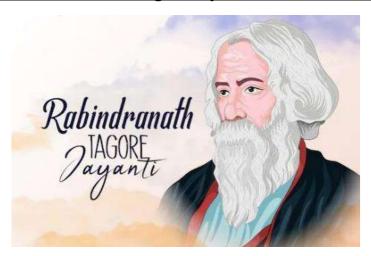
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Observation of Rabindra Tagore Jayanti at NSOU RC-Jalpaiguri



Rabindranath Tagore was a Bengali poet. He was a legendary writer, who was born in Calcutta on 7 May 1861. He was a great son of Debendranath Tagore and Sarada Devi. Tagore started to write poetry at an early age and published his work under his own name. He was an eminent poet, visual artist, novelist, composer and playwright. He was one of the biggest literary figures in India and the first Asian laureate to win the prestigious Nobel Prize in 1913. 'Gitanjali', 'The Postmaster', 'Gora', 'Chitra', 'Kabuliwallah', 'The Golden Boat', 'Ghare-Baire', 'The Home and the World' etc are some of his great works. Tagore's English prose translations of religious poems from several of his Bengali verse collections were hailed by W.B. Yeats and Andre Gide. His broad knowledge and profound understanding of life fascinated everyone. When he was in his 60s, Tagore took up painting and produced works that won him a place among India's foremost contemporary artists. A period of prolonged agony ended with Tagore's death of prostate cancer on 7th August 1941, at the age of 80. Death is not extinguishing the light; it is only putting out the lamp because the dawn has come.



The Regional Centre Jalpaiguri of Netaji Subhas Open University 161 birth anniversary of Rabindranath Tagore who is popularly known as Viswa Kavi (Universal Poet) and also known as Gurudev. On this occasion, Deputy Director Sri Santanu Dam and Sri Anupam Roy garlanded the portrait of Tagore. Later Sri Santanu Dam addressed the gathering. He explained the significance of the day. He said that Tagore is the first Indian to receive the Nobel Prize in Literature. He praised Tagore as a versatile genius and a voracious reader. He reminded the remarkable history of Tagore for having written the national anthem 'Jana Gana Mana' with which Tagore's name is immensely associated globally. In this program Faculty members of NSOU and a good number of students participated.

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