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(As per distribution list)

“KNOW YOUR ARMY” MELA AT SHIMLA : 15 & 16 JAN 2024

1. On the occasion of **Army Day-2024**, Headquarters Army Training Command (**HQ ARTRAC**), Shimla is organizing First ever “**KNOW YOUR ARMY” Mela** on **15 Jan 24 at Army Golf Course, Annandale** and on **16 Jan 24 at The Ridge, Shimla**. The event is aimed to showcase the **School Children** various Army equipment and witness the achievements of the Indian Army. The event will include the following events:-

Serial No	Event
<u>15 JANUARY 2024 (ARMY GOLF COURSE, ANNANDALE) : 0800 HRS ONWARDS</u>	
(a)	Sky Diving Demonstration by Army Adventure Wing
(b)	Army ‘Pipe Band’ Display
(c)	Display by Army ‘Kalaripayattu Team’ (Ancient Indian Martial Art)
(d)	Display by Army ‘Gatka Team’
(e)	Dog Show
(f)	Equipment/ Weapon Display Stalls
(g)	Information and Motivation Stalls
(j)	Food Court
<u>16 JAN 2024 (THE RIDGE, SHIMLA) : 1430HRS ONWARDS</u>	
(f)	Equipment/ Weapon Display
(g)	Drawing/ Painting Competition
(h)	Extempore Speech Competition for Adults/ children
(j)	Display by Army ‘Kalaripayattu Team’ (Ancient Indian Martial Art)
(k)	Display by Army ‘Gatka Team’
(l)	Army ‘Pipe Band’ Display
(m)	Chhavi Souvenir Shop
(n)	Display by Army Entrepreneurs

2. In view of the above, it is requested that **Wide Publicity** be given to **all Children at your School** and encourage them as well as staff members along with their families to witness the event on **15 &16 Jan 2024** to make the event a grand success.

3. Moreover, we may also request Children from your school to participate in the **Drawing/ Painting Competition** and **Extempore Speech Competition** scheduled on **16 Jan 24** as above at The Ridge, Shimla.

(Arpit Yadav)
Colonel
Colonel Adjutant

ARMY DAY CELEBRATION – 16 JANUARY 2024

***HQ ARTRAC in Collaboration with Keekli Book Club
presents***

Drawing/Painting & Extempore Competition for School/College Students

To inspire and educate the younger generation and to understand the importance of **Army Day**, HQ ARTRAC has curated a few events for children on **16 Jan 2024**, to be held at The Ridge, Shimla from **12:00 PM** onwards.

Participation for the following are invited:-

12:00 PM – 01:00 PM : Drawing/Painting Competition at Amateur Dramatics Club, The Ridge, Shimla

Age Category: JUNIOR: 6 – 12 yrs (Class 1 to 5) & SENIOR 13 – 17 yrs (Class 6 to 12)

Topics:

JUNIOR: (i) India Army Soldiers in War; (ii) My Country, My Army; (iii) Life in the Army

SENIOR: (i) Future Indian Army; (ii) Army in Nation Building; (iii) The Humanitarian Side : Army in Rescue Missions

- Participants to bring their own colours – crayons/sketch pens/markers
- No water/acrylic colours allowed.
- A3 Sheets will be provided.
- Limited seats, participation on first come basis.
- Winners will be awarded Medal of Appreciation and Certificate by HQ ARTRAC

01:00 PM – 02:00 PM : Extempore Speech Competition at The Ridge, Shimla

Age Category: JUNIOR: 13 – 17 yrs (Classes 7 to 12); SENIOR 17 – 22 yrs (College/University); ADULTS: Open To All, on the spot.

Topics: (i) Women in Military: Breaking Barriers; (ii) Role of Indian Army in Nation Building; (iv) Indian Army's Depiction in Indian Cinema; (v) Soldiers Beyond Borders: Indian Army's Humanitarian Missions

- Limited seats, participation on first come basis. Only 10 entries per category.
- Speaking time: 2-3 mins max.
- Impact of the idea and oratory skills will be judged.
- All participants will receive a Certificate after the event.

To register share your name, class, school name and whatsapp number on the following email : keekli.500@gmail.com

Last date for registration **14th January 2024**.