

Merry
Christmas

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Christmas is a festival of joy, happiness and feast that is celebrated to celebrate the birth of Lord Jesus Christ. On the 25th day it is believed that the day Jesus Christ was born in Bethlehem to the house of Father Joseph and Mother Mary. The birth of Jesus Christ, who is considered to be the son of God, holds important positions in Christianity. Jesus was the one who taught people a new way of life and saved them from their sins and sorrows. It is believed that Jesus was born when society was surrounded by many evils like greed, hatred, superstitions, violence etc and he was sent to the earth to save mankind from these evils. Jesus was considered as the light of the world and he came to save people from the darkness of ignorance, sorrow, sorrow etc. And Christmas is the day when people welcome this great redeemer of mankind. He worked for the transformation of the lives of the people amidst the darkness of evils of the society.

In RISE, when we are dealing with five hundred deprived children, who have been dejected from basic happiness, rights and needs of their lives, we enforce the power of humanity and dedication, which can bring in the change of positivity in their lives. Depicting Christ as a winner in scarcity and adverse situations, we in RISE also are prepping our children against all odds ! we took this opportunity to teach our children to be strong in struggles and humble in success !

And Wish You All A Very Happy New Year



Curbing Delhi's deadly Pollution



National Pollution Control Day

Pollution refers to introduction of unwanted, harmful substances called pollutants, into the environment. These pollutants can be in gaseous, solid or liquid state and are mostly formed due to human activities. Pollution has a widespread effect on not only the environment but also human health. Pollution is caused mainly due to human induced factors like – industrialization, deforestation, inefficient waste disposal etc. Pollution can be further classified into various categories like – water pollution, air pollution, noise pollution, plastic pollution, land pollution, light pollution, radioactive pollution etc. Air pollution causes severe respiratory ailments in humans and water pollution leads to skin and other abdominal diseases. Pollution is also caused by littering in urban areas around human settlements. A good majority of waste generated in human settlements constitute

plastic, which is very harmful for the environment. Plastic is the widely used material and is non bio degradable. One of the leading factors of celebrating the national pollution control day every year is to manage and control the industrial Disaster as well as prevention of the pollution (created by the industrial processes or manual negligence) of water, air and soil. Varieties of laws are declared by the Government all over world in order to seriously control and prevent the pollution. National pollution control day is celebrated every year on 2nd of December to make aware the people and most importantly to aware the industries about paying great attention towards the need of Pollution Control Acts.

RISE also joined hands to spread the awareness via "rallies" on the ill effects of pollution and how it can be prevented. Children holding the posters and banners shouted the slogans to inform people on Pollution Control Day.

They told people that our natural resources like water, air, land or forest are being affected speedily by the different types of pollution which are very necessary to stop immediately. Children tried to reach to as many as people they can and asked them to discontinue all the activities which causes and kind of the pollution. The educators & children concluded with making people understand that pollution is causing species depletion and ecological imbalance. It is very necessary to take essential precautionary and proactive measures to prevent any further damage that will happen due to pollution to earth and its inhabitants. Pollution is the immediate threat that the environment faces today and is also the most prominent one. The clock is ticking continuously and with every passing moment the damage to the environment is increasing. Immediate action to preserve the environment against pollution is needed to be taken by the government and other stake holders.



National Energy Conservation Day



Conserve to preserve

With the growing population of the world, energy requirements are also increasing. But the speed at which energy requirement is increasing, the fear of destruction of all resources of energy has started increasing. Therefore, it is necessary that we pay special attention to energy conservation or develop other resources for its replacement because if we are not successful in our efforts during the time, then entire human civilization can be in danger. Thus, National energy conservation day in India is celebrated on 14th December to aware people about the importance of energy as well as saving or conserving the more energy by using less energy. The exact means of energy conservation is using less energy by avoiding the unnecessary uses of energy. Using energy efficiently is very necessary to save it for the future usage. Energy conservation should be rooted in the behaviour of every human being to get more effect towards the plan of

energy conservation.

To make understand the significance of the day, RISE educators made the children understand the importance of conserving energy and using renewable sources of energy. They also told the children about how to use efficient energy, how to save the energy for their own future safety and many more ways. With awareness posters and banners in hands children decided to walk out in rally to drive mass awareness about the importance of energy efficiency and conservation.

RISE children took part to aware the people about how to use efficient energy, how to save the

energy for their own future safety and many more ways. Children informed the people that they should follow all the rules, regulations and policies implemented by the Government of India in order to support the energy efficiency. Citizens of India can pay their direct contribution to the campaign of reduce energy use throughout the 11th Five Year Plan period. Children are the big expectation and hope for the country to bring positive changes as well as to enhance the economic condition of the country.



The Exciting Mathematics ...



In India, the National Mathematics Day is observed on December 22nd every year. It is celebrated in order to honour the birth anniversary of the famous mathematician Sir Srinivasa Ramanujan. He was the world famous mathematician who made remarkable contributions in different fields and branches of the subject mathematics. Ramanujan has greatly contributed towards mathematical analysis, number theory, infinite series and continued fractions. The great Indian mathematicians such as Brahmagupta, Aryabhata, and Srinivasa Ramanujan have played a significant role in developing different formulas, theorems and theories on mathematics in India. And thus, it is important to promote and cultivate the magnificent tradition of Indian mathematics by celebrating National Mathematics Day.

The announcement to celebrate National Mathematics Day on 22nd December was declared by Dr. Manmohan Singh, the former Prime Minister on the 125th birthday of Srinivasa Ramanujan. Dr. Singh paid tribute to the legendary Srinivasa Ramanujan and said that he was the great son of Tamil Nadu and India who made a remarkable contribution to the world of Mathematics worldwide. In order to remember and honour his memorable contributions

to mathematics, the government decided announced to celebrate the National Mathematics Day annually on the birthday of Ramanujan. The year 2012 was declared as the National Mathematical Year. The Prime Minister inaugurated the Centre for Higher Mathematics named after Ramanujan at the Alagappa University. He also said that the application of mathematics had been broadly accepted in the study of Economics, Science and various other disciplines. Dr. Singh also acknowledged that our nation is short of proficient mathematicians and it is the duty of the community of mathematics to promote and make possible the research and study of mathematics as an educational discipline in India. India owns legendary Mathematicians such as Brahmagupta, Aryabhata, and Srinivasa Ramanujan. These legends have not only

shaped the face of Indian Mathematics but have also gained tremendous popularity worldwide. Every state in India recognizes the great contributions made by these mathematicians and celebrate the National Mathematics Day with great zeal and enthusiasm. RISE also organized quiz, competitions and puzzles for the celebration on this day. This was not only to create competitiveness in the students but to enhance their knowledge also. Various competitions motivated our students. It was also organized to offer a common platform to collectively tackle the problems faced in the field of mathematics by the children.



Bright Educators of RISE

Hearing being the winners of Rangoli competition in NGO Mela, RISE children were more than happy for their respective teachers. To exhibit their joy and happiness greeting cards were made by the students of Aoli & Babita and were presented to them. Their whole classes gave them standing ovations and applauded for them. Receiving such compliments & love from kids made them teary. They both concluded saying "we couldn't have asked for a better gift than this ever before!!"

Aoli & Babita, RISE educators thanked ARDH Foundation, saying "this day had an emotional and recreational touch, it feels very good for having an opportunity of coming forward and participating into such grand event and carve a successful and self-reliant person."



Nazreen ... never forget your capability

Nazreen takes pride in her identity as a Muslim, as she is good at teaching. Works as a teacher in a RISE and teaches 30 students tirelessly, she feels happy. 10 years ago, her father, who is a tailor by profession, migrated to Sangam Vihar, Delhi from Itah in U.P. along with the entire family in search of better living. The family used to live in an empty plot in Itah neighbourhood close to a Government school. Nazreen was always eager to teach but being born in Muslim community, she wasn't allowed to move out and pursue her dreams. Some neighbours informed her about RISE. She somehow told her father about RISE and its good deeds that it helps kids educate without charging any fees from them. Hearing this Nazreen's parents agreed and allowed her to work on a post of a teacher, RISE helped her to follow her dreams. The sustained financial and moral support helped her become an independent earning member of the family.



"When I teach my students at RISE centre, I feel I can do even better. I have struggled & travelled a long way but I have to do more. RISE has helped me earn my identity in the community for which my parents are proud of me," says Nazreen while addressing a gathering of students and teachers from RISE. She even tell her story to the students who are fighting all odds to achieve good education & pursue their dreams. Nazreen says, "I had many problems in life. We had no space to live. Going to school was a privilege. But I believe if you want to do something good then people do join you."



The Christmas Marathon



Christmas is an annual festival, which is celebrated with great enthusiasm by Christians. The festival is celebrated for marking the birth of Jesus Christ and observed on 25th of December every year across the globe. There are lots of customs associated with the celebration of Christmas which vary from one nation to the other. The celebration basically starts almost a week ago with the decoration and shopping, etc. The main occasion starts from the Christmas Eve that falls on the night before the Christmas. Many people pay special prayers and services at the Church on the Christmas Eve and stick to the secular origin and themes. Many people have changed the style of

celebration and follow modern customs, such as they organize theme-based parties, grandly decorate their homes, invite friends and relatives at their places, exchange gifts and sweets, etc. In fact, Christmas tree, Santa Clause and Christmas Carols have special places at this festival as they continue to remain the centre of attraction for many even today. Special festive meal gets prepared

for Christmas; houses get decorated with candles, clay made oil-burners, dancing lights, etc. Since gift exchanging ceremony and various other facets of Christmas festivals involve a lot of activities such as buying clothes, sweets, gifts, chocolates, etc.; the entire holiday season becomes a noteworthy event due to which sale period is often declared by various brands and retailers. Shopkeepers run offers





and schemes on clothes, electronic items and other products which can be exchanged as Christmas gifts. On Christmas day, schools and offices remain closed and many people are able to plan for a long outing during the festive season. The entire month of December gets coloured in the festive mood and the month brings with itself lots of happiness; thus, people wish each other by saying 'Merry Christmas' and embrace each other. People wish for each other happiness, prosperity, good health and good luck like Jesus taught everyone to spread the message of love and peace everywhere. Thus, the festival would continue to remain one of the favourite festivals for people around the world. At RISE, Christmas was celebrated with a lot of enthusiasm. It was celebrated on 24th December across all the RISE centres. All the children were told to wear red and white clothes to keep up the Christmas spirit. The children were given a brief introduction on how and why Christmas is celebrated. Afterwards, a play was prepared by the children on the theme of Christmas followed

by songs. The enthusiasm shown by the children was very high and could be seen by their excitement. After that the kids were distributed cake and chocolates. All the children made cards and posters on Christmas which were displayed in the class. Overall, the children enjoyed and celebrated Christmas enthusiastically. Children were inculcated with feelings of generosity, sharing and caring. Throughout the year, these kids work extremely hard not only in their studies and home but also to adopt the higher lifestyles of society – a life inspired & lead by privileged and upper class of the society. By imbibing Christmas values into their lives, they have surprised us with their inspiring levels of generosity and compassion



Hard work & Confidence gives success!!

Payal, 11 years, is one of the students of RISE-AROH Foundation. She lives in Sangam Vihar, Delhi with her two siblings and her parents. Payal's mother is a housewife and her father is a driver. Her father's monthly income is very low that he is only able to fulfil all the basic needs of their children including education but somehow, he is able to send all their children to school but is not able to afford for their tuitions. Payal is a very quiet girl. When she first came in the RISE centre, she had no interest in studying so obviously she was very weak in her studies too. She barely could write even a single alphabet. Her lethargic attitude towards studies was making things worse. Her Educator Ms Farhin had to adopt a different strategy for her. Emotional well-being was put in priority and so she was counselled a lot towards positive thinking and living. A grief struck Payal was shown positive aspects of life and then was introduced to pencil and letters. Once she was motivated enough, her learning ability also improved. She eventually became a normal student of the class. Now after 2 years in RISE, Payal is a happy and chirpy girl and shows continuous improvement in her grades too. She thanks her teacher Ms Farhin for this change.



She says, "I never knew I was so depressed and dull. Farhin mam helped me know a better life and shown me a different aspect of thinking. Now I want to study, learn, grow and earn for my family and help my parents and my siblings in supporting a better life for everyone in my family".



Agriculture Insurance Company of India Limited (AIC) was incorporated under the Indian Companies Act 1956 on 20th December, 2002 with an authorized share capital of INR 15 billion and paid up capital of INR 2 billion. AIC commenced business from 1st April, 2003. AIC has taken over the implementation of National Agricultural Insurance Scheme (NAIS) which, until FY 2002-03 was implemented by General Insurance Corporation of India. In addition, AIC also transacts other insurance businesses directly or indirectly concerning agriculture and its allied activities. AIC also works towards upliftment of marginalized sections of the society. Project RISE is CSR initiative of AIC which aims to provide better educational opportunities to underprivileged children.



AROH Foundation is a leading national-level NGO, strengthening government programmes and CSR initiatives of several corporates and PSEs by providing total integrated solutions - consulting, planning and implementing - for sustainable, inclusive development and growth of the needy and marginalized communities in several states of India for the past 12 years. AROH is an ISO 9001:2008 Certified organization, registered under Societies Registration Act, 1860.

RISE is a pioneering initiative designed by AROH Foundation, which recognizes the nation's concern of improvement of learning outcomes and universalisation of elementary education as of paramount importance, and strives to bring the deprived and marginalized or educationally backward children in backward villages and slums under the safety net of education through an innovative approach and Project-Based Learning Methodology.

