

Annual Day celebration at JK Public School Kunjwani culminated with enthusiastic display of talent, teamwork



Glimpses of second day of Annual Day celebration being held on the theme 'Carnival Of Cultures' at JK Public School, Kunjwani on Sunday.

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JAMMU: The two days long Annual Day celebration at JK Public School Kunjwani culminated on Sunday offering a vibrant showcase of student talent, creativity and spirit. This year's theme 'Carnival of Cultures' was beautifully embodied in performances that spanned various cultural expressions including music, dance and drama. The Day-2 event was graced by the presence of the Chief Guest Sham Lal Sharma, Member of Legislative Assembly Jammu & Kashmir, whose arrival met with heartfelt

applause and was welcomed with elegant bouquet presentations - a symbol of the school's respect and admiration. The dignitaries present on the occasion were Patron Davinder Daluja and Neelam Daluja, Chairman JK Educational Society Raj Daluja, Member of Management Gautam Daluja, Director JK Educational Society Shashi Chaudhary, Principal JK Public School Kunjwani, Rajesh Rathore, Vice Principal Roopinder Kaur, School Coordinator Inderjeet Kaur, Academic Coordinator Parvinder Kaur, Primary Wing Coordinator, Anju Raj,

Coordinator 'Toddlers' World, Shivangani Pandotra, and many other distinguished guests and esteemed parents. The day commenced with the auspicious lighting of the ceremonial lamp embodying the spirit of knowledge and enlightenment. This was followed by a soul-stirring performance by the school orchestra whose melodic rendition captivated the audience setting the stage for a day of cultural brilliance. The Principal Rajesh Rathore welcomed all the distinguished guests and parents. He also shared Annual Report of the School through a PowerPoint

Presentation 'Reflections' chronicling the remarkable achievements, accolades and milestones in academics, sports and in the field of arts. The cultural presentations began with an evocative rendition of the "Shiv Stotram" by JKians which resonated the environment with spirituality and grace. This was followed by "Me and my world" a vibrant performance by the students that emphasized the filial bond of love between parents and child. Among the cultural highlights was "Sanskara: True Values" a dance-play that emphasized the

importance of ethics and character in today's world. A Dance Drama on mobile addiction highlighted today's alienated society, enforced the audience ponder over again on time spent by them with mobile phone. In a row of cultural programme, a stirring patriotic tribute to "Ashok Chakra" was presented -- a performance that honoured the nation's spirit of unity and patriotism followed by the enthralling "Dhol Dynamites" which infused the hall with energy and rhythm. The day also recognized the academic brilliance and dedica-

tion through the highly anticipated prize distribution ceremonies. In Round-1, students from Classes II to IV were lauded for their academic excellence and 100 percent attendance, while Round-2 honoured the exemplary achievements of Class XII students in board exams celebrating their academic excellence, academic achievers of Class XI were also felicitated. Vedant Khajuria of Class XII was acknowledged and felicitated for making school website. Following the legacy of the school, students who remained persistent and resilient throughout were

rewarded with tabs as scholarships. The dynamic display of JK Stars in zumba, kickboxing and Aerobics demonstrated their agility and endurance. Zumba performers synchronised their feet with Bhangra and Giddha enthusiasts to reach the grand finale, the point of culmination and left everyone spellbound. The event concluded with the felicitation of the Chief Guest and the Guest by the Management followed by the motivational address by the Chief Guest that highlighted the significance of role of females in society and importance of female education.

The senior most teacher Remu Uppal was also recognized for her invaluable contribution since inception of the school. Supporting Staff Savitri who is in the school since the school was under construction and Beli Ram who is rendering his services to school since 15th July 1992 were also acknowledged. The programme concluded with a warm vote of thanks presented by the Head Girl of the School, Ananya, who contributed to the event's success, and the day ended on a resonant note with the National Anthem.

Govt committed towards Horticulture promotion, growers welfare: Javid Dar

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SRINAGAR: Minister for Agriculture Production, Rural Development Department and Panchayati Raj, Javid Ahmad Dar, on Sunday reaffirmed government's commitment towards strengthening of Horticulture sector and welfare of farmer community across Jammu and Kashmir.

Speaking as Chief Guest at the felicitation ceremony of new office bearers of Jammu and Kashmir Processing & Integrated Cold Chain Association (JKPICCA), including President Bashir Ahmad Naik, in Srinagar, Javid Dar emphasized the government's resolve to promote the horticulture sector in a big way. Advisor to Chief Minister,

Nasir Aslam Wani, MLA Gulmarg Farooq Ahmad Shah, MLA Pattan, Riyaz Ahmad Bedar, MLA Rajpora, Ghulam Mohi-ud-Din Mir and MLA Wachi Showkat Ahmad Ganai were also present on the occasion. The Minister said that about 70-80 percent of population is associated with the horticulture sector which plays a vital role in Jammu and Kashmir's economy, contributing significantly to J&K's GDP. He maintained

that the government strives to empower growers through various initiatives including increasing the area under horticulture crops, rejuvenation of old orchards, enhancing productivity and yield, plant protection measures, safeguarding crops from diseases and pests, strengthening of irrigation infrastructure, farm mechanization introducing advanced technology and techniques. He said that all concerns pertaining to the horti-

cultural sector are under consideration for a phased resolution. Highlighting the need for innovation, Javid Dar highlighted government's plan of introducing new technologies and schemes aimed at supporting progressive farmers. He said that efforts are on to integrate new technology into the sector and introduce schemes that can benefit farmers and increase production. The Minister also assured that all stakeholders in the

horticulture sector would be consulted and involved in decision-making processes to ensure collective progress. Felicitating the new office bearers of JKPICCA including its new President Bashir Ahmad Naik, the Minister extended greetings to them and urged upon them for making the association more vibrant for progressive farming growth and better economic prospects. Advisor to Chief Minister,

Nasir Aslam Wani, who also spoke as a guest of honour, asserted on regulation of post harvest management and seamless functioning of cold chain storage for flourishing of horticulture sector. JKPICCA President Bashir Ahmad Naik, President Sopore Fruit Mandi, Fayaz Ahmad also spoke on the occasion. Meanwhile, a booklet on horticulture was also released on the occasion.



Agriculture Minister, Javid Ahmad Dar releasing a booklet on horticulture.