Youth Festival was celebrated today at the ICFAI University, Daladali Campus on the eve of 153rd birth anniversary of Swami Vivekananda.

Welcoming the audience, Prof ORS Rao, Vice-Chancellor of the University said, “In the words of Swami Vivekananda, Good Character pays everywhere and we want that education by which character is formed. ICFAI University, Jharkhand has been endeavoring to implement the message of Swamiji, by grooming its students into competent professionals, with values”. Prof Rao added, “In recognition of the importance of teachers as role models, the University has been giving an annual award to the “Teacher of values”, who demonstrated adherence to our University’s core values in day-to-day working. This year’s award goes to Dr. Mridanish Jha.

Dr RK Rai, President, Indian Hospital Association and Chairman, 7 Palms Hospital, speaking as a guest of honour said, “In the present global scenario, Youth of India should rise to the occasion and strive to maintain the highest standards of integrity and dignity in their day-to-day life, in consonance with the message of Swami-ji”.

Dr KK Nag, Member, Board of Governors of the University said, “Every human being has infinite potential to grow but it can be harnessed only through good character”.

Swami Madhavananda-ji, Chinmaya Mission, Ranchi, chief guest for the event said, “Knowledge is critical for success and happiness of people and it can be acquired only through concentration”.

Cultural programs like skit, group dance etc by school/college students were conducted by students of the University, St Xavier’s school and other schools from Ranchi. Photography and Painting competitions were held other, depicting the life and teachings of Swami Vivekananda. Prizes were given to the winners and participants.

Dr BM Singh, Registrar proposed a vote of thanks. The function was attended by faculty members and students of the University and also from other leading schools and colleges in Jharkhand.