

1500 students of Monnet DAV Public School participated in “Shri Mahendra Baal Mela”

Raipur (Chhattisgarh), 11 February 2013: “Shri Mahendra Baal Mela”, an annual feature of Monnet Foundation was organised in Monnet DAV Public School. Around 1500 Children from Kurud, Nakta, Chhatauna, Mandir Hasaud villages and Monnet DAV Public School participated in the Mela.

Mr. J.K Dagar, Regional Director of Employee Insurance Corporation graced the occasion by being the Chief Guest. Mr. Jagdish Singh, CEO Monnet, Ms. Jasbir Kaur, President-Monnet Women Club & N.K Gautam from Human Resource department were also present at the ceremony. The eminent guest inaugurated the mela by worshipping goddess Saraswati. On the occasion, Jai Satnam group from Gandhi Gram Nakta gave a dance performance followed by cultural programmes.

On one hand, Students of Kurud School gave a heartfelt performance on the current Naxal issues and on the other hand students from Mandir Hasaud entertained the crowd with melodious songs & dance performances. Various game competitions at Shri Mahendra Baal Mela were organised for children like ‘3 legs race’, ‘Sack Race’, ‘Mehndi Competition’, ‘Fancy dress’ & ‘Rope Skipping’.

Children who won First, Second and third position in sports activities like **Rope Skipping** are Nisha Patel, Neetu Patel & Ruby Yadav respectively. In ‘**3 Legs Race**’ (**Boys**): Ravi Kaul, & Chandrakesh Kushwah, Sachin & Sunil Prajapati and P. Manish & Rehmat respectively. In ‘**3 Legs Race**’ (**Girls**) Anu Rana & Ruby Yadav got 1st, Homika Brahme & Simranjeet Kaur 2nd and Dhaneshwari & Nageshwari 3rd position. In **Mehandi Competition** Anchal Manikpuri won the competition and Meenu Rai was the 1st runner up.

Another round of games started with **Sack Race** and the teams were divided in 2 parts – Boys and Girls, from boys’ team Saurabh Singh won the competition, Kishor was the 1st runner up and Azmat Hossain was the 2nd runner up. From the **Girls’ team** Nageshwari won the competition whereas 1st & 2nd position were backed up by Ruby Yadav and Simranjeet Kaur.

Around 20 Children also participated in **Fancy Dress** competition in which Manoj Yadav bagged the 1st position, Neha Singh was the 1st runner up and Nutan was the 2nd runner up.

Shri Mahendra Baal Mela was a very entertaining mela, where children and their parents enjoyed food and the fun activities. Indeed it was a collective effort of the employees of Monnet family that played a key role in the success of the occasion.

About Monnet Foundation

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The foundation is committed to bring about a radical transformation in the quality of communities in and around its facilities in Chhattisgarh and Orissa through positive social upliftment programs covering Health, Education, Women Empowerment, Sustainable Livelihood, Infrastructure Development and Sports.

MIEL, with intent of strengthening focus on boxing sport has associated with the Indian Boxing Federation (IBF) by being the official sponsors of the Indian Boxing Team and is also working towards nurturing the sport from the grassroots level.

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