

District children's parliament concludes

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THE final round of the district children's parliament, organised by Viswas (Victims Information, Sensitisation, Welfare and Assistance Society) and State Bank of India - Civil Station branch, was held at the collectorate conference hall on Saturday.

The event, inaugurated by District Collector D Balamurali, attracted over 210 participants from 19 schools in the district.

The parliament, held on the topic "the role of society on protection of children", was aimed at creating awareness on child rights. The preliminary rounds witnessed over 100 schools participating from which four students were selected from each school. Students who participated highlighted the significance of a proactive society in implementing child rights schemes.

The panel of judges included Fr George Puthenchira,

director of Childline, Palakkad, Deepa Jayaprakash, headmistress of the Sai school, Kollengode and V P Kuriakose, former chairman of the Child Welfare Committee.

The prize distribution was carried out by SBI regional manager Lekha Menon. Treasurer of Viswas B Jayarajan, and office bearers Shantha Devi and Devi Kripa, were present.

The winners were Nandana Rajesh of Bhavans Vidya Mandir, Chithali and Sandra Suresh of Amritha Vidyalaya, Palakkad were selected as the best girl parliamentarians. P Sreehari of BSS Gurukulam, Alathur and Sreenivas from Kendriya Vidyalaya, Kanjikode were selected as the best boy parliamentarians.

The meet also honoured Sreelakshmi, who successfully completed a motorcycle trip to Ladakh, and Pranav, a differently-abled student who clicked a selfie with Chief Minister Pinarayi Vijayan.

