

# Thousands watch live telecast of meditation, concert programmes

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**TIRUCHI:** A large number of people representing all sections of the society participated in mass meditation and witnessed live telecast of the concerts presented by renowned Carnatic musicians throughout Thursday night at the National College ground in the city organised by the Isha Yoga Centre in connection with the Maha Sivarathri festival. The live telecast of the programmes held at Vellingiri in Coimbatore district commenced with a Guru Pooja offered by Sadguru Jaggi Vasudev and later a discourse on the importance of Mahasivathri. The Sadguru interacted with the devotees for some time when he

cleared their doubts.

The entire audience was engrossed in the lively vocal concert rendered by Balamuralikrishna. The Sadguru led the mass meditation twice and all those present in the venue joined him.

Later Shankar Mahadevan, Mandolin Srinivas, Sivamani and Vijay Prakash enlivened the 20,000-strong crowd with their lively musical concerts which went on till the break of dawn. Isha Musical Troupe also rendered the devotional songs. Similar live telecast of the meditation and musical concerts was organised in eight more centres in Tiruchi district including Kailasapuram, Thuraiyur, Ariyamangalam, etc.



**THRILLED:** A large number of people witnessing live telecast of Maha Sivarathri festival conducted by Isha Yoga Centre in Tiruchi on Thursday. — PHOTO: R. ASHOK