INTERNATIONAL DAY OF FORESTS-2021

Painting Competition under PRAKRATI
[5th April 2021]

International Day for Forests (IDF) is being celebrated every year on 21st March for awareness on the importance of forests and trees outside forests. This year also, the Forest research Institute, Dehradun celebrated the day with the centralized theme "Forest restoration: a path to recovery and well-being".

On this occasion, a painting competition was organized as part of PRAKRATI programme being conducted for students of Kendriya Vidyalaya and Navodaya Vidyalayas in the jurisdiction of FRI. Painting competition in two groups i.e. Junior group (6th to 8th class) and Senior group (9th to 12th class) was organized at respective schools with institutional theme "Healthy Forests for Healthy Humanity" and best three (03) entries were sent to FRI by 20th March 2021.

Following painting entries have been received in office:

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<th>Total KV/NV schools participated</th>
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The received paintings physically as well as online mode were evaluated by a committee of following members constituted by the Director, FRI:

Chairman- Ms. Kanchan Devi, Deputy Director General (Education), ICFRE
Secretary- Mr. Deepak Mishra, Head, Extension Division, FRI
Member- Dr. Charan Singh, Scientist F, Extension Division, FRI
Member- Ms. Priti Singh, Drawing Teacher, JNV, Shankarpur, Sahaspur, Dehradun
Member- Mr. Gaurav Rawat, Drawing Teacher, KV Birpur, Garhi Cantt., Dehradun
Member- Ms. Heena Kumari, Drawing Teacher, KV No. 2, Survey of India, Hathibarlaka, Dehradun
Member Secretary- Dr. Devendra Kumar, Scientist E, Extension Division, FRI

Evaluation of paintings by Committee was done on 5th April, 2021 in Extension Hall, Forest Research Institute, Dehradun. At the start of the meeting a brief introduction and welcome address was given by Member Secretary Dr. Devendra Kumar, Scientist E, Extension Division, FRI. Thereafter, all the members introduced themselves. Every painting was displayed before Evaluation Committee and accordingly, all paintings received were evaluated by Evaluation
Committee. The vote of thanks was delivered by Member Secretary Dr. Devendra Kumar, Scientist E, Extension Division, FRI to all the Experts members and made closing announcement.

The marks obtained by students in painting competition are being summarized for comparison to select best entries for award. Results of painting competition will be declared shortly after approval of competent authority and prizes to winners will be distributed in due course.

The Team of Extension Division including Shri Preetpal Singh, Forest Range Officer, Shri Anil Kumar, Technician, Shri Yatharth Dulgacha, MTS and others have done commendable work during the meeting of committee.

Glimpses of Evaluation Committee meeting
Painting Competition under PRAKRATI on occasion of IDF-2021-Evaluation team