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#### INTRODUCTION

We are pleased to present the annual edition of Pratham Pag, a distinguished reflection of the dedication, discipline, and aspirations fostered within the Doon Defence Academy under the visionary leadership of Sandeep Sir. Pratham Pag, meaning "First Step," symbolizes the commencement of a transformative journey for numerous cadets who aspire to serve the nation with honor and pride.

This magazine serves as more than just a compilation of words; it stands as a testament to the unwavering commitment of our cadets, faculty, and mentors, who tirelessly uphold the values of excellence, integrity, and perseverance. Through this platform, we proudly celebrate the accomplishments of our cadets, highlight their creative talents, and encapsulate the essence of their personal and professional growth throughout their foundational training.

Under the esteemed guidance of Sandeep Sir, Pratham Pag has become a cornerstone of preparation, seamlessly integrating academic rigor, physical fitness, and character development. The Trishakti Campus, with its cutting-edge facilities and an inspiring environment, plays a crucial role in shaping the future defenders of our nation.

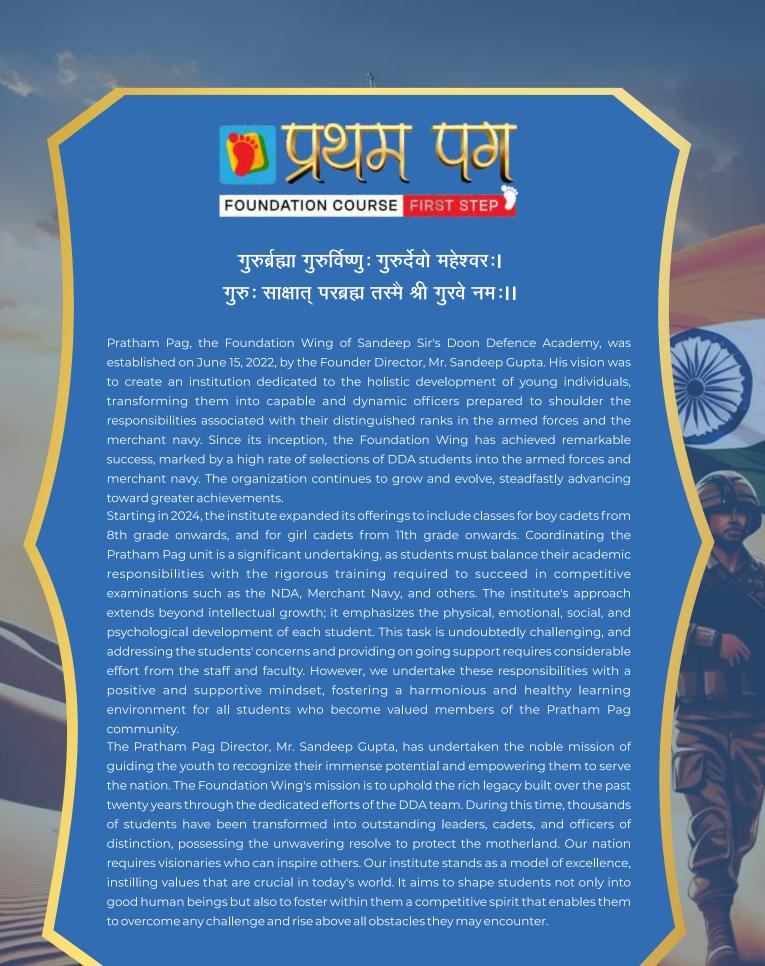
As you navigate through the pages, you will encounter the vibrant spirit of camaraderie, dedication, and the steadfast resolve of our cadets. We trust that this edition will inspire you, reinforce the significance of discipline and perseverance, and motivate you to take your own Pratham Pag towards achieving excellence.

Jai Hind!

Editorial Team
Pratham Pag Annual Magazine
Sandeep Sir's Doon Defence Academy

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From the Director's Desk

#### **MR. SANDEEP GUPTA**

It is with great pride and immense joy that I share my thoughts for this edition of our Annual Magazine. The past year has been a remarkable journey of growth, learning, and achievement for the cadets of Pratham Pag – the Foundation Wing of Doon Defence Academy. Through unwavering dedication, discipline, and determination, our cadets have consistently set new standards in academics, sports, and personal development.

At Pratham Pag, we firmly believe that true success extends beyond academic excellence; it is also about nurturing leadership qualities, resilience, and a deep sense of service. Every initiative, whether it be rigorous training, competitive events, outdoor expeditions, or character-building activities, is carefully designed to mold our cadets into the future leaders of the Indian Armed Forces and responsible citizens of our nation.

This year, our cadets have showcased exceptional performance across a wide range of platforms, from inter-school tournaments to Olympiads, and from adventure expeditions to competitive examinations. The Pratham Pag Premier League (PPCL), along with our annual sports events and leadership sessions, has significantly enhanced

the sense of teamwork and camaraderie among our cadets.

I extend my sincere gratitude to our dedicated faculty, mentors, and trainers, whose tireless efforts in guiding our cadets toward their goals have been invaluable. Your steadfast support and unwavering belief in our mission have played a pivotal role in shaping young minds and preparing them for the challenges that lie ahead.

To our cadets—always remember, "This is just the beginning." Continue to strive for excellence, face challenges with confidence, and remain steadfast in pursuing your dreams. The path to success may be demanding, but with courage, discipline, and perseverance, you have the potential to achieve anything you set your sights on.

May this magazine serve as a tribute to the dedication, creativity, and aspirations of our cadets. I urge each of you to persist in pushing your limits and continue bringing pride to Pratham Pag and Doon Defence Academy.

MR. SANDEEP GUPTA
Submariner - Indian Navy (Retd.)
Director
Doon Defence Academy, Dehradun



#### From the Deputy Director's desk.

#### **MRS. DIVYA GUPTA**

It is with deep pride and great pleasure that I extend my heartfelt greetings to all through this edition of our Annual Magazine. This publication is far more than a mere collection of words and images; it is a powerful testament to the unwavering dedication, tireless hard work, and indomitable spirit of our cadets and mentors at Pratham Pag – the Foundation Wing of Doon Defence Academy.

At Pratham Pag, we are committed to fostering well-rounded individuals who excel not only in competitive exams but also embody the character, courage, and determination necessary to serve our nation with honor. Our faculty and trainers leave no stone unturned in guiding each cadet, ensuring they are thoroughly prepared to confront every challenge with confidence.

To all our cadets, I urge you to remain focused, disciplined, and unwavering in your commitment to your dreams. The road to success is never easy, but with relentless hard work, perseverance, and the right guidance, there is nothing you cannot achieve. Keep pushing beyond your limits, have faith in yourself, and always uphold the values of integrity, dedication, and patriotism.

I offer my sincere gratitude to the entire DDA family—our dedicated faculty, staff, and supportive parents—for their constant encouragement in shaping these young cadets into responsible, confident individuals. May this magazine not only inspire every reader but also serve as a heartfelt reminder of our collective achievements and aspirations.

Wishing you all success and greatness in the journey ahead!

Jai Hind!

MRS. DIVYA ASWAL GUPTA

Dy. Director, DDA

Ex Faculty, RIMC - Dehradun



"In every cadet
I see a future leader
In every leader
I expect a legacy"

From Commadant's Desk

#### **COLONEL SUDHIR VERMA**

It is a privilege to be part of the vibrant and professional ecosystem at DDA, which shapes the career pursuits of aspiring youth.

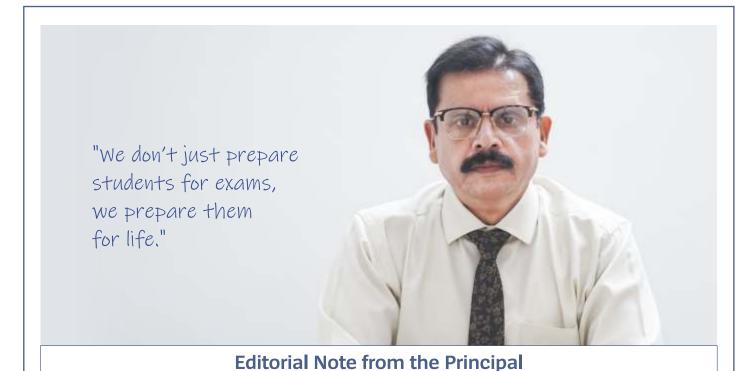
DDA synergizes three key ingredients of success—discipline, hard work, and commitment—with systematic learning modules that focus on skill development and academic excellence, transforming students' personality dimensions to help them reach their goals.

Engaging in a variety of academic, creative, extracurricular, and sports activities, as outlined in the curriculum, provides the necessary perspective, orientation, and resilience. It also grooms students during their formative years for success.

As we reset, refocus, and rededicate ourselves to our goals, your energy and approach to preparation will help you achieve your objectives in optimal time. We will guide you all to fulfill your aspirations and attain excellence and astounding success in the future.

Jai Hind!

Colonel Sudhir Verma
Indian Army (Retd.)
Commandant
Pratham Pag- Foundation Course
Sandeep Sir's Doon Defence Academy



## DR. S. K. ARYA

Dear Students/Cadets,We are thriving in unprecedented times, where the need for a strong and capable defence system to guard our nation's frontiers has never been greater.Doon Defence Academy is making relentless efforts to groom young minds by instilling in them the values of discipline, determination, and dedication, guided by the spirit of "Country First."I commend the competent training and academic staff at DDA for their multifaceted vision, combined with structured efforts and unwavering passion in shaping the future pillars of our nation.The management, led by a daring Submariner from the Indian Navy (Retd.), provides a conducive environment enriched with the best

facilities on campus, enabling young aspirants to nurture their talents and achieve their highest potential. I believe you are blessed with the best resources required to pursue your dream of joining the defence services as an officer. I pray to the Almighty for your continued success in all your endeavours. Jai Hind!

Dr. S. K. Arya
Principal
Pratham Pag - Foundation Course
Sandeep Sir's Doon Defence Academy
Former - CGO, IMA, Dehradun



From The Coordinators Desk

## Chief Petty Officer Indian Navy (Retd.) UMESH KUNIYAL

At Doon Defence Academy (DDA), we take pride in guiding our students through an exciting journey, offering them two exceptional career paths: the prestigious Defence Forces and the adventurous Merchant Navy. Both paths present unique opportunities to challenge yourself, make meaningful contributions to society, and explore the world in vastly different yet equally rewarding ways.

Our academy's mission is to equip students with the skills, knowledge, and discipline needed to succeed in their chosen careers while nurturing them into well-rounded and responsible individuals. Over the years, we have remained steadfast in our commitment to providing top-tier training that prepares our students for success in the professional world.

As the Defence/SSB/Merchant Navy Course Coordinator and a proud veteran of the Indian Navy, I am excited to introduce you to these two career paths, each with its own set of opportunities, challenges, and rewards. If you thrive on discipline, structure, and teamwork, and have a passion for defending our nation's honor, the Defence Forces could be your ideal calling. Alternatively, if adventure excites you and you want to master technical skills while traveling the globe, the Merchant Navy could be your perfect match.

While both career options are highly rewarding, the best choice depends on your personal aspirations and goals. To help you make an informed decision, here are some key highlights of each career path:

Serve Your Country: In the Defence Forces, you will have

the honor of protecting your nation's security and contributing to global peacekeeping efforts. Develop Discipline and Leadership: Both the Defence Forces and the Merchant Navy foster leadership, discipline, and teamwork, helping you evolve into a

strong and respected role model.

Stability and Benefits: A career in the Defence Forces offers excellent job security, comprehensive benefits, and growth opportunities. Likewise, the Merchant Navy offers attractive earning potential, tax benefits, and career stability.

Adventure and Challenges: The Merchant Navy offers the thrill of life at sea, commanding large vessels, and facing unique challenges. In comparison, the Defence Forces also offer a life of responsibility, pride, and adventure.

Both of these career paths are more than just jobs; they are life-defining journeys that shape your character, purpose, and legacy. Ultimately, the right career path is the one that aligns with your passions and aspirations. At DDA, we are committed to helping you make the right choice with confidence, guiding you through every step of this remarkable journey.

UMESH KUNIYAL
Chief Petty Officer-Indian Navy (Retd.)
Defence/SSB/ Merchant Navy Course Coordinator
Sandeep Sir's
Doon Defence Academy



A Journey Begins

#### First Day of Cadets at Foundation Course -02

#### A JOURNEY BEGINS

"Education is the passport to the future, for tomorrow belongs to those who prepare for it today."

- Malcolm X

The first day of Foundation Course -02 was a momentous occasion, filled with excitement, nervousness, and anticipation for many cadets. This was their first experience in stepping out of the comfort of their homes and embarking on a journey that would transform their lives. The transition to hostel life, with its structure and discipline, marked a significant milestone in their preparation for the prestigious National Defence Academy (NDA).

The day began with the arrival of cadets at the campus, each carrying dreams of donning the uniform and serving the nation. Some faces reflected excitement, while others conveyed apprehension, a natural reaction to leaving behind familiar surroundings. However, the warm reception by the wardens and staff quickly eased their nerves.

The wardens took special care to make the cadets feel at home, understanding the emotional significance of this new beginning. The accommodations, meticulously prepared for their arrival, reflected an environment that balanced discipline with comfort.

An orientation session followed, where the cadets were briefed about the course structure, daily routines, and the principles that would guide their journey. The instructors highlighted the importance of discipline, perseverance, and mutual respect, setting the tone for their future. The first day was not just about acclimatizing to a new environment; it was about embracing a new way of life. It was the first step on a path that would demand hard work, resilience, and dedication, but also promise immense rewards. The first day of Foundation Course -02 will always be remembered as the day a group of young individuals began transforming into confident, disciplined, and determined cadets who will one day serve their nation with pride.





# PRATHAM PAG COURSE 2 CADETS

The first day of Physical Training (PT) and the inaugural morning assembly mark a defining moment for the cadets of Pratham Pag Course 2. These two cornerstones—discipline in motion and discipline in thought—set the tone for the transformational journey they are about to undertake. As the sun rises, cadets line up on ground for PT. It's more than just exercise—it's the beginning of building stamina, focus, and mental toughness. Every stretch, sprint, and drill echoes the values of consistency and resilience. Soon after, they gather for the morning assembly—united in attention, learning to listen, reflect, and begin the day with purpose. Together, PT and assembly form the daily rhythm of the Pratham Pag course. They instill habits of punctuality, respect for routine, and commitment to collective goals. These small but significant rituals reshape a student's mindset, shifting them from casual learners to determined cadets, prepared for the structured path ahead. For these cadets, the first PT and assembly are more than formalities—they are the first steps on a path of honor, service, and self-mastery. A new chapter begins, and with it, the making of future leaders.













#### **Guest Lecture by Col. Abhishek Mamgain:**

#### A Lesson in Developing Officer-Like Qualities

"Without changing our patterns of thought, we will not be able to solve the problems that we created with our current patterns of thought." – **Albert Einstein** 

On 17th May 2024, cadets of Foundation Course - 02 had the privilege of attending an inspiring guest lecture by Col. Abhishek Mamgain, a distinguished officer with extensive and valuable experience in the armed forces. The lecture focused on the importance of developing Officer-Like Qualities (OLQs) for gaining success in the National Defence Academy (NDA) as well as in personal and professional life.

Col. Mamgain emphasized that OLQs, such as leadership, discipline, integrity, and resilience, are the foundation of a successful military career. He shared personal experiences and anecdotes that illustrated the importance of OLQs in shaping a cadet's journey at the NDA and also in preparing them to tackle multiple challenges in daily life. His talk resonated deeply with the cadets, providing them with practical knowledge and wisdom on how to cultivate these attributes.

The lecture was more than just a theoretical discussion; it was an invitation to reflect upon one's personal growth and commitment. Col. Mamgain encouraged the cadets to embody these qualities both in their academic and physical training, reminding them that true leadership comes from the ability to inspire and uplift others.

By the end of the session, the cadets were motivated and energized, carrying with them the understanding that their growth as future officers goes beyond just academic excellence. It is the internal strength and character building that will shape them into the leaders they aspire to be. Col. Mamgain's words left a lasting impression, reinforcing the values that are critical to their success at the NDA and in other future aspects.











#### **Guest Lecture by Chief Officer Divyang Mittal**

#### **Exploring Careers in the Merchant Navy**

The cadets of Pratham Pag had the privilege of attending an insightful guest lecture on careers in the Merchant Navy, delivered by Chief Officer Divyang Mittal, an esteemed alumnus of Doon Defence Academy. His visit to the academy was a moment of pride and inspiration, as he shared his experiences and guided the cadets on the exciting and rewarding journey of joining the Merchant Navy.

The session began with a warm welcome, followed by Chief Officer Divyang Mittal addressing the cadets with enthusiasm and passion. He spoke about his journey—from being a cadet at Doon Defence Academy to becoming a Chief Officer in the Merchant Navy.

During the lecture, he provided detailed insights into the various career opportunities available in the Merchant Navy, explaining the different roles, responsibilities, and the pathway to becoming a part of this global industry. He discussed the eligibility criteria, entrance examinations, training programs, and the lifestyle of a Merchant Navy officer.

One of the most engaging aspects of the session was his firsthand account of life at sea. He shared stories of sailing across international waters, navigating through challenging weather conditions, and experiencing different cultures around the world.

He also highlighted the advantages and challenges of a career in the Merchant Navy, discussing aspects such as job security, lucrative salary packages, international exposure, and the discipline required to sustain a successful career in this field. He encouraged the cadets to stay focused, physically fit, and academically strong, as these qualities are essential for excelling in the Merchant Navy.

The interactive session allowed the cadets to ask questions, and Chief Officer Divyang Mittal patiently addressed their queries regarding training institutes, career progression, life onboard ships, and future opportunities in the maritime industry.

An Inspirational Session That Charted the Course for Future Mariners!









## Inter House Hindi Debate Competition

A Battle of Words and Ideas

The Inter House Hindi Debate Competition was a captivating event that showcased the eloquence, critical thinking, and debating skills of cadets. Conducted in three intense rounds, the competition provided a platform for students to express their views on pressing contemporary issues with clarity and confidence.

In the first round, eight students competed from each house, who debated on the thought-provoking topic, "क्या

ऑनलाइन शिक्षा ऑफलाइन शिक्षा से बेहतर है?" The participants presented compelling and well-researched arguments, weighing the pros and cons. This round saw a heated exchange of ideas as students put forward their views with logical reasoning, examples, and dynamic persuasion.

After an engaging first round, three students from each house advanced to the second round. The topic for this round was "भारत में समान नागरिक संहिता की आवश्यकता" This round was particularly challenging, as each speaker had only two minutes to present their arguments. Additionally, teams were allowed to ask three questions to their opponents, making it a dynamic and intellectually stimulating discussion.

In the semifinal round, Thal House faced off against Vayu House, while Jal House debated against Agni House. Each debater displayed exceptional articulation and analytical skills and left everyone in awe. After a fierce battle of words, Jal House and Vayu House emerged victorious, securing themselves the places in the final round.

In the final round, the houses engaged in an intense battle of wits and arguments. Finally, the Jal House emerged triumphant claiming the first position in the competition.

The Inter House Hindi Debate Competition was a resounding success, fostering critical thinking, teamwork, and public speaking skills among the cadets. It encouraged students to engage with important social and educational issues along with instilling in them the art of respectful and persuasive discourse.

House-Wise Positions		
House	Position	
Jal	1st	
Vayu House	2nd	
Thal House	3rd	
Agni House	4th	







## A Celebration of Talent and Joy Cultural Program

Summer break is an awaited time by the cadets as it calls for the comforts of the home. However, before the commencement of the break, the cadets of the Pratham Pag put together a delightful evening of entertainment and cultural performances, showcasing their artistic talents and adding a touch of joy to their rigorous training schedule.

The program featured an array of vibrant group dance performances that had the audience cheering and clapping along. The cadets left everyone speechless with soulful solo songs and captivating solo dances highlighting how their versatility and talents ascent beyond academics and physical training.

Adding to the event, Sandeep Sir's words of wisdom, reminded them that moments of creative expression and joy are like the other end of the seesaw which balances physical and mental training. His speech motivated the cadets to embrace every aspect of their holistic growth.

The highlight of the evening was the concluding performance by Sandeep Sir himself. In a heartwarming gesture, he invited all the performers on stage and sang the iconic song 'Papa Kehte Hain', leaving the cadets as well as the audience with smiles, laughter, and a sense of appreciation.

The event was a perfect send-off, filling everyone with energy, positivity, and unforgettable memories to carry into their summer break.





"To learn to read is to light a fire, every syllable that is spelled out is a spark."

#### - Victor Hugo

The Inter House Spell Bee Competition 2024 was an exciting and intellectually stimulating event that put the linguistic and vocabulary skills of the cadets to the test. Designed to enhance vocabulary, spelling accuracy, the ability for under pressure work, and quick thinking, the competition witnessed enthusiastic participation from all four houses—Jal, Thal, Vayu, and Agni—each represented by four cadets.

The competition progressed through multiple rounds, each becoming progressively more challenging. The initial rounds focused on commonly misspelled words, while the later stages introduced more complex and challenging vocabulary. Each round tested not just spelling proficiency but also pronunciation, word usage, and the ability to remain composed under pressure.

The atmosphere was charged with excitement as participants displayed their linguistic agility, while the audience cheered them on with enthusiasm.

After an intense battle of words and intellect, Agni House emerged as the winner, showcasing exceptional spelling prowess and confidence. Vayu House secured the second position, while Jal House claimed the third place, making the competition a closely contested event.

Beyond the competitive spirit, the Spell Bee Competition served as an excellent platform for cadets to develop a love for language, improve their vocabulary, and enhance their communication skills. The event reinforced the importance of precision, concentration, and linguistic excellence—skills that will benefit cadets in their academic and professional journeys.

With yet another successful edition of the Spell Bee Competition, the cadets proved that mastery over words is just as significant as physical and mental agility. This event will undoubtedly remain a cherished memory, inspiring future participants to strive for excellence in the years to come.

House-Wise Positions		
House	Position	
Thal House and Vayu House	1st	
Jal	2nd	













#### **BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS**

At Pratham Pag, birthdays are not just personal milestones but a collective celebration of unity and happiness. Every month, the cadets who share their birthday that month come together to celebrate their special day in a grand yet heartwarming way.

The celebration usually takes place on the last Saturday of each month, turning an ordinary evening into one filled with joy and festivity. The excitement begins as the cadets gather in a beautifully decorated space, eagerly awaiting the highlight of the event—the cake-cutting ceremony. The atmosphere is filled with laughter, claps, and heartfelt wishes, making each birthday celebration a truly special moment.

The faculty and staff also join in, adding warmth to the celebration and making every cadet feel valued and appreciated.

What makes these monthly celebrations unique is the sense of togetherness they bring. Away from home, these moments remind the cadets that they are part of a bigger family—the Pratham Pag family—where every milestone is celebrated with equal enthusiasm. It

A Celebration of Life, Friendship, and Togetherness at Pratham Pag!













#### **INDEPENDENCE DAY AND**



## PATRIOTISM AND COMMUNITY

The 78th Independence Day was celebrated with great enthusiasm and patriotic fervor on 15th August 2024. The celebration was marked by a blend of patriotic expressions, cultural performances, and a noble act of service that made the day truly special.

The event commenced with the hoisting of the national flag by Sandeep Sir, followed by the entire gathering proudly singing the National Anthem. The sight of the Tiranga soaring high filled every heart with immense pride and a renewed sense of responsibility toward the country.

A highlight of this year's celebration was the Blood Donation Camp, which saw enthusiastic participation from both students and staff. Understanding the significance of this noble cause, volunteers came forward happily to donate blood, contributing towards saving lives. This initiative beautifully embodied the spirit of selflessness and service, reinforcing the message that true patriotism lies in helping others and strengthening the nation.

This Independence Day we not only commemorated our freedom but also reflected and acted for a greater cause. The blood donation drive, in particular, served as a reminder that every citizen has a role to play in nation-building. The event concluded with a collective pledge to uphold the values of democracy, unity, and service to society.



## TEACHERS DAY Celebration

"A teacher affects eternity, they can never tell where their influence stops"

Henry Brooks Adams

The Teacher's Day celebration at Pratham Pag was a grand and heartfelt event, honoring the dedication and hard work of our esteemed educators. The celebration, held in the Motivational Hall, was attended by students, faculty, and staff.

Students, in turn, presented a series of performances, including heartfelt speeches, poetry recitations, and cultural dances dedicated to their mentors. Handmade cards and tokens of appreciation were given to teachers as a gesture of love and respect.

The principal addressed the gathering with a heartfelt speech, highlighting the crucial role that teachers play in shaping the future of young minds. With deep conviction, they underscored how educators are not only responsible for imparting knowledge but also for instilling values, critical thinking, and a sense of purpose in their students.

The principal emphasized that teachers are the cornerstone of building a better society, as they inspire and guide the next generation toward positive contributions, personal growth, and a brighter future for all.

The event concluded with a cake-cutting ceremony, followed by a round of heartfelt applause and cheers for the incredible mentors who guide and inspire every day.

The Teacher's Day celebration at Pratham Pag was more than just an event—it was a heartfelt expression of gratitude and admiration, creating lasting memories for both students and teachers to cherish for years.





#### **Embracing Devotion and Unity**

#### **Ganesh Puja at DDA Campus**

The Ganesh Puja celebration at the DDA Campus this year was a truly memorable event, marking five days of devotion, unity, and joy. From installation to immersion, the entire celebration was filled with spirituality, culture, and a sense of community among the cadets of

The celebrations began with the installation of Lord Ganesha's statue, which was greeted with great enthusiasm and reverence. The cadets, along with their teachers and staff, came together to decorate the space, creating an atmosphere of devotion and festivity. The majestic idol of Lord Ganesha stood as a symbol of prosperity, wisdom, and the removal of obstacles, bringing blessings to all who gathered in His presence.

For the next five days, the cadets of Pratham Pag took part in aartis, singing hymns and prayers with devotion and energy. The teachers and staff joined the cadets in these prayers, strengthening the bond of unity and respect that defines the spirit of the DDA campus. The air was filled with the sound of chants and the fragrance of incense, as everyone came together to celebrate the divine presence of Lord Ganesha.

As the five-day celebration drew to a close, the highlight of the event was the immersion of the Lord Ganesha statue in the river near Maaldevta. The immersion was a heartfelt and symbolic act of bidding farewell to Lord Ganesha, thanking Him for His blessings, and seeking His guidance for the future.

As we look forward to future celebrations, the spirit of Ganesh Puja will continue to inspire and bring the entire Pratham Pag family closer together in the pursuit of knowledge, unity, and spirituality.

Jai Ganesh!











## Diwali Cultural Event

#### ''एक दिया शहीदों के नाम''

On October 25, 2024, Doon Defence Academy celebrated Diwali with the meaningful theme "Ek Diya Shaheedon Ke Naam," honoring the courageous martyrs who sacrificed their lives for the nation. The grand event was graced by Vice Admiral (Retd) Anurag Thapliyal, who attended as the chief guest. His inspiring words and esteemed presence enhanced the significance of the celebration, leaving a lasting impression on all who attended.

The evening featured a series of captivating performances by the academy's students, including the cadets of the Pratham Pag Foundation Course. The cultural programs, highlighting their talents, filled the air with a vibrant and joyous atmosphere, uniting students, faculty, and staff in a spirit of celebration and respect.

The event was more than just a tribute; it captured the true spirit of Diwali as the academy community united to light diyas in memory of the fallen heroes. In his address, Vice Admiral Thapliyal highlighted the importance of honoring those who sacrificed for the country, instilling a profound sense of patriotism and pride among the audience.

A special highlight of the celebration was the Victory Parade – 02, which recognized students who had successfully passed the NDA, CDSE, and AFCAT exams. These achievers were honored with cash awards for their dedication and perseverance. Their success served as an inspiration, encouraging fellow students to pursue excellence in their endeavors.

As the evening unfolded, the festive spirit was further elevated by a memorable performance by Sandeep Sir on the iconic song "Papa Kehte Hain Bada Naam Karega." His energetic rendition received thunderous applause, adding a personal and joyous touch to the celebration

The event was masterfully hosted by Umesh Kuniyal Sir, who kept the audience engaged and entertained throughout the program. As a token of appreciation, the Chief Guest was presented with a memento by Sandeep Sir and Divya Ma'am, marking the conclusion of a truly remarkable evening.

The Diwali celebration at Doon Defence Academy seamlessly combined cultural expression, academic achievement, and a sense of unity. It not only paid tribute to the sacrifices of our martyrs but also reinforced the values of togetherness, perseverance, and joy, leaving a memorable impact on all those in attendance.





#### Inter House General Knowledge Competition

A Test of Knowledge and Intelligence

#### "You don't have to know all the answers, just be curious enough to find them."

The 2024 Inter House General Knowledge Competition was an exhilarating and intellectually enriching event that assessed the cadets' knowledge and quick decision-making skills across multiple subjects. Conducted with great enthusiasm, the competition presented challenging questions from Science, General English, and General Studies, providing a thorough test of intellect and awareness.

Each house fielded a team of cadets who demonstrated their knowledge, teamwork, and strategic thinking. The event featured intense rounds where participants answered rapid-fire questions, solved challenging problems, and showcased their understanding of current affairs and academic topics.

After several thrilling rounds of quizzing, Agni House, represented by Cadets Khushi, Anjali Yadav, Kashish, and Bhavika Dhangar, triumphed, claiming the top spot with their outstanding performance. Thal House

and Jal House showcased impressive knowledge and resilience, sharing second place. Vayu House, with its strong effort and determination, secured third, demonstrating a solid understanding of various subjects. The competition was not only about winning but also about learning and expanding knowledge. The event encouraged cadets to stay informed about current affairs, hone their analytical skills, and cultivate a strong interest in a variety of subjects. The spirit of teamwork and healthy competition was apparent throughout, making it a memorable experience for both participants and spectators.

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<b>House-Wise Positions</b>		
House	Position	
Agni House	1st	
Thal & Jal House	2nd	
Vayu House	3rd	







## Gautam Kumar's Motivational visit inspires future cadets at DDA



Cadet GAUTAM KUMAR
All Indian Rank 579
Selected in NDA-152 Course

Gautam Kumar, a distinguished cadet of Prathampag Course 1, attended the Diwali celebrations at DDA with great enthusiasm. After the festivities, he delivered an inspiring lecture and engaged in an interactive conversation with the cadets of Course 2. During the session, he shared his personal journey at DDA and explained how the academy played a vital role in shaping his preparation, discipline, and overall

development. He discussed useful tips and tricks for cracking the NDA examination and emphasized the importance of hard work and personality development. His insights deeply motivated the cadets, especially when he mentioned that he had cleared both the NDA written exam and the SSB interview in his first attempt while still in Class 12. After that Gautam patiently waited for the completion of his board exams to join the prestigious National Defence Academy, Khadakwasla. His story stood as a shining example of dedication, focus, and the transformative influence of DDA.





The Hindustan Olympiad, organized by Hindustan Newspaper, proved to be a remarkable opportunity for students to test their knowledge, enhance their preparation, and gain invaluable experience for future competitive exams.

The Olympiad tested students' analytical, problem-solving, and conceptual skills across various subjects, resembling major competitive exams and providing excellent preparation. Beyond academics, it boosted students' confidence, fostering healthy competition and motivating them to excel. Competing with peers from different schools helped reduce exam anxiety and encouraged a strategic approach to future competitive tests.

The Hindustan Olympiad was not just a test of knowledge but a stepping stone towards greater achievements. It prepared students for upcoming challenges and strengthened their foundation for future endeavors. Such initiatives play a crucial role in shaping young minds, equipping them with the skills and mindset required to excel in competitive examinations.

As we look back on this enriching experience, we encourage more students to engage in academic events, take on challenges, and pursue their dreams with dedication and passion.



# GRACE, DISCIPLINE AND VICTORY

### THE STORY OF BHAVIKA DHANGAR



In the realm of sports, true champions are defined by their dedication, discipline, and perseverance—and Bhavika Dhangar is a prime example of this. Her recent gold medal win in the Under-19 category of Yogasana has not only brought immense pride to her academy but also inspired aspiring athletes with dreams of leaving their mark in the world of sports.

The championship where Bhavika clinched her gold was a highly competitive event, attracting some of the best young talent across the country. Her performance was nothing short of spectacular, marked by grace, flawless technique, and the seamless execution of complex asanas, which captivated both the judges and the audience. Her ability to maintain poise under pressure, coupled with her dedication to both physical and mental endurance, was truly remarkable.

This prestigious victory is more than just a personal achievement for Bhavika; it is a significant milestone in her journey. It emphasizes the growing importance of yoga as a sport, showcasing its unique ability to blend fitness, mental well-being, and competitive excellence.

Outside of the competitive arena, Bhavika is passionate about promoting Yogasana among young people, encouraging them to explore the benefits of yoga beyond just a fitness regimen.

As we celebrate her well-deserved success, Bhavika Dhangar's journey reminds us all that success is built on passion, patience, and perseverance.

#### Congratulations to Bhavika on her remarkable achievement!







On Republic Day, DDA was graced by the presence of Molly, the mascot of the 38th National Sports to be held in Uttarakhand starting 28 January, and, the chief guest for the occasion was Touch Wood School's Managing Director Meenakshi Saxena and Chairman Aman Saxena.

Molly, the mascot of the 38th National Sports hoisted the tricolor. After the flag hoisting, Molly greeted the students with handshakes and distributed sweets. The students were thrilled to have Molly join them for the occasion.

The chief guests awarded medals, certificates, and cash prizes to the DDA Diamonds who secured positions in the written exams for NDA and CDS- organized by DDA as a part of the weekly tests.

In his address, DDA Director Sandeep Gupta expressed pride in having Molly, the mascot of the 38th National Sports, hoist the tricolor as chief guest on Republic Day. He congratulated all the DDA Diamonds and encouraged the students to prepare for the upcoming NDA and CDS exams with full dedication and vigor.

Along with this, Shri Mahant Indresh Hospital organized a Blood Donation Camp, where DDA students, faculty, staff, and residents donated around 50 units of blood. Additionally, Healing Touch Hospital held a health checkup camp, while Amritsar Eye Clinic conducted an eye checkup camp.

On this esteemed occasion, DDA Director Sandeep Gupta and Deputy Director Divya Gupta launched the Company Sponsorship Test Book and the IMU-CET Entrance Exam for Merchant Navy candidates. They also conducted the SSB Officer Intelligence Rating (SSB OIR) test for students, while awarding medals, certificates, and cash prizes to the 31 winners of the previous Weekly Tests. Director Sandeep Gupta also met the DDA team participating in the women's cricket series, 'Urja Cup,' which was set to take place at Dehradun on 8 February, and wished them success in advance.

The event was attended by DDA Commandant Colonel Sudhir Verma (Retd), Center Head Mr. Umesh Kuniyal, Academic Head Mr. Uday Mehra, DDA students, Foundation Course 'Pratham Pag' students, along with all faculty and staff members.











#### A Family Beyond Uniforms – Life at Sandeep Sir's DDA

At Sandeep Sir's Doon Defense Academy, we believe that training young cadets goes far beyond discipline and drills—it's about building a second home. Our academy is a closely-knit family where each cadet is cared for like our own. We ensure they never miss the warmth and joy of home—especially during festivals and special occasions. Every celebration here is a shared memory. From the lights and laughter of Diwali to the devotion of Ganesh Puja, the cheer of Christmas and the excitement of New Year, we celebrate together, just like a family. National festivals like 15th August (Independence Day) and 26th January (Republic Day) are observed with pride and grandeur, instilling patriotism in every heart. We also cherish our cadets individually, marking monthly birthdays with joy and unity. At Doon Defense Academy, it's not just about shaping officers—it's about shaping confident, happy, and emotionally strong individuals.















## "Do what brings you happiness" Group Captain MLS Prasad motivated the students

Group Captain MLS Prasad, Joint, Secretary Services Sports Control Board motivated the students of Foundation Course 02 "Pratham Pag". He was welcomed by DDA Director Sandeep Gupta with a bouquet and an Air House cap. DDA Commandant Colonel Sudhir Verma (Retd) introduced him to the students and they passed on the floor to him.

Group Captain MLS Prasad started by saying, "Follow what brings you happiness in life. What your family, society, friends, or teachers say doesn't really matter."

To this, he added, that first one should decide what actually brings them happiness. However, one should keep in mind that any act that causes problems to friends, family, or society should be avoided. Giving the example of Rancho, from the movie, Three Idiots he reiterated his views. He further mentioned his life struggle and how he attained what he has today. The students looked very excited after listening to the outspoken Prasad. He also answered the questions asked by the students in detail. He also showed his photographs taken with film stars and sportsmen.

On this occasion, DDA's Central Head Mr. Umesh Kuniyal, and Foundation Course's Admin In-charge Mr. Manish Sawant were present.



#### **Forging Future Officers**

#### **Regular SSB Sessions at DDA**

At Doon Defence Academy, every defence aspirant's journey is shaped by focused preparation, disciplined training, and a strong commitment to excellence. A core part of this journey is the Academy's regular SSB training sessions, conducted almost every month under the expert mentorship of Commandant Sudhir Verma (Retd.), a seasoned officer with extensive experience in training and selection. These sessions offer a comprehensive understanding of the Services Selection Board process, including Group Discussions, Personal Interviews, Psychological Tests, and GTO tasks. Designed to closely replicate actual SSB conditions, the training helps cadets build familiarity, confidence, and competence. More importantly, it focuses on developing essential officer-like qualities (OLQs) such as leadership, communication, decision-making, and teamwork. Rather than being a one-time event, SSB training at DDA is a continuous process. It fosters collaborative learning, peer interaction, and resilience under pressure. With consistent exposure and guided practice, cadets are not just prepared to clear the SSB-they're groomed to become future officers, ready to serve the nation with pride and integrity.



In the month of April, Group Captain C.K. Karthik (Retd.) conducted one-on-one mock interviews for all Class 11 students of the Pratham Pag course. This initiative aimed to introduce students to the structure and expectations of the SSB interview process while also helping them understand the challenges they may face during such high-pressure situations.

Through detailed and constructive feedback, Group Captain Karthik provided each student with a clear analysis of their strengths and areas for improvement. His insights went beyond just interview techniques—he encouraged students to introspect, build self-awareness, and develop habits that would support long-term growth.

The sessions were deeply enriching, offering students a rare opportunity to learn directly from someone with extensive experience in evaluating candidates for the armed forces. For many, it was a powerful eye-opener into the demands of the selection process and a motivating step forward in their journey of self-improvement and preparation.













#### **KARGIL VIJAY DIWAS**

On the occasion of Vijay Diwas, a program organized by Sandeep Sir's Doon Defense Academy saw Director Sandeep Gupta, along with faculty, staff, and students, paying tribute to the martyrs. DDA Director Sandeep Gupta remarked that during the 1971 war, Indian soldiers not only safeguarded the nation's integrity and honor but also triumphed over the enemy with their exceptional combat skills.



On this occasion, DDA Diamonds selected for the Indian Armed Forces were awarded a cash prize of

₹10,000 as a blessing, following the academy's tradition. Among the honorees were Paritosh Sharma, selected for SSC in the Indian Navy, and Mohan Tomar, Amit Sharma, and Hariom, selected for the Indian Air Force in the Agniveer 02/2023 batch. Sharing their experiences with students, the DDA Diamonds credited the right guidance from the academy for helping them achieve their dreams. They thanked Academy Director Sandeep Gupta, highlighting weekly tests and mock exams as keys to their success.

Along with this, the Vijay Diwas Defence Awareness Test was conducted. The test focused solely on Defence-related questions, with 100 questions worth 100 marks to be completed in 75 minutes. The top three cadets will receive cash prizes:  $\stackrel{?}{\sim}$ 1000 for first place,  $\stackrel{?}{\sim}$ 700 for second, and  $\stackrel{?}{\sim}$ 500 for third.

Addressing the program, Director Sandeep Gupta highlighted that lakhs of youth aspire to join the Indian Armed Forces through the NDA and CDS exams. While 8 to 10 thousand clear the exams, only 500 to 600 make it to the final merit, demonstrating the focus and hard work of these individuals.

On this occasion, DDA Commandant Colonel Sudhir Verma (retd), Center Head Umesh Kuniyal, Foundation Course 02 Principal DN Thapliyal, Chief Admin Jagmohan Kothari, Admin in Charge Manish Sawant, chief warden Ankit Dabas, warden Neetu, PTI Tarun Arora and Harish and others were present.

#### Gurumantra by SSB expert Gp. Capt. A. K. Singh

Cadets of Foundation Course 02 "Pratham Pag" at Doon Defense Academy had the privilege of receiving insightful guidance from Group Captain A.K. Singh, IAF (Retd.), a renowned SSB expert and former psychologist at AFSB Mysore and Dehradun. Drawing from his extensive experience, Group Captain Singh spoke in detail about the "Officer Like Qualities" (OLQs) that form the foundation of a strong and effective military personality. He highlighted the significance of character, mental resilience, and leadership—qualities that play a vital role in shaping successful officers in the armed forces. His session focused not only on understanding the selection process but also on building the right mindset to tackle challenges with confidence and clarity. His motivational and practical approach to SSB interview preparation deeply resonated with the cadets. The interaction left a lasting impression, inspiring the young aspirants to aim high, remain disciplined, and continuously work on self-improvement. Group Captain Singh's words served as a guiding light in their journey toward a distinguished career in defense.

#### **Celebrating Nature and Culture**

#### **Basant Utsav 2025**

The 2025 edition of Basant Utsav at Raj Bhawan, Dehradun, concluded on a high note with a spectacular display of nature's vibrant colors at the Flower Exhibition. For three days, the city was immersed in a feast for the senses, with an array of flowers captivating visitors and showcasing the richness of Uttarakhand's natural beauty. Among the many participants, DDA Diamonds from Sandeep Sir's Doon Defence Academy (DDA) added a fresh spark to the event, with their enthusiastic involvement in the exhibition's educational tour.

The Flower Exhibition at Basant Utsav is not just a celebration of flora but an ode to nature's delicate artistry. The DDA students, part of the Educational Tour program, were visibly thrilled to witness the kaleidoscope of colors that adorned Raj Bhawan's sprawling grounds. From roses to marigolds, lilies to orchids, each flower told its own unique story, a testament to nature's diverse beauty. Their participation in this event was more than just a visual treat – it was an opportunity to engage with their environment, absorb the lessons of sustainability, and appreciate the intricate bond between nature and culture.

The students, expressing heartfelt gratitude to DDA Director

Sandeep Gupta and Deputy Director Divya Gupta, recognized the significance of being a part of such an enriching experience. It is events like these that foster a deep sense of connection with both nature and community, teaching valuable lessons in respect and stewardship for the environment. The educational journey, guided by PTI Rupa and Warden Neetu, also allowed the students to appreciate the cultural significance of Basant Utsav, which blends tradition with celebration in the most beautiful way.

The event saw diverse participation, with IIT Roorkee winning the Vasantotsav 2025 running trophy, surpassing last year's champions, ONGC. A total of 165 awards were given across 55 sub-categories, recognizing various groups like the Uttarakhand Sainik Rehabilitation Institute and Patharchatta, highlighting the event's inclusivity and competitive spirit.

The presence of Governor Lt Gen Gurmit Singh (retd) added prestige to the occasion as he honored the

winners of the Flower Exhibition, Rangoli, Painting, and Photography competitions. His participation symbolizes the state's commitment to encouraging art, culture, and the preservation of nature through such vibrant platforms.

As Basant Utsav 2025 concluded, it reminded us of the celebration of life's vibrancy through flowers, culture, and art. Amid busy lives, festivals like these offer a moment of reflection, inspiring creativity, community, and a deeper appreciation for nature. This year's success highlighted the powerful blend of nature and culture, creating a visually stunning and educational experience. For the DDA Diamonds



and all attendees, it was a reminder to cherish the beauty around us, with the event's vibrancy and sense of unity leaving a lasting impression.





#### **Bold** & Minimalistic

#### **Essay and Poem Writing Competition**

On the 31st of March, 2025, the DDA campus was abuzz with creativity and inspiration as students came together for the highly anticipated "Bold and Minimalistic" Essay and Poem Writing Competition. This event was not just a competition, but a celebration of expression, imagination, and the power of words. The importance of such events cannot be overstated, as they provide students with an invaluable opportunity to explore their creativity, enhance their writing skills, and discover their voice as budding writers.



The competition saw an overwhelming participation from students, each eager to express their thoughts and ideas in

both English and Hindi across four categories: English Essay Writing, English Poem Writing, Hindi Essay Writing, and Hindi Poem Writing. The enthusiasm and dedication displayed by every participant reflected the depth of passion for literature and the written word.

By providing a space for students to craft their thoughts into essays and poems, the competition fostered a sense of confidence and accomplishment, encouraging them to refine their abilities and reach new creative heights.

The winners in each category were recognized for their exceptional skills and awarded certificates for their outstanding achievements. However, the true reward came when their works were selected for publication in the school's editorial magazine, ensuring their voices would be heard and appreciated by a wider audience. This recognition serves as a testament to the power of literary expression and the importance of nurturing young talent.

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Cadet	Position
Pranavi Prakash	1st
M. Manish	2nd
Bhavika Dhangar	3rd

#### **ENGLISH POEM WRITING**

Position
1st
2nd
3rd

#### **HINDI ESSAY/POEM WRITING**

Cadet	Position
Anand Raj	1st
Anvesha Mewada	2nd
Ganaditya S.R.	3rd





# TRISHAKTI CAMPUS UNVEILED

#### Where Dreams and Discipline Meet

A new dawn has risen at Doon Defence Academy – one that reflects our deepest hopes and biggest dreams for the future of our cadets. With great pride and overwhelming joy, we announce the inauguration of our newest home – the Trishakti Campus, dedicated to the Foundation Course cadets who embody the very spirit of DDA.

On 11th April, 2025, amidst the blessings of a traditional puja, Trishakti opened its doors to the future defenders of our nation. Nestled amidst the scenic stretch of Sahastradhara Road, Trishakti is more than just a campus – it is a dream turned reality, built brick by brick with purpose, passion, and an unshakable commitment to shaping the defenders of tomorrow. The journey began with a sacred puja, a heartfelt invocation of blessings to guide each cadet who walks this path.

We were honoured by the presence of distinguished dignitaries whose very lives are examples of service and integrity: Vice Admiral Anurag G. Thapliyal (Retd.), Major General Chandraprakash (Retd.), Colonel Abhishek Mamgain, Captain Vaibhav Goyal (MN), Chairman of Touchwood School Mr. Aman Saxena, Principal Mrs. Shalini, and Purv Nausainik President Mr. Satish Chandra Mundepi. Their encouragement, admiration, and belief in our mission filled the hearts of every young cadet and staff member with pride and purpose.

Equipped with cutting-edge sports facilities – from a swimming pool and indoor badminton courts to cricket pitches and soon, shooting ranges – Trishakti is a sanctuary for both minds and bodies to grow strong. It stands as a promise that at DDA, no dream is too big, no goal too far.

A moment that truly touched every heart was the recognition of the Top 25 cadets from Class 11 – Foundation Course 'Pratham Pag', each awarded Rs. 10,000 for their excellence. It wasn't just a reward; it was a celebration of effort, sacrifice, and unrelenting grit.

Sandeep Sir's words resonated deeply – a reminder that this campus is not just about infrastructure, but about intention. It's about creating a space where discipline meets aspiration, where every heartbeat echoes with the Trishakti spirit.

The day ended beautifully, with cake-cutting for April birthdays and a gentle release of balloons into the sky – each balloon carrying the silent hopes of a generation ready to serve the nation with courage and honour.

With hearts full of gratitude and eyes set on the future, we step into this new era. Here's to Trishakti – where warriors are made, dreams are nurtured, and a better tomorrow begins today.

#### - With pride and love.













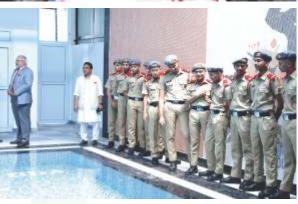
























# Holi Celebration

Tri Shakti Campus Blooms in the Spirit of Holi at Tri Shakti Campus of DDA, the festival of Holi was celebrated with profound joy and a spirit of unity. The entire campus came alive with vibrant colours, heartfelt laughter, and the sweet melodies of festive songs, as our cadets and the girls of DDA joined hands to embrace the true essence of the festival. A traditional feast awaited everyone, with delicacies like gujiya and chaat bringing nostalgic flavours to the occasion, and a spirited DJ adding rhythm to the celebrations. The faculty members also became part of the festivities, sharing moments of warmth and camaraderie with the students. It was a matter of special joy to have Sandeep Sir and his family present, who, through their gracious participation, made the celebration at the new campus even more memorable.In a touching gesture that reflected the values we hold dear, the distribution of sweets and delicacies began with our helpers — a simple yet powerful reminder that every individual is an integral part of the DDA family. Their smiles illuminated the day as much as the colours in the air. As the students danced with unbridled happiness and the campus resonated with music and laughter, Holi at Tri Shakti became not just a celebration of colour, but a celebration of togetherness, gratitude, and belonging — values that are the true heart of DDA.











# DDA DIRECTOR SANDEEP GUPTA AT INS CHILKA AGNIVEER POP AS GUEST OF HONOUR

Honoring a Legacy: Indian Navy Recognizes DDA Director Sandeep Gupta at Agniveer Passing Out Parade. In an inspiring celebration of service and dedication, the Indian Navy paid tribute to Mr. Sandeep Gupta, Director of Doon Defence Academy (DDA), during the Passing Out Parade (POP) of the Agniveer 02/2024 batch at INS Chilka, Odisha. This event marked a full-circle moment, as Mr. Gupta had begun his naval journey at the very same training base 35 years ago as a young sailor. His presence at the parade as a special guest not only added emotional resonance to the ceremony but also served as a powerful source of motivation for the nearly 3,000 Agniveers, sailors, and staff in attendance. Addressing the parade, Mr. Gupta encouraged the young trainees to pursue their paths with discipline, integrity, and service to the nation. Also present were several "DDA Diamonds"—graduates of Doon Defence Academy—who stood proudly as examples of what dedicated training and commitment can achieve. Over the past two decades, DDA has sent over 13,000 young men and women into the ranks of the Indian Armed Forces and Merchant Navy, significantly contributing to the nation's defense ecosystem. The POP itself was a landmark occasion, celebrating the successful completion of 16 weeks of rigorous training by 2,966 recruits, including 402 women Agniveers. The ceremony, conducted post-sunset under the southern skies, was a symbolic culmination of their transformation from civilians to naval professionals. Vice Admiral V. Srinivas, Flag Officer Commanding-in-Chief of the Southern Naval Command, reviewed the parade, while Commodore B. Deepak Anil, Commanding Officer of INS Chilka, ensured the event's seamless execution. Several decorated veterans, including Sureddy Siva Kumar, Lohri Besi, and GS Kochar, joined Mr. Gupta in witnessing the proud moment. Medals and trophies were awarded to outstanding performers, with Devraj Singh Rathore and Pramod Singh receiving the Chief of Naval Staff Rolling Trophy and Gold Medal for Best Agniveer in the MR and SSR categories, respectively. Mohit Kumar was awarded the Director General, Indian Coast Guard Rolling Trophy and Gold Medal for Best NVK (GD). The Southern Naval Command also presented the overall championship trophy, recognizing collective excellence. This poignant event not only celebrated the achievements of a new generation of Agniveers but also honored the legacy of those who came before them. As these young trainees prepare to serve the nation, they carry forward a tradition of excellence—one that leaders like Sandeep Gupta continue to nurture and inspire.



























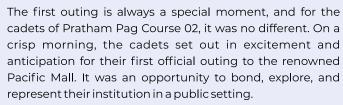






#### PRATHAM PAG CADETS AT PACIFIC

The Spirt of Dehradun



Pacific Mall, with its vibrant atmosphere and endless options for entertainment, shopping, and dining, was the perfect destination. As the cadets stepped into the mall, the energy was palpable. The bright lights, cheerful atmosphere, and the buzz of activity immediately lifted their spirits. Groups of cadets roamed through the stores, marveling at the variety of products, engaging in lighthearted banter, and making thoughtful purchases.

The food court turned out to be their favorite spot. From savoring mouthwatering pizzas and burgers to trying regional delicacies, the cadets indulged in a gastronomic adventure.

Leisure activities were a cherry on top. Some cadets challenged each other in video game arcades, while others relaxed and enjoyed a movie screening. Everywhere they went, the cadets carried themselves with a sense of discipline and dignity that reflected the values instilled in them during their training.

Shared laughter, team activities, and heartfelt conversations created lasting memories. In a brief but

meaningful talk at the end of the day, many cadets expressed how the outing helped them connect with their peers while others felt recharged for the challenging weeks ahead.

HE SPIRIT OF DEHRADUN

The outing was not just a leisure activity rather it was a reminder of the holistic approach to training adopted by the institution. By providing such experiences, the Pratham Pag program aims to shape well-rounded individuals who can balance discipline with enjoyment and teamwork with personal growth.

The cadets returned to their campus with a sense of fulfillment and gratitude. Their first outing to Pacific Mall was not just a day of fun but a significant step in their journey of growth, bonding, and personality development.











As part of our latest adventure, a group of enthusiastic students set off to explore the bustling heart of Dehradun's shopping scene—the Mall of Dehradun. This trip was more than just an opportunity to include in shopping or wander through the mall's vibrant corridors. It was an exciting day filled with new experiences, laughter, and moments of learning, offering something for everyone.

The Mall of Dehradun, with its modern design and diverse stores, offered the perfect blend of leisure and learning. From high-end fashion to unique gift shops, there was something for everyone. Beyond shopping, students enjoyed the mall's entertainment options, including a fun movie break at the multiplex. It was a great chance to bond, share thoughts on the film, and create lasting memories.

One of the highlights of the visit was the food court, offering a wide variety of cuisines from around the world. The students relished their meals together, discussing everything from their favorite dishes to the differences in their food cultures. The food court was also an excellent space for socializing, where everyone was able to enjoy a relaxed, enjoyable time.

What made this trip even more meaningful was the opportunity for students to practice responsible spending. They were encouraged to budget their money wisely, making decisions on purchases and saving for future opportunities. This aspect of the visit highlighted the importance of financial responsibility, something our students can carry with them into adulthood.

At the end of the day, the trip was a success not only because of the fun and exploration but also because it provided students with an opportunity to learn valuable life skills, from budgeting to teamwork, in a real-world setting. As we returned to the academy, the memories of the day spent at the Mall of Dehradun reminded us that learning doesn't always happen within the walls of a classroom—it can happen in places we least expect.











The cadets of the Pratham Pag Foundation Course embarked on an enriching and refreshing visit to Sahastradhara or the "Thousand-Fold Spring", a well-known natural retreat located on the outskirts of Dehradun. Known for its therapeutic springs and picturesque surroundings, Sahastradhara provided the cadets with a unique opportunity to unwind, connect with nature, and reflect on their journey.

The trip began early in the morning and as the cadets were full of enthusiasm, a 6 km trek looked like a casual walk for them. As they made their way through the winding paths leading to Sahastradhara, the crisp mountain air and lush green surroundings added to their excitement. Upon arrival, the cadets were greeted by the serene beauty of the site, with its cascading waterfalls and natural pools glistening in the sunlight.

Guided by their instructors, the cadets explored the historical and geological significance of Sahastradhara. They were introduced to the medicinal properties of the Sulphur Springs, which have been attracting visitors for centuries.

Sitting by the cascading waterfalls, the cadets took a moment to reflect on their journey so far. Guided by Sandeep Sir's words of wisdom shared before the trip, they pondered over the importance of balance in life—balancing rigorous training with moments of relaxation, and discipline with creativity.

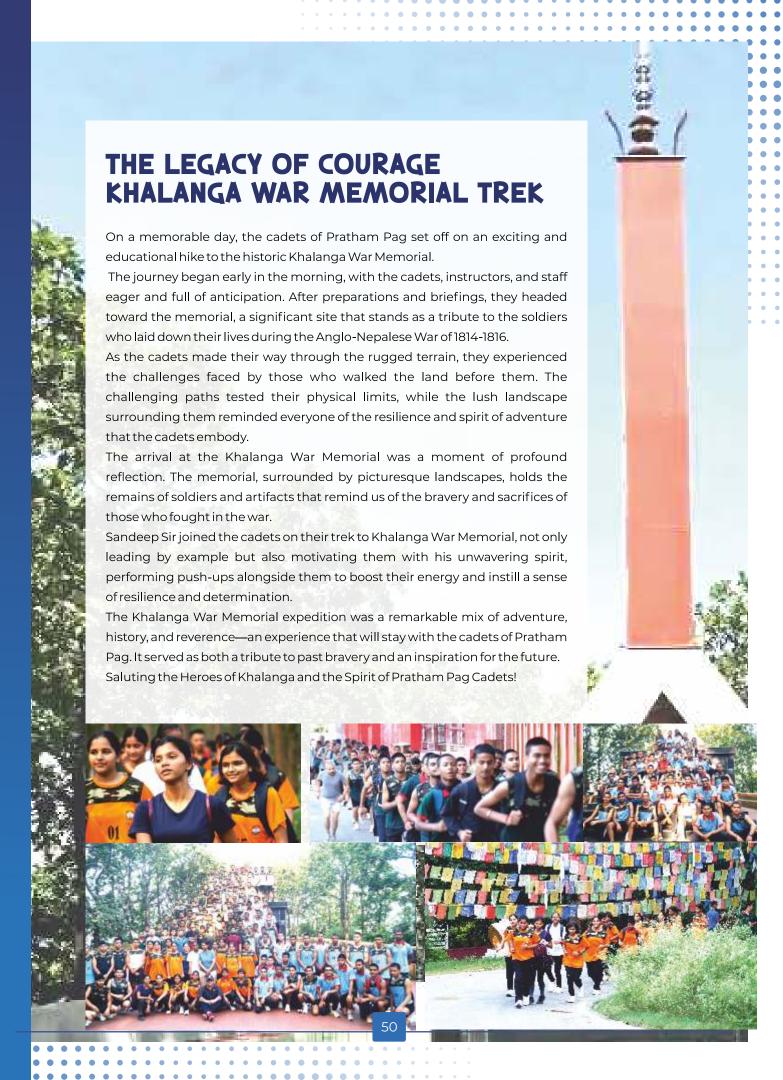
Many cadets expressed how the visit reinforced their determination to pursue their goals while staying grounded and connected to their roots. It was also a reminder of the values of preservation and respect for nature, which are integral to their growth as leaders.













# CADETS EXPERIENCE THRILLS AND FUN AT CENTRIO MALL

On 20th July 2024, the cadets of Pratham Pag had an exciting and refreshing outing to Centrio Mall, marking a much-awaited break from their rigorous training. The outing was a perfect opportunity for the cadets to unwind and experience the vibrant atmosphere of the city.

Centrio Mall is known for its array of stores, eateries, and entertainment facilities, and it surely served as an ideal venue for a fun-filled and relaxing day. Upon arrival, the cadets explored the various sections of the mall and the food court was a big hit, as it offered a variety of delicious cuisines.

In addition to shopping and dining, many cadets chose entertainment options and opted to watch the latest blockbuster films in one of the finest PVRs. While others took part in arcade games and other fun activities. The outing provided not only a break but also an opportunity to relax and enjoy some downtime.

It was an enriching experience, allowing the cadets to develop stronger bonds with one another outside of their usual training environment. The outing was also a reminder of the importance of engagement, encouraging the cadets to work hard while also taking time to enjoy life and engage with people outside their usual sphere.

As the day came to a close, the cadets returned to the campus with smiles and stories to share as they had earned a much-needed break that reinvigorated them.





#### PRATHAM PAG CADETS VISIT TO IMA

Pratham Pag Cadets Visit the Indian Military Academy – A Journey of Inspiration The cadets of Pratham Pag Course-02 had the honor of visiting the prestigious Indian Military Academy (IMA), Dehradun—an experience that left an indelible mark on their hearts. Walking the grounds where legends trained, they drew immense motivation from the legacy of discipline, leadership, and patriotism that defines IMA. A key highlight was witnessing the iconic Chetwode Hall and the deeply inspiring Chetwode Motto, which

reinforced their commitment to duty and sacrifice. The cadets observed rigorous training sessions, obstacle courses, and drills, offering a firsthand glimpse into the life of a Gentleman Cadet. Their experience peaked with the unforgettable Passing Out Parade, where they watched future officers march with pride and purpose. The sight of the Antim Pag (Final Step) and the emotional pipping ceremony filled them with awe and strengthened their resolve to earn the olive green uniform. Interacting with seasoned officers further ignited their passion, leaving them motivated, focused, and ready to chase their dreams. The visit was not just a trip—it was a turning point, transforming aspirations into a mission of service to the nation. Marching Forward with Courage, One Step Closer to the Olive Green! As the day came to a close, the cadets returned to the campus with smiles and stories to share as they had earned a much-needed break that reinvigorated them.





Surprise! An Unforgettable Mussoorie Trip: Adventure, Bonding, and a Special The cadets of Pratham Pag embarked on an unforgettable journey to Mussoorie, famously known as the Queen of Hills. Nestled in the lap of the Himalayas, Mussoorie is renowned for its breathtaking landscapes, lush greenery, and colonial charm. The journey to Mussoorie was filled with excitement as cadets eagerly anticipated the adventure that awaited them. Their first stop was the Company Garden, a beautifully maintained park with vibrant flowers, lush lawns, and a serene artificial waterfallNext, they strolled down the bustling Mall Road, the heart of Mussoorie's charm. Lined with quaint shops, cafés, and local vendors, Mall Road offered the cadets a glimpse into the local culture and lifestyle. They relished delicious street food, explored handicraft stores, and enjoyed the lively atmosphere that defines Mussoorie. A Special Surprise: Sandeep Sir & Divya Ma'am's Unexpected Visit!Just when the cadets thought the trip couldn't get any better, they were in for a heartwarming surprise! Sandeep Sir and Divya Ma'am unexpectedly joined them during their trip, making the experience even more special. Their presence brought immense joy and motivation to the cadets, who were thrilled to share their journey and experiences with their mentors. A Journey to Remember This Mussoorie trip was a journey of bonding, discovery, and appreciation for nature's beauty. The fresh mountain air, the mesmerizing landscapes, and the shared laughter made it an experience that the cadets will cherish forever. As they returned with hearts full of memories and minds refreshed, the trip left them inspired to embrace adventure, appreciate nature, and carry forward the spirit of exploration in all walks of life. Mussoorie, the Queen of Hills, truly lived up to its name!

#### MUSSOORIE VISIT









#### A THRILLING OUTING TO WATCH SKY FORCE

The students of Course 2 from the Pratham Pag program recently enjoyed an exciting visit to the mall, where they watched the patriotic action film Sky Force. The outing was a much-anticipated break from their daily schedule, offering both fun and inspiration.

Sky Force, known for its powerful storytelling and high-octane sequences, captivated the students from start to finish. Many were deeply moved by the film's themes of courage, duty, and sacrifice. The theatre's vibrant atmosphere and the collective excitement of watching the film together made the experience even more memorable.

After the movie, the group spent some time discussing their favorite scenes and shared a light snack, bonding over the movie's impact and messages. The visit was not just entertaining, but also reinforced values of teamwork, discipline, and patriotism—key qualities emphasized in the Pratham Pag program.

Overall, it was a day to remember for the Course 2 students—a perfect blend of learning and leisure.





# STATE JUDO CHAMPIONSHIP 2024

#### A Display of Strength and Determination

The State Judo Championship 2024, was held on the 17th and 18th of July. It was a spectacular event that showcased the grit, skill, and perseverance of young judokas from across the state. Among the many talented participants, fifteen cadets from Pratham Pag proudly represented the institution in various categories, displaying remarkable sportsmanship and determination.

The championship witnessed intense competition as athletes from different regions competed for top honors. The cadets of Pratham Pag—Arun Rawal, Ashwani Gautam, Priyanshu Negi, Bhargav, Nikhil Solanki, Rahul, Dheya Roshan, Pranavi, Aditya Rawat, Dhavaman Das, Anirudh Negi, Anjali Yadav, Deepak, Sugam Upadhyay, and Aman Kumar—gave commendable performances, proving their mettle on the mat.

To prepare for the competition, the cadets went through intense training sessions with the help of their committed trainers. Their efforts were rewarded as they confidently and precisely performed well-practiced maneuvers.

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Notably, five cadets from Pratham Pag brought glory to the institution by securing medals in their respective weight categories. Anjali Yadav bagged a gold medal in the 57 kg weight category, while silver medals were won by Pranavi Prakash, Dhavaman Das, and Priyanshu Negi in the 70kg, 66kg, and 73 kg weight categories respectively. Anirudh Negi secured a bronze medal in the 66 kg weight category.

In addition to being a competitive event, the cadets learned a lot from the tournament. Through their outstanding performances, the Pratham Pag cadets promoted the virtues of excellence, discipline, and tenacity.

 $The \ cadets \ returned \ from \ the \ champions hip \ with \ more \ self-assurance \ and \ a \ fresh \ enthus \ iasm \ for \ judo.$ 







# NAVY HALF MARATHON A DAY OF ENDURANCE, SPIRIT, AND TEAMWORK

#### "Half the Distance, Full the Spirit!"

The marathon, focused on promoting health and fitness awareness, saw enthusiastic participation from people of all ages, with the cadets from Pratham Pag particularly standing out for their discipline and energy. The event kicked off early in the morning, with participants preparing for the long and demanding race ahead.

One of the most memorable moments of the marathon was the cheerful presence of Sandeep Sir, who came to show his support and motivate the cadets. His motivating words gave the cadets an added boost, inspiring them to push through and complete the race. Energized by Sandeep Sir's enthusiasm, the cadets gave their all, finishing the marathon with pride and a sense of achievement.

Many cadets crossed the finish line in impressive times, while others supported one another, fostering a strong sense of community and solidarity that made the event truly memorable. As the marathon concluded, the cadets celebrated their achievements, sharing stories of their experiences and feeling immense pride in their participation.

The Navy Half Marathon was a resounding success, made even more memorable by the cadets of Pratham Pag, whose active participation and exceptional spirit stood out. The event highlighted their preparedness to tackle both physical and mental challenges, thanks to the guidance and encouragement of Sandeep Sir.















### INTER-HOUSE FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT

#### **An Exciting Quest for Victory**

The Interhouse Football Tournament 2024, was held from 27th July to 11th October. It was a thrilling event that showcased the spirit of teamwork, determination and, sportsmanship. The tournament was held in a league format, with all the houses competing fiercely against each other, making every match exciting.

A unique highlight of this year's tournament was the participation of girl cadets, who were divided into two teams—Agni-A and Agni-B.

Each match in the tournament was a testament to the players' dedication and strategic gameplay. The teams displayed incredible coordination, defensive resilience, and attacking finesse. The journey through the league stage was filled with thrilling victories, narrow escapes, and intense rivalries.

After weeks of fierce competition, the final match was played between Jal House and Thal House. The players gave their best, leaving no stone unturned in their quest for the championship. In the end, Jal House emerged as the champion, securing an awaited victory and lifting the coveted trophy.

As we celebrate the success of Jal House, we also acknowledge the efforts of all participating teams, whose commitment and sportsmanship made this tournament a grand success.

















## INTER-SCHOOL FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT

#### A Display of Skill, Teamwork, and Sportsmanship

The Inter-School Football Tournament held at Sri Ram Centennial School was a thrilling event that brought together young and passionate footballers from various schools. The cadets of Pratham Pag, participated with unwavering enthusiasm, competing at a broader level and making their mark with stellar performances.

The cadets of Pratham Pag displayed exceptional coordination, agility, and resilience, proving their mettle against strong opponents. Their journey through the tournament was marked by tactical gameplay, swift passes, and powerful strikes, earning them admiration from spectators and competitors alike.

Playing against diverse teams honed their skills, enhanced their ability to adapt to different strategies, and reinforced the importance of discipline and perseverance—qualities that are fundamental to both sports and life. Beyond the results, the tournament fostered sportsmanship and camaraderie, as players from different schools shared moments of mutual respect and encouragement.

Through this experience, the cadets of Pratham Pag have gained not only confidence but also a renewed drive to excel in football and beyond. Taking part in such a prestigious event has reinforced their commitment to train harder and aim higher, bringing pride with every match they play.

## PRATHAM PAG CRICKET LEAGUE

#### A Celebration of Cricketing Spirit

The Pratham Pag Cricket League (PPCL), is an exciting cricket tournament among the houses of Pratham Pag. PPCL brought together cadets in a thrilling display of sportsmanship, teamwork, and competitive spirit. The event was a grand success, showcasing not just cricketing talent but also the determination and enthusiasm of the cadets.

The Pratham Pag Cricket League for the students of Foundation Course Pratham Pag, run by Sandeep Sir Doon Defence Academy, was jointly inaugurated by Touch Wood School Chairman Aman Saxena and DDA Director Sandeep Gupta by introducing the players.

The tournament kicked off with a historic first match featuring the girl cadets, marking a pivotal moment of empowerment and inclusivity in sports. Their energy and commitment set the tone for the entire league, demonstrating that cricket is a game for everyone.

The tournament then proceeded on a league format, with each match consisting of eight overs per side. The competition was intense, with every house showcasing impressive batting, bowling, and fielding skills. Each team fought hard, creating an exciting spectacle for the spectators and testing the players' strategy and endurance.

After a series of thrilling matches, the tournament culminated in a high-stakes final between Jal House and Thal House. The match was packed with exciting moments and impressive performances, with Thal House ultimately claiming victory through outstanding teamwork and resilience.

The chief guest of the program, retired Captain Ashish Baluni from Indian Navy and DDA Director Sandeep Gupta presented the trophy to all the winners and runners-up teams. Along with this, as per the tradition of DDA, Flying Officer Rahul Kumar and Deepanshu Joshi, Gaurav Pratap and Suryakant who became a part of the Indian Armed Force through Agniveer Yojana were given Rs. 10,000 each in cash as blessings.

PPCL not only served as a platform for competitive cricket but also fostered a sense of unity, discipline, and sportsmanship among the cadets. It served as a reminder that sports are about more than just winning or losing—they are about learning, growing, and enjoying the experience.

With the resounding success of this tournament, the Pratham Pag Premier League has set a new benchmark, promising even more thrilling editions in the future.

Congratulations to Thal House and all the participants who made PPCL a memorable event!











# THE SPIRIT OF COMPETITION

# **DISTRICT ATHLETICS**

The 76th Dehradun District Level Annual Athletics Competition 2024 was organized in memory of Martyr Major Chitresh Bisht (Army Medal).

Anjali Yadav of the Foundation Course "Pratham Pag" run by Doon Defense Academy won two gold medals and Kashish won a bronze medal. Anjali Yadav won the gold medal in the Under 18 Javelin Throw and Long Jump, while Kashish won bronze in the Under 18 Javelin Throw. Deepanshu, Milan, and Diya Sinimon of the academy also participated in the said competition. The students of the Foundation "Pratham Pag" program, run by DDA, receive their education at Beverly Hills Shalini School, and DDA does not engage in dummy schooling.

KJS Kalsi, Secretary of the District Athletics Association, Dehradun, announced that after the two-day competition, Welham Boys School emerged as the overall champion in the boys' category with 76 points, while Him Jyoti Girls School secured the title in the girls' category with 84 points.

The winners were presented with trophies by the chief guest, SS Bisht, father of martyr Major Chitresh Bisht, and the special guest, Rajesh Mamagai, Principal of Maharana Pratap Sports College. Also present were the mother and sister of martyr Major Chitresh Bisht, Sena Medal, who attended the event with great dignity.

Among other guests, District Athletics Association Dehradun President Sandeep Sharma, Treasurer M C Shah, State Athletics Association Vice President Jitendra Negi, Association Vice President Madhusudan Joshi, International Trainer Guruphool Singh, Social Worker Subodh Chaudhary were specially present. In the competition, about 850 participants from 32 schools, colleges, and academies of the Dehradun district showed their strength in 110 events.

Following this, in a simple program organized at DDA, Director Sandeep Gupta honored Anjali Yadav and Kashish on winning the medal congratulated them, and wished them a bright future. He said that along with studies, one should participate in sports as well.

On this occasion, Commandant Colonel Sudhir Verma (Retd), Principal DN Thapliyal, Chief Admin Jagmohan Kothari, and PTI Tarun were present.













### **URJA WOMEN'S CRICKET CUP**

The excitement of the Urja Women's Cricket Cup reached new heights as Doon Defence Academy (DDA) delivered a stunning performance in a friendly match against the UPCL Women's team, securing a resounding 10-wicket victory. Held at the Aryan Kshetri Cricket Ground in Dehradun, the match was an unforgettable display of skill, teamwork, and dominance, as DDA proved their prowess on the cricket field.

The match kicked off with the inauguration by Neha Joshi, the National Vice President of BJYM, who set the tone for what would be an exhilarating contest. UPCL won the toss and decided to bat first, but they were met with fierce resistance from DDA's bowlers. The UPCL women struggled to find their rhythm and were dismissed for a mere 47 runs in 8.5 overs. The wickets fell rapidly, with UPCL losing all 10 wickets in quick succession.

Sushma Bisht was the top scorer for UPCL, contributing a brief 13 runs, but the true highlight of the match was DDA's bowler, Kriti Baghel. Baghel's outstanding performance took center stage as she dismantled the UPCL batting line-up, claiming three wickets for just 11 runs in two overs. Her pace and accuracy made it nearly impossible for the opposition to settle. Anjali and Ritisha Chand each took two wickets, while captain Pakhi Rawat and Bhumi Kumari added one each, ensuring UPCL was left with no chance to build momentum.

Chasing a modest target of 47, DDA finished the job in just 3 overs, reaching 51 runs without losing a wicket. Pooja was in superb form, blasting 32 runs off just 12 balls, while captain Pakhi Rawat contributed 9 runs off 6 balls. The team also benefitted from 10 extras. Pooja's all-around brilliance made her the standout player of the match, as she not only dominated with the bat but also excelled in the field, taking an impressive 6 catches. Her performance earned her the well-deserved title of "Player of the Match."

The victory was a proud moment for DDA, with Sandeep Sir, the coach, leading the team with great motivation and strategy. Coach Manju Bhandari, who has been a guiding force behind DDA's success, also witnessed the thrilling match. Her contributions to the team's development were evident in the players' seamless execution of both batting and bowling.

DDA's Director, Sandeep Gupta, was also present at the ground, offering his congratulations and encouragement to the winning team. His support and leadership have been pivotal in the success of the team, fostering a spirit of excellence and determination.

As the team celebrated their well-earned win, the sense of camaraderie and sportsmanship was palpable. The victory over UPCL was not just a demonstration of cricketing skills but also a reflection of the unity and spirit that defines DDA. This match was a perfect example of how sports can bring out the best in individuals and teams, blending competition with respect and support.

Congratulations to the entire DDA team on this spectacular win, and here's to many more victories on the horizon!

#### CLASS 11<sup>™</sup> FINAL EXAMINATION TOP 25 CADETS **RESULT OF PRATHAM PAG COURSE -02**

To honor their hard work, each cadet was awarded Rs. 10,000/- as prize money



Cadet Khushi Class -11th 91.17%



Class -11<sup>th</sup> 86.33%



Class -11th 84.00%



Class -11th 83.33%



**Cadet Kashis** Class -11th 80.33%



**Cadet Arpit Singh** Class -11th 79.83%



Cadet Sahaj S Class -11th 78.83%



Cadet M. Manish Class -11th 78.33%



**Cadet Raghvendra** Class -11th 78.33%



Cadet Piyush Silu Class -11th **78**%



Class -11th **75.17**%



Class -11th 74.67%



Class -11th 74.5%



Cadet Deewanshu Khadke Class -11th 74%



Class -11th 73.33%



Class -11th **73**%



Class -11th **72.83**%



Class -11th 72.67%



Class -11th 71.5%

69%



Class -11th 71.5%



Cadet Tejsvani Class -11th







69%

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#### **SHINING STARS OF PRATHAM PAG COURSE - 01**



Cadet GAUTAM KUMAR
All Indian Rank 579
Selected in NDA-152 Course



Cadet Deepak Dev All Indian Rank-104 Selected in TES-52



cadet Om Ji Singh Selected in Indian Navy

#### **NDA WRITTEN QUALIFIED PRATHAM PAG CADETS**



CADET RAJVEER YADAV
Pratham Pag Course - 01









#### **MERCHANT NAVY SELECTED CADETS**



CADET SANCHIT M SIMS Pratham Pag Course - 01



CADET MALHAR MOHITE SIMS Pratham Pag Course - 01



CADET VINIT GONDAGIRE SIMS Pratham Pag Course - 01



CADET ADITYA P SIMS Pratham Pag Course - 01



CADET DEVPREET SINGH SIMS Pratham Pag Course - 01



CADET TANISHK JOSHI SIMS Pratham Pag Course - 01



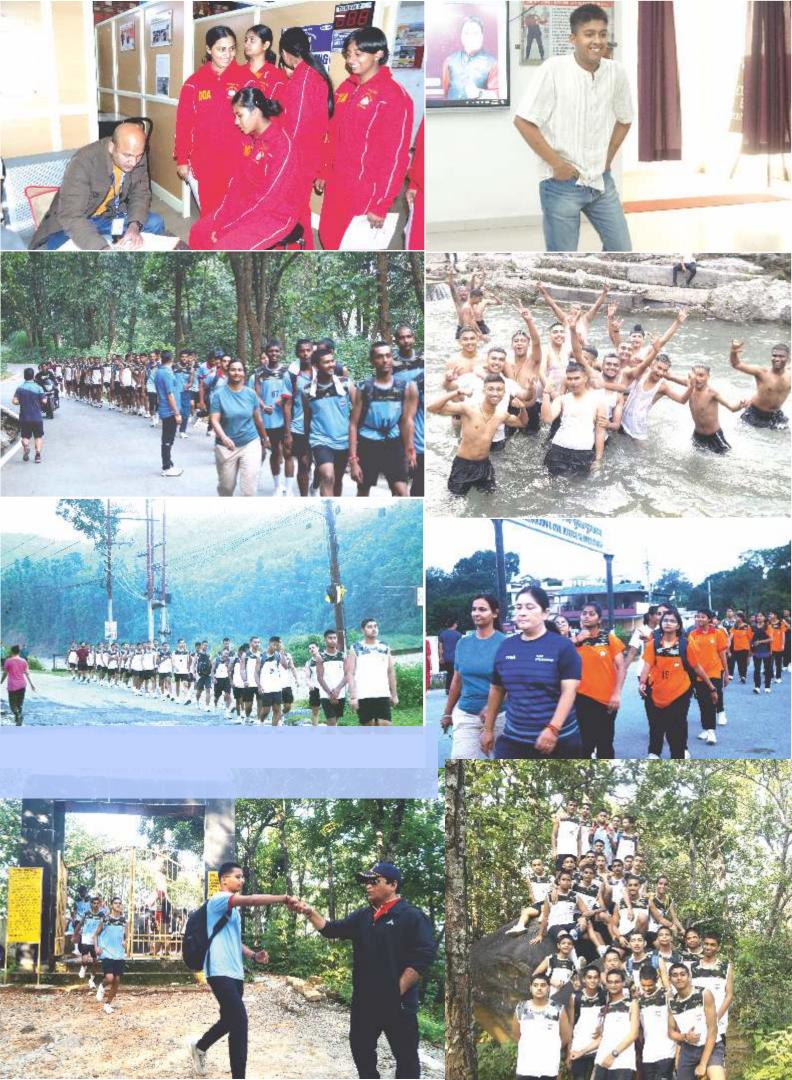
CADET UTKARSH KUMAF SIMS Pratham Pag Course - 01

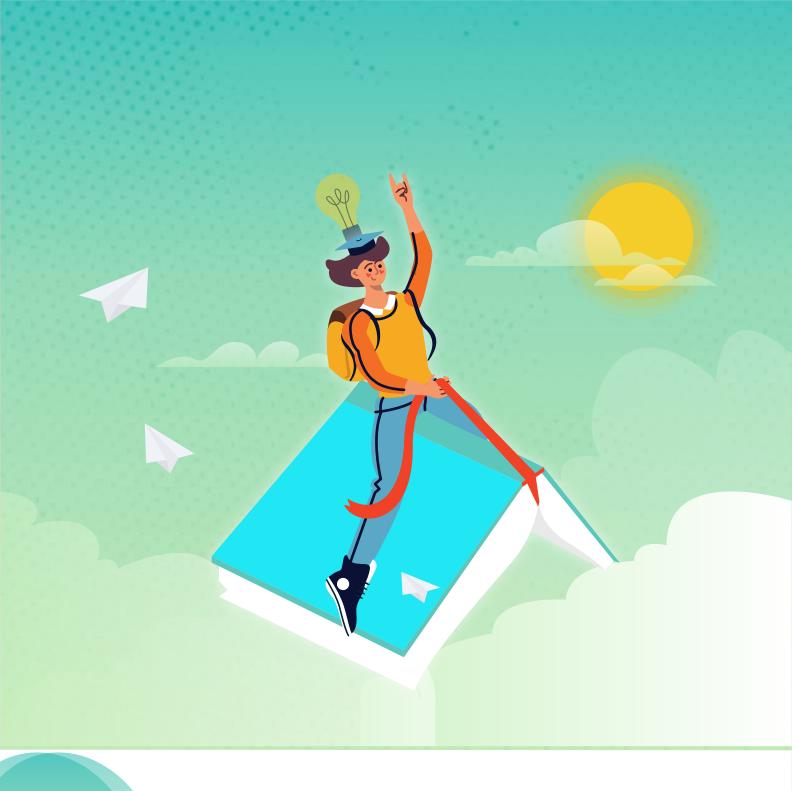


CADET DEVPREET SINGH SIMS Pratham Pag Course - 01



CADET TUHIN BISWAS Manet Pune Pratham Pag Course - 01





# Creative

**PRATHAM PAG COURSE - 02** 

#### भारत माता

हर कोई भारत माता के करीब नहीं होता जिसके दिल में वतन के लिए मोहब्बत हो वह शख्स गरीब नहीं होता और महबूब का पल्लू तो हर किसी को मिल जाता है पर तिरंगे का कफन हर किसी को नसीब नहीं होता



Cadet Adarsh Sahu Thal House

#### साहस, शौर्य, पराक्रम

उस काली घनी रात में न वायु ने सहारा दी उस काली घंघोर रात में आयी एक हुँकार थी सबको धर्रा देने वाली दुश्मन की ललकार थी गरजन उसकी ऐसी थी जैसी नई तुफान सी

> सोमनाथ को बंदन है उस वीरता की उस साहस, शौर्य, पराक्रम की

सात सौ की सेना लेकर दुशमन आया मरूस्थल को सौ की सेना खड़ी मीली युद्धयस्थल को कोई न जाने क्या होगा युद्ध का परिणाम ये पर दोनों सेना चाहती है युद्ध का आगाज ये

युद्ध का गरजन शुरू हुआ अब पापी मरदन शुरू हुआ दुश्मन के हर प्रश्न का उत्तर देना भी अब शुरू हुआ

सोमनाथ संग सौ शेरो ने यद्ध का आगाज किया सात सौ की सेना को मार गिराना शुरू किया बदगम की मिट्टी को था खून से है लाल किया श्रीनगर के लोगों को दुशमनों से आजाद किया

> काल चक्र अब पलट गई थी मृत्यु भी अब सो गई थी



घनघोरी रात अब बीत गई थी किरणों की शुरुआत हुई थी फिर उनको पहचान मिली थी परम–वीर की शान मिली थी

Cadet Chandrakant Jal House

#### साहस, शौर्य, पराक्रम

उस काली घनी रात में, जिसमें न वायु का सहारा था गोले बारूद दोनों ओर, बीच में सरहद का किनारा था उस काली घनी रात में आती एक आवाज थी दुश्मन को थर्रा देने वाली ललकार थी गरजन उनकी ऐसी थी जैसे सिंह सरिख प्रताप महान किस हक से पाक माँगे भारत से राज के प्राण 225 सौ कि सेना लेकर पाक आया मरूस्थल को एक बीस कि सेना पहले ही खड़ी युद्धस्थल को समय न जाने क्या होगा अब यद्ध का परिणाम पर दोनों सेना चाहती है युद्ध क आगाज ।। नापाक पाक की हिम्मत देखो आया है चढ़ाई को अब कुछ ही क्षण बाकी है होने वाली लड़ाई को युद्ध का गरजन शुरू हुआ, सग पाकी मर्दन शुरू हुआ दुश्मन के हर प्रश्न का उत्तर देना भी अब शुरू हुआ वह आया अपने पैरों पे पर घुटने के बल भागेगा एक अकेला हिन्दी दस-दस पाकी को काटेगा भोर कि पहली किरण हुई और वायु ने प्रतिकार किया दुश्मन के सीने पे चढ़ कर अपना झंडा गाड़ दिया।।



Cadet Mukund Kumar, Vayu House

#### **Physics**

मेरा तुम्हें देख पाना ही Physics है।
तुम्हारा मुस्कुराना भी Physics है।
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Physics है, Physics है Physics है



#### कोहिनूर: दास्ता एक शार्पित हीरे की

सतयुग में एक लंबी युद्ध के बाद जब तकक्षक नाग शेषनाग से हारते है तब शेषनाग उनसे उनकी मणि ले लेते है। परंतु उस मणि को वह स्वयं न रख कर अपने आरध्य शिव को अर्पित कर दिया, किंतु शिव ने किसी कारण वश उस मणि को अपने प्रिय भक्त रावण को दे दिया, परंतु उस मणि से जुड़े रहस्य को उस समय कोई नहीं जानता था।

त्रेता युग में रावण ने उस मणि को अपने मुकुट में धारण कर लिया परंतु सीता हरण के दौरान और जटायु से युद्ध करते समय वह मणि पुस्पक विमान से धरती पे आ गिरी।वही मणि कृष्ण एवं जामवंत मिलन का कारण भी बनी।

बात है कलयुग कि 1 200 ई. की जब आंध्र प्रदेश के हीरे के खदान से निकला एक हीरा दिल्ली सलतनत के हर बादशाह के ताज की शोभा बढ़ाने के काम आता। उस हीरे को जिस बादशाह ने धारण किया उससे उसका सब कुछ छीन गया या तो गुलाम हो या फिर खिलजी या तो सैयद हो गया फिर लोदी।

मुगलों में पहले गाजी धारण करने कि प्रथा थी लेकिन शाहजहाँ ने पहली बार ताज धारण किया जिसमें वही मणि जड़ी हुई थी, उसके बाद मुगल वंश का भी पतन शुरू हो गया। मुगलों से मराठा, मराठा से दुर्ररानी वंश के अहमद शाह अबदाली तक पहुँचा और इस सब के विनाश का कारण बना। अबदाली से 'महाराजा' रंजीत सिंह के पास पहुँचा, लेकिन उन्होंने उस मणि को स्वयं धारण न करके रानी जिन्दन को भेट कर दी। उसके कुछ वर्षों पश्चात अखण्ड भारत के निर्माण हेतु महाराजा ने उस मणि को हैदराबाद के निजाम को दे दिया। परंतु उसी समय एक ओर महाराजा की आकाल मृत्यु हो गई। और दूसरी ओर हैदराबाद पर अंग्रेजों ने कब्जा कर लिया। अन्य रतनों के साथ वह मणि भी ब्रिटिश साम्राज्य के राजकोष में पहुँच गयी। फिर वहाँ के किंग उस मणि को अपने ताज में पहनने लग गये, उसी समय से पूरे विश्व पे हुकूमत करने वाली ब्रिटिश साम्राज्य का पतन शुरू हो गया। एक—एक करके सारे उपनिवेश उसके हाथ से जाने लगे।

1 9 5 0 के आस—पास जब रानी ऐलिजाबेथ ने ताज पहना। 2 0 2 3 कि बात है जब 'रानी' के मुत्यु के बाद फिर ब्रिटेन के राजा ने उस मणि जिसे हम कोहिनूर के नाम से जानते हैं पहना तो ग्रेट ब्रिटेन की जी.डी.पी. में गिरावट देखने को मिली।

''कोहिनूर को शाप है कि अगर कोई पुरुष उसको धारण करेगा तो उसका पतन हो जायेगा।परंतु अगर कोई स्त्री उसे धारण करेगी तो वह शाप प्रभावहीन हो जायेगा''।

कोहिनूर का आकार युग के अनुसार

सतयुग - फुटबॉल

त्रेता युग - रगबी बॉल

द्वापर युग — क्रिकेट बॉल

कलयुग – गोल्फ बॉल



Cadet Mukund Kumar Vayu House

#### अपना लक्ष्य

अपने लक्ष्य को पाने के लिए तू एक नहीं सौ बार गिरेगा।
एक-एक सिढ़ी चढ़नें पर तू एक नहीं सौ बार गिरेगा।
गिरकर उठकर लक्ष्य को पाना यही है तेरा धर्म।
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अब पीछे मुड़कर देखेगा तो क्या करेगा, क्या से थे मेरे कर्म।
अब गिरकर उठकर लक्ष्य को पा और करले ये दुनिया अपने नाम।
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दे—दे इस दुनिया को अपने नये नाम की पहचान जानना है तो स्वयं को
जान यही है मनुष्य की ईश्वर से पहचान।

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#### एक भारतीय सैनिक की अभिलाशा

में गया नहीं, कहीं जाऊँगा माँ तेरे रक्षा के लिए मैं हमेशा धरती पर आऊँगा। है, दिलासा से मन की, अपनी जान तुझपे वारू मैं, प्राण-दान तप-त्याग मनोबल सब तुझपे वारू मैं। ना मैं जन्म लिया तूझसे पर पला बड़ा तुझपे हूँ। ना आँच आए तुझको ना सिर तेरा झुकने दुँ। तेरा कर्ज उतारने को. सब जिम्मा मुझ पर है ये जिम्मेदारी है, तेरे बेटे की, कि रक्षा तेरी करें। अटल जी की वो गाथा सबको याद जब आती है मरने के बाद अस्थियों में से भी वदं मातरम् की आवाज आती है। अब इसके बाद यही अभिलाषा है। मैं कहीं ना जाऊँ। तेरी रक्षा के लिए बार-बार धरती पर आऊँ। फूल की अभिलाशा बहुत देख ली, अब ये तेरे बेटे की अभिलाशा है जननी जन्म भूमि च स्वर्गदपि गरीयसी, ही हमारा नारा है।।

जय हिन्द!

Cadet Anand Raj, Thal House

#### तू मेरी कहानी का सबसे खुबसूरत हिस्सा है

खुदा ने भेजा है तुम्हे खुद तराश के, बस तुम पंख लगाओ मेंहनत, लगन, विश्वास के खुद को तपाओ, तलाशो और त्यागो तरों की भीड़ नहीं, चाँद बनों आकाश के।

पर्याप्त नहीं लड़ना, अगढ़ना भी पड़ेगा मिलना यहाँ कुछ नहीं बिना साहस के याद रख तेरी होड़ तेरे स्वयं से है, पन्ने बन्ना है, बदलना नहीं इतिहास के।

कब टूटे तू, कब टूटे तेरा मनोबल दुनिया है इंतजार में तेरे उपहास के।

तिलक, ताज, तख्त भी होगा तेरे पास जब तीन इक्के होंगे तेरी मुटठी में ताश के।



Cadet Anvesha Mewada, Agni House

#### आँखों में चमक, जुबान पर देश का नमक

आँखों में चमक, जुबान पर देश का नमक, चखा इन्होंने मिट्टी का स्वाद है, देखा इन्होंने वीरों का ख्वाब है, तोड़ा इन्होंने दुश्मन का ख्वाब है, दिया इन्होंने करारा जवाब है, जागा इन्होंने सारी सारी रात है, फिर लहराया इन्होंने देश का नाम है, देश का नाम है।



Cadet Prisha Saha, Agni House

#### सुभाशितानी (सुन्दर वचन)

क. पृथिव्यां त्रीणि रत्नानि जलमन्नं सुभाशितम् । मूढै: पाशाणरवण्डेशु रत्नंज्ञा विधियते ।।। ।।

अर्थात् – पृथ्वी पर तीन रत्न है जल, अन्न एवं सुन्दर वचन। मूर्ख लोग पत्थर के टुकड़ों को भी रत्न समझ लेते है।।

ख. मित्राणि धन धान्यानि प्रजानां सम्मतानित। जननी जन्म–भूमिश्च स्वर्गादपि गरीयसी।।

अर्थात् – मित्र, धन्य और धान्य आदि का संसार में बहुत अधिक सम्मान है किंतु माता और मातृभूमि का स्थान स्वर्ग से भी ऊपर है।

ग. (प्रभु श्री राम ने लक्ष्मण से)
 अपि स्वर्णमयी लंका न मे लक्ष्मण रोचते।
 जननी जन्मभूमि च स्वर्गदिप गरीयसी।।

अर्थात् – लक्ष्मण यदि यह लंका सोने की भी बनी होती फिर भी मुझे इसमें खास रूची नहीं होती क्योंकि माँ और मातृभूमि स्वर्ग से भी बढ़कर हैं।

घ. विद्या ददाति विनयं विनयाद् याति पात्रताम् । पात्रत्वात् धन मापनोति धर्म ततः सुखम् ।।

अर्थात् – ज्ञान से विनम्रता मिलती है, विनम्रता से योग्यता मिलती है, योग्यता से धन और समृद्धि मिलती है, समृद्धि से सही आचरण मिलता है।

ड. दाने तपसि शौर्य च विज्ञाने विनये नये। विस्मयो न ही कर्तव्यों बहुरत्ना वसुन्धरा।।

अर्थात् – मानव में कभी भी अहंकार की भावना नहीं रहनी चाहिए बल्कि मानव को दान, तप, शूरता, विद्धता, शुशिलता और नीतिनिपूर्णता का कभी अहंकार नहीं करना चाहिए।यह अहंकार ही मानव के दुख का कारण बनता है और उसे ले डूबता हैं।

Cadet Aanand

#### A NEW BEE

Stepping inside the unknown world,

Days passing by as the nights twirled.

Far away from the windows and wind where the house felt like a home,

Soaring high in the mountains where the sun shines and dreams roam.

Fitting in was never a part of the ride,

Yet.

Found a way through the anguish that never lied.

The good old days never got a chance to fade,

Though the new ones soon happened to be a bandaid

Some nights felt like being under an unknown sea,

Though the silver lining on the shore shined the light on me,

The fear,

The anxiousness,

It all fizzled away,

Because at last I was a new bee.



Cadet Jhanya Chawla, Agni House

# India in the Next 20 Years A Vision of Ascendancy

India stands on the precipice of a transformative era, one in which its influence on the global stage will be nothing short of profound. In the next two decades, the country is poised to become a central player in a range of domains, including economic power, manufacturing dominance, geopolitical influence, and defense capability. With an expanding economy, a thriving manufacturing sector, and a strategic position in the international arena, India's trajectory toward global leadership seems assured, and the ensuing years will undoubtedly solidify its stature. India's economic ascent is poised to be one of the most striking developments of the coming decades. Currently the world's fifth-largest economy, India is forecast to rise through the ranks, potentially securing the position of the third-largest economy by 2045, surpassing Japan and Germany. The country's demographic advantages—chiefly its large, youthful population—will continue to drive its economic dynamism, with a burgeoning middle class that will spur demand for goods and services. Digitalization and technological innovations will act as further catalysts, particularly in sectors such as information technology, finance, and ecommerce, placing India at the forefront of the global economy.

The government's strategic initiatives, such as "Atmanirbhar Bharat" (Self-Reliant India), will empower India to reduce its dependence on external imports and bolster domestic production. This policy shift promises to foster an environment ripe for industrial growth, with key sectors such as renewable energy, high-tech manufacturing, and agriculture poised for significant expansion. As a result, India will not only amplify its economic growth but also emerge as a formidable player in global trade, driving a diversification of exports and contributing to the reshaping of global markets. The next 20 years will likely witness India's

The next 20 years will likely witness India's emergence as a global manufacturing powerhouse. With the government's "Make in India" initiative already yielding positive results,

the country's manufacturing capabilities are set for substantial expansion. India's competitive labor force, coupled with a growing technological infrastructure, will position it as a prime destination for foreign direct investment, particularly in key industries such as electronics, pharmaceuticals, automobiles, and aerospace.

Technological integration into manufacturing processes—ranging from automation and artificial intelligence to advanced materials science—will elevate India's position in global supply chains. These advancements will facilitate the production of high-value products, from cutting-edge electronics to sophisticated machinery. Consequently, India's export sector will diversify, allowing the country to not only maintain its traditional exports but also develop a robust presence in high-tech and value-added industries, further strengthening its standing in international markets.

India's rise as an economic and military power will inevitably amplify its geopolitical influence. As the world's largest democracy and a rapidly emerging economic leader, India is positioned to play an increasingly central role in shaping the global order. The next two decades will see India solidifying and expanding its strategic alliances, particularly with established global powers such as the United States, Japan, and European Union member states. India's voice in multilateral forums—such as the United Nations, BRICS, and G20—will become a significant force in addressing global challenges, from climate change to international trade and security.

India's geopolitical importance will be especially evident in the Indo-Pacific region, where its strategic location, economic vitality, and growing defense capabilities will allow it to exert substantial influence. As a key player in the region, India will contribute to maintaining stability, while its leadership will be instrumental in fostering international cooperation in areas such as trade, security, and technology.

India's military capabilities will undergo a profound transformation in the coming decades,

positioning it as a leading global power in defense. The country's emphasis on modernizing its armed forces, combined with investments in emerging technologies such as artificial intelligence, cybersecurity, and space exploration, will create a formidable defense apparatus. This focus on self-reliance in defense production will reduce India's reliance on foreign military imports, allowing for the development of cutting-edge, indigenous technologies.

In parallel, India's growing defense capabilities will enhance its role as a stabilizing force in the Indo-Pacific region and beyond. Through strategic partnerships and military diplomacy, India will not only safeguard its national security but also play an integral role in international peacekeeping, conflict resolution, and humanitarian efforts.

India's future, as we look ahead to the next 20 years, holds extraordinary potential. With its economic momentum, expanding manufacturing capabilities, strengthened geopolitical presence, and modernized defense forces, India will assert itself as a global leader. By fostering innovation, enhancing domestic industries, and forging strategic alliances, India will secure its place at the helm of global affairs. The coming decades will undoubtedly witness the rise of India as one of the most influential and prosperous nations in the world.



Cadet Sambhaavya Upadhyay, Jal House

### WHAT IF ALL TOGETHER

We talk about unity, but why didn't we think on a broader level, just imagine what if the whole world is a single party. With no leader to manipulate, No investment on weapons and security.

Part of this can be invested to make them equal. I heard about some stories of the end of Kalyug. I also created one story of the start of Satyug.

The reason for insecurity is difference, this all seems impossible, but once going to the other planet, it also seems too, but it's now...

If we can imagine, we can achieve it.

If it happens, the whole and entire world would change.



**Cadet Sugam Upadhyay** 

#### LIFE

Life is a symphony of moments, composed of highs and lows, whispers and shouts, laughter and tears. It is a journey of self-discovery where each turn of the path, reveals a new landscape of possibility. From the innocence of childhood to the age of wisdom, like waves a tale of growth and transformation.

Life is all about finding beauty in imperfection, and purpose in the seemingly mundane.

Along the way we encounter love and loss, success and failure, all shaping us into the individual we are meant to be

As we navigate the twists and turns, we learn to embrace the present, cherish the past, and welcome the future with open arms.

Life is not just about the destination, but the experience that colors the journey.



Cadet Sujan Biswa, Thal House

## Mathematics, God's best creation.

Mathematics is a field of academics that people are generally scared of. There are very few who truly understand the beauty and the might of mathematics, but they are as rare as finding gold while planting a tree. Two of the greatest creations of God struggling to get along with each other are not a thing to be proud of. Humans must work in perfect harmony with maths to ensure development. As the great physicist Galileo once said, "Mathematics is the language that the universe is written with." This is clearly visible everywhere around us. There are Fibonacci numbers in play in the number of petals of any beautiful flower I see. The golden ratio beautifies anything easily; the great and most beautiful art, Mona Lisa, was made on the basis of the golden ratio.

One of the greatest ironies is the use of imaginary numbers in Schrödinger's time-dependent wave equation. Imaginary numbers—being imaginary, as the name suggests—are used in the equation that describes almost all of reality. This is the level of perfection and hard work put in by God himself in the making of this beautiful art. From bargaining with a vegetable vendor to bargaining with God, to understanding the nature of what we have achieved during this complete journey with math.

The few patrons of this art are regarded as geniuses, as they have contributed to cracking the Enigma machine coded by God. To crack this, one person is not enough. As we go deeper and deeper, the darker and more mysterious it gets, just like a rabbit hole of a pretty mysterious one. The great men before us, like Euler, Gauss, Riemann, Ramanujan, Cauchy, and Newton, have conquered lands equivalent to the Maldives, when mass is as large as the universe. Constantly expanding and developing itself, it awaits someone worthy to conquer it and enjoy all the rewards hidden in this beautiful satan.



A teacher has the sole responsibility to convey, introduce, and develop interest in young and creative brains. They are just like priests preaching this holy religion. Initially, the job was done well. But as time passed by, there was laziness visible in performing the task. The teacher just doesn't help students get the essence of the subject and does their job unwillingly, creating fewer and fewer discoveries every century. The literal meaning is that we are evolving backwards.

Cadet M. Manish, Vayu House

# **Future of Online Learning**

With the development of information and communication technology, India has witnessed increasing acceptance of online education. Many students and working professionals have joined different e-learning platforms to enhance their skills and employability. Online schooling classes can be delivered through online video streaming, where the teacher is able to deliver lectures in a live mode.

There can be recorded lectures, which can be viewed in parts as well. During the outbreak of COVID-19, we adapted to the online mode of teaching for a short period of time. As the pandemic situation became clear, it became evident that the online mode of schooling was going to be the future.

#### Scope for Online Learning

Learning beyond school is the new age of education. Children are not only dependent on their school for learning. They take private tuition. Online schooling can also be of great advantage to children, as it enhances their learning capability. Online schooling is flexible. It gives the students the time to plan their studies and learn at their own pace. Students are not under peer pressure and are comfortable.



This emphasis on online education has to be accompanied by changes in the teacher's textbook, curriculum, and examination pattern as well. The scope and reach of online education can be broadened to a far greater extent. Online learning will facilitate better preparation to face the challenges of working, as well as offer new opportunities.

# **Gender Equality in Modern Society**

Since ancient times, there has been a myth that men are superior to women, and that a woman's role is limited to the household, taking care of her family, while the man goes out to earn. The man was considered the head of the family and the sole decision-maker, while women were often excluded from even family-related matters.

One of the most striking examples of gender inequality in ancient times was the existence of rituals like Sati and Johar, where women were expected to sacrifice themselves following the death of their husbands.

However, society has evolved significantly. Today, women are granted equal rights on par with men. They study in the same schools, pursue higher education, and work alongside men in the corporate sector. The myth of women being inferior to men is gradually disappearing from our collective mindset, and women are stepping out to earn and live independent lives. They are no longer restricted to the four walls of their homes; instead, they are becoming self-reliant and financially independent.

A prominent example is Indra Nooyi, the former CEO of Pepsi Co (Note: she was actually CEO of Pepsi Co), a woman of Indian origin who reached the top in the corporate world. Women are not only making their mark in business but are also serving in the defense sector, contributing to the nation with pride and honor. They are emerging as leaders, managing both professional responsibilities and family life with grace and strength.

There is a powerful saying: "If you educate a man, you educate an individual; but if you educate a woman, you educate a generation." This reflects the vital role of women in shaping the future and the importance of gender equality in building a better society.

Women are looked at as mother goddesses in their human form, and she is capable of doing anything. Gender equality also means giving both men and women equal chances in doing a job, whether it is a man or a woman. And it doesn't matter, because both have equal capabilities and strengths. Gunjan Saxena was the first woman pilot to take part in a war. So this is what a woman is capable of doing, even at the time of war. She not only attacks her enemies but also rescues the lives of her superior officers. Women are the ones who are responsible for the working of the work. Then how can she be inferior?

The myth of boys being superior to girls or men being superior to women is untrue, because without women, the working of the world can never be balanced. In every religion, the male deity has his wife, a female deity who is the source of power for him. In Hinduism, we believe that the cosmos was made by the union of Shiva and Shakti in his Ardhanarishwar form, while in Buddhist mythology, they believe that the universe was made by Lord Avalokiteshvara with the help of Goddess Tara by his side.

It is believed that after loud Aulokitishwama destroyed and recreated the universe, he found that the world was void of joy and beauty. So he meditated, but when he could not find any answer, he started crying. And

from his tears, Goddess Tara appeared in her 21 forms and helped him fill the universe with joy, beauty, and grace. So the universe was even incomplete without a woman. Even God needed goddesses to create the universe. And that women play an important role in the creation of the universe and should neve

### **GLIMPSES**

Olimpses of moments when we used to say,
Past was when we used to play,
our environment was all meeky pure,
That eventually turned might to sure,
Our future'll hold no stress,
This was our thoughts only dress,
Growing up was quite exhilarating,
viewing a dilated world with mind-liberating,
While growing up, Joy turned to a lingered
thinking,

replicating errors with reluctant tinking,
Self-incentive is what we all require
to make our past a point to admire
the past is not always about gloom,
It has something synonymous to bloom

that fascinates an aura of positivity, Vanishing the thoughts of depravity.

Cadet Anjali Yadav, Agni House

#### **OH MY KYEII**

(Kyeii is used for nature)

Oh my Kyeii, my heart beats — it beats for you.

My lungs breathe — they breathe for you.

My skin feels — it feels for you.

And my eyes see — I saw you.

Oh my Kyeii, I love you.

My heart beats — it beats for you.

My emotions are all yours.

And now, my skin dies to touch you.

Oh my Kyeii, I love you.

Oh my Kyeii, I love you.

Once, I spoke a lot —

But now, the words refuse to roll out of my tongue.



Cadet Mukund, Vayu House

## **Dreams and Aspirations**

Dreams are all that I think about when I am over the moon.

Dreams are all that I know when I am losing control.

I wanted to own my own aspirations, you know, but I followed all the dreams I ever saw.

There's a difference between them.

While one keeps you on track and the other takes you to the top, you've got to follow both to learn to earn.

Well, now that I've set them apart and pulled them back together,

I've come to know that, in order to go far, you'll have to follow them forever.

Aspirations help you focus on the present,

While dreams make you look at your own contours.

Where will I be without them?

The fuel has lit up.

I know what to follow, what I do.

I've come to know that finding yourself is easy when you know your dreams and aspirations.

Cadet Diya Sinimon, Agni House

### It's Okay!

I moved to California in the Summertime,

I changed my name thinking that it would change my mind.

I thought that all my problems they would stay behind,

I was a stick of dynamite and it just was a matter of time.

Oh, Dang! Oh my! Now I can't hide.

I said I knew myself but I guess I lied.

It's okay, It's okay, It's okay!

If you're lost, we're all a little lost and it's alright.(2)

I wrote a hundred pages but I burned them all.

Yeah! I burned 'em all.

I blow through yellow lights and don't look back at all.

I don't look back at all....

Oh, Dang! Oh My! Now I can't hide.

I said I knew what I wanted but I guess I lied,

It's okay, It's okay, It's okay!



If you're lost, we're all a little lost and it's alright.(2) Woah....oh! It's alright...to be lost sometimes...

Cadet Diya Sinimon, Agni House

#### **PAST**

One of the piles of events that are vast,
 Always thinking about it,
 Won't let you be fit,
Only addicted actions get the credit
That ofcourse you cannot predict.
 Seek for stronger lifestyles,
 No matter how many miles,
 Don't let your thoughts get gruff,
 Because they'll themselves puff.
Turn negative thoughts into levitation,
 Leaving space only for dedication.
 And when they all perish,
 Just regain the confidence
 And CHERISH!



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#### He who knows all but no one

There is someone

who knows all but no one.

mind travels from hell to heaven.

he doesn't know the difference, cause he's still eleven

He's always floating in a pseudo world, but age has already passed when he's still curled, he would be magnanimous?

Maybe, but his situation turns him furious-What should be done?

Coz there's still someone

who knows all but no one.

Pondering about the future at the bay.

He wants his childhood back, eating ice in May.

But time is like age or never; when it passes, it's gone forever.

He wants to do things right.

But when emotions fog, everything goes high,

it seems tough and levitating through senses.

But he shouldn't dig down on everything's immense.

He is the learner of life, which is like skating on the edge of a knife,

Frustration will drip off like blood

But this is a student's emotion, it's denser than a flood.

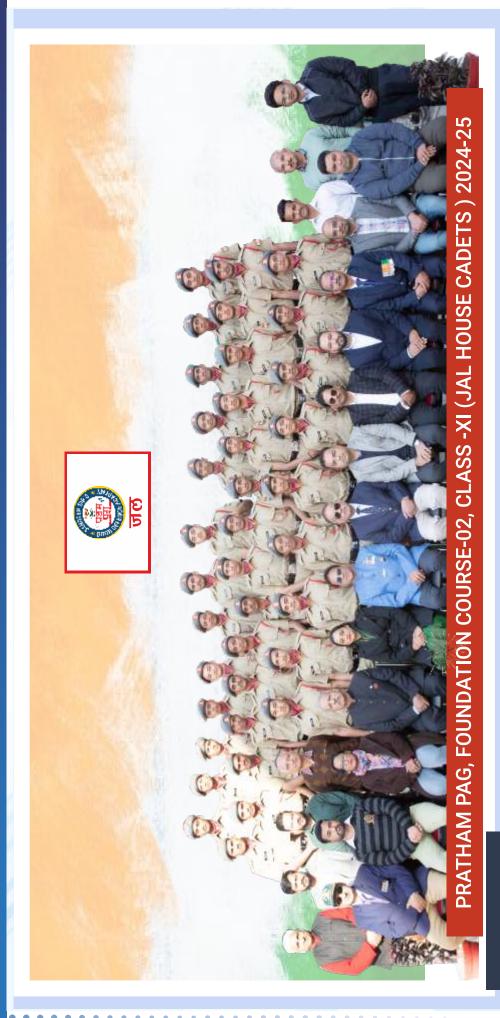
In life, no one has always won, cuz there's someone who knows all but no one.



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होंना किया (उन्हें व वर्षत्र की सलाने शक्षण नेतंन क्यान के प्रतेग पुरस्थित भी भीनियास ने ली। क्या दे कि संदीय में 35 वर्ष पूर्व आहरणाय नैसेनिक के रूप में करियर की प्रस्थात की की (की प्राप्त करें कर मान किन्तु है। इस अवसर पर ज्योंने सम्बे मीर्मिका, अभिनीत व १८०० को प्रीम फिका अभिनीत की इस प्रतिमा अपन्य प्रतिम में वर्ष सिकी

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हीतीए जायमहरू को जीवीए निवेशक संवीध गुजा व उपनिवेशक दिखा गुज प्रभक्तमन्त्रप देते हर उनके उरहावत भवित्य की क्रमना की एकंपनी ले वनपत के अनुसार डीडीए निदेशक संदीप गुपा द्वारा निदर्न व्यवस कि करने वाले डीडीए अध्ययंद्रश की एक-नक हजार नगए व प्रायमन वि केर्न पर दस-दस प्रजार रूपए नकद आवीर्षाद के सम्प में कि गए। **सन्न** ही



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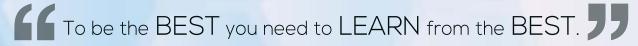












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