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*AN EPIC MOMENT!*

*Principal Dr Vijay Datta along with the Chief Guest Honourable Union Minister of Defence, Nirmala Sitharaman*

## FOUNDER'S DAY SPECIAL 2018

On Friday, 26<sup>th</sup> October, 2018, Modern School Barakhamba Road celebrated the 98<sup>th</sup> Founder's Day with great enthusiasm and fervour. The Chief Guest for the occasion was Ms Nirmala Sitharam, Hon'ble Minister of Defence, Government of India. The programme was also graced by Ms Ketaki Sood, President, Board of Trustees, Modern Schools; Col Vijay Chadda, Chairman, Managing Committee, Modern School, Barakhamba Road; Members of the Board of Trustees, our Principal Dr Vijay Datta and a galaxy of other guests and proud parents.

On behalf of the Modern School fraternity, our School students extended a warm welcome to the distinguished guests. The School celebrated this momentous occasion with zest and zeal.



*Modernites welcoming the esteemed guests*

The Founder's Day celebrations began with a symphonic fusion of Western and Indian Music called "Spice Route," –a richly textured sonic tapestry, imbibing a confluence of Indian melodies with Six Beats and Western melodies with Eight Beats, composed by Mr Vikram Sharma and Mr Raees Ahmed Khan.



*The ace performances by the students of Modern School*

The talented dancers of our School presented before the audience a jugalbandi of Odissi and Kathak classical dance forms on the musical masterpiece *Raidhun* by Taufiq Qureshi and Shankar Mahadevan- choreographed by Mr Arindam Das Gupta.



The sonorous offerings by the School Choir included a musical rendition based on Raag Malhar, which is associated with the atmosphere of thunderous clouds and torrential rains. Malhar belongs to 'Kaafi Thaat' with 'Vadi Swar-Pancham' and 'Sumwadi





Swar-Shadaj’ and was brilliantly conducted by Ms Baisakhi Samajdar. The celebrations continued with the Principal’s Report impeccably delivered by Dr Vijay Datta, highlighting the achievements of the School during the year 2017-18.

The Principal’s Report gave valuable insights into the School’s achievements and the multiple awards won by the School. Dr Vijay Datta congratulated the students and the staff for their relentless hard work. He formally introduced the Chief Guest for the occasion, Ms Nirmala Sitharaman and welcomed her on behalf of the Modern School fraternity. The welcome address of the Principal was followed by the Prize Distribution Ceremony.



The Chief Guest, Ms Nirmala Sitharaman, addressed the audience. She congratulated the School for its exceptional performance in every sphere and lauded its continuous pursuit of excellence.

The Ballet-“Footprints on the Sands of Time” was aesthetically a visual delight. In sync with the tasteful

#### *A proud moment for the awardee*

decoration of the Shankarlal Hall, the colours of the beautiful costumes and perfectly coordinated dances, the Ballet enthralled the audience as it celebrated India’s quintessential antiquity and highlighted how the cosmos undergoes umpteen rebirths. And India, our Motherland, is the microcosm of that cosmos. Our endeavours lie in tracing the footprints of Mother Earth, as she moves from nothingness to creation.



*Ballet Performance during the 98<sup>th</sup> Founder’s Day Celebrations*

The Ballet offered glimpses into the origin of water-the oceans, the rivers, the world of Ramayana, the eternal book of all times-Gita, the times of Chanakya and his teachings imparted to Chandragupta. It also witnessed the famous confrontation between Alexander and





Porus. The Ballet concluded with the portrayal of Ashoka, his struggle with his conscience and his self-realisation.



*Glimpses of the Founder's Day*

The 98<sup>th</sup> Founder's Day witnessed great performances also by the School Band which welcomed the Chief Guest with the tunes of 'Bedupako' and 'Chetan' followed by a slow march alongside the Hon'ble Minister of Defence and Principal Dr Vijay Datta. The 'My Space' Exhibition in the M.N. Kapur Hall featured numerous visually breathtaking frames, engaging sculptures and expressive paintings, exhibiting the creativity of Modern School's students.

The mesmerizing function culminated with the National Anthem.



*Modern School Technology Block Team with the esteemed Chief Guest, Principal, Teachers and students*

The celebrations of the 98<sup>th</sup> Founders' Day continued, as on November 1 2018, the Technology Block of our School put together a beautiful exhibition which was graced by the presence of the esteemed Chief Guest, Dr M.M. Oberoi, Chief, Cyber Security, Delhi Police and also by our Principal Dr Vijay Datta. Students, working hard round the year, showcased their objects d'art during the exhibition, inclusive of graphics, painting, ceramics, woodcraft, paper-tech, photography and fashion technology works.

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