

REPORT – CITATION CEREMONY



Amity International School, Sector – 46, Gurgaon organized the Citation Ceremony for its outgoing batch of Class XII, on the 24th of January, 2014 on its premises. The bright, sunny morning began for the students with a *Havan*, organized especially for the outgoing students, where prayers were said, rituals carried out and mantras chanted for the success of the batch; the sincerity and depth of the ceremonies moving all.

The afternoon session of the citation ceremony began with the arrival of the special guests, respected Mr. TPS Chauhan and Mrs. Divya Chauhan. The festivities commenced with the traditional Ganesh Vandana and the customary lighting of the lamp signifying the spread of the light of knowledge in the lives of all Amitians. The Principal's speech which followed next carried forward the light lit through the lamp by providing inspiration to all the students present at the function.

The speech was followed by the citations being presented to students of classes XII A and B. As is traditionally done, the students received their citations after placing the brightly lit diyas on the stage.

The events were an engaging mix of entertainment, solemnity and inspiration, which kept everyone present riveted to the happenings in front. There were dances, patriotic songs, fusion dances which saw the audiences moved, entertained, enthralled, thrilled and thoroughly involved in the proceedings. The performances put up were appreciated for their content as they led the outgoing batch through many nostalgic memories.

The Head Girl and Head Boy came onstage to deliver their speeches, reliving the nostalgic memories of days gone by, expressing their gratitude to their teachers and school, offering sage advice to the upcoming batch as they prepared to sign off with an assemblage of indelible memories.

The customary speeches brought onstage the much awaited citations of the Synchro section and classes XII D & E. The students carried diyas onto the stage to light up completely, the emblem of their alma mater, signifying not only the light it spreads but also emblazoning the spirit of Amity with the light it had infused in their lives.

The distinguished guests shared their thoughts and experiences with the students, offering their advice, blessings and good wishes to those leaving the portals of the school, to take on the world with ease and confidence. As the responsibility passed on

from the outgoing batch to the upcoming batch, the juniors gave their seniors an emotional send-off. The teachers also blessed them by showering petals on them and posing for countless photographs to preserve the memories of special school moments.

The day which saw emotional highs such as reverence, unbridled joy, pangs of separation, nostalgia, peals of laughter and heart rending tears was brought to a reluctant close with the rendition of the school song. The National Anthem, then signified the end of the proceedings bringing about a befitting end to an unforgettable day.

