

SPOORTHI 2020

SPoorthi is Sardar Patel Institute of Technology's inter-college sports festival. This year, SPoorthi 2020 was from 13th January 2020 to 31st January 2020. This year we had more than 40 colleges participating for 12 sporting events. This year three new events, Keynote Speaker Series, Basketball and Badminton were introduced.



SPoorthi 2020 was inaugurated by our honourable faculty and esteemed speakers on 13th January 2020 followed by the Keynote Speaker Series. In its first edition we saw four esteemed speakers, our first speaker was Dr Vijay DY Patil who is the president of Mumbai Cricket Association. Mrs Sangeeta and Mr Sunil Shetty, they are the first Indian couple to hold records for 100 kilometres, 24 hours and 36 hours races. The couple spoke about their journey and motivated students to be active. And our last speaker was Mr Dinesh Lad, the coach of Rohit Sharma, Shardul Thakur and Siddhesh Lad. Mr Lad spoke about his and his trainees' journey and was willing to give honorary training to the SPIT Cricket team. The immensely talented speakers set the stage and geared up everyone for the upcoming events and with the lamp lighting session, our sports festival officially commenced.

The sporting extravaganza was kick-started by the indoor games which involved carrom, chess, table tennis and badminton. SPoorthi indoors started on 14th January with one of the most popular indoor games in India, carrom. Singles and doubles were held simultaneously. The tournament stretched three days and had teams and players from colleges over Mumbai. The Seth GS



Medical College team managed to achieve the first position in both singles and doubles. VIT and SIES were the runner ups in singles and doubles respectively. After the carrom tournament, Table tennis matches were held on 18th and 19th January. The tournament was carried out in two days. Aniruddha Marathe from ICT team as the winner in singles and Sharang Bhagdikar from IIT Bombay came second in singles. The ICT team won the doubles and CL Valia team was runner up in the same event.



On 27th January 2020, in Andheri Sports Complex Badminton was organized. It was a full-day event where the participants were branched into five pools. After a series of matches, Tejas Prabhudesai bagged the first place in boys and Sourav Bhavdankar took the second place. In girls events, Prishita Sinha of Shah and Anchor Kutchhi college of engineering came first followed by Archita Malgaonkar of VESIT who came second.

“Congratulations for your event. It

was very well managed and it didn't felt like it was organised for the first time” says Vandan from Vidyalankar Institute of technology for badminton. Indoor events were concluded by the chess event on 28th January. The game was played in 5 rounds. Avdhoot Lendhe triumphed as first with 4.5 points. Chaitanya Bhawe, Atharva Malhar and Pushpak Dande tied for second position.

The outdoor events were from 17th January 2020 to 31st January 2020. It began with the football tournament being organized over a span of 3 days on Bhavan's ground.

Fifteen enthusiastic teams took part in the event and RAIT emerged as the champions followed by our SPIT football team. It was definitely a highlight of SPoorthi. The volleyball tournament, it had a



separate tournament for girls and for boys. Khalsa College emerged as the winners and Vidyalankar Institute of technology as the runners up in the boy's category. Terna College won first place and Usha Mittal institute of technology won the Second place among the girls. On the same day, kabaddi was also organized. With over 14 teams, it was a thrilling tournament. Watching Atharva college of engineering becoming the champion was a complete pleasure. Viva College of engineering became the runners up in this event.



Turf cricket was organized on 18th January 2020. With a total of 8 teams participating, S.P.I.T's ETRX department won the 1st place followed by the IT department. One of the most exciting events of SPoorthi was the ground cricket event which was started from 25th of January. Rizvi College was the runners up of the tournament. SPoorthi's

athletics was on 25th of January. The event commenced with 100 m races. Harsh Rana from Father Agnel College bagged the gold medal in both 100m as well as 200m race and Gaurang

Gorasiya won the silver medal in the 100m race. Prithvi Poojary from Thakur College of Engineering won the second place in 200m race. Saroj Shetty was the star performer of the event and won the 1st place in 100 and 200 metres event and 2nd place in the shot put.

Basketball was organized on 27th January at Wadia School, with Arnolds College coming out as winners and MMK College as runners up. The intercollege Girls throwball Tournament was organized on 26th January 2020, after a nail-biting match



between SPIT and Thakur college of engineering, SPIT team emerged victoriously.



The sporting extravaganza came to end with lots of happy faces and memories because of the hard work of the sports committee and support from the college. This year SPoorthi was a successful event and has reached new heights.