

Report of Activities, JNMDA for the Month of March, 2018

MUMBAI PROGRAMME

A 5-member troupe of JNMDA presented Pung-Cholom & Dhol Cholom in the International Dance Festival at Mumbai on March 4, 2018 and the programme was sponsored by the Sangeet Natak Akademi, New Delhi.

CULTURAL PROGRAMME

The Academy presented the following Cultural Programme on 8th March, 2018 in connection with the International Seminar in Hindi at Manipur University, Canchipur.

- i) Khamba Thoibi Jagoi and
- ii) Thougai Jagoi

WORKSHOP ON TRIBAL DANCES OF 5 DIFFERENT TRIBES OF MANIPUR

The Jawaharlal Nehru Manipur Dance Academy, Imphal has conducted a workshop on tribal dances of 5 different tribes of Manipur namely – i) Tangkhul ii) Kom iii) Monshang iv) and Tarao. The workshop was started from March 9, 2018 daily at the premises of the Academy and shall conclude on March 30, 2018.

The aim of the workshop is to promote and preserve the rich traditional dances of Manipur. About 40 participants including students and ex-students of the Academy participated in the workshop.

CULTURAL PROGRAMME

The Academy presented Dance-Drama “Keibul Lamjao” in the **105th Indian Science Congress** on March 18, 2018 at 6.00 p.m. at the Manipur University Campus, Canchipur. The Science Congress was inaugurated by Shri Narendra Modi, Hon’ble Prime Minister on 16th March, 2018.

STUDY TOUR PROGRAMME AT UKHRUL DISTRICT

A 7-member cultural delegation of Jawaharlal Nehru Manipur Dance Academy, Imphal led by Shri L. Upendro Sharma, Director/JNMDA assisted by Shri P. Dhanajit Singh, Guru (Lai-Haraoba), Smt. Angalu Thamei, Guru(Tribal) and Shri Bessi Pfoze, Guru(Tribal) had visited different part of Ukhrul District for study tour programme from March 24-25, 2018. The group visited Ukhrul, Tolloi, Tuinem and Ringui.

The team met cultural activists and youths of different places and discussed about the improvement of their cultural heritage. The Academy has proposed to organise a Festival of Tribal Dance at Ukhrul in the next financial year.

KOLKATA PROGRAMME

The Jawaharlal Nehru Manipur Dance Academy in collaboration with Meitei Jagoi, Kolkata presented Academy’s new Production “**Kuranganayani**” (Dance-Drama) on 28th March, 2018 at Kolkata.