

## Press Release – GOONJ 2018

Delhi Public School, Gurgaon held the Fourth Annual Inter-School Cultural Fest-GOONJ 2018 on Thursday, 11<sup>th</sup> October. GOONJ provides a platform to the talented youth to explore, exhibit and showcase their talent in the field of music, dance, painting, sculpture and photography. Twelve schools from Delhi and NCR participated in the various events of this cultural extravaganza.

The fest commenced with the melodious composition by the School Choir, which won the Song of the Year award in the Itihaas Anveshan National Inter School Music Competition. The Principal, Ms. Aditi Misra in her inaugural address welcomed the participating schools and advised them to learn from each other and hone their skills. She further stated that the fest is called 'Goonj' because it echoes the spirit of joy and festivity of talent. She urged them to fill joy and colours in the life of their friends who are shy but inclined towards performing arts.

The events of the fest were judged by an esteemed panel of judges comprising of eminent personalities and expert alumni from the respective fields.

The event based on Indian folk song, 'Swaraagini' was judged by the alumni team - Ms. Himal Pandita and Ms. Shreya Malviya. 'Sanskriti' which was the event based on Indian Folk dance was judged by Ms. Chitra Purnapatre and alumna Ms. Gauri Mohan. Alumni team, Ms. Aatha Bangia and Ms. Seepika Khandelwal, adjudged the events' Hastakriti- hand painting and Shilpakriti -mixed art sculptor. 'Drishya' the event of photography and 'Chalchitra' the event of movie making was judged by Mr. Tushar Joneja, founder and Creative Director of Practical Dreamer and Alumna Akshay Raheja, Founder of Nature Studios.

DPS Gurgaon being the host school participated and did not compete in the events. The Rolling Trophy was awarded to DPS Sushant Lok, Gurgaon. The event partner of the fest was Pitamber Rising Sun Publishers.

A melodious presentation by the middle school choir, of the award winning song of the Itihaas Anveshan National Inter School Music Competition marked the closing of the cultural festivity.

