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Jail museum talks focus on role of art in freedom movement

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1 Kolkata: Thirteen artists who contributed to the Alipore Jail Museum exhibition 'Freedom and Awakening' shortly after the museum's inauguration last year, held a panel discussion at the museum on Monday exploring the art forms that have shaped India's transition to Independence. "The artists have worked keeping in mind the 75th year of Independence, where this museum played a vital role as an imperial jail. Many of our noted freedom fighters were jailed here," said painter Indrapratim Roy, reflecting on the mixed legacy of the ja-



One of the exhibits at the museum

il as a space for simultaneous restriction and freedom.

In collaboration with Kolkata Centre for Creativity and the Bengal government, the exhibition showcases changing notions of freedom in post-colonial India, depicted in different artistic media. "Having closely observed

Since most of us were not born during the freedom struggle, it is pertinent to ask what does freedom mean in today's age

Anjan Modak | PAINTER

the women in my household, my work focuses on their saris and the freedom modern women feel in their transition from domestic to public sphere," said Soma Das.

Painter Anjan Modak said, "I have made an abstract surrealist work depicting the contradictions of modern life."