

SARGAM 2018

A State Level Inter-Collegiate cultural fest

Theme: Krishna Leela

New Horizon Educational Institutions hosted a state level inter-collegiate fest - "SARGAM2018" on 28th and 29th of September 2018, which has now become a very popular annual cultural event, providing a platform for young and creative minds, to bring out their hidden talents in the true spirit of healthy competition. This year's very special and unique theme was '**Krishna Leela-Magic of the Flute**'.

Sargam-2018 was inaugurated by Shri. Vasudeva Keshavadasa, Vice President of ISKCON, Bengaluru on the 28th of September 2018 at 10.30am. In his address to the audience, he enlightened the eclectic gathering on the cultural values which Lord Krishna symbolized and bequeathed to the world and which have become the trade mark of the affectionate mischievous '*Makkanchor*'.

Dr. Mohan Manghnani, Chairman of New Horizon Educational Institutions declared that the fest is open to all the students and faculty members to avail of this golden opportunity to explore the essence of life.

The theme 'Krishna Leela', for Sargam 2018 like previous years challenged and entertained students with a host of competitive events. A total number of 18 competitions ranging from one star to five stars, like Painting, Mime, Singing (group), Freeze IT (photography), Short Movie making, Switch Foot, DJ wars, Street dance, Shark Tank, Battle of Bands, Contemporary Dance (group) Street Play (group), Computer Gaming, Story writing, Turn Coat, Spot Light and the Mega event **Krishnavatar** were organized on the New Horizon College of Engineering Campus.

On entering the campus in the early hours of the morning on 28th September, one was transported to the Brindavan Gardens like it might have been five millennia ago. The green grassy lawns of the campus were bedecked with all the signs and symbols related to the naughty loveable Bala Krishna. The entire ambience was so authentic and opulent that everyone felt a deep connection and feeling of oneness with the aura of Gopinandana.

An array of food stalls doling out sumptuous, delicious and lip smacking snacks, offered a blend of gastronomic delights to all the young lovers of food. The prettily lit up food stalls had a tough time catering to the needs of each and every foodie.

The highlights of this mega fest were of course the spectacular events which offered a feast to the varied participants' and spectators' senses and sensibilities.

Krishnavatar: This mega event was undoubtedly an extraordinary event performed by eleven groups/ colleges. It was a joyful and colorful event depicting with various stories of Krishna, from birth to Vishwarupa. All the **Leelas** were supported with background music and dance. The judge Ms. **Mayuri Dixit** a famous contemporary dancer, had a tough time in selecting the best teams from the rest, for awarding the prize amount of **one lakh rupees**. There were around 10,000+ spectators for this event.

The first prize winner was New Horizon College, Marathahalli with Cash prize of Rs.75.000

The second prize bagged by JyothiNivas College and New Horizon College Kasturinagar.

Overall trophy was bagged by New Horizon College of Engineering.

The best performing college was Christ University, Bannerghatta Campus.

Juke box was a wonderful opportunity for all the students from various colleges to explore a multitude of creative practices from dance to fashion and much more, each and every student enjoyed this event.

To bring down the curtains of this extravagant event of 2018, there was a DJ night and live music concert by Mr. Zaeden and the Kakkar sisters-Ms. Prakriti and Ms. Sukriti from 6.30 pm onwards on 29th September 2018, which drew a crowd of 15000+ spectators from the IT field, Alumni of New Horizon Educational Institutions and students from many other colleges in Karnataka.

Finally all the excitement, the thrills, the high spirited energy and enthusiasm that had marked a month long planning and preparation period leading to the annual mega event of Sargam 2018 was neatly wrapped up on the evening of the 29th September 2018. This superbly crafted and brilliantly executed show turned out to be a “Mother of all Bangalore’s College Events”. This unparalleled and incomparable show was entirely by the students, for the students and of the students.

Every event had a maximum number of colleges and collegians participating. The eagerly awaited announcements of winners of the events were greeted by loud cheering and clapping and thundering rounds of applause from the students and audience. But the leading team who stole the thunder at SARGAM 2018 was none other than our very own

New Horizon College of Engineering!!!