

5-Day Winter Camp at Maan Village: A Resounding Success in Holistic Learning

Maan Village, Pangong – February 18, 2025: The 45-day winter camp at Maan Village, Pangong, concluded with great success, marking a significant step towards alternative learning and holistic development for local students. Organized by Royal Enfield and SLC, with the support of Shri Konchok Stanzin, Councillor Chushul Constituency, and executed by Youth Accord Maan Pangong, the camp provided a unique educational platform beyond traditional classroom learning.

The camp, which ran from January 5th to February 18th, featured a well-rounded curriculum designed to foster creativity, teamwork, and personal growth. The closing ceremony was honored by Councillor Konchok Stanzin, who commended the initiative for its role in empowering local youth.

Enriching Learning Through Diverse Activities

Participants engaged in a range of co-curricular activities, including:

- Singing and dancing to enhance artistic expression
- Team-building exercises to develop leadership and collaboration skills
- Personality development workshops to boost confidence and self-awareness
- Ice hockey training to promote physical fitness and sportsmanship
- Exploration of Ladakh's flora and fauna to deepen environmental awareness
- Field visits and border tours to highlight the region's cultural and strategic significance
- Cultural activities to preserve and celebrate Ladakh's rich traditions

Key Highlights & Impact

The camp was a transformative experience for students, offering an experiential learning environment that encouraged hands-on engagement and skill development. Notable outcomes included:

- The introduction of ice hockey training, inspiring students to embrace a new sport and fostering a spirit of teamwork.
- Field visits and border tours, which provided a deeper understanding of Ladakh's heritage and its geographical importance.
- Cultural activities that played a crucial role in preserving local customs and traditions, instilling pride in the region's identity.

A Model for Future Learning Initiatives

The success of the Maan Village Winter Camp highlights the potential of alternative education models in remote regions. By blending education with experiential and cultural learning, the initiative has empowered students with confidence, creativity, and a sense of responsibility.

Speaking at the closing ceremony, Councillor Konchok Stanzin praised the collaborative efforts of Royal Enfield, SLC, and Youth Association Maan Pangong in making this initiative a reality. "This camp has provided a much-needed platform for our youth to learn, grow, and connect with their heritage while developing essential life skills," he stated.

Encouraged by the camp's success, stakeholders hope to expand similar initiatives in the future, ensuring continued opportunities for holistic education in Ladakh.

