

HCM RIPA NEWS LETTER

63rd year celebrations of HCM RIPA

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This year we turned 63!

To commemorate the 63rd year of HCM RIPA a week long celebrations were organized from 14th to 20th November, 2019 on the Institute's campus. The celebrations were an unforgettable event. They were by far the biggest ever organized by the Institute and their quality was certainly befitting the lofty standards the Institute has set for itself.

From tree plantation to inaugurating the music wing 'Manjira', en-number of programs were lined up for the celebrations. The celebrations were conceived



and initiated by Mr Ashwini Bhagat, Director of the institute.

The planning of the events went through an elaborate process with all the faculty members of the Institute deeply involved in the planning and operational tasks, with 7 committees under the leadership of the Director of the institute. The faculty conveners of all the committees discussed every day to plan the events. The officer trainees on the campus, from IAS, RAS, RACs to engineering services, and the staff of the Institute provided phenomenal support in conducting these celebrations.



Day 1st of the celebrations

Tree plantation:

The celebrations featured many highlights. The first was the formal inauguration ceremony through Tree plantation on 14th November, 2019 in which all the faculty members and the Officer Trainees participated.

INAUGURATION OF THE MUSIC ROOM *MANJIRA*:

Great philosopher Plato once said "Music is a more potent instrument than any other for education". Some archaeologist point that music has been in existence, since prehistoric times. Some musicologist say that music origins from nature!

These quotes indicates how important is music in our lives. Thus, an idea to develop a music wing was conceived by the Director, RIPA. Under his guidance and support *Manjira* was developed, which has been prepared by using the available resources on the campus, like dead wood, pieces of ropes and dead leaves. As one enters the music room they are awed by its décor of wall paintings which come to life with beautifully painted gramophones, guitars and old time records! A decoration apt for the room. Instruments like Guitars, Drums, Synthesizer, Tabla, Flute, Karaoke, Harmonium and last but not the least The *Manjira*, give life to the room!



In the evenings, after the hectic schedule of the classes the Officer Trainees go to *Manjira* to learn the instruments of their own choice. One is sure that after the day's hectic class schedules, the dust of stress, pain, worries and the tension, everything is washed away with the gentle stream of music!

The music room was inaugurated by Mr. Ashwini Bhagat, Director, RIPA in the august presence of the esteem guests which included former Director, Mr. Rohit R Brandon and Mr. Khem Raj. The institute is indeed indebted to the Director, for giving the institute the valuable gift "Manjira"!



Day 2nd of the celebrations

Run For RIPA

Run for RIPA, was organised on the second day of the celebrations. The event was flagged off by the Director at 5.30 pm. The faculty and the Officer Trainees all clad in blue T-shirts bearing the logo of RIPA participated in

the event. Amidst laughter and cheer the 2.5 km lap was completed by all. The first in the run were Amit Choudhary and Padma from the Officer Trainees and Supyar and Rampati from the institute.

The event was conducted to create something powerful. Looking at the happy faces of the participants one could feel that closeness and happiness, which was envisaged, was achieved!



Day 3rd of the celebrations

Clean RIPA

A clean environment is always pleasing to look at. Keeping our surroundings clean ensures that future generations have the opportunity to enjoy nature the same way we do today.

The institute has a beautiful campus sprawled over 50 acres. To commemorate the foundation day of the institute, what better way it could have been than to have a cleanliness drive! The team of officer trainees and the faculty were set with all their Gadgets at sharp 7 a.m. and within 2 hours of hard work the campus was sparkling clean ! After the hard toil the group enjoyed hot samosas and tea laid out for breakfast.

Cricket and the Badminton Matches

After a little rest the teams were once again ready with full enthusiasm and this time to play the cricket match, which was between the RAS and the RAcS teams. Those who did not play, hooted and cheered for their respective teams!

The commentators, with their commentary skills, won the hearts of all!

The winner was the RAcS team, which played the finals with RIPA team on the fourth day. The matches played consisted of 15 overs per team.

Badminton singles and doubles were also played between the women and the men's teams. Finals of the badminton match were held on 17th November, 2019. The RAcS team and the RIPA team were the winners in the women's team and the men's team respectively.



Day 4th of the celebrations

Cricket Match Finals

The enthusiasm which was seen on day three continued on the fourth day also. All present on the grounds had their own favourite team which they wanted to win. After winning the toss RIPA team decided to do the batting first. The event was watched by a jam packed crowd amidst a lot of cheering and hooting !

The bowling action of Abhishek khurana (Officer Trainee IAS) and the batting action of Neeraj Budania (Officer Trainee) were strong and worth the attention.

The man of the match was Neeraj Budania (Officer Trainee)

The match was won by RIPA

The matches were conducted under the supervision of Rahul Kumar (PET)



Day 5th of the celebrations

Dr. Puspesh Pant in conversation with Sh Pramod Kapoor

In the afternoon of the fifth day of the celebrations, an exhibition on the life of Mahatma Gandhi was organised. The inauguration was followed by a deeply emotional and touching talk by Mr. Pramod Kapoor on the Life of Mahatma Gandhi "**Gandhi: An Illustrated Biography**". The talk was organised by the IAS Association in collaboration with HCM

RIPA. The programme was inaugurated by Mr. D. B. Gupta, Chief Secretary, Government of Rajasthan.

On this occasion, the Brochure and the Newsletter of the Institute were also released by the Chief Secretary, Government of Rajasthan and the other distinguished guests.



Kavi Sammelan

A Kavi Sammelan was organised on 18th November, in which various poets from different places of Rajasthan participated. It was a zestful event as the poets made the event enjoyable with their poems and recital. They read out the poems on social life, politics, and other issues prevailing in the society. Their poems were full of entertainment that made the poetic atmosphere enjoyable especially for the young audience



Quiz competition

Quiz competitions are always interesting and informative, which provide excitement among the participants and also make them aware of current affairs.



Day 6th of the celebrations

Dr. Bhag Chand Badhal, Additional Director (Administration), conducted a Quiz competition on Mahatma Gandhi in the Institute's Auditorium on 19th November 2019. The participants showcased their brilliance by rapidly answering the questions. Though some of the questions were very tricky, but each one tried to answer them with confidence. The questions put forth to the participants were intriguing, exciting and made the audience go 'Aah!'

Cultural Evening

The cultural evening started with Saraswati Vandana followed by felicitation of Ex-Directors of the Institute Mr. Arvind Mayaram and Mr. A. K. Pande. This was followed by an exceedingly mesmerising Ghoomar dance performed by the children of the RIPA Staff.



Day 7th of the celebrations

The Officer Trainees stunned the audience with their superb mime. A humorous play "Sabse Bura Hai Kon" was performed by the Officer Trainee Rohit Dixit and his group which sent the audience into peals of laughter. Rajasthani group songs, flute performance, guitar performance were also the attraction of the evening. All the performers were elegant and impressionable in their performance.



An audio-visual presentation on the celebrations of RIPA Foundation Week (during 14-20 November 2019) was presented by

Dr. Madhulika Arora.

In the end we would like to conclude the celebration as –

यादों का है विशाल आकार, संजो सवा है एक परिवार ।

एक माला के मोती हैं सब, रीपा के मन्दिर के ज्योति हैं सब ।

नहीं है यह केवल एक संस्था का प्रांगण, यह तो है स्नेह भक्ति से सजा रीपा के घर का आँगन ।