

Patriotic Harmony: Inter-House Group Song Competition resonates with national pride at JKPS Kunjwani



Glimpses of Inter-House Group Song Competition at JKPS Kunjwani on Tuesday.

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JAMMU: As part of the grand 79th Independence Day celebrations, JK Public School, Kunjwani organised an inspiring Inter-House Patriotic Group Song Competition on Monday, filling the campus with the soulful spirit of nationalism and the melody of

musical excellence.

The event was graced by Shashi Chaudhary, Director, JK Educational Society; Rajesh Rathore, Principal JKPS Kunjwani; Vice Principal, Roopinder Kour along with an enthusiastic gathering of teachers and students.

The competition was aimed at kindling national pride among students while providing them a platform to showcase their musical talent. Participants from the four houses - Tilak, Tagore, Bhagat Singh and Radhakrishnan - set the stage ablaze with their vibrant per-

formances, each rendition echoing their unwavering love for the motherland.

The auditorium came alive as the powerful strains of patriotic songs celebrated India's freedom struggle, cultural richness, and unity in diversity. Melodious harmonies and timeless classics,

imbued with deep emotion, left the audience spellbound.

Addressing the gathering, Chaudhary congratulated all participants for their spirited performances, noting that the event was not merely a competition, but a heartfelt tribute to the nation and the countless sacrifices of brave freedom

fighters. She lauded the Music Department for their exceptional selection of songs and meticulous preparation of each house team, remarking, "These patriotic songs are the soul of those valiant warriors who laid down their lives for our motherland. They ignite freedom not just in our hearts

but also in our minds."

The contest witnessed intense competition, with the Third Position secured by Tagore House, the Second Position by Tilak House, and the Championship claimed by Radhakrishnan House for their impeccable song selection, synchronisation, and

stage presence. The announcement of results was met with thunderous applause and jubilant cheers from the student body.

The programme concluded with the National Anthem, leaving every heart brimming with renewed patriotism and pride for India.

Tricolour is our identity, our pride: Priya Sethi



Senior BJP leader Priya Sethi leading Tiranga rally in Jammu.

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JAMMU: Senior BJP leader and former Minister, Priya Sethi today said that the Tricolour is not just a flag but the very identity and pride of every Indian citizen. Leading a spirited Tiranga rally organised by BJP Chakroi Mandal, Sethi emphasised that the National Flag embodies the ideals, values, and virtues of the nation, inspiring unity, courage, and progress.

The Tiranga rally drew massive participation from party workers and locals, with Former Minister Sham Choudhary, MLA Prof. Gharu Ram Bhagat, District President Border Rinku Choudhary, and the Mandal team marching together on bikes under the Tricolour.

The Tiranga rally was organized by District President Border Rinku

Choudhary and his team.

The rally, part of the Har Ghar Tiranga campaign, witnessed a sea of saffron, white, and green as participants waved the National Flag with pride, raising slogans of "Bharat Mata Ki Jai" and "Vande Mataram." Addressing the gathering, Priya Sethi said, "India's glory will remain eternal, and the Tiranga is its symbol." She recalled that earlier, the National Flag was limited to official hoistings on Independence Day, but under Prime Minister Narendra Modi's visionary amendments, every home now proudly hoists it.

"The National Flag represents the ideals, values, and virtues with which our nation moves forward. It was adopted on July 22, 1947, and designed by freedom fighter Pingali Venkayya. Each colour and symbol on our Flag carries

deep meaning- Saffron is the symbol of courage, strength and energy, reminding us how we can channel the nation's strength towards growth, white for truth, peace and white revolution with the Ashoka Chakra symbolizing constant progress, and green for fertility and growth," Sethi said.

She added, "Our National Flag inspires us to build strong infrastructure and a self-reliant India. From the fragile messages and weak resolve of the Congress era, today we witness a new spirit-under the leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi, our nation has advanced far ahead of many others."

She extended heartfelt gratitude to everyone present in the rally and appealed to all citizens to hoist the National Flag at their homes on 15th

August.

Former Minister Sham Choudhary praised the overwhelming public participation in the rally. "This campaign under PM Modi has revived a deeper connection between citizens and the nation's heritage. The flag is not just cloth; it is our identity, our sacrifices, and our dreams stitched together," he said.

Choudhary urged people to remember the countless freedom fighters who laid down their lives for India's independence, and to uphold the values for which they fought. "Our youth must take inspiration from the Tiranga and contribute to nation-building," he stressed.

MLA Prof. Gharu Ram Bhagat called the Tiranga rally a "festival of patriotism." He highlighted the role of the Har Ghar Tiranga movement in making every citizen an active participant in the nation's journey.

"By hoisting the National Flag at our homes, we declare that we are guardians of India's sovereignty and dignity," Bhagat said.

The rally concluded with enthusiastic chants and a collective pledge to keep the spirit of the Tiranga alive every day.

just a regional treasure-it is a national heritage. Its music, dance, architecture, and philosophy have enriched India for centuries," he remarked.

Highlighting the classical dance form Bharatanatyam, he described it as "a perfect synthesis of beauty, discipline, and devotion" that continues to inspire artists nationwide.

Expressing gratitude, Dr. Karan Singh said, "Recognition such as this strengthens my resolve to keep working for the preservation and promotion of India's diverse cultural traditions."

The ceremony concluded with a standing ovation, marking a memorable evening in Chennai's cultural calendar.

Dr. Karan Singh honoured with Era Sezhiyan Award



Veteran statesman, Dr. Karan Singh receiving award from former VP M. Venkaiah Naidu.

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CHENNAI: Veteran statesman, scholar, and cultural ambassador Dr. Karan Singh was conferred the prestigious Era Sezhiyan Award at a grand ceremony at VIT Vellore's Chennai campus. The award, recognising outstanding contributions to society and cul-

ture, was presented in the presence of several dignitaries, including former Vice President of India M. Venkaiah Naidu, who presided over the function.

Organised under the leadership of VIT Chancellor Dr. G. Viswanathan, who personally invited Dr. Karan Singh, the event

drew a distinguished audience of academicians, students, and cultural enthusiasts.

In his acceptance address, Dr. Karan Singh recalled his long association with Tamil Nadu, praising its artistic brilliance, literary richness, and classical heritage. "Tamil culture is not

Government of Jammu & Kashmir Jal Shakti Department Mission Directorate, Jal Jeevan Mission, J&K Civil Secretariat, Jammu/Srinagar

For and on behalf of the Lieutenant Governor of Jammu & Kashmir (UT), online bid(s) in double cover system are invited from Firms/ Service Providers for hiring of Vehicles), on monthly basis, for supervision & monitoring of implementation of Jal Jeevan Mission in the UT of J&K as per the scope and Terms & Conditions mentioned in the Bid Document, for the period of one year.

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1.	Date of Issue of Tender Notice	07-08-2025
2.	Date of Publishing	08-08-2025
3.	Period of downloading of bidding documents	08-08-2025
4.	Bid Submission Start date	08-08-2025
5.	Bid Submission End date	26-08-2025 (06:00 pm)
6.	Date and time of opening of bids [online]	27-08-2025 (11:00am)

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