Shillong celebrates Kalam’s 87th birthday

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SHILLONG, Oct 15: IIM Shillong today celebrated APJ Abdul Kalam’s 87th birth anniversary with the special screening of National Geographic’s ongoing documentary series, “Mega Icons,” featuring the former President.

The documentary series narrates some of the significant events in Kalam’s life and gives a scientific breakdown of how these events turned him into what he is known for around the world.

The film states that if there is one takeaway from the life of the former President, it is that adversities and hardships can serve as launch pads for ambition and success.

Director IIM, Shillong, Keva Sengupta paying tribute to the Missile Man reminded the audience the special bond the Institute shares with the former President.

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She thanked National Geographic for the opportunity and asked the students to consider themselves fortunate to be able to view the screening on the life of a legendary personality who had great affinity for the Institute.

Moreover, students of IIM Shillong conducted a cultural event which witnessed dancing, singing, storytelling by school students, who are being promoted by the institute under the “Nurturing Minds” programme.
IIM-Shillong tribute to Kalam on birth anniv

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Shillong: IIM-Shillong paid tribute to the ‘missile man’ of India, former President APJ Abdul Kalam, on the leader’s 87th birth anniversary on Monday.

The event was preceded by programmes organized under the ‘Nurturing Minds’ initiative for school children on October 18, followed by special screening of a documentary on Kalam.

A large number of students took part in Kalam’s birth anniversary function. “The day began with students committing to a pledge in accordance with the vision, Dr Kalam had in his mind for the students. The pledge instilled in students a sense of consciousness about their roles and responsibilities in the society,” an IIM spokesperson said.

Kalam had collapsed while delivering his address to students at the IIM Shillong on July 28, 2015.
IIM Shillong remembers Kalam

Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam was a man who dreamed, and who inspired others to dream. He was a great scientist, thinker, writer, the missile man of India, and its 11th President. But above all, he was a teacher. A teacher who, through his words, and more importantly through his actions, inspired us, the students at IIM Shillong, to start ‘Nurturing Minds’. Nurturing Minds is a unique initiative aimed at teaching and touching the lives of our beloved students to encourage learning and help foster creativity. The program envisions these young children as the forebearers of future and in this quest makes an effort to unfurl their full capabilities through honing their skills.

In honour of Dr. Kalam’s birth anniversary, students of IIM Shillong conducted an event, ‘Sesame’, to celebrate the bond it has built with the kids, to provide them a platform to display their talents and for their parents to witness the transformation in their children. It was a cultural event which witnessed some stupendous dancing, singing and storytelling by young prodigies. The nestling brains festooned the Institute with all their talents and spread happiness around.

The event on Monday saw large participation of students at the campus, whom Dr. Kalam had always espoused, held within themselves the greatest potential to transform the country. The day began with students committing to a pledge in accordance with the vision, ‘Dr. Kalam had in his mind for the students. The pledge reading: “As a leader in public life, business, education and culture, I commit personal and public integrity, honesty and transparency”, instilled in students a sense of consciousness about their roles and responsibilities in the society.

The later event of the day brought to students the screening of the episode featuring Dr. Kalam from the National Geographic’s ongoing documentary series, ‘Mega Icons’. The screening began with Director of the Institute, Prof. Keya Sengupta paying tribute to the Missile Man by reminding the audience of the special bond the Institute shares with the revered leader. Prof. Sengupta in her opening remark said “Dr. A P J Abdul Kalam is no more a name, he is an institution in himself, a legend. He means different things to each one of us; there is so much to learn from his life experience, and each one of us will have different takeaways from his life journey, depending on our own age and experiences in life, more so for those who have had the good fortune of meeting him in close encounter.” The Director thanked National Geographic for the opportunity, and asked of the students to consider themselves, “Fortunate to be able to view the screening on the life of a legendary personality who had great affinity for the Institute.” She encouraged the students to imbibe something personal from the life of this icon.

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IIM bid to promote creativity at Kalam birth anniv

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IIM remembers mega icon
Kalam on his birth anniversary

By Our Reporter

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