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Juvenile Justice – cum-POCSO Committee, High Court of Jharkhand, Ranchi

“हर बच्चा अनमोल रत्न” - PROGRAM AT OBSERVATION HOME, DUMARDAGA, RANCHI

The program “हर बच्चा अनमोल रत्न” was organized at Observation Home, Dumardaga, Ranchi, on **29th-30th November 2024** (Saturday). The two-day fun-filled event aimed to celebrate talents and achievements of children while fostering their inclusive development by providing equal opportunities for all and promoting a sense of belonging among them. This event was organized by the Juvenile Justice -cum- POCSO Committee, High Court of Jharkhand and sponsored by SAMARPAN, Deoghar, NGO.

Guests and Participants of the Program

The event was graced by the Chief Guest, **Hon’ble Dr. Justice S.N. Pathak**, Judge and Chairperson, Juvenile Justice -cum- POCSO Committee, and Guest of Honour, **Hon’ble Mrs. Justice Anubha Rawat Choudhary**, Judge and Member of the Committee, High Court of Jharkhand. But the most special guests of the Program were children of Observation Home.

The events was attended by over **140 participants**, including eighty five children, dignitaries such as Shri Sudarshan Mandal, IG, Prison; Shri Manjunath Bhajantri, Deputy Commissioner; Shri Chandan Sinha, Senior Superintendent of Police; Senior CID Officers; Sri Manoj Kumar, Secretary, Department of Women, Child Development and Social Security (DWCD&SS); Shri Abhay Nandan Ambastha, Commissioner of Disabled Persons; Ms. Sameera S., Director, JSCPS; Government officers; Adv. Hemlata Rawat and Dr. Rupashree, President, Samarpan, Deoghar, NGO; Col J K Singh, Nodal Officer for Security at OH and other guests. The program was coordinated by **Sri Rajiv Ranjan**, Secretary and **Ms. Tanvee**, Deputy Secretary, Juvenile Justice – cum- POCSO Committee, High Court of Jharkhand, Ranchi.

Cultural Highlights

Children showcased their talents with vibrant performances, including tribal and patriotic dances, yoasanas demonstration, folk songs, monologue on mothers, etc. Two stalls on **cyber security awareness** and **anti-drug awareness** were set up by CID along with a quiz to educate and positively engage them. **Dog squad's demonstration** by CID team was a thrilling showcase of skills.

On 29th November, 2024, a series of exciting competitions were held, including the Maths test, G.K. Quiz, Essay Writing, Chess Competition, Carrom Competition, Sack Race, Marble Spoon Race, Music Competition involving each and every child of Observation Home. These events offered children a platform to showcase their skills across various disciplines, intellects, physical and artistic capabilities, fostering their overall development. The events initially began on Children’s Day, 14th November, where “12th Fail” movie was shown and drawing competition was organized.

Addresses and Felicitation by Dignitaries

Hon’ble Mr. Justice Dr. S.N. Pathak, the Chief Guest, delivered a compelling message, emphasizing the importance of devotion, discipline, character building, yogasanas and moral education. Further, for protection of child’s rights and empowerment Lordship stressed on sensitive counseling to address the impact of offenses committed. **Hon’ble Mrs. Justice Anubha Rawat Choudhary**, the Guest of Honour encouraged the children while emphasizing on how education can empower them to achieve a respectable life and called for collective efforts to create an inclusive environment that prioritizes children's education, growth and well-being where children can feel secure, valued, and supported, preparing them for reintegration into society.

Vir Chakra recipient **Subedar Shatrughan Singh, Kargil War Hero** narrated his war account and was felicitated by the Chief Guest. **Sri Manoj Kumar**, Secretary, DWCD&SS was highly impressed by the yoga performance by children and was kind enough to assure yoga mats for all the children at the Observation Home. Certificate of Appreciation was also presented to the SAP 2 Battalion personnel for providing round the clock security at Observation Homes of Jharkhand.

Winners of the various competitions were rewarded with prizes such as track suits, shoes, certificates, medals, etc. Winter jackets and books were distributed to all children, symbolizing care and encouragement. The program was a resounding success, reflecting the collective commitment of stakeholders to ensuring the well-being and holistic development of children.