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*AN EPIC MOMENT!*

*Principal Dr Vijay Datta along with the Chief Guest, General Bipin Rawat at the Independence Day Celebrations*

## INDEPENDENCE DAY SPECIAL 2018

On 13<sup>th</sup> August, 2018 Modern School Barakhamba Road celebrated the 72<sup>nd</sup> Independence Day with enthusiasm and patriotic fervour. The Chief Guest of the day was Chief of the Army Staff, General Bipin Rawat. The programme was attended by members of the Board of Trustees, esteemed guests, proud parents and enthusiastic students.

On behalf of the Modern School fraternity, our Principal, Dr Vijay Datta, extended a warm welcome to the Chief Guest and his wife Mrs Madhulika Rawat, President, Army Wives Welfare Association. To commemorate the sovereignty of our nation, the Indian Tricolor was unfurled by General Rawat followed by the National Anthem. The Independence Day celebration began with a mellifluous rendition of *Medha Suktam* by the School Choir.

Modern School Barakhamba Road's celebration of India's Independence never fails to impress and this year was no exception.





The Chief Guest was accorded a ceremonial red carpet welcome and was led down the Silver Oak Avenue

in a cavalcade by the horse-mounted students of the Riding Club and members of the Band playing to the tunes of *Bedu Pako*, an Uttarakhandi folk song.



*A red carpet welcome*



*Our National Flag- a symbol of liberty and freedom*



*The Chief Guest complimenting the Band*



*Extending a warm welcome*

The entire show was aesthetically pleasing. From the beautiful decoration of the Hall, festooned with colours of the Indian flag, the perfectly coordinated dances, powerful and thought-provoking speeches by the performers to the melodious symphonic rendition by the Choir, it was a truly electrifying show that stirred up the quintessential sense of patriotism among the audience.



*Student performers at their best*



*Spectacular performances*

The ballet, *Naya Daur, Nayi Kahani* enthralled the audience as it spoke of the obsession with social media and the apathetic attitude of the modern generation.





The powerful rhetoric exhorted the assemblage to renew our resolve on this Independence day, to fill the gaps that still remain in our nation-building. It advocated that the need of the hour is to live up to the legacy, the sacrifice and valour of our ancestors and revered patriots - men and women of rare courage and foresight and to vow for a free, sovereign, plural and egalitarian India.

After the same had concluded, our Principal, Dr Vijay Datta, took to the stage to formally welcome our Chief guest. In his address to the august gathering, he spoke about the true meaning of Independence and how one spark could ignite the fire. For a nation to be strong and independent, he believes in the power of 'One'.



*Great minds come together*



*The Principal Dr Vijay Datta addressing the gathering*

He went on to elaborate upon the importance of hard work, sincerity and dedication. In his words, "Whichever field one is in, be it a cobbler or a gardener, it is one's duty to do the job well and set an example for others; to put in hard work, learn and excel in his or her field Also, a teacher who teaches well in the class, contributes massively towards nation building."

Therefore, every Indian should do his or her job with sincerity and commitment, thereby contributing to the society by being a true professional. He expressed his admiration for the ones who go beyond the call of duty, that to him makes a strong and independent nation.



*The Chief Guest addressing the congregation*

The Chief Guest General Bipin Rawat, in his address motivated the students and exhorted them not to surrender to failures in life and instead take them as challenges to emerge winners. His words reverberated throughout the hall and in the minds of the students long after he had made his exit.





The programme concluded with the presentation of the memento to the Chief Guest and a Vote of Thanks.



*The Chief being presented the portrait by the Graphics Club*



*Presentation of the memento*



*Photogenic moments captured by the Photography Club*

All the students, after weeks of dedicated preparation, gave their best which culminated in this show, leaving the audience in awe with a riveting message and a sense of patriotism compared to none other. The whole show went without a hitch, leaving all the trepidatious thoughts of the performers behind. Undoubtedly, the entire event was a fitting tribute to the spirit of India's Independence and freedom.



*A MASTERPIECE- For the sake of posterity!*

## **ASTUTE MANOEUVRES - OFF THE RECORD MOMENTS**



*Hours long of dedicated practice, perseverance, the will to win, the sweat and labour, the ultimate passion, the enthusiasm to bring it all together is true Independence!*