

“Tiranga, My Pride” Painting Competition held in Drass; DC Encourages Students to Focus on Education and Stay Away from Drugs

Drass, August 12, 2026: As part of the ongoing Har Ghar Tiranga campaign, a vibrant painting competition themed “Tiranga, My Pride” was organised today in the Higher Secondary School Complex in Drass witnessing enthusiastic participation from students.

Students of Government Degree College, Army Goodwill School, Mutahhary Public School, Higher Secondary School, Gulshan-e-Raza Public School, Government Middle School and other institutions participated enthusiastically in the competition.

The programme was attended by Deputy Commissioner, Imteeaz Kacho; Tehsildar (HQ) Abdul Aziz; Principal, Higher Secondary School; Deputy General Manager, PGCIL-Drass, Asif Amin; Naib Tehsildar (HQ), Ibrahim Khan; Director, Physical Education & Sports, Government Degree College; Panchayat Inspector, Nawang Tashi Tashi; teachers, faculty members and other officials.

During the competition, students showcased their creativity and patriotic spirit through impressive wall paintings and paintings on paper reflecting the significance of the National Flag, patriotism, unity and national pride. The students also briefly explained the ideas, messages and inspiration behind their artwork.

The Deputy Commissioner interacted with the participating students, closely observed their paintings and sought to know the concepts and messages portrayed through their artwork. As a symbolic gesture of participation and encouragement, he added his hand-print impression to one of the artworks.

Addressing the gathering, the Deputy Commissioner appreciated the creativity, confidence and enthusiasm displayed by the students and expressed the confidence they exuded. He lauded their artistic talent and encouraged them to continue developing their abilities while maintaining a strong focus on education.

The Deputy Commissioner emphasized the importance of trust and respect for teachers, stating that teachers hold a highly respected position in society and play a crucial role in shaping the character and future of students. He advised the students to continuously work on themselves, sharpen their skills and strive to become responsible and confident individuals.

Highlighting the importance of education and reading habits, the Deputy Commissioner encouraged students to make effective use of libraries and other educational resources to broaden their knowledge and outlook. He also sensitised the students about the serious consequences of drug abuse and urged them to stay away from harmful substances and make healthy and constructive choices. He further encouraged students to remain resilient during difficult situations, seek appropriate support when needed and continue pursuing their goals with confidence and determination.

The programme concluded with the distribution of prizes, sponsored by Deputy General Manager, PGCIL-Drass, Asif Amin, to students whose paintings were

adjudged outstanding, recognising their creativity, artistic excellence and meaningful representation of the tricolour.

The event served as a vibrant platform to nurture creativity among students while strengthening the values of patriotism, national unity, respect for the tricolour and responsible citizenship.

