Doon School holds Tedx Youth Conference

By OUR STAFF REPORTER

DEHRADUN, 5 Nov: The Doon School held its first Tedx Youth Conference, here, today. The Chief Guest was Padma Shri awardee Dr Anil Joshi. It was organised by students of the Doon School - Tejveer Kohli, Imaad Parvez and teacher Malvika Kala, attended by Kamal Ahuja and Piyush Malaviya.

TED is a media organisation which posts talks online for free distribution, under the slogan of "ideas worth spreading". A TEDx event is all about bringing people from all walks of life to discuss ideas that are worth deliberation. The main reason of giving luminaries a stage is to hear their passion to curb certain issues, or elucidate a particular phenomenon or trend to the global community. This is one of the big reasons TED matters. With its pristine environs and historic campus, Chandbagh served as a perfect setting for ruminating on a wide range of subjects to foster learning, inspiration and wonder.

The conference began with recorded interviews of Dr Manmohan Singh and Mani Shankar Aiyar. There were also live talks of the following: Shantum Seth, a teacher in the Zen Buddhist tradition; Seth studied at The Welham Boys' School, The Doon School and St Stephen's College in India and then graduated in Development Studies with his thesis in Gandhian Economics from the University of East Anglia, while also graduating in Footwear Technology and Management in England. Vineet Pancchi, a filmmaker, musician, leadership trainer, Urdu poetry enthusiast, who loves to work with children and young adults, and advises then to never grow old. Yash Johri, a student at the Faculty of Law, Delhi University; Navin Gulia, an ex-Army Officer and a World Record Holder in Adventure Sports; Jo Chopra

McGowan, who is the Executive Director of the Latika Roy Foundation. Akshit Batra, who is an MBA from the Indian School of Business Hyderabad and has won the Make in India Award by the Bharat Nirman Foundation in association with the Central Government's Make in India Initiative. Kalikesh Narayan Singh Deo is a second-time sitting Member of Parliament in Lok Sabha from the Bolangir constituency of Odisha and a leader of the Biju Janata Dal. Babar Azal is a 'Positive Extremist' from Kashmir, working to bring peace and social positive change into the region through Pashmina.