

Hindustan Zinc kickstarts Shiksha Sambal Summer Camps

Udaipur: The month-long summer camp includes 3 residential camps held in Udaipur & 12 non-residential ones at 6 locations - Zawar, Debari, Dariba, Chanderiya, Agucha & Ajmer.

The camps target the students of 8th, 10th and 12th to bridge their learning gaps and further enhance conceptual understanding in Science, Language and Mathematics.

Udaipur: Hindustan Zinc, under its Shiksha Sambal Program, organizes 15

Summer Camps across the districts of Rajasthan for over 1500 rural & tribal students of class 8th, 10th & 12th. To ensure the overall development of these students, this one-month camp has begun at Udaipur and 6 business locations of Hindustan Zinc - Zawar, Debari, Chanderiya, Dariba, Agucha and Ajmer. Additionally, 17 students from Pantnagar have joined the residential camp, and around 1500 students from 66 Shiksha Sambal schools will benefit

from these camps. Shri. Arun Misra, CEO of Hindustan Zinc, on occasion, while his thoughts said, "We believe in the transformative power of education, and this camp embodies our commitment to nurturing young talents and empowering them for a brighter future. Education is not merely a means to acquire knowledge but a key that unlocks the door to endless opportunities. The Shiksha Sambal Summer Camp is a platform for young minds to explore their potential, ignite



their passions, and develop the skills necessary to thrive in an ever-evolving world."

The company, under the project, focuses on quality education and provides reme-

dial classes to rural students appearing for Rajasthan Board Examination. It aims at enhancing conceptual understanding of students in Science, Language and Mathematics while also focusing on developing students' social, cognitive as well as emotional, and personal development. In addition to the Shiksha Sambal team, volunteer students from prestigious colleges like Delhi University, Tata Institute of Social Science, IISER, Banaras Hindu University, and

the University of Mumbai will facilitate the academic input in these camps. Shiksha Sambal program, initiated by Hindustan Zinc in 2008, aims to strengthen the learning environment in 66 government schools & thereby improve the learning ability of rural students by strengthening their knowledge at a conceptual level with a special focus on subjects like Science, English & Mathematics. Every year with their implementation partner - Vidhya Bhawan, Udaipur, the

program reaches more than 8000 students across grades 6th to 12th. The program focuses on enhancing the learning environment in schools through activating labs, libraries & on the academic front through innovative aspects such as Summer & Winter Camps, reading mela, etc. Throughout the year, intensive support is provided by deploying teachers & providing learning materials for the students to improve the learning outcomes of the students.

Inauguration of 'Jungle Safari' in Jaisamand Sanctuary

Udaipur. On Monday, Chief Minister Shri Ashok Gehlot inaugurated Jungle Safari at Jaisamand Wildlife Sanctuary through a video conference in Udaipur on International Biodiversity Day.

Mr Gehlot said that the state government had made several historic forest and environment protection decisions. Continuous development of wildlife, forest area and ecotourism is being done in the state. With the introduction of Jungle Safari in Jaisamand Sanctuary and promoting tourism in the Udaipur district, a significant ecotourism site will be developed in the state and employment opportunities will also be available in the area.

He said that due to the efforts made under Project Leopard in Jaisamand



Sanctuary, the number of leopards has increased to 19. He extended best wishes to all the state's people on International Biodiversity Day and dedicated this gift to the state's people.

Indira Gandhi laid the foundation of Project Tiger
Mr Gehlot said that in 1972, former Prime Minister Mrs Indira Gandhi understood the

importance of forest and wildlife conservation and laid the foundation of "Project Tiger". The result was that today India has 70 per cent of the world's tigers. He said that there are three tiger safaris in Rajasthan. Recently Ramgarh Vishdhari has been developed as the fourth Tiger Project of the state. He said that a committee had been constituted for the

Kumbhalgarh Tiger Project. **The protection of forests and wildlife is our priority.**

The Chief Minister said that the state government continuously tries to protect forests and wildlife. In 2010, Rajasthan Biodiversity Rules were notified to maintain biodiversity. The state has 3 National Parks, 27 Wildlife Sanctuaries, 16 Conservation Reserves and 4 Tiger Projects. Work is being done with more sensitivity to protect and promote all these. He said that the present government itself implemented the Ecotourism Policy-2021. A special tiger protection force has been established by installing border home guards in Sariska and Mukandra Hills Tiger Reserve. This is a unique initiative.

Promotion of ecotourism

from Luv-Kush Vatika
Shri Gehlot said that two ecotourism Luv-Kush gardens are being developed in each district near forest areas for ecotourism. He said a wildlife management training centre had been set up at Talchhapar Sanctuary in Churu. Infrastructure is being developed in the Chambal Gharial Sanctuary from the point of view of tourism.

The Chief Minister said that to protect the state bird Godavan, artificial breeding of Godavan was started in Jaisalmer with the agreement between the Central Government, Wildlife Institute of India and the State Government. He said that forestry parks are also being developed in Jodhpur, Bikaner, Kota, Udaipur, Bharatpur and

Ajmer on the lines of the World Forestry Park at Jhalana Dungri in Jaipur.

During this, Forest and Environment Minister Mr Hemaram Chowdhary, District Incharge Minister Mr Ramlal Jat, Cooperative Minister Mr Udaylal Anjana, Former Minister of State for Education Mr Govind Singh Dotsara, Former MP Mr Raghuvver Singh Meena, Chief Government Secretary Mr Shikhar Agarwal, Dr Deep Narayan Pandey, Divisional Commissioner Mr Rajendra Bhatt, IG Mr Ajaypal Singh Lamba, District Collector Mr Tarachand Meena, Superintendent of Police Mr Vikas Sharma, Chief Conservator of Forests Mr R.K. Singh and Senior officers including Kherwa were present.

IIM Udaipur Incubation Centre Join hands With Aspirelabs

Udaipur: In sync with one of the core values of bringing a positive change in the region, IIM Udaipur's Incubation Centre has joined hands with Aspirelabs Accelerator as an Ecosystem Partner for pursuing their vision to make Udaipur a plastic waste free city through the FINILOOP PLASTIC LAB - a startup incubation and mentorship program for plastic waste management entrepreneurs. FINILOOP PLASTIC LAB is a part of FINILOOP (Financial Inclusion & Improved Livelihoods Out of Plastics) - a city-level solid waste management model.



Suresh Dhaka, CEO, IIM Udaipur Incubation Centre said, "The use of plastic has been recognized as one of the greatest environmental and health hazards of the 21st century. Every day in India approx. 20,000 tonnes of plastic waste is generated, out of which only 13,000-14,000 tonnes are collected. IIM Udaipur Incubation Centre has joined hand with Aspirelabs to address the problem of the inadequate collection and recycling systems through the FINILOOP PLASTIC LAB initiative and make Udaipur a Plastic-Waste Free City." The FINILOOP program is designed to achieve plastic waste-free cities by improving solid and plastic waste management while strengthening the livelihood opportunities of informal waste workers and fostering innovation for plastic waste enterprises. The program is supported by IKEA Foundation and is being implemented by Aspirelabs Accelerator, WASTE Foundation, and Trust of People. The program has strategic partners such as Finish Society, Shiram Institute for Industrial Research, and Take a Stake Fund.

The FINILOOP PLASTIC LAB (FPL) program is a 14-month incubation program for aspiring entrepreneurs who are keen to take up the challenge of the plastic waste menace created primarily due to mismanagement of it. The applicants can be from across the country and selected ones will get an opportunity to participate in this initiative to make Udaipur a plastic waste-free city. In addition, the startup will get an opportunity to scale up its business in Amritsar also.

FPL program offerings include 1-on-1 mentoring sessions with industry experts, B2B meetings for potential collaboration, workshops with business gurus, technical support for prototype building, pre-demo day and demo-day, opportunities for follow-up funding from marquee investors, support on IPR filing and company registration, prototype grants up to INR 3 lakhs for the top 10 startups, and post-program support for 9 months. All aspiring entrepreneurs are encouraged to apply to this program. The last date to apply is Tuesday, 30th May 2023 till midnight.

Generate interest in environmental protection among common people

A meeting of Jantualaya Vikas Trust was organized in the meeting room of the Divisional Commissioner's office on Friday evening under the chairmanship of Divisional Commissioner Rajendra Bhatt and in the presence of District Collector Tara Chand Meena.

In the meeting, Deputy Conservator of Forests (Wildlife) Ajay Chittora informed about the trust's various tasks, responsibilities and goals. In the meeting, Bhatt gave essential guidelines regarding cleaning roads, karal and path-way in Sajjargarh Biological Park, water supply in the Biological Park, electrical equipment maintenance, and wildlife care. Apart from this, the Divisional Commissioner discussed the maintenance of facing and Karal Night Shelter, Lion Safari, toilet construction, expansion of facilities for tourists, eradication of Lantana in Sajjargarh and said that better facilities should be provided to the visiting tourists.

On this occasion, retired CCF Rahul Bhatnagar suggested taking the help of an engineer from UIT or PWD in civil construction works. The Divisional Commissioner insisted on installing signage in the Biological Park, maintenance and publicity of the Bird Park.

Instructions for making a better action plan for Bird Festival

Divisional Commissioner Bhatt said in the meeting that the participation of common people in the upcoming Bird Festival should be increased manifold compared to earlier. For this, the forest department should prepare a good plan, create awareness among the people about the environment and try that more and more people come to the bird festival to know the world of birds. He expressed the need to emphasize making people aware of wildlife conservation. Retired CCF Rahul Bhatnagar gave many important suggestions to promote eco-tourism. The trust's income, expenditure and profit were discussed in the meeting. Further, they discussed the estimated expenses to be incurred in the coming time.

The grand finale of the art festival

Udaipur: The art festival 2023, organized between May 22 and 24 under the joint aegis of Manikyalal Verma Tribal Research and Training Institute and Bharatiya Lok Kala Mandal, Udaipur, concluded grandly.

In the Kala Mahotsav 2023, the competition of children living in tribal ashrams of Rajasthan was organized at the district level in the first phase. 350 children from all over the State selected in the said competition reached Udaipur on May 21 to participate in the art festival. State-level competition of these children was organized on May 22, 2023, in a group dance, solo dance, group singing, solo singing, painting competition and crafts. The painting and craft exhibition of the children awarded in the competition was organized on the premises of the Bharatiya Lok Kala Mandal, and the presentation-oriented arts were displayed in front of the Chief Minister of Rajasthan, Mr Ashok Gehlot and other guests on the inauguration of 22nd. It is to be noted that the Kala Mahotsav 2023 was inaugurated by the Chief Minister of Rajasthan, Shri Ashok Gehlot, under the chairmanship of Shri Arjun Singh Bannia, Minister of State, Tribal Regional Development Department (Independent Charge), Public Health Engineering Department, Ground Water Department. At least 15 ministers and MLAs of the Rajasthan government were present as guests at the function.



On the second day of the ceremony, i.e. May 23, all the participants, i.e. 350 students enthralled the audience through their presentations; then, on the exact closing occasion, on May 24, Wardens of Tribal Hostels, officers/employees of the Tribal Development Department, Tribal Regional Development Department, Officers/employees of Udaipur, artists of Bharatiya Lok Kala Mandal and The Performers Cultural Society, Udaipur gave presentations. Artists, participants, and spectators enthusiastically participated in the said ceremony. On the occasion of the inauguration ceremony, the Chief Minister announced organizing the said ceremony every year and also said that this ceremony would be included in the tourism calendar of Rajasthan. It will be put up so that tourists from all over the country and abroad can enjoy this fantastic event.

Cong claims truce in Rajasthan, Gehlot, Pilot to work together

Udaipur. The Congress on Monday claimed to have sorted out the differences between sparring Rajasthan leaders Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot and his former deputy Sachin Pilot and said both leaders would work together and the party would win the Assembly elections scheduled later this year.

After a four-hour meeting with Gehlot and Pilot hosted by Congress president Mallikarjun Kharge and attended by Rahul Gandhi, AICC general secretary (organisation) KC Venugopal announced that an agreement has been reached to fight Rajasthan elections together.

"In the discussions, we have decided to fight the Rajasthan election unitedly. Both Ashok Gehlot and Sachin Pilot agree that the Congress has to go together, and we will definitely win the elections in Rajasthan. It is very clear that Rajasthan will be a strong state for the Congress. We are going to win. Therefore, both the leaders unitedly and unanimously agreed with the proposal of these things."

Venugopal said, "Both leaders have left it to the high command on the truce and whether Pilot would get any role in the party. The high command will take the decision and both have agreed."

Everything is possible with hard work

Udaipur. Nothing is impossible if you study consistently. Everything is possible with continuous hard work. This is to say of Gaurav Maurya, who stood second in the Science-Mathematics group of the 12th class of the M.P. Board. Gaurav is a resident of Sheopor and a student of the V-7 batch of Motion Education in Kota. He has secured 97.2 per cent marks. In a function, after the results were announced, Joint Director of Motion and Head of JEE Division Ram ratan Dwivedi congratulated Gaurav.

On this occasion, Gaurav said this was a very emotional moment for him. He said- regular studies can bring good numbers. I am happy that you got excellent marks. I worked hard and expected to be in the top 10, but I didn't expect to get second place. To become a topper, I started preparing from the very beginning of the session. I gave equal attention to all the subjects. They were studied for 8 to 10 hours a day. After that, I took full sleep and did not take any stress at all.

Parents, teachers and friends all have contributed to my success. My family is originally from Sheopor. Father Phool singh Maurya works for Life Insurance Corporation of India, and the mother is a homemaker. The elder sister is nursing. I did my entire education in a government school. This is a significant achievement for a normal family like ours. In response to a question, he said he feels no pressure regarding the future. I have faith in my hard work and must move ahead with complete hard work. My aim is to become an engineer by taking com-

puter science from Mumbai I.I.T.

Kiana Parihar unleashes her brain in chess

Udaipur. Kiana Parihar, a Mount Litera Zee School student, participated in a 2-day chess tournament and retained the championship while remaining undefeated.

Kiana has been a two-time state champion. Mount Litera Director Arun Mandot said that Kiana had also been the Lake City Under-15 champion. Because of Kiana's hard work and self-confidence, she will continue to bring laurels to the school in the same way.

Koshi Sharma's selection in the national competition

Udaipur. Koshi Sharma of St. Mary's, New Fatehpura, has been selected in the Under-19 category in the 66th National Level School Weightlifting Sports Competition.

Organization head Sister Jyotsna said that Koshi Sharma had been selected for the national competition based on an excellent performance in the state-level competition, and Koshi Sharma, after taking training at Sadul Sports School, Bikaner, from June 6 to 12, will participate in the national competition to be held in New Delhi till June.

MLA Parmar inspected Garnala-kotra camp

Kherwada MLA Dr Dayaram Parmar inspected the dearness relief camp organized at Gram Panchayat Garnalakotra of sub-division Rishabhdev. He inquired about the services and facilities being provided and, while interacting with the villagers, called upon them to take 100 per cent benefit of this government program. During this, he reached the stalls of various departments at the campsite.

The MLA distributed Chief Minister's Guarantee Cards to the registered beneficiaries. Camp in-charge sub-divisional officer Shrawan Singh Rathore shared information regarding the camp's progress. Rishabhdev Pradhan Kesar Devi Meena, social worker Rooplal Meena, Ganesh Meena, Tehsildar Shyamsingh Charan etc., were present.

Dr Parmar, taking stock of the inflation relief camp organized in Chitoda village panchayat of subdivision Nayagaon and the campaign camp with the administration villages, gave the beneficiaries the benefits of the Chief Minister's Guarantee Card along with other schemes.

Camp in-charge sub-divisional officer Vijesh Pandya informed us about the camp's progress. He said that apart from CM Guarantee Card, 52 rectifications, 44 nominations, 32 duplicates and 28 caste-origin certificates were distributed in the centre.