

INDIAN METEOROLOGICAL SOCIETY, PUNE CHAPTER Mausam Ustav-2016 - A REPORT

As a part of celebration of Diamond Jubilee year of Indian Meteorological IMS Pune Chapter organised the "Quiz and Poster Competition of Society, students in 15 Kendriya Vidyalayas in Pune Region in on 16th Nov. 2016 at school level and grand finale on 3rd December, 2016 at IITM, Pune. More than 3000+ students in 15 KVs in Pune Area participated in this Quiz and Poster competition at School level. On the early fine morning of 16th November 2016, the designated 15 teams totalling 75+ volunteers from IMD and IITM Pune proceeded their journey from their home to 15 KVs in Pune Area located far away from Pune right from Lonavala, Dehuroad, Nagaroad, Girinagar, Kadakwasla to various KVs in Pune City area. Five member team of volunteers of IMSP members including one leader-mentor and four members reached the designated KV and had explained the various activities of IMS and how IMS is popularising meteorology and allied sciences among students, parents and general public at large also they interacted the teachers on meteorology and the different responsibilities assigned and executed by the meteorological institutions in India for half an hour with the Principal & the science and geography teachers in KVs & also appraised with the activities of IMS and then at exactly 10.00 a.m. the Quiz Examination started simultaneously in all 15 KVs in Pune Region. They were given only 40 minutes to solve 45 questions of multiple options in "School level Round" competition. They have to just tick mark ($\sqrt{}$) the correct answer and no negative marks were given. All the volunteers collected the answer sheets at 10.40 a.m. and started the checking work in the schools itself. They picked up the three best students in each KVs and simultaneously the poster competition for three groups - 1st to 5th Std., 6th to 10th and 11th to 12th were given themes Seasons of India for students up to 10th and Pollution for students of 11th and 12th Group. All the students did very nice posters and we had deployed experts to pick up the three best posters from the three groups. All the principals and teachers of the KVs rendered very generous support in smooth conduct of the quiz and poster competitions. We received overwhelming response from all the participating KVs, as many as 3000+ students participated in the competition.

In the primary elimination process of School Level Quiz Competition, total 15 students were selected for the final competition, three each from 15 KVs.

On 3rd December, 2016 the grand finale of Quiz competition was held in the Meghdoot Auditorium, IITM, Pune. All the selected 15 students for final quiz competition and 15 winners students of poster competitions along with their parents and teachers arrived and were served a nice breakfast at the venue.

The registration of schools and students were done during 9.30 to 10.00 a.m. Inaugural function started with the traditional lighting of lamp followed by the prayer jointly sung by the participating students. Mr. Rajesh R. Mali, Chairman, IMSP delivered welcome address and felicitated the guest with the Tulsi saplings and invited the Chief guests to deliver their inaugural address. Dr. Deepak Walokar, Director, Karve Institute of social serve, Pune delivered the inaugural address in which he told that being associated with this event by IMSP was a great honor to their society. He further advised students to come up with their scientific projects and search for many more innovative ideas and try to implement in our day to day life. He further assured that the Running Trophy in the name of the founder of their Institute "Maharshi Dhondo Keshav Karve" is sponsored by his institute and would be very happy if the students from other schools may be included in future programs. He offered best wishes to all the participating students and their teachers in this competition. Then the guests of honor Dr. Shivamani, Secretary of Karve Institute and Shri. Sunil Mali, faculty at Karve Institute of Social Service, Pune also delivered their address and wished all students for their success.

Interestingly one student Miss Atika Fareed (Std. Xth) from Kendriya Vidyalaya, Girinagar delivered the representative talk from all students who participated in this quiz. Her talk was very impressive and narrated the experiences about the conduction of this guiz process.

At the end of the inaugural function, Mr. Manish Ranalkar, Secretary, IMSP presented the vote of thanks to all the particiapants, sponsors, IMD & IITM officials and volunteers for the grand success of the competition.

Ms. Latha Sridhar, EC Member of IMSP and Ms. Jasmin Takle, JRF in IMD conducted the various round of Grand Finals with the help of other volunteers.

There were two elimination rounds for the Grand Finale of guiz Competition, in the first round 40 questions of MCQ were given on the subjects like meteorology, general basic science, general awareness and information of IMD & IITM and other institutes to solve within 30 minutes by the team. The questions were little difficult and tricky than those asked in the School Round. We have selected five teams out of 15 teams of 15 KVs and then through the Rapid fire round two teams were The team of students in KV Lonavala with maximum selected out of 5 teams.

marks got the first prize as winner team and the team of KV Ganeshkhind bagged the second prize. The computer tabs were awarded with school kit in a nice branded bag to each students in winner and runner team. The winner team were given the "Running Trophy" in the name of "Bharatratna Maharshi Dhondo Keshav Karve". IMS Pune Chapter is grateful to the "Karve Institute of Social Service, Pune" for sponsoring the trophy and the prizes to students.

Prizes to the students in Quiz and Poster competitions were awarded with the hands of Mr. Rajesh R. Mali, Chairman, IMS Pune Chapter and Dr. R. Krishnan, Director, IITM, Pune. The participation certificates were also given to all the 60 students. Also the letters of appreciation were given to the Principals and teachers who rendered their valuable services to conduct this competition process.

All the teachers and principals expressed their feedback quoting that they really feel honoured for associated with IMS, IMD and IITM and insisted to organise more programs like this.

The event ended with the vote of thanks by Shri. Manish Ranalkar, Secretary, IMSP at 1.30 p.m. The working lunch was sponsored fully by Director, IITM, Punr and provided at IITM Canteen to all the students, their parents, teachers and volunteers.

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Representative Talk by Ms. Aatika Fareed, std. Xth student in KV Girinagar, Pune

Good Morning everybody!

Respected dignitaries on the dias, the senior scientists of IITM and IMD, IMS Members teachers and my colleagues in various Kendriya Vidyalayas in Pune region.

I am AAKITA FARED, student standard TEN and studying in Kendriya Vidyaladaya, DIAT, Girinagar, Pune

Today, I feel very honoured to stand on this dias of the world renowned institute in the field of Tropical Meteorologycalled as IITM.

I would like to say few lines about my school. My school is situated at the foothills in the Northeast side of popular Sinhagarh Fort on Sinhgarh Road. My school is surrounded by lush green environment and flora and fauna to the south side of the school is very beautiful and full of natural beauty. Also the backwater of Khadakwasla Dam is adding more beauty to the surrounding environment of my school. I really love my school and enjoy studying in it. All our teachers and our principal Mr. Joglekar Sir always encourages us to grab the knowledge from every walk of life.

About today's event, all my mentors under the leadership of Mr Sikandar Jamadar came to our school on 16th November 2016 in the early morning and all the students who participated in the Quiz and Poster competition and really enjoyed the competition. Immediately after one hour I came to know that I have been selected for the final team alongwith my colleagues Khagesh and Yash. My mentors took our group photographs and we were really happy and today we will be facing the Grand Finals.

Really, I feel honoured to share my feelings to all the scientists and meteorologists who are working really hard to render the services to the nation like various weather forecasting, storm warning, air pollution, aviation, oceanography, climate & climate change and research in tropical meteorology and allied sciences.

On behalf of all the students in Kendriya Vidyalayas, I sincerely thank the organisers – Mr. Rajesh R. Mali and his team of Indian Meteorological Society, Pune Chapter for organising this Quiz and Poster competition exclusively for all KVs in Pune region. Since this is the first event as a Celebration of Diamond Jubilee year of Indian Met. Society, I pay my greeting for the celebration. I wish that the ties between Kendriya Vidyalayas and IMS will go long way by installing the mini observatories at KVs in Pune region.

Finaly, I wish all the best to all my colleagues who will soon be examined for the Grand Finale.

I also thank my mentors Mr. P.S. Balki, Mrs. Sandhya Ravikiran, Mrs. Vaishali Jadhav, Mr. Lalit Shripad and last but not the least Mr. Sikandar M. Jamadar, leader for rendering me all the possible help to me and my team members for preparation.

Thanks all!

Jai Hind!





