

## 'DHAROHAR' – The Celebration of womanhood.....



Amity International School, Sector – 46, Gurgaon celebrated its Annual Function “Dharohar – A Celebration of Womanhood” on the October 19, 2013 in the school premises. A woman in her varied roles as a custodian of Indian culture and heritage was the main theme of the day.

Amity continues to further this rich legacy through its carefully crafted education system which creates a strong blend of modern western education along with the wisdom and values of our unique Indian culture.

The Chief Guest for the function was Mr. Amod K Kanth, Retd. IPS Officer and General Secretary, Prayas Juvenile Aid Centre (JAC) Society, Guests of Honour were Padamshree, Ms. Santosh Yadav, , First woman in the world to scale Mt. Everest twice and Dr. Swati Basu, Director NCMRWF. In his speech, Mr. Kanth congratulated Dr. Ashok K Chauhan, Dr. (Mrs.) Amita Chauhan and the Principal, Mrs. Arti Chopra for the philanthropic efforts undertaken by Amity. Ms. Santosh Yadav spoke on how scientific our Indian tradition and culture is. The gracious presence of the Founder President, Dr Ashok K Chauhan and the Chairperson, Dr (Mrs.) Amita Chauhan made the event very special for all present.



The annual function commenced with a wonderful Orchestra performance, followed by the victory saga presentation by the council members of the school. The dynamic principal of the school Ms. Arti Chopra, in her welcome address, emphasized on the cultivation of five kinds of minds for successful living. A beautiful rendition of Vedic chants by the students of Amitasha really enthralled the guests. 'Dharohar'-The Dance drama took the audience through a journey across time, from the creation of woman by Lord Brahma to her powerful yet sensitive portrayal in literature. 'Dharohar' saluted the moral strength, knowledge, resilience, devotion and valor, not simply from the Indian cultural scene, but also from abroad. The whole script was visualized and written by the staff and the students themselves.

The enthusiastic and very disciplined participation of 1800 students needs special mention. The Durga Shakti dance was a very powerful display of woman's divinity and strength and Rani of Jhansi and her battle against the Britishers left the audience truly spell bound. The whole stage was full of dance and music, with such lovely costumes and pretty faces that it left a smile on every face present there.

The presentation not just captivated and enthralled the audience, celebrating womanhood in its myriad shades but also received unqualified appreciation from all quarters especially the Founder President and Chairperson of the school, who lauded the untiring efforts of the Principal in putting together, the thought provoking show on such a current and sensitive topic which is truly the need of the day.





