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NSSO OFFICE CELEBRATES STATISTICS DAY

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'Statistical Day' was celebrated at the Regional Office, National Sample Survey Organisation (NSSO) yesterday coinciding with the birth anniversary of Prof. Prasanta Chandra Mahalanobis. The Chief Guests were Prof. SNN Pandit, Director, Centre for Quantitative Methods, Hyderabad and Prof. V.V. Hara Gopal, Chairman, Board of Studies, Department of Statistics, Osmania University, Hyderabad.

Prof. Prof. SNN Pandit, Director, Centre for Quantitative Methods, enlightened the gathering of notable contribution made by (Late) Prof. Prasanta Chandra Mahalanobis in the field of Economic Planning and Statistical Development. The object of the day is to create public awareness among the people especially the younger generations about the role of Statistics in Socio-Economic Planning and Policy Formulation and for drawing inspiration from (Late) Prof. Prasanta Chandra Mahalanobis.

Prof. V.V. Hara Gopal, Chairman, Board of Studies, Department of Statistics, Osmania University gave his presentation of the alarming situation of sex ratio 0 to 6 years pertaining to 23 districts of AP with respect to Andhra Pradesh scenario, due to female infant mortality rate and migration from rural to urban areas.

Shri U. Srinivas, Asst. Director, presided over the function, Shri C.M. Reddy, Head of Office spoke on the occasion. The NSSO Staff have participated in Essay Competition, Debates, Crossword Puzzle contests to commemorate the occasion.

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