

Valour Remembered, Sacrifice Revered: Kargil Day Observed at BVM SKN

To honour the indomitable courage and supreme sacrifice of the Kargil War heroes, Bhavan's B.P. Vidya Mandir, Srikrishna Nagar solemnly observed Kargil Vijay Diwas on its campus with heartfelt reverence and spirited enthusiasm.

The commemorative events began with a Wreath Laying Ceremony held at the school assembly ground. Air Vice-Marshal Suryakant Chafekar, AVSM, Shaurya Chakra Awardee (Retd.), laid a wreath at the symbolic memorial to pay homage to the valiant soldiers who made the ultimate sacrifice during the 1999 Kargil war. A profound silence was observed by students, teachers, and dignitaries, creating an emotionally charged and deeply patriotic atmosphere.

The formal programme then moved to the auditorium and commenced with the Lighting of the Lamp, symbolising the triumph of wisdom over ignorance and light over darkness. A soulful prayer by the school choir followed, invoking peace and national unity.

A warm welcome was extended to the Chief Guest, AVM Suryakant Chafekar and Shri Tapesha Sharma by Dr. Pankaj Chande Sir, Executive Committee Member, Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan, Nagpur Kendra and Chairperson, School Management Committee, Bhavan's B.P. Vidya Mandir, Srikrishna Nagar. Also present on the occasion were Shri Sushil Modani, Co ordinator of IMCTF Nagpur, Computer Science Engineer and Dr.Saurabh Kubde, Parent representative, School Management Committee, Bhavan's B.P. Vidya Mandir, Srikrishna Nagar

As a gesture of gratitude, the guests were welcomed by presenting a set of book 'Shri Ramayana Darshanam Bharata Mata Sadanam', depicting pictorial presentation of Bhavan's Sanskrutik Kendra .

The audience was addressed by Shri Tapesha Sharma, a civil engineer, entrepreneur, and Nagpur Convenor of the Initiative for Moral and Cultural Training Foundation (IMCTF). He highlighted the foundation's efforts to instill moral, cultural, and patriotic values in students through holistic and experiential learning.

The highlight of the day was the inspiring address by Chief Guest Air Vice-Marshal Suryakant Chafekar, who shared powerful anecdotes from his distinguished career in the Indian Air Force. In his inspiring address to the students, Air Vice Marshal Suryakant Chafekar, AVSM, Shaurya Chakra Awardee

(Retd.), emphasized the significance of resilience, informed decision-making, and innovation. He reminded the young minds that “failure is not fatal and success is not final — it’s the courage to continue that truly matters.”

Urging students to take charge of their future, he stated, “Destiny is not a matter of chance; it’s a matter of choice. So, make good choices.”

Encouraging creativity and original thinking, he motivated them to “think out of the box” and view challenges as stepping stones to growth. Recalling high-altitude missions, humanitarian operations, and his contributions during the Kargil operations, he stirred the hearts of listeners, leaving them with a renewed sense of national pride and purpose.

The programme was seamlessly compered by Miss Sakshi Arora and Mast.

Aaryan Agrawal, while the welcome address was delivered by Miss Janhvi Dhage. The event concluded with a heartfelt Vote of Thanks proposed by Miss Marushika Tayde.

The observance of Kargil Vijay Diwas at Bhavan’s B.P. Vidya Mandir served as a powerful reminder of the bravery of our armed forces and reinforced the collective duty of every citizen to uphold the ideals and values for which they fought.

The Incharge teachers Smt Gayatri Wani and Shri Roshan Gupta worked meticulously under the able guidance of the Principal, Shri Lalit Dinkar Joshi to make this program a grand success.