

Subject: Report of the Youth Festival organized by the University of Ladakh at Leh Campus, Taru.

The youth festival namely “Ldhumra’ was celebrated on 12th August at Leh Campus University of Ladakh. The welcome address was delivered by Honourable Vice Chancellor University of Ladakh prof. S.K Mehta. Prof. Mehta said that this type of activity will enhance youths’ personality and will be useful for youth in general and University of Ladakh in particular. Prof. Mehta said, it is the time to formulate special sports teams of students who can compete both at national and at international levels.



Inaugural programme of the Ldumra, Youth Festival



Ethnic Food Exhibition/Competition Event



Skit Competition Event



Dignitaries visited the campus on the day of Youth Festival



Archery Competition event



Musical Evening by Acoustic Band Ladakh



Group Dance Competition Event



Group & Solo song Competition event



Speech Competition Event



Poem Recitation Competition



Valedictory & Price Distribution Ceremony

Shri Ravinder Kumar IAS, Secretary, Youth Service & Sports, UT of Ladakh was the chief Guest of the Inaugural Program. On this occasion chief guest of the Inaugural session Shri Ravinder Kumar (IAS) Secretary youth sports also delivered a speech. The youth should perform diverse activities with hard work and good facilities should be provided to them. Shri Ravinder kumar extends full support to University of Ladakh on this occasion. According to him, there are various challenges ahead and better planning will help us to overcome those. With these words Shri Ravinder Kumar declared the youth festival open.

Among the guest list, officials from the Prime Minister's Scientific Adversory Committee were also present.

In the concluding and prize distribution session, the chief guest was Col. Ranjan Singh Parihar Commanding officer Ladakh Scout Regimental Center.

'Ldhumra' means valley of flowers/gardens in Ladakhi language. The main objective of this youth festival was to provide our young generation particularly students an opportunity to be familiarized with the glorious cultural heritage of India and also to keep them rooted to the rich cultural heritage of Ladakh. In this festival around 500 student-artists from more than twenty institutions including the university campuses of Ladakh, degree Colleges and higher secondary schools of Ladakh participated. In this festival seven competitive events of Dance, Music, Literary, Sports and Theatre were organized. The competitions for the 'Ldhumra' include Poem recitation, Skit competition, ethnic food exhibition, archery competition, speech competition, singing and dance competition.

Col. Ranjan Singh Parihar distributes the prizes among the winners and runner ups of competitions in their respective fields. The winners and runner ups were as follows:

1. **Skit Competition: winner-** GDC Khaltse and **runner up** Lamdon school.
2. **Ethnic food Exhibition: winner-** EJM college and **runner up** Lamdon school.
3. **Poem Recitation:winner-** Chuskit Dolma(Department of Mathematics University of ladakh), **Runner up-** Tsering Angdus (Central institute of Buddhist studies).
4. **Speech competition: winner-** Padma Lhamo (Department of mathematics University of Ladakh), **runner up-**Tsering Angmo (Lamdon school).
5. **Dance Competition: winner-** GDC Nobra and **runner up-** EJM College and Lamdon School
6. **Archery Competition:**

Women's section:

Winner- Nusrat Rehman (Lamdon Model senior secondary school Leh)

Runner up- Tsetan Dolma(Govt. Girls Higher Secondary School Leh)

Men's section:

Winner: Stanzin Sonam Kunphan (Govt. Boys Higher Secondary School Leh)

Runner up: Stanzin Nurboo (Govt. Boys Higher Secondary School Leh).

The event was a great success and in near future, the University of Ladakh is committed to hold more such programmes.

This event was fully sponsored by 'Taru Enterprise Pvt Ltd and the radio partner of this event was Red FM (93.5).The event was corrinated and conducted by the Dean Students Welfare, University of Ladakh.

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