

## AFGJI HOSTS ANNUAL ATHLETIC MEET 2022

On 26<sup>th</sup> November 2022, Air Force Golden Jubilee Institute held the Closing Ceremony of its 35th Annual Athletic Meet showcasing the spirit of sportsmanship and talent of the students in the field of sports and games. The Meet was declared open on 24<sup>th</sup> November by Wg Cdr Alka Chaudhary, Executive Director – AFGJI and thereafter drills and various track and field events were conducted on 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> November.

The honourable Chief Guest on this momentous occasion was Air Marshal K Anantharaman VSM, Air Officer-in-charge Administration, Indian Air Force. The Chief Guest and other dignitaries received a cordial welcome from the Principal, Mrs Poonam S Rampal, Vice-Principal Mrs Rashmi Soota, Administrative Officer Sqn Ldr Ruchita S Karthikeyan, Headmaster (Special Wing) Mr Amresh Chandra, Headmistress (Primary Wing) Mrs Ruchi Agarwal in the presence of Air Vice Marshal Rajeev Sharma (ACAS Education), Air Vice Marshal PS Karkare (SOA WAC), Air Cmde BS Hora (Air Cmde Education & CMC Air Force Schools), Gp Capt Tarun Khare (Deputy CMC Air Force Schools) and the Executive Director of the school, Wg Cdr Alka Chaudhary.

The floral welcome comprised of a Zipline act which was very enthusiastically performed by the participants to welcome the Chief guest and his wife, Mrs Lalitha Anantharaman. Following this was the elegant March Past by all the five Houses of the school - Subroto, Arjan, Pratap, Latif and Laxman followed by the Primary Wing, the Special Wing and the NCC cadets of the school. After the March Past, the Principal delivered her address. The School sports report was presented by the School sports captain, Sarthak Bagai and Shreya. The next event was the drone and aeromodelling show, showcasing the scientific principles and the creativity of the students. Around 12 athletic events were held. There was an integrated dance presentation 'Dil ki Pukar' by the Special Wing and the Senior Wing. A colourful display drill 'Kaleidoscope' was done by the Primary Wing of the school, wherein the students did Yoga, Asanas and different drills. During the Prize Distribution Ceremony, the outstanding athletes were awarded trophies by Mrs Lalitha Anantharaman. Each of the five Houses won trophies for the different games. Primary Wing and Laxman House jointly bagged the trophy for the best marching contingent. Latif House was declared as the

Best House in Athletics and the overall Best House trophy was won by Laxman House.

Following this was the group photo with the Chief Guest, dignitaries and the winning athletes. Thereafter in his address, the Chief Guest Air Marshal K Anantharaman VSM praised the school for setting high standards in all the spheres of education and was happy that the students got an opportunity to display their sporting prowess after the pandemic. He lauded the efforts of the Principal and the staff in hosting the Athletic Meet. He blessed the students and wished them a happy and healthy life ahead. During the Closing ceremony, the Chief Guest declared the Meet closed. The Sports Captain handed the Sports flag to the Chief Guest who in turn handed it to the Principal. Then the Head Girl , Akanksha Chaudhary proposed the Vote of Thanks. The National Anthem was sung by the school choir 'Ekyataan' and then the guests dispersed, signalling the end of an exhilarating sporting extravaganza which was an enthralling display of sports and games.