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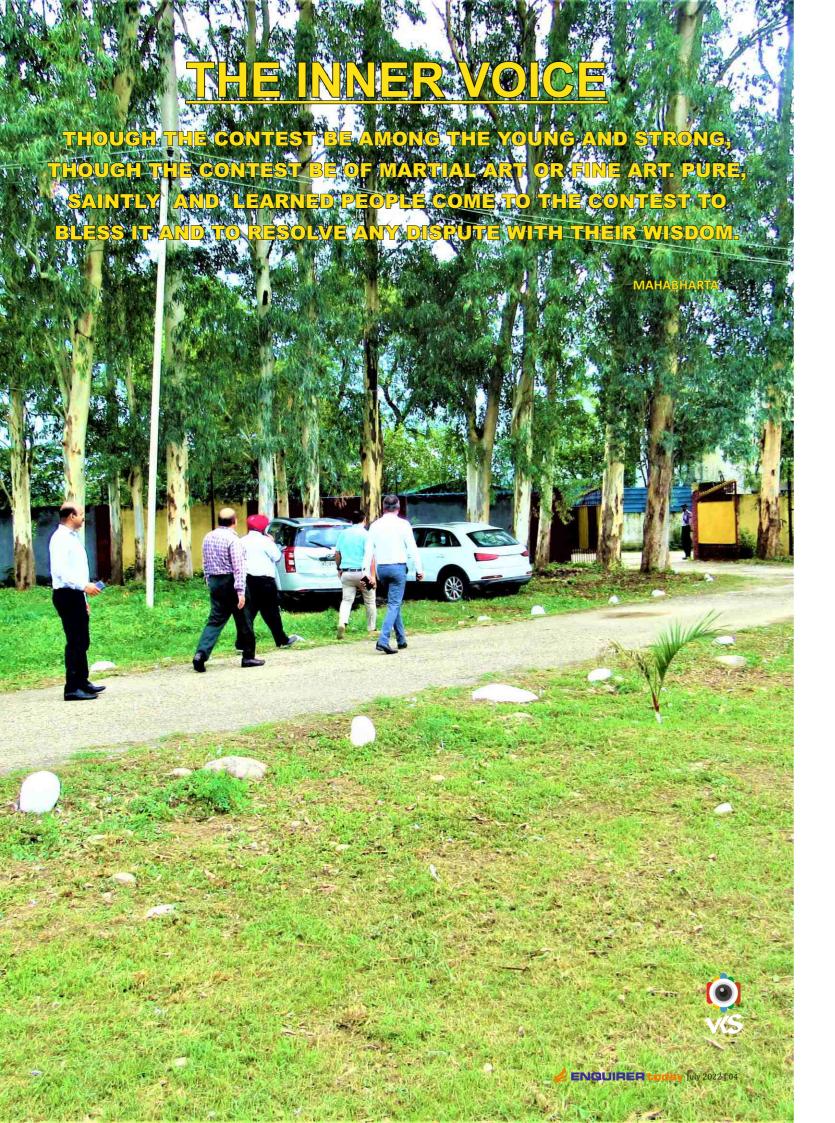
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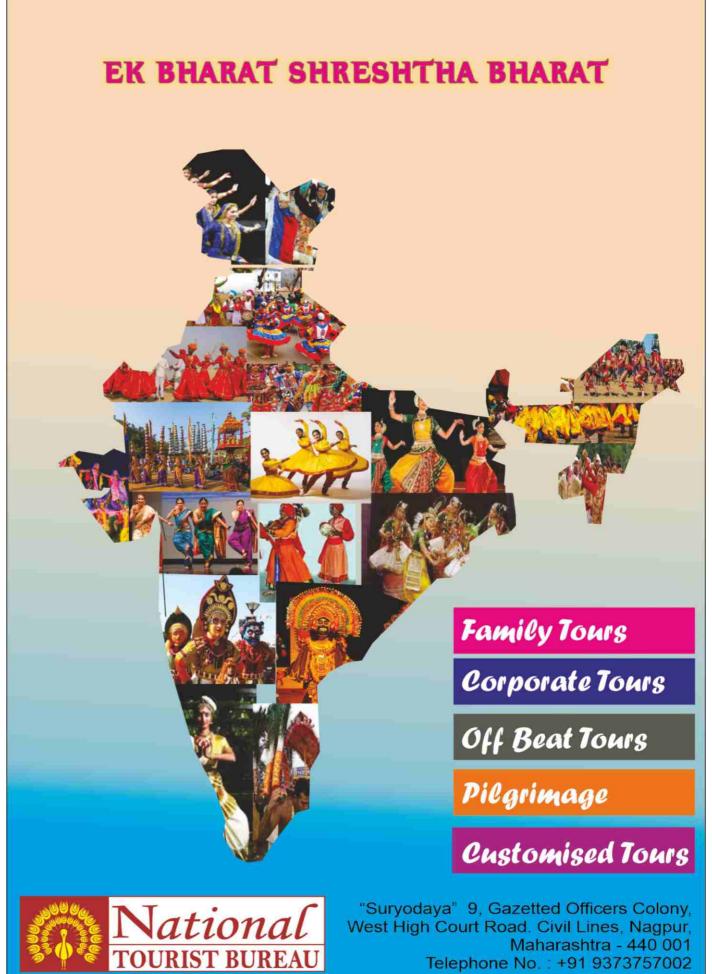
Editorial



Time has come that a national character fabric from the cradle of bonding to the cradle of excellence should be imbibed and honed among the people for achieving the sleeper effect. Linkages with a long term vision shall definitely facilitate capacity building and community involvement on macro level.

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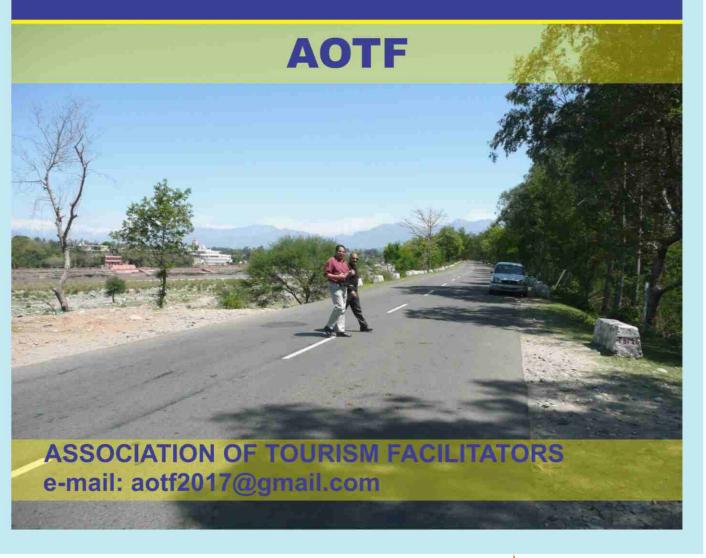


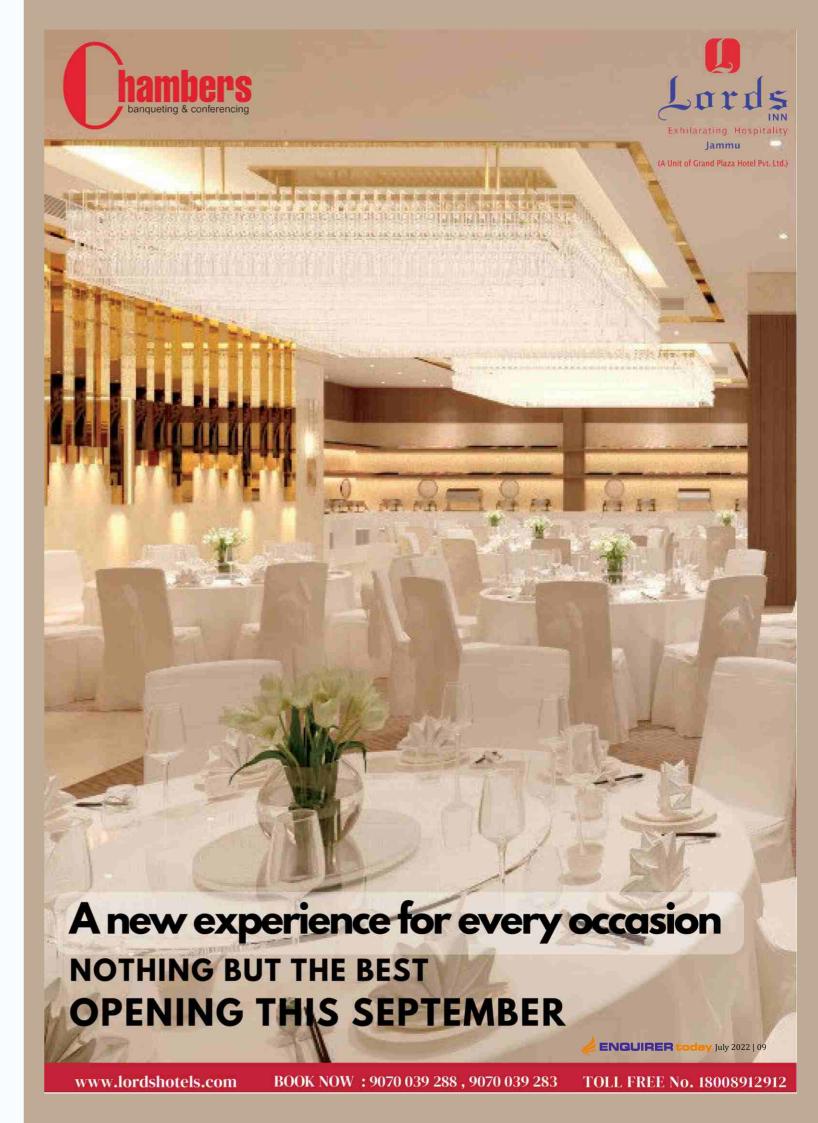


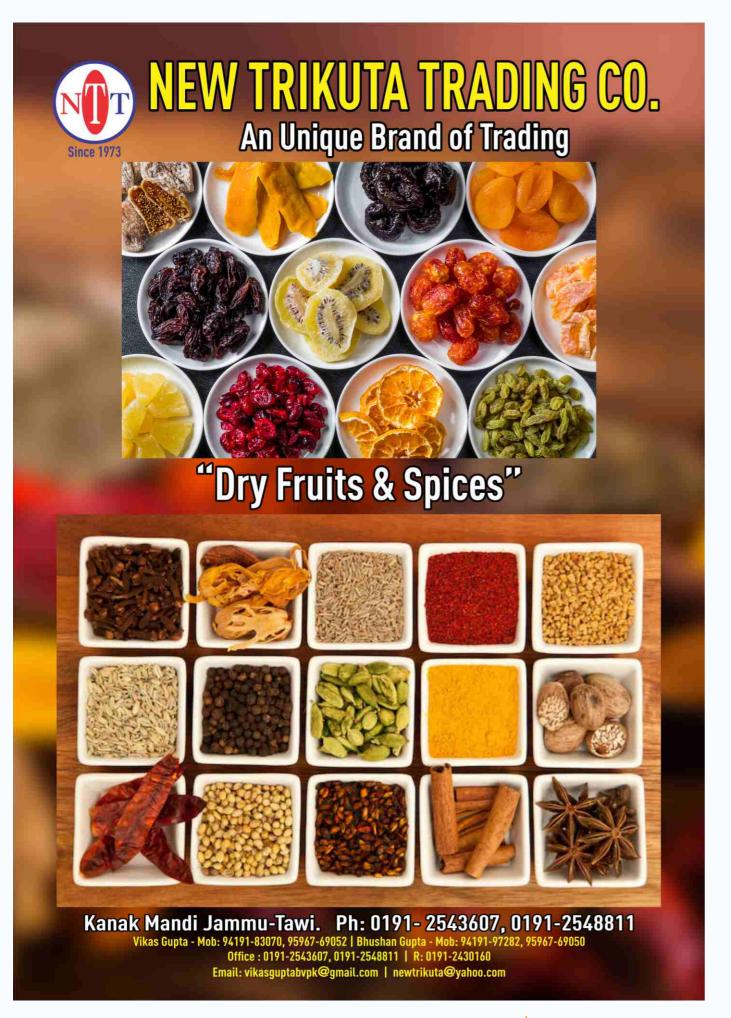
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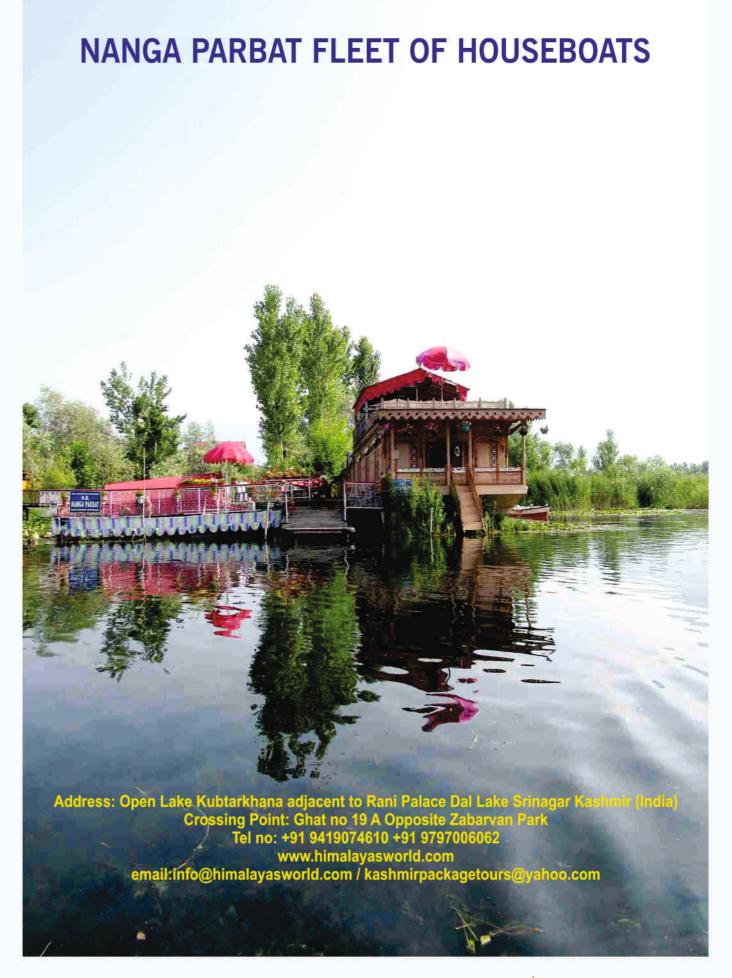
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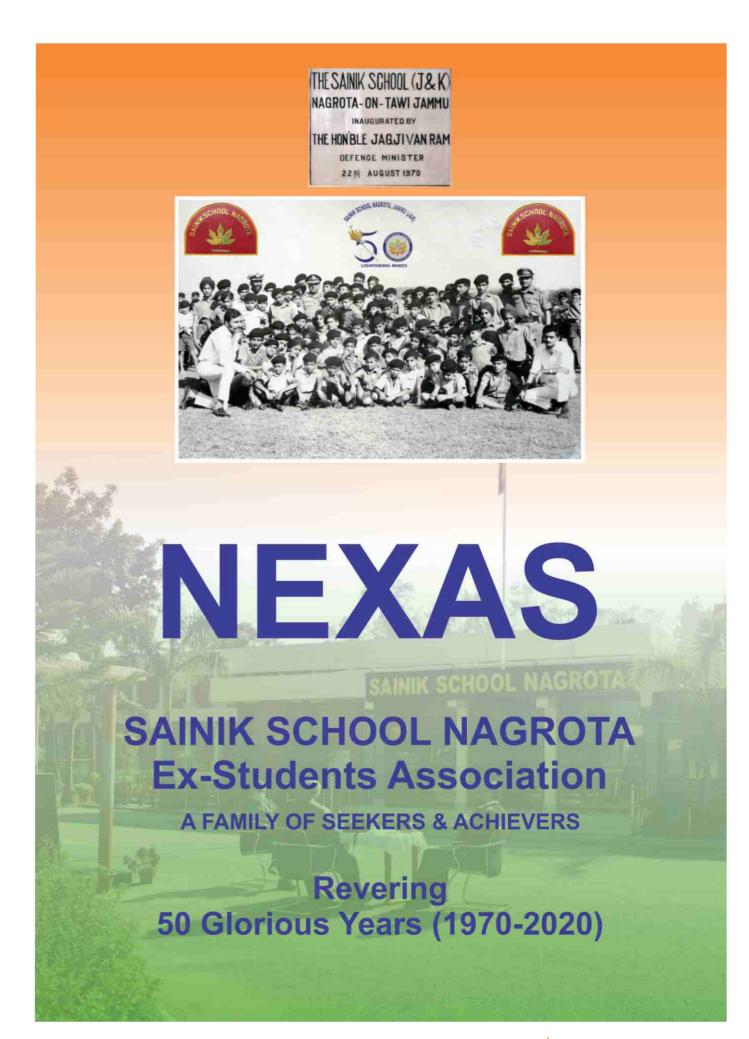


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Cover Story

Yogesh Sagotra and V K Sehgal

If one Cradles well! One will definitely learn to Saddle well!

This was the highpoint of the soul stirring address by Lt. Gen Manjinder Singh GOC 16 Corps wherein he vivified the importance of the overall honing of the cadets, so that the better becomes the best against all odds.





He further maintained that it is the educational and training module of the Sainik School which imbibes the sense of bonding among the cadets to build the national character. During his address at the closing ceremony of the North Zone Inter Sports & Cultural Meet 2022 hosted by Sainik School Nagrota, Jammu, he said that it is not important which team wins or loses, important is the participation and Play Fair to become astute leaders.





General Officer Commanding (GOC), 16 Corps Lieutenant General Manjinder Singh while addressing around 520 cadets of Eight Sainik Schools of North Zone during the culmination of North Zone Inter Sainik Schools Sports and Cultural Meet-2022 at SS Nagrota Jammu, said that these events were not conducted for winning or losing but to understand the essence of India, which lies in its diversity. "The Sainik Schools inbuilt an attitude among the cadets to become future leaders, if today cadets cradle well, they will definitely saddle well in their respective lives," said the GOC, addressing Sainik School cadets.



Maintaining that a large number of senior military leaders in army, navy or air force come from the Sainik Schools, the GOC said that cadets passed out from this system understand the diversity of country and ethos of armed forces better than anybody else. Lt Gen Singh, who is an alumnus of Sainik School Kapurthala, Punjab said, "I myself a product of this system and so is the GOC-n-C NORTHERN COMMAND (Lt Gen Upendra Dwivedi, who is an alumnus of Sainik School, Rewa Madhya Pradesh). We have spoken and he (Lt Gen Dwivedi) is very happy that zone level sports had taken place after the pandemic." "These sports and cultural events develop bonding among the various schools besides preparing promising sportsmen, who will represent the country in Olympics, Asian Games or other international events and bring glory for the country," Lt Gen Singh said adding, "I was also an active sportsman at school and during my stint at academy and what I learn their helping me to scale the highlights in life." Getting nostalgic, the General Officer commanding said, "Life is very short and as I see 30 years back I was among you sitting like this. If a group photograph has been taken today and you look it after 40 year many of you would be the leaders in different spheres of life," "Spending seven years together in disciplined atmospheres with the same set of training and grooming makes Sainik School cadets more suitable for any strategic posting, whether it's for forces or in civils," he added. He said bonding among the cadets during school and later in academies is the backbone of this system and "If you (cadets) groom yourself in the right directions, you will replace us and may achieve higher posts." He further said the essence of India lies in its diversity and sainik school cadets understand it better than anyone. Sainik School nagrota Jammu was set up in the year 1970 to prepare boys academically, physically and mentally for the National Defence Academy. Over the years it has turned out to be a significant feeder school for the armed forces. It is pertinent to mention here that General Officer Commanding-N-Chief (GOC-N-C) of northern command, Lieutenant General Upendra Dwivedi who is also an alumnus of Sainik School, Rewa, MP on April, 2022 visited the school. Acknowledging the teachers, Lt. Gen Dwivedi said, "This being a special assembly,





I will not take much time, but would like to share only one strength of the sainik schools that as other schools give students only 'capability', however the sainik schools gives 'attitude and adaptability' as a prequel which is a pre-requisite for a good and effective leader". "Sainik schools have a glorious past and a rich legacy which is a benchmark for all of us to strive for excellence. The past results have shown that the school's academic graph has been steadily showing an upward trend. I would like to congratulate the staff and the cadets for the improvement in National Defence Academy / Indian Naval Academy intake", he added. "The military leadership and teachers have been a role model for all of us to emulate. Our school has embarked on a mission to empower all sections of society with the light of knowledge and guide them to join the honorable profession of the Armed Forces to serve the nation with honour and pride. The state of art facilities and training curriculum in a congenial environment in the school fosters you all to be 'Second to None'. I exhort all the young cadets to participate in all activities in these eventful schooling years and prepare for bigger challenges of life, he said.

The North Zone Inter Sainik Schools Sports & Cultural Meet-2022 was declared open by Transport Commissioner of Jammu and Kashmir Bupinder Kumar at Major Somnath Sharma (PVC) Stadium of the Sainik School Nagrota. Bupinder Kumar, who is an alumnus of Sainik School Nagrota recalled his nostalgic days at school. He also motivated the cadets to strive and do well in the zonal competitions and guided them to nurture the competitive spirit which will help them in their aspirations to join the Defence Forces as Officers or nurture other dreams in their life. He said the students of Sainik Schools always standout among others. He asked the cadets to use this opportunity and make their parents, school and country proud. Around 520 students from eight Sainik Schools of North Zone including Sainik School Amethi, Sainik School Ghorakhal, Sainik School Kapurthala, Sainik School Kunjpura, Sainik School Mainpuri, Sainik School Nagrota, Sainik School Rewari and Sainik School Sujanpur Tira are participating in the event. The competition includes sports like football, hockey, volleyball, basketball, Hindi and English debates, quiz and cultural programmes.















The North Zone Inter Sainik Schools Sports and Cultural Meet-2022 hosted by Sainik School Nagrota from 10th July 2022 concluded at School Auditorium amidst fanfare and jubilation as Nagrotians were crowned Overall Champions of the Meet. Lt Gen Manjinder Singh, graced the Closing Ceremony as the Chief Guest and gave away the Championship Trophies to the winners of various games. In his address, the Chief Guest congratulated the Overall Champions Sainik School Nagrota for their stupendous performance in sports as well as literary events and lauded the Principal and the team of staff for organising the Sports Meet successfully. Earlier, Captain (Indian Navy) AK Desai, Principal of the school presented welcome address and briefed the Chief Guest about the conduct of Zonal Competitions amongst Sainik Schools. The participating contingents presented a colourful cultural program to mark the occasion. The Closing Ceremony was graced by many distinguished guests and dignitaries including Senior Officers, Chairman NEXAS Randheer Singh Billoria, and other illustrious alumni of the School. On its way to clinching the Overall Championship trophy, Sainik School Nagrota won the Volleyball and Football Sub-Junior titles and stood Runners-up in Hockey and Basketball. Further, the hosts also bagged the English Debate and Quiz Championship trophy in this edition of the tournament. Sainik School Kunjpura won the Basketball title with ease while Sainik School Kapurthala took away the Hockey Championship in a nail-biting final against Sainik School Nagrota. Amongst outstanding individual performers, Cadet Arush Verma of the host school bagged the Best Smasher award in Volleyball and Cadet Anshu Yadav of SS Kunjpura won the Highest Scorer award in Basketball. The other awards included Cadet Kunal (SS Kapurthala) -Highest Scorer and Cadet Ankit Verma (SS Nagrota) -Best Goal Keeper in Hockey, Cadet Bhanu Pratap Khajuria (SS Nagrota) – Highest Scorer and Cadet Akshansh Kr Parihar (SS SS Nagrota)-Best Goal Keeper in Sub-Junior Football and Cadet Arun Kumar (SS Kapurthala)-Highest Scorer and Cadet Alok (SS Kunipura) – Best Goal Keeper in Junior Football.



Following prize distribution, the Principal presented the School Memento to the Chief Guest. Lt Gen Manjinder Singh, during his address to the Cadets and the Contingents of all schools congratulated the Champion teams and complimented them for participation in Inter Zonal Sports Competitions being held shortly. He also remembered his school days in Sainik School Kapurthala and observed that the present generation is better prepared and has better access to resources. After complimenting the untiring efforts of Capt (IN) AK Desai, Principal and his team of Sainik School Nagrota, in organising this mega event in an excellent manner, he declared the North Zone Inter Sainik Schools Sports & Cultural Meet-2022 'Closed'. Curtains came down on this high spirited event with national anthem played by the J&K Police Band.

















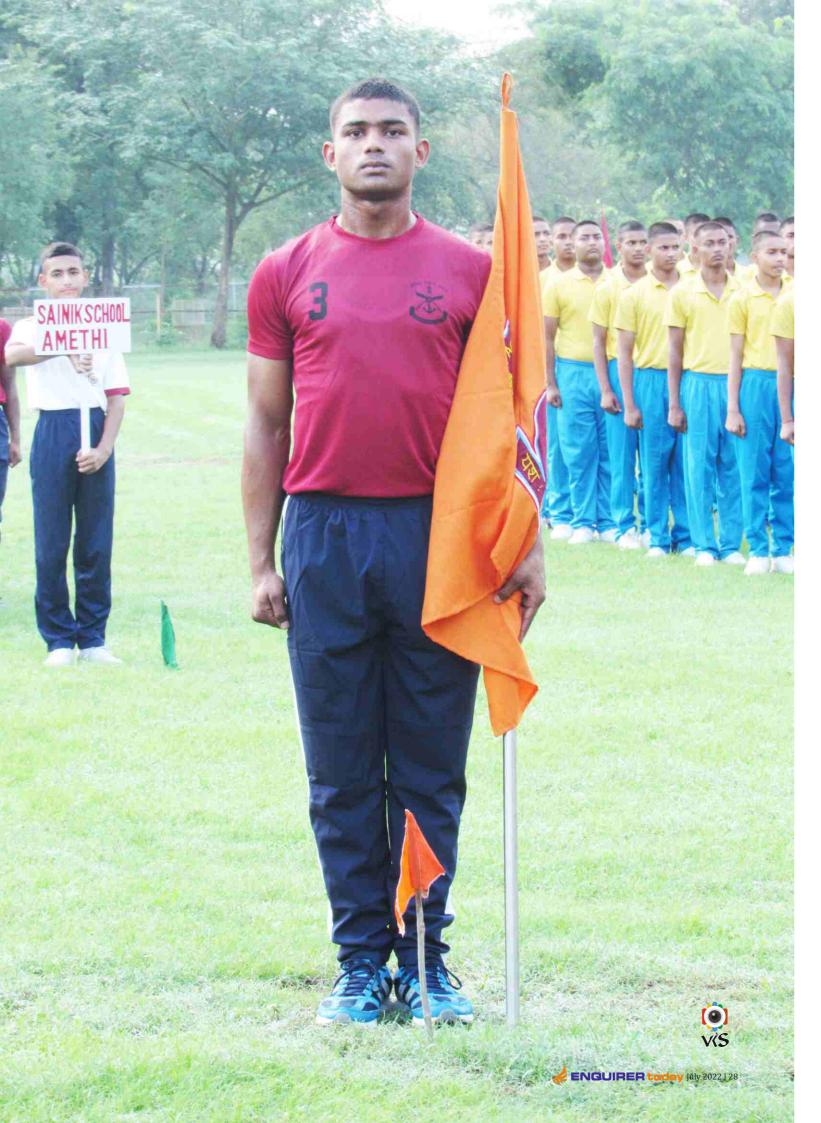






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Self Belief, Dedication and Faith Shall Be, The Guiding Force and Decisive Factor to the essence of emotional enhancement, I And My Colleague, Yogesh Sagotra felt astoundingly while covering this event of National Pride and Passion.







For me it was also a journey down the memory lane as I relived the moments spent as a cadet in the Sainik School Nagrota. Thus I LEARN, UNLEARN and then RELEARN from the speeches, experiences, interactions and deliberations of dignitaries and officers at the helm of affairs of the school, Ki zindgi ho sakta hai dobara mil jayeay lakin Sainik





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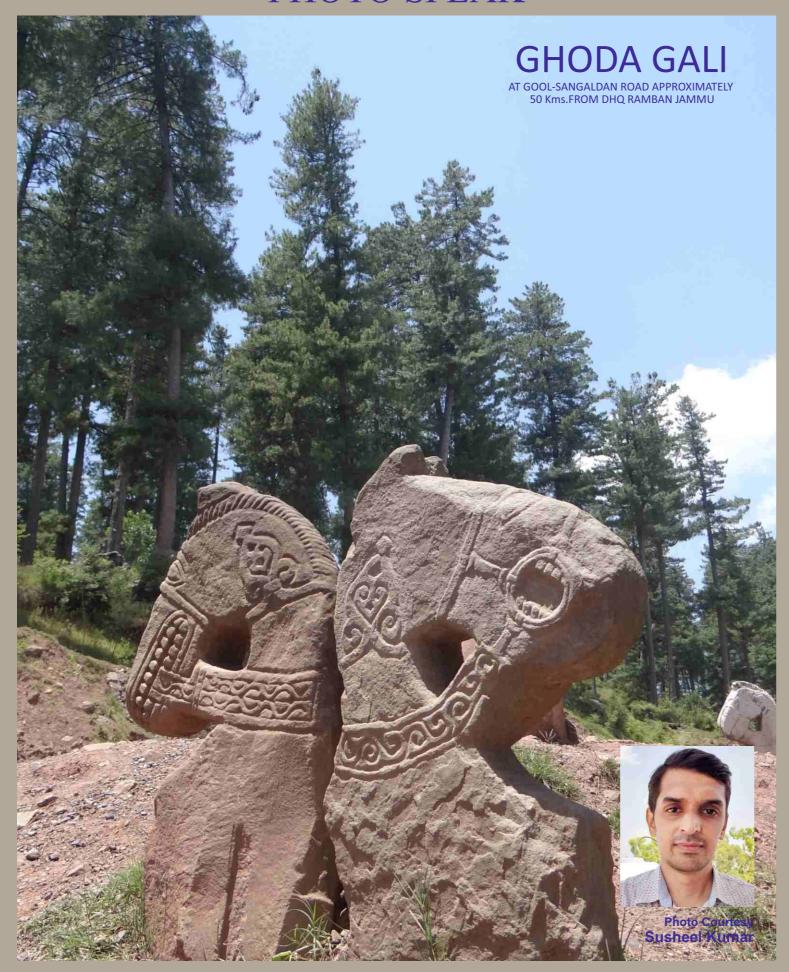
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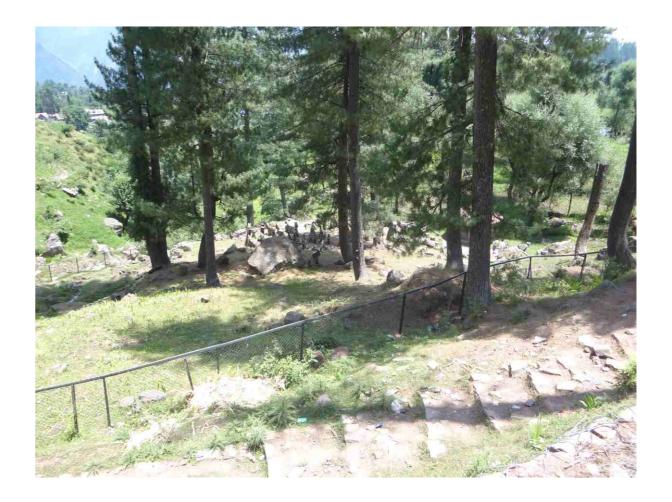
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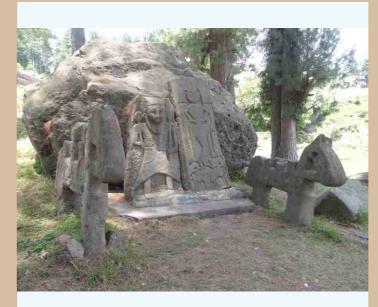
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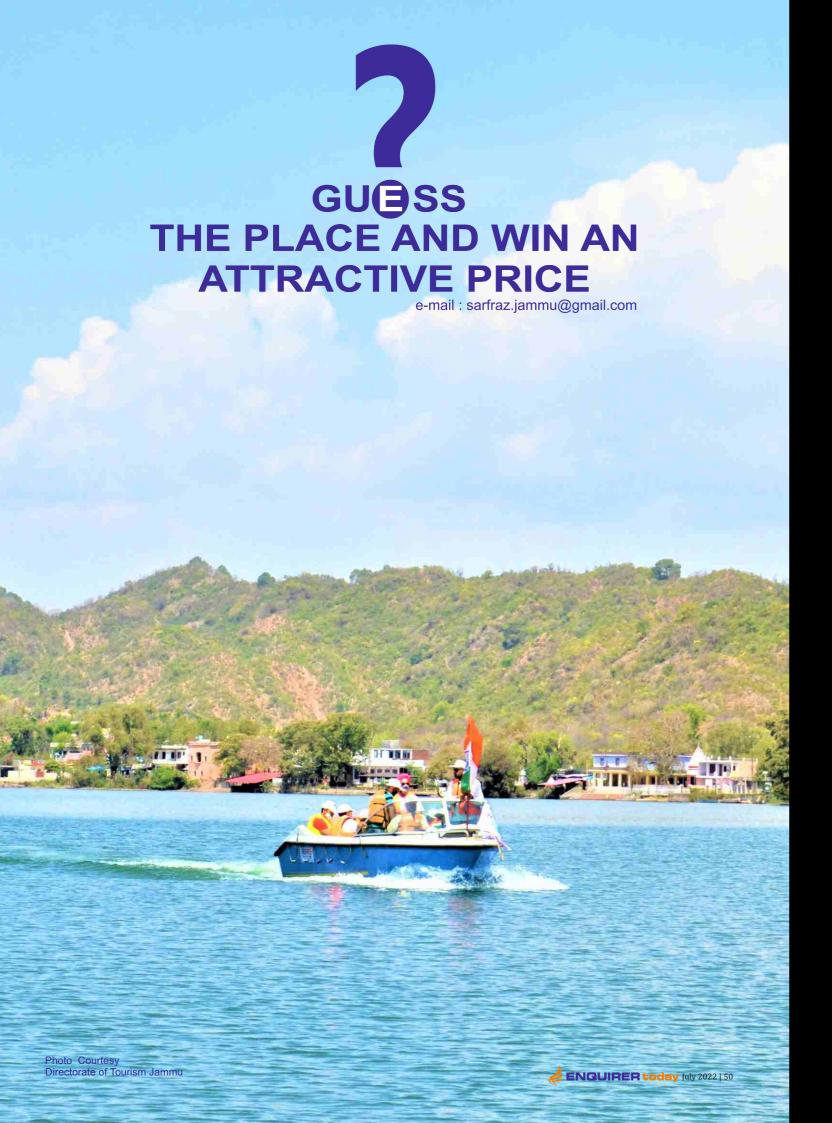
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