



PRESS RELEASE

CBSE National Skill Expo and Guidance Festival Successfully Concludes at Delhi Public School, Jodhpur

The Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE) successfully hosted the National Skill Expo and Guidance Program at Delhi Public School, Pali Road, Jodhpur, on 6 February 2025. The prestigious event aimed to promote skill education and career readiness among students nationwide.

The event was inaugurated by CBSE Chairman, Shri Rahul Singh, IAS, alongside distinguished guests Dr. Raju Narayana Swamy, IAS, Principal Secretary, Government of Kerala, Dr. Biswajit Saha, Director (Skill Education), CBSE, and Smt. Asha Vyas, Pro-Vice Chairperson of DPS Pali Road. Several eminent dignitaries and senior CBSE officials were also in attendance. The inaugural session featured a traditional lamp-lighting ceremony followed by insightful addresses from leading educationists and administrators.

In his opening remarks, Shri Rahul Singh, IAS, emphasized the need for evolving educational paradigms in response to global changes, stating, "The world is evolving, and we must evolve too, preparing our future generations for career readiness. CBSE is championing India's educational shift towards skilling through initiatives like the National Guidance Festival (NGF)."

Dr. Raju Narayana Swamy, in his keynote address, lauded CBSE's initiative in imparting skill education to students. He stressed the importance of identifying inborn talents and skills and guiding learners effectively. "The younger generation must be equipped with essential skills such as creativity, critical thinking, communication, and collaboration," he emphasized.

The Guidance Festival featured expert-led sessions, including a talk by Capt. Poonam Devrakhyani, Airline Pilot and Aviation Consultant, DGCA, Ministry of Civil Aviation, on 'Skilling for the Sky: Careers in Aviation.' A panel discussion on 'The Role of Design and Technology in Skilling' included insights from Archana Surana, Director of ARCH College of Design and Business, Sandeep Sethi, Director of Education at Jaipur City Palace Museum, Anamika Das, Head of ESRI, and Sanjeev Shivesh, CEO of ThinkStartup. The event concluded with a lecture by Prof. V.S. Srivastava, Head, PSS Central Institute of Vocational Education (PSSCIVE) Bhopal on 'Promoting Skill Education in Schools NCF-SE.' Mr. Shyam Kapoor, Regional Officer, CBSE, delivered a vote of thanks, expressing gratitude to the dignitaries and all the participants for being a valuable part of the event.

The Skill Expo witnessed participation from over 1,650 students across 46 teams representing 13 states and 2 union territories. Students showcased innovative projects in emerging technologies, artificial intelligence, beauty and wellness, banking, and finance, among others. The competition culminated in recognizing the top projects, with SSVM School of Excellence, Coimbatore, and Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan Vidyashram, Jaipur, jointly securing the first position. Evergreen Public School, New Delhi, claimed second place, while SES Gurukul, Pune, and DAV Centenary Public School, New Delhi, shared the third spot.

The event concluded with Ms. Swati Acharjee, Principal of DPS Jodhpur, acknowledging the contributions of all participants, speakers, and organizers. The National Skill Expo and Guidance Festival set a significant benchmark in fostering skill education, nurturing creativity, and encouraging critical thinking among students across India.

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-:HIGHLIGHTS:-



**Sh Rahul Singh, IAS,
Chairman, CBSE**



**Dr. Raju Narayana Swamy, IAS,
Principal Secretary, Govt. of Kerala**



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