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Report on the Annual Athletic Meet (2024-25)

The Annual Athletic Meet of De Paul College was held on a bright and energetic morning, beginning promptly at 9:00 am. The event was meticulously planned, bringing together students, staff, and guests for a day filled with enthusiasm and celebration of athleticism.

- The day commenced with a grand assembly at 9:00 am, where all the participants, faculty, and attendees gathered on the sports grounds. The atmosphere was charged with excitement, as the students, athletes, and teachers assembled to celebrate the event and prepare for the day's activities.



- The prestigious Chief Guest was escorted to the venue by two exemplary NCC cadets, 'Prabhuraj' and 'Vikas'. They walked with great pride, symbolizing the discipline and commitment that the NCC fosters within the students. The procession was a fitting introduction to the event, highlighting the significance of the occasion.



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- The event was masterfully emceed by Mr. Jaysheelan, Asst. Prof., Dept. of Arts, who guided the audience through the various segments of the day's proceedings with charm and professionalism. His presence added an extra layer of energy to the event, keeping the crowd engaged and entertained throughout.
- The next significant moment was the hoisting of the college flag by the dignitaries as it is a symbol of unity and pride for De Paul College. The flag, representing the spirit of the institution, was raised high, marking the official start of the athletic meet.
- The various teams participating in the athletic events were introduced by the Captains of each team to the Sports Director of Mandya and other dignitaries. Each team displayed their enthusiasm and readiness for the events ahead, fueling the competitive spirit among both the participants and the audience.





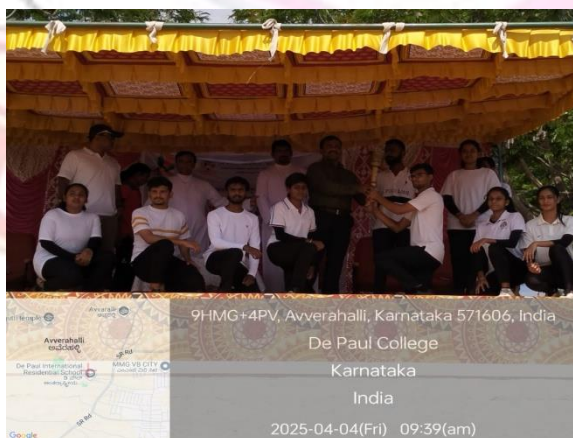
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- Following the introduction of teams, the college choir took the stage to perform the invocation song. The melodious harmonies set a serene and reflective tone, invoking blessings for the success of the meet and the safety of the participants.
- The first formal address of the day came from Mr. Greemaldin D'silva, Asst. Prof., Dept. of Arts, who delivered a heartfelt welcome speech. He expressed his joy at the gathering and extended a warm welcome to the Chief Guest Dr. Srinivasa V, Director of the dept. of Physical Education, Mandya University, Rev. Dr. Baiju Anthony CM, Principal, De Paul College, Rev. Dr. Shijo Anthony CM, Dean of Studies, De Paul College, Rev. Fr. Santoy Kurian CM, Financial Administrator, De Paul College, Rev. Fr. Anish Xavier CM, Principal DPIRS, Rev. Fr. Jayraj, Hostel Director, De Paul College, Ms. Angeline Francis Mary R, Physical Education Director, De Paul College, faculty, participants and attendees. His words resonated with the values of discipline, sportsmanship, and the spirit of healthy competition that De Paul College holds dear.
- In a symbolic gesture, the Olympic torch was entrusted to the Chief Guest by a group of students who had distinguished themselves in sports, having represented the college at various prestigious levels including international, national, All India Inter-University, South Zone Inter-University, and state competitions. The passing of the torch was a powerful moment, representing the continuity of athletic tradition and the passing of leadership and excellence in sports.





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- The audience was then introduced to the Chief Guest, a distinguished individual whose presence at the meet elevated its importance. The introduction highlighted the Chief Guest's contributions to the field of sports and education, setting the stage for an inspiring address.
- The Chief Guest delivered a moving and inspiring speech that emphasized the importance of physical fitness, discipline, and perseverance. They encouraged the students to push beyond their limits, stressing the value of sports in building character and promoting teamwork.
- In recognition of the Chief Guest's contributions and presence, the Principal and other dignitaries felicitated the Chief Guest with a token of appreciation. This gesture was met with applause, as the college community acknowledged the Chief Guest's inspiring words and the impact they had on the students.



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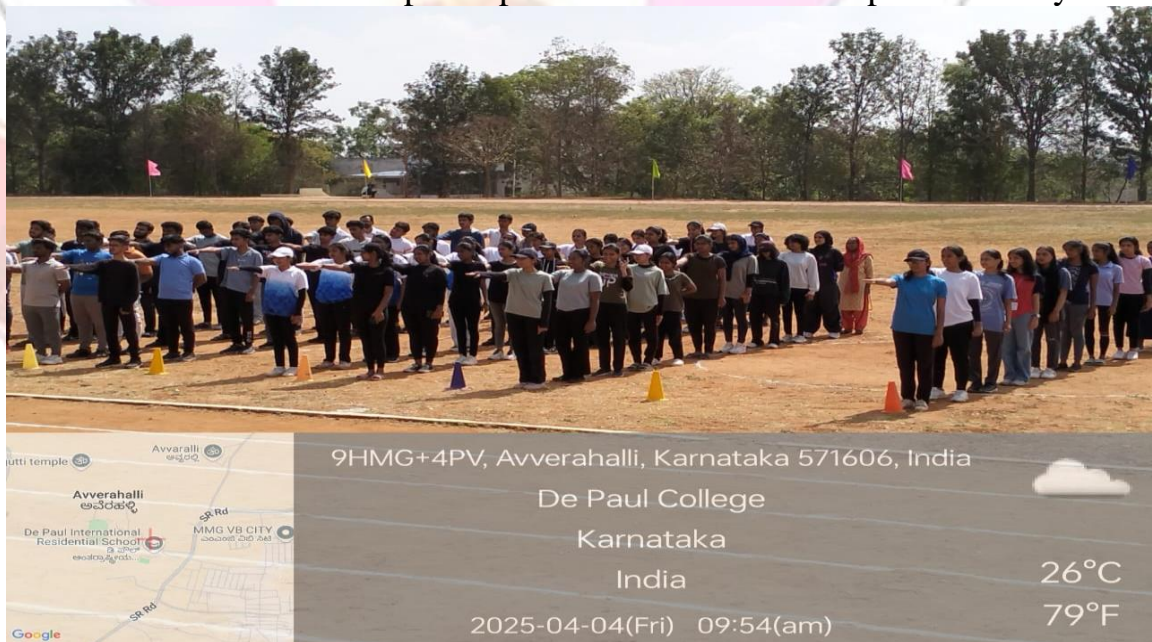
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- The College Principal addressed the gathering next, offering insights on the significance of the athletic meet in fostering a spirit of unity and promoting physical health. The Principal spoke about the importance of balancing academics with physical activities, encouraging students to participate not just for competition, but for their personal growth and development.
- In a highlight of the event, the Chief Guest administered the Olympic Oath to the athletes. The oath, pledging to participate in the games with respect, fairness, and integrity, set the tone for the competitive events that followed. It was a reminder to all participants of the values that sports embody.





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- The grand opening of the athletic meet was marked by the symbolic release of pigeons. As the birds took flight, the crowd cheered, signalling the beginning of the competitions. The release of pigeons was a moment of beauty, symbolizing peace, freedom, and the spirit of the meet.
- Before the competitive events began, there was a special performance by Jeevan Kumar of 2nd Semester BCom who showcased a series of graceful yoga poses. His performance highlighted the importance of flexibility, strength, and mental focus, offering a perfect segue into the physically demanding events of the day.





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- As the event neared its conclusion, Mr. Jaysheelan, Asst. Prof., Dept. of Arts, returned to the stage to deliver the vote of thanks. He expressed gratitude to the Chief Guest, the dignitaries, the participants, the faculty, and the volunteers who made the event a success. His words were filled with appreciation for the collective efforts that went into organizing the meet, and he thanked everyone for their contributions.

Following were the events conducted:

- Aerobics for women
- 3000 meters walk race for both men and women
- 1200 meters for women
- 1500 meters for men
- 800 meters for both men and women
- 400 meters for both men and women
- 200 meters for both men and women
- 100 meters for both men and women
- Long jump for both men and women
- Shot put for both men and women
- Discus throw for both men and women
- Javelin throw for both men and women
- 4x100 meters relay for both men and women

Due to unforeseen circumstances, the 4x100 meters mixed relay, 4x400 meters mixed relay, and the aerobics event for men were disqualified.

The concluding session of the Annual Athletic Meet of De Paul College was a grand and memorable event, marking the culmination of a day filled with spirited competition, teamwork, and athletic excellence.



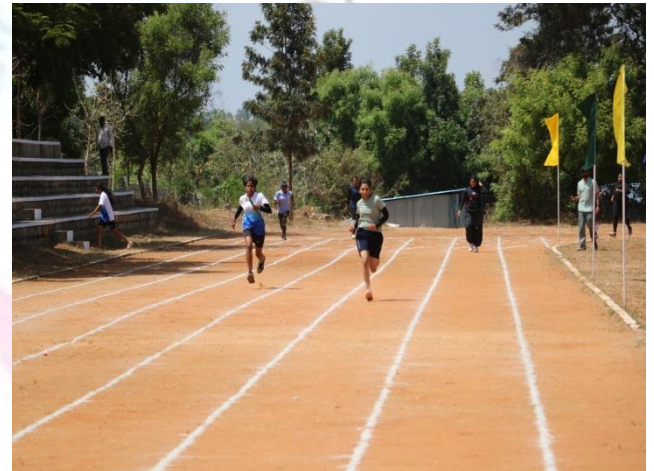


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Below is a detailed report on the final moments of the meet:

- The excitement reached its peak when Mrs. RochLibia Rani, Head of the dept. of Computer Applications and Mr. Jaysheelan, Asst. Prof., Dept of Arts took to the stage for the much-anticipated prize announcements. Individual Championship was bagged by Sanjana Shankar and Angel Paulose of 4th sem BCom in women's category and Sandeep Y and Mukesh Seervi from 6th sem BCom in men's category. With a sense of pride and joy, they announced the winners of various events, recognizing the hard work, dedication, and perseverance displayed by the athletes throughout the day. Their energetic presentation added to the enthusiasm in the crowd, as each winner was celebrated with cheers and applause.
- Rev. Dr. Shijo Anthony CM, Dean of Studies, De Paul College a distinguished figure at the college, graced the stage to distribute the prizes to

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the winners. With a sense of pride and encouragement, the Dean handed over the trophies, medals, and certificates to the athletes, applauding their performance and achievements were also faculties assisted and appreciated them. The prize distribution ceremony was a moment of recognition for the excellence in sports demonstrated by the students. The smiles on the faces of the winners reflected the hard work and determination that went into earning these accolades.





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- As the event came to a close, Ms.Ashwini Rose, Asst. Prof. in the Department of Commerce and Management, took the stage to deliver the Vote of Thanks. With heartfelt gratitude, she expressed her appreciation to the Rev. Dr.Baiju Anthony CM, Principal, De Paul College, Rev. Dr.Shijo Anthony CM, Dean of Studies, De Paul College, Rev. Fr. SantoyKurian CM, Financial Administrator, De Paul College, Rev. Fr. Anish Xavier CM, Principal DPIRS, Rev. Fr. Jayraj, Hostel Director, De Paul College, Ms. Angeline Francis Mary R, Physical Education Director, De Paul College, the faculty, the participants, attendees and the volunteers who had worked tirelessly to make the athletic meet a success. Her words resonated with thanks for the collective effort that went into organizing the event and for the unwavering support of the college community. She also extended her gratitude to the audience for their enthusiasm and encouragement throughout the day.
- The closing of the event was marked by a powerful rendition of the National Anthem. The entire gathering stood in unison, paying their respects to the nation. The National Anthem brought a sense of solemnity and unity to the



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occasion, reinforcing the values of patriotism and collective spirit that transcended the athletic meet.

The Annual Athletic Meet (2024-15) of De Paul College was an incredible success, filled with memorable moments that celebrated athleticism, teamwork, and the spirit of De Paul College. The event not only highlighted the physical achievements of the students but also underscored the values of discipline, integrity, and camaraderie. It was a day that united the entire college community in the spirit of sports and healthy competition.

