

Multi-lingual Literary Fest 2022 held at JKPS Kunjwani with fervour



Glimpses of Multi-lingual Literary Fest 2022 being held at JK Public School Kunjwani on Saturday.

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JAMMU: JK Public School, Kunjwani hosted the mega event Multi-Lingua Literary Fest 2022 under the aegis of Jammu Sahodaya School Complex (JSSC) with great fervour in its sprawling green campus.

A total of 31 renowned CBSE schools, namely, APS Damana, APS Miran Sahib, APS Sunjuwan, APS BD Bari, APS Jammu Cantt, APS Nagrota, APS Kaluchak, APS Ratnuchak, Banyan International School, Birla Open Minds International School, DBN Vidya Mandir, Amarvilla, Doon International School, Jammu, Holy Presentation Convent School, Kathua, IDPS, Jammu, IPS Kidzee Kathua, Jammu Sanskriti School, Jammu, Jammu Sanskriti School, Kathua, Jodhamal Public School, JK Public School, Kunjwani, Kartar Public School, Kathua, KC

International School, Model Academy, MV International School, Samba, Presentation Convent School, Jammu; Rich Harvest School, RM Public School, Sainik School, Nagrota, Sai International School, Kathua; SNS Vidya Mandir School; Springdales School & Stephen International Public School, Jammu participated in it.

The Literary Fest 2022 format included eight literary genres, namely, Impromptu Orators for Classes XI & XII; Nukkad Natak (Hindi) for classes IX & X; From the Pages of History for Class VIII; Jashn-e-Rekhta (Urdu poetry) for Class VII; English Literary Quiz for Class VI; Tell-A-Tale in English for Class V; Meri Boli, Mere Geet (Dogri) for Class IV and Kaho Kahani (Hindi) for Class III.

The programme commenced with the lighting of the traditional lamp. Ayushi Andotra, Diya Sharma & Jasmeet Kaur

welcomed the guests.

Rajesh Rathore Principal, JK Public School, Kunjwani in his welcome speech encouraged the participants and laid emphasis on the importance of such literary activities as they provide ample opportunities to students to enhance and sharpen their linguistic acumen. He also highlighted the salient features of Sahodaya activities, as fairness & transparency are the hallmarks of every host school of Jammu Sahodaya.

Principal Rathore lauded the commendable gesture of distinguished guests, namely, KCS Mehta, Mentor Jammu Sahodaya & Academic Director, IDPS Akhnoor; Nirmal Mahna, Former President JSSC; Dr. Deep Khare, Principal, Jodhamal Public School; Dr. Kunal Anand, Vice President JSSC & Principal DPS Udhampur; Dr. Atul Hans, Director IDRS Jammu & Seema Sambyal, Principal The Holy Presentation

Convent School, Kathua for sparing their valuable time in the morning hours, when they had either PTMs or other urgent commitments in their schools. All the distinguished invitees addressed the audience, enriched them with their pearls of wisdom and showered their blessings on the participants.

To mark this special day, a token of remembrance was accorded to each Guest of Eminence in the form of a potted Aloe Vera plant, which stands for health, happiness & peace. Director JK Educational Society Shashi Choudhary also graced the occasion and boosted the morale of participants & their mentors.

Shashi Rattan, Vice Principal JKPS briefed the audience of the various activities & venues ear-marked for the Multi-Lingua LIT Fest 2022. After a closely contested session at all the eight venues finally arrived the moments of Judgment, when Roopinder Kour, Associate Vice Principal JKPS announced the much-awaited results.

In Kaho Kahani in Hindi (Class III): Aanya Kotwal from Presentation Convent School stood first, Advik Sharma from KC International School stood second, Saket Singla from RM Public School stood third and Sanvi Gupta from Jodhamal Public School received the Consolation Prize.

In Meri Boli Mere Geet in Dogri (Class IV): Shanaya Sharma from APS Kaluchak bagged first position, Aahana Gupta from Jodhamal Public School bagged second position, Lovisha Sakolia from Springdales Jammu bagged third position and Tavleen Kour of Jammu Sanskriti Jammu got the Consolation prize.

In the event Tell a Tale in English (Class V): Aradhya of APS BD Bari got first prize, Indhaya Verma from Presentation Convent School

got second prize, Nyra Kak from KC International School got THIRD prize and Devanshi from Sai International School Kathua won the Consolation Prize.

In English Literary Quiz (Grade VI): Parth Bharti & Arini Srivastava from Jodhamal Public School got the first prize, Tanisha Sharma & Abhimanyu Sharma from APS BD Bari got the second prize, Shreyasi & Anish Veer Singh from Doon International School got the third prize and Chehak Koul & Mrityuanjay from APS Damana won the Consolation Prize.

In Jashan-e-Rekhta (Urdu Shayari) for Class VII: Muneeb Nishan Khan from APS Kaluchak bagged first position, Sammi-Ur-Rehman from JKPS Kunjwani bagged second position, Amir Malik from DBN Vidya Mandir Amarvilla got third position and Ashutosh Sharma from Jammu Sanskriti Jammu won

Consolation Prize.

In the event Ithaas ke Panno Se (Class VIII), Nimish Vermani from JK Public School Kunjwani got first prize, Ankit Bhat from Sainik School Nagrota got second prize, Aashvika from APS Kaluchak got third prize and Sahivanshi from Stephen International Public School won the Consolation Prize.

In Nukkad Natak (Class IX/X), APS Kaluchak got the first prize, KC International School stood second, APS Ratnuchak bagged the third prize and APS BD Bari won the Consolation Prize.

In Impromptu Orator (Class XI/XII): Rutuja Sundan from APS BD Bari got first position, Akhil Raj from Sainik School Nagrota stood second, Mahir Bhat from KC International School got third prize and Vipul Yashovardhan from Jammu Sanskriti School Jammu won the Consolation Prize.

Shashi Rattan, Vice Principal

JKPS Kunjwani presented the vote of thanks. She appreciated all the participants for their splendid performance. She lauded all the Principals of Jammu Sahodaya for sending their teams and making the event a huge success.

She expressed her gratitude to the Chief Guest Raj Daluja, Chairman, JK Educational Society and the Guest of Honour Shashi Chaudhary, the Director for gracing the occasion and giving away the prizes to the proud recipients.

She applauded the incredible endeavours of Inderjeet Kour, School Coordinator JKPS & her entire Team for making it a red letter day, which witnessed 418 participants from 31 schools in action.

She also appreciated the Herculean task of the Judges, who were the escort teachers from various schools. The mega event reached its point of culmination with the singing of National Anthem.

EFPO Jammu organises closing ceremony of Hindi Pakhwada

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JAMMU: EFPO Regional Office, Jammu on Saturday organised a scintillating function to mark the closing ceremony of "Hindi Pakhwada" held from 14th September to 29th September.

Special invitees of the programme was Professor Rajni Bala, Head, Hindi Department, Jammu University, Rohit Jandiyl, Principal Correspondent, Dainik Jagran, Satnam Singh, Senior Correspondent, Dainik Jagran along with presence of Rizwan Uddin, Regional P F Commissioner - I, and Harinder Singh, RPFC - II.

The "Hindi Pakhwada" celebrations were held in all the Regional Offices of the UTs of Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh, viz. RO Jammu, RO Srinagar and DO Leh (Ladakh). The event witnessed enthusiastic participation from Officers and Staff of the region who participated in various activities such as 'Viehar Pratiyogita', 'Nibandh Pratiyogita', 'Rajbhasha Pratiyogita', 'Tippan and Aalekhan Pratiyogita', 'Use of Hindi on Computer, 'Samanya Gyan', and 'Vividh Prashnоти



Regional P F Commissioner, Rizwan Uddin and others at closing ceremony of Hindi Pakhwada.

and Abhiyakti' Pratiyogita to promote the usage of Hindi in official communications of the office. The topics on which participants of different events presented their views included - Development Schemes and Inclusive development in Jammu and Kashmir; Flexible timing in Government Offices - Opportunities and Challenges, Challenges of depreciating rupee, Effects of Social Media and Use of online services in Government Offices.

Professor Rajni Bala addressed the Staff and Officers and appreciated the efforts put in by the EPFO to promote Hindi in its offices. She appealed to the staff to adopt Hindi in their daily official works throughout the year and not merely limit it to special occasions.

Rizwan Uddin, RPFC - I,

spoke about the importance of using Hindi in all official communication and role of events such as "Hindi Pakhwada" in promoting the use of Hindi as Rajbhasha by inculcating the habit of usage of Hindi. He took the opportunity to elaborate the relevance of such events to promote team spirit and competitiveness as the participants compete against one another. The seal of participating and winning prizes creates a vibrant atmosphere. It provides a great opportunity to all to express their views and feelings.

Rizwan Uddin expressed satisfaction over the fact that participants from DO, Leh and RO, Kashmir also won prizes in the competitions.

The winners of the competitive programmes held during "Hindi Pakhwada-"2022 were

felicitated by dignitaries present in the event.

Among the winners were Shiva Murthy , EO/AO; Sanjeev Kumar, EO/AO; Pramod Kumar Singh , EO/AO; Ankur Janghu, EO/AO; Jagpreet Singh Cheema, EO/AO; Amit Jakhmola, EO/AO; Bipin Kumar, EO/AO; Mini S, DPA; Rajan T, DPA; Pritpal Singh, ASO; Mukesh Kumar, SS; Chiranji Lal Sharma, SS; Rajander Kumar, SS; Tamilselvam, SSSA; Kanchana, SSSA; Ketan, SSSA; Arun, SSSA; Ravi, SSSA; Ritesh Kohli, SSSA; Subhash, SSSA; Raja Sekhar Dasari, SSSA; Dharmendra, SSSA and others. The winners were presented with cash awards ranging from Rs.5,000/- to Rs.1,000/- along with a certificate.

Artist KK Gandhi joins Army's event 'Taare Zameen Par'



K.K Gandhi and other artists being felicitated by President AWWA, Sunita.

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JAMMU: Eminent artist, KK Gandhi had been invited by the Army Commander 71 Sub Area to organize, participate and invite other national-level artists from across the country to join the event under the caption "Taare Zameen Par".

Such programmes had been organized earlier also on the initiative of Northern Command which is meant to educate and create awareness amongst the students for knowing the nuances of the artworks created by the country's famous artists.

Gandhi curated, held, and organized the aforesaid programme with such professional

skills that a four days event passed off like a beautiful dream for the participants and visiting artists.

During the event besides the workshop, the army organized a beautiful sojourn for the participants to venture deep into nature by taking them to high and inhabited forest areas above Patnitop.

In the workshop, more than 250 students were present who benefitted from the creation of artworks and exposure of the visiting artists Rakesh Kumar Malhotra, Milan Sharma, Vikas Dogra, Vinmi Indra, Madan Lal, Vishal Bhatnagar, and Sanjay Roy.

On a concluding day, a func-

tion was organized to felicitate K.K Gandhi and his fellow artists in which President AWWA, the first lady of the command, Sunita was the Chief Guest and other dignitaries were also present.

K.K Gandhi in presence of all the dignitaries, all the ranks of the army, students, and their parents made a live painting on the stage as a special gesture that was highly appreciated and applauded by everybody.

AWWA President honoured the artists with special army medals of appreciation besides she highly eulogized the and precision with which Gandhi made the mission more memorable and successful.

Power employees, engineers hold convention, oppose Electricity (Amendment) Bill 2022

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JAMMU: Jammu and Kashmir Power Employees and Engineers coordination committee (JKPEECC) on Saturday held a convention against Electricity Amendment Bill 2022 here in which Er Shailendra Dubey Chairman All India Power Engineers Federation (AIPDEF) and Er. Abhimanya Dhankar Secretary General AIPDEF were key note speakers. other members of National Coordination committee of Electricity Employees and Engineers (NCCOEED) besides hundreds of Power employees and engineers from all the districts of Jammu and representatives of Kashmir Province also participated in the convention.

It is pertinent to mention that The Electricity (Amendment) Bill 2022 had been sent to standing committee of parliament on energy after uproar across the country against the various provisions of the Bill in August 2022.

Er Shailendra said the Bill violates the basic structure of the Constitution and State



A keynote speaker speaking at a convention of JKPEECC.

Power utilities are under an obligation to fulfill the welfare obligations of the state in terms of the Directive Principles of the constitution which state that the ownership and control of material resources of the community are so distributed as best to subserve the common good.

The Private entities and utilities when created will cherry pick their lot of consumers and affluent consumers will reap the benefits and the weaker sections will slowly be deprived of the subsidized access to the electricity as the Private entities are not interested to serve the sections who can't pay the higher tariffs, he said.

Sachin Tiekoo Convenor JKPEECC and President

JKEEGA demanded that the Bill should not be rushed through and instead the standing committee on energy of Parliament should invite the stakeholders and particularly the National coordination committee of Electricity Employees and Engineers to discuss the provisions of the Bill.

He said that if the Bill becomes an ACT in the present form, the employees of the state owned distribution companies will be shunted, rendered jobless and recruitments in Public sector and employment opportunities in power sector will be scarce.

Er Jiapal Sharma Chairman JKPEECC said, "Private power companies will go for cherry picking in supplying

electricity to consumers and will prefer to supply electricity to only high revenue earning industrial and commercial consumers and urban localities which will push the state discoms to further bankruptcy."

They urge the Government of India and standing committee on energy to hold wider discussions with all the stakeholders on Electricity Amendment Bill 2022.

The convention resolved to participate in large numbers in the November 23 call of Delhi Chalo by the NCCOEED against the Bill.

The constituent members who participated in the JKPEECC supported program were Er. Sachin Tiekoo, President JKEEGA, Er. Jaipal Sharma, President DEA, Er. Ashok Kumar Dubey Sr. Vice President, Anil Slathia, Lineman and Workers Union, Akhil Sharma PDL TDL Union, Tarun Gupta, PDEU, HD Singh, TEF, Mushtaq Najar and Waseem Ahmed Jan from EEU, Parshotam Kumar, CNGEEU, Balbir Singh from Draftsman association.

NHPC Sewa-II holds Fit India Freedom Run

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JAMMU: Sewa-II Power Station Mashka in association with project CISF organized the Fit India Freedom Run 3.0 on Saturday.

Suprakash Adhikari, Group GM, flagged off the 02 km run and also partic-

10 winners of the race. Top three winners were awarded with token shields and top 10 were awarded a pen each for their effort in running.

All senior officers, employees, CISF personnel and female employees too participated in the event.



Suprakash Adhikari, Group GM, flagging off the 02 km run.

ipated along with all employees and security personnel.

JSP Keshari, GM (Civil) was the judge who monitored and selected the top

The short run of 2 km started from Sewa-II office, passed through Mashka Bazar, Power Station, reached NHPC store complex.