



# Students participating in Hindustan Zinc's Education Support Program achieved excellent results

The students enrolled in the education support program conducted by Hindustan Zinc have shown outstanding performance in the 10th-grade exam conducted by the Rajasthan Board of Secondary Education.

This program is benefiting around 8,000 students from classes 6 to 12. In the recently announced results of the 10th-grade board exam, 88% of the students passed, out of which 31% secured first division. Out of the 66 government schools, 23 achieved a 100% pass rate, and 49 schools had a pass percentage of over 90%.

Since the program's inception in the financial year 2016,



students have increased from 67% to 88%.

The percentage of students achieving first division has increased from 14% in 2016 to 31% at present, while the percentage of unsuccessful

students has decreased from 33% to 12%. 133 girls were selected for the Gargi Award in 10th grade this year.

Similarly, in the recently announced results of the Science stream in 12th grade,

the students under the Education Support Program achieved a result of 97.26%. There are 13 senior secondary schools in the Science stream, supported under the Hindustan Zinc's Education Support Project in five districts and six locations.

A total of 219 students are enrolled in these schools. This year, the results have been 100% for 13 schools, with 97% achieving more than 75%, and 48% securing first division. Additionally, 26 girls were selected for the Gargi Award.

Under the Education Support Program by Hindustan Zinc, in addition to providing teaching facilities by extra teachers in government

schools, educational materials are also provided. Agricultural, animal husbandry, and electrical trade sessions are conducted, which provide students with practical experience and exposure.

The program also brings intellectual clarity to the students through the use of laboratories and libraries to enhance their learning abilities. During the summer vacation, a month-long summer camp was organized, focusing on not only intensive academic training but also other aspects to ensure the comprehensive development of the students.

During the winter break, students are given homework to prepare them for exams, with

a strong emphasis on exam-oriented preparation.

The Education Support Program started in 2017 as a technical collaboration between Hindustan Zinc and Vidya Bhavan.

Its objective is to uplift academically deserving students from government schools deprived of higher education due to a lack of proper guidance and resources.

Under this program, students from six districts of the company's operational areas, including Udaipur, Rajasamand, Chittorgarh, Bhilwara, Ajmer, and Pantnagar in Uttarakhand, are provided subject-based facilities through additional teachers from classes 6 to 12.

# Astrologer and society together enhance the study of astrology: Sharma

**Udaipur:** A felicitation ceremony was held at the auditorium of Nimbarka Teacher Training College to honor Pt. Harishchandra Sharma, the Chairman of the Institute of Astrological Studies and Research, affiliated with Vishwaroopam, Spandan, and Shri Maharshi College. As the main speaker, Pt. Harishchandra Sharma mentioned that society should contribute to the respect and development of the science of astrology. It is through collaboration that society will progress. Astrologers must adhere to the rules and create a path for development. By advancing step by step with regular discipline and enriching the path, astrology will progress on the development path. Apoetic composition by Othprat Ojasvi Kavita Mimaansa, based on Indian culture and national sentiment, was presented. The chief guest of the felicitation ceremony, Mevad Mahamandaleshwar Mahant Raas Bihari Sharan Shastri, stated that in order to preserve our culture, we must protect and promote our ancient knowledge. Only then can we move forward on the path of progress, embracing science and technology. Welcoming the guests, Bharati Dashora mentioned that the seeds of values should be sown in children from childhood so that they can blossom and become responsible citizens for society in the future. In this regard, Dr Bhagwati Shankar Vyas stated that when Gayatri is invoked, the deity within our body is awed. Consequently, our intellect, intelligence, and wisdom are enhanced. A wise person experiences everything, so let us all become wise and contemplate the welfare of ourselves and the nation. Pt. Prakash Parashar said in his address that Indian culture is inherently great, as what is spiritual is scientific, and what is scientific is completely spiritual. We must include spirituality in our values to preserve our culture. Vishwaroopam clarified the concept of a unique series and familiarized the audience with its objectives. Pt. Suresh Chandra Joshi provided information about the objectives of the institutions. Padma Kumar Sharma, the director of Brahmakarma Shivr, and his colleagues were also honoured on this occasion. Rajkumar Mathur gave a vote of thanks, and Sanchalan Mimaansa Parshai concluded the program. Various members of the organizations working towards the promotion of astrology, such as Suresh Tripathi, Dr. Alakhananda Sharma, Dr. Reena, Dr. Rachna Sharma, Pushpa Vyas, Shashi Sharma, Sanjay Khamsara, Akhilesh Sharma, Surendra Dwivedi, Harinarayan Sukhwai, Rajendra Sikligar, and Surendra Singh Chauhan were present.

# Entrepreneurship Development and Skill Enhancement in the Context of Community Science

**Udaipur:** A series of expert talks were organized by the Department of Clothing and Textiles at the Community and Applied Sciences University. In the first talk, Dr. Alka Goyal, Chairperson of the Department of Home Science at G.B. Pant University in Uttarakhand, extensively discussed the sustainability and enduring perspective of textiles and the fashion industry, emphasizing the reuse of textile products and sharing the techniques involved. In the second talk, Dr. A. Sharada Devi, Former Chairperson of the Department of Home Science at a university in Hyderabad, raised awareness among students about nanotechnology and entrepreneurship development, highlighting the significance of this technology in today's context. The third talk was delivered by Dr. C. Prakash, Director of I.I.H.T. in West Bengal, who provided detailed information about various garment and textile sector opportunities. He mentioned that students could build their careers in diverse fields such as fashion, production, marketing, and modelling. In the fourth talk, Dr. Amita Pandya, a retired professor from M.S. University in Vadodara, elaborated on empowering women entrepreneurs through garment design and construction, emphasizing sustainable practices. Dr. Meenu Srivastava, the Head of the University, welcomed all the experts and highlighted the objective of organizing these talks, which is to familiarize students with career possibilities and guide them towards a bright future. The Event Secretary, Dr. Rupal Babel mentioned that approximately 80 students participated in these online talks daily. The program coordinators were Dr. Sonu Mehta and Meenakshi Mishra.

# Dr. Mahendra Bhanawat felicitated with Lokbhushan Samman

**Udaipur:** Renowned folklorist Dr. Mahendra Bhanawat received the Lokbhushan award from Dr. Lakshyaraj Singh Mewar on Saturday. This honor was given to Dr. Bhanawat by the Uttar Pradesh Hindi Institute, Lucknow, for his special long-term Hindi service to Indian folklore related to folklore and folk tradition. Dr. Lakshyaraj Singh conferred the honor of Uttar Pradesh Hindi Sansthan to Dr. Bhanawat, under which an amount of two lakh fifty thousand rupees, a copper plate, and a shawl were presented. On this occasion, Dr. Lakshyaraj Singh said I am happy that Dr. Bhanawat has been continuously illuminating the name of Mewar throughout India in the field of Indian literature for many years, which gives live inspiration to future generations.

The Maharana Mewar Foundation had first given the Maharana Sajjan Singh Award in 1984. Then there was no award by this name, but the founder of the Foundation, Maharana Bhagwat Singh Mewar, announced this award to honor Dr. Bhanawat, and the first award was given to him. I am a big believer in Dr. Bhanawat's progressive rise.

# Kamini Gurjar presented an image of Shrinathji

**Udaipur:** Kamini Gurjar, the executive national president of the All India Gurjar Women's Association and a member of the Udaipur District Council, met with Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot during her visit to Udaipur. She presented an image of Shrinathji and extended congratulations and best wishes for the fourth time the government is being formed.

During this meeting, Kamini Gurjar provided information about the party's situation in the Mavli Assembly constituency and the ongoing campaigns. She mentioned that the Congress government in Rajasthan is repeating this time, and the party workers are enthusiastic about the success achieved through inflation relief camps. Gurjar informed the Chief Minister that she has been appointed as the district coordinator for inflation relief camps by the Rajiv Gandhi Panchayati Raj Organization, with the objective of reaching out to the general public across the state. She is monitoring these camps continuously. The Chief Minister praised Gurjar's work and assured her of a meeting over tea during his next visit to her residence. Vallabhagar MLA Preity Gajendra Singh Shaktawat and other officials were also present on this occasion.

# The Battle of Haldighati marked the commencement of the Mughal expulsion from Mewar



**Udaipur:** During the Seminar on Haldighati War Day held in Udaipur. While the battle's outcome is still debated in terms of victory and defeat, it served as the initial catalyst for the Mewar-Mughal conflict. Maharana Pratap adopted a war strategy of surprise attacks and guerrilla warfare during this battle, employing it successfully over the next

seven years to drive the Mughals out of Mewar. The seminar, organized by the History Compilation Committee in Udaipur, featured Chhaganlal Bohra, the Minister of Regional Organization, expressing these ideas. In his address, Dr. Vivek Bhatnagar mentioned that the formidable siege of Chittorgarh in 1568 had already granted the Mughals con-

trol over the fertile eastern region of Mewar. However, the remaining forested and hilly states were still under the rule of the Rana. Akbar's aim was to establish a secure passage to Gujarat through Mewar. When Pratap Singh, previously Maharaj Kumar, ascended the throne as Maharana in 1572, Akbar sent multiple messengers in an attempt to bring him under his control. Pratap declined the offer, making war once again inevitable. The Haldighati pass near Gogunda was chosen as the battlefield. The initial three-hour skirmish saw the Mughal army crossing the Banas River and advancing 7 kos towards the northern end, while the Mewar army moved towards the mountains. The Mughal army sought refuge in Gogunda. During the seminar, Dr. Mahavir Prasad Jain

expressed his viewpoint that Mewar's struggle against the Mughals had begun even before Maharana Pratap, with the siege of Chittorgarh in 1568 during the reign of Maharana Uday Singh. At that time, three-fourths of Mewar came under Mughal authority. On June 18, 1576, under the leadership of Maharana Pratap, the Mewar army defeated the Mughals. The Mughal forces were led by Raja Man Singh I of Amer and the Mughal general, Asaf Khan. Maharana Pratap received support from the Bhil tribe during this war. Dr. Jeevan Singh Kharkwal, the District President of the committee, mentioned that Akbar attempted to strengthen his kingdom by forging alliances with the Rajputs. However, the Maharana of Mewar refused to visit Akbar's court in Agra, leading to the Mewar-Mughal con-

flict.

Dr. Hemendra Chaudhary explained that when Rana Pratap's father was installed on the throne of Mewar, Akbar sent a series of diplomatic envoys. Their objective was to secure a direct route to Delhi through Gujarat and gain control over the zinc, silver, and lead mines located in Mewar's Vananchal region. District Minister Chainshankar Dashora mentioned that Akbar's initial messenger, Jalal Khan Kurchi, who was a favored servant of Akbar, failed in his mission. The final emissary, Todarmal, also could not persuade Pratap, confirming the inevitability of war.

At the conclusion of the program, Deepak Sharma proposed a vote of thanks, and the program was conducted by Dr. Manish Shrivastava.

- Dr. Munesh Arora

# Dr. Ayushi Jain honored with the prestigious IBRO Award in 2023

**Udaipur:** Dr. Ayushi Jain, renowned for her groundbreaking research in the field of neuroscience, has been honored with the prestigious International Brain Research Organization (IBRO) Award in 2023.

At the International Brain Research Organization (IBRO) and Thai Neurological Society Awards held at Naresuan Medical University in Thailand, Dr. Ayushi Jain was recognized with the Best Oral Presentation Award. Her exceptional study on oxidative stress and sleep-related impairments in children



with epilepsy earned her this esteemed accolade.

Dr. Ayushi Jain was invited from the Asia-Pacific region to deliver an oral presentation, focusing on her research on the detrimental effects of epilepsy and its correlation with oxidative stress and sleep disturbances. During the six-day IBRO Workshop, she presented her findings and secured a prominent position among the top participants in the 2023 Oral Presentation category.

Dr. Ayushi Jain currently serves as a Young Scientist at King George's Medical University in Lucknow, Rajasthan University in Jaipur, and Geetanjali Medical University in Udaipur. She has undertaken extensive research projects investigating various physical and psychological repercussions of epilepsy in children. Her outstanding contributions in this field have garnered recognition and prestigious awards from numerous national and international platforms.

# Neem Foundation Udaipur orchestrated a yoga and karate session

**Udaipur:** On the occasion of International Yoga Day, Neem Foundation Udaipur orchestrated a yoga and karate session for over 50 rural children in Upla Phala village of Aligarh. Roshni Barot, the founder of the foundation, shared that the event focused on promoting the slogan 'Hum Fit to India Fit' and involved various asanas such as Vrikshasana, Tadasana, Ek Padhastanasana, and Bhujangasana. The foundation aimed to educate the children about the benefits of yoga and encouraged them to incorporate it into their daily lives.

In addition to yoga, Kapil Kalal from the Volley Yoga & Karate Academy imparted knowledge about self-defense techniques, including Karate, Panchas, and Blocks. This initiative aimed to raise awareness among the children about self-defense skills, enabling them to protect themselves and assist others in times of trouble.

Roshni emphasized that while numerous events are organized in urban areas to celebrate International Yoga Day, children in rural areas often miss out on such activities. Therefore, the organization is dedicated to keeping these children engaged with yoga and karate in the future. The event was attended by Surat Pargi, Sonal Barot, and other representatives of the foundation. After the yoga and karate training, all the children were

provided with a snack and educated about the importance of consuming healthy food following their yoga practice.

# Pratap Gaurav Kendra welcomed tourists with a tilak made from the sacred soil of Haldighati

**Udaipur:** To honor the valorous anthem of Maharana Pratap, the renowned Pratap Gaurav Kendra 'National Pilgrimage' welcomed tourists on Sunday with a tilak made from the sacred soil of Haldighati. Despite the persistent rain, a significant number of visitors flocked to the Pratap Gaurav Kendra to witness the grandeur. However, due to the inclement weather, the much-anticipated water laser show scheduled for the evening had to be postponed for both days.

Anurag Saxena, the Director of Pratap Gaurav Kendra, emphasized the significance of the Haldighati War fought under the leadership of the courageous Maharana Pratap. This historic battle, which showcased the indomitable spirit of the brave warriors of Mewar against Akbar's forces, was commemorated at the Pratap Gaurav Kendra on June 18, 1576. To mark the Haldighati War Victory Day, a two-day fee exemption was granted on June 17th and 18th. During this period, the entrance fee for Pratap Gaurav Kendra was reduced to Rs. 50 from the regular rate of Rs. 160. Similarly, the fee for attending the water laser show 'Mewar Ki Shaurya Gatha' was also reduced to Rs. 50 from Rs. 100. Despite the continuous rain caused by the Biparjoo cyclone, people eagerly visited the Pratap Gaurav Kendra over the course of the two days. Unfortunately, the downpour forced the suspension of the water laser show.

Saxena added that special descriptions of the scenes depicting the Haldighati war were provided to the tourists, paying homage to the historic event on Haldighati War Victory Day.

# Rashmi Pagaria receives 'Nari Ratna Seva Shree Samman'

**Udaipur:** In a ceremony organized by the Inner Wheel Club of Udaipur at Rotary Bajaj Bhawan, President Rashmi Pagaria of Inner Wheel Club was awarded the 'Nari Ratna Seva Shree Samman' for her outstanding work in social service.

Secretary Seema Champawat mentioned that PDG Chandraprabha Modi and advisors Sheela Talesara, Puspika Kothari, and IPP Anju Maheshwari presented this award for her contribution to women empowerment through more than 400 service projects in the past two years.

Vice President Sweetie Chhabda, Treasurer Bela Jain, ISO Rekha Jain, Executive Member Asha Talesara, Chandrakanta Mehta, Nidhi Jain, and more than 150 members were present during the award ceremony.

# Release of a Micro Booklet on World Blood Donor Day



Saral Blood Bank.

To promote the message of blood donation, artist Chandra Prakash Chittora created the micro booklet in the shape of a drop of blood. Chittorgarh stated that every year on June 14th,

**Udaipur:** On the occasion of World Blood Donor Day, the unveiling of a micro booklet titled "Drop of Blood-shaped Micro Booklet" was conducted by Shyam S. Singhvi, the founder of

World Blood Donor Day is celebrated worldwide. This day aims to raise awareness about the need for safe blood donation and encourage voluntary blood donors, ensuring the availability of safe and high-quality blood and other blood components 24/7 throughout the year to overcome blood shortages.

Shyam S. Singhvi, the Secretary of the Saral Blood Center, conducted the unveiling of this micro booklet. Singhvi mentioned that Chittora had been honoured multiple times for his outstanding creative works. Dr. O.P. Mahatma, the blood centre's medical officer, and other institution members attended the event.

# Celebrating Assistant Sub-Inspector Rehana Abbas: A Dedicated Police Officer

**Kota (KD Abbasi):** Sub-Inspector Rehana Abbas of Kota City Police is being celebrated on her birthday in Kota Jun. Colleagues, police personnel, advocates, journalists, and their families are coming together to extend their heartfelt wishes and congratulations to this esteemed officer.

Born in Kota's Railway Hospital, Rehana Abbas began her educational journey at Bhimganjmandi Government Higher

Primary School, ultimately pursuing her LLB degree from Kota's Law College. She is also a National Champion in Hockey, showcasing her talent and determination beyond her police duties.

Joining the Rajasthan Police in 1998, Rehana Abbas emerged as a trailblazer during a time when female officers were a rarity. Her exceptional ability and unwavering work ethic propelled her to the rank of Assistant Sub-Inspector. With a warm smile and

a passion for serving justice, she is driven to uplift the marginalized and vulnerable within society. Rehana Abbas is recognized as an honest and dutiful officer, embodying the principles of trust in the community and instilling fear in criminals.

Assistant Sub-Inspector Rehana Abbas's responsibilities encompass more than just enforcing the law. She exemplifies compassion by listening to victims, ensuring their voices are heard, and taking decisive legal action to secure their justice. She goes above and beyond, displaying unwavering loyalty even in protecting her senior officers from making mistakes. Her dedication to her role is truly exceptional in today's world.

Rehana Abbas has made remarkable contributions at the women's police station, breaking records with her successful investigations. Her expertise as a Court Munshi has played a vital role in mending broken relationships and reuniting countless families. Each day, she receives heartfelt blessings and gratitude from those she has touched.

Despite facing immense challenges, Rehana Abbas remains undeterred and fearless. Her academic accomplishments, including her BA, MA, and LLB degrees and her extensive knowledge of criminal investigation psychology and legal intricacies, make her an invaluable asset. Her commitment to her fellow officers is evident through her conscientiousness and readiness to support them, even during difficult times.

Furthermore, Rehana Abbas hails from a family deeply rooted in journalism and advocacy, with her elder brother serving as an accredited independent journalist and her younger brother excelling as an advocate. Recently, she faced a false accusation propagated by two newspapers, yet her innocence was promptly established, reaffirming her unblemished reputation.

Today and always, Assistant Sub-Inspector Rehana Abbas shines as an exemplary police officer, embodying integrity, dedication, and unwavering service.