

## **8th Edition of 45 Days Winter Camp 2025 organised by Youth Association Kanji concludes in Kanji Councillor Lamayuru presides over as the Chief Guest**

15th Feb, 2025:- The 8th Edition of the Winter Camp organised by Youth Association Kanji concluded today with a zealous closing ceremony at Kanji Village. Councillor Lamayuru Constituency, LAHDC graced the occasion as the Chief Guest.

The Kanji Winter Camp started by Youth Association Kanji - YAK in the year 2017 has been a continuous effort of the youth organisation making it run successfully for the past 8 years. The 2025 8th edition of the Winter Camp, which ran for 45 days had 55 registered kid participants from Kanji Village.

Besides Alternative Skill based learning, the students get exposed to STEM Education, SEE Learning, Cultural Preservation, IT Technology, Leadership and Confidence Classes, Ice Hockey Coaching and Academics Counselling etc.

The Camp was supported by Royal Enfield and Eicher Group Foundation through its NGO Partners Snow leopard conservatory indian trust(SLCIT) & Leh Nutrition Plant (LNP) who helped the organisers with facilitators training and ice hockey camps.

The Closing Function saw an ice hockey exhibition match between the under 15 YAK Black and YAK White teams, besides an on ice Cultural dance presentation by the under 12 kids.

Various Self Composed Cultural Programs and Class Projects, learnt during the 45 days camp were also presented during the closing ceremony.

President, Youth Association Kanji in his speech said "With Each growing year we are also learning with the kids and also gives us the encouragement to continue such camps in the future also, in which we see the kids learn, have fun and are eager to be back to their root village far away from the modernised hustle world. Our efforts in the last 8 years have resulted in upgrading the admission roll of MS Kanji, Producing more confident Youths and were able to produce Ice Hockey players to represent both Nationally at UT Level and India at International levels"..

Chief guest for the occasion, Dr Morup Dorjey, Hon'ble Councillor, Lamayuru Constituency LAHDC Leh while addressing the occasion congratulated the youths of Kanji for their exemplary dedication in serving back to their village. He assured full support to YAK Kanji for all its future endeavours and also addressed some major contributions he has rendered within his capacity for the upliftment for remote villages like Kanji.

Thinles Angmo, Education Head of Snow Leopard Conservatory India Trust & Tsering Dolker, Program Coordinator EGF(Royal Enfield) Leh was also present during the function and addressed the gathering.

The Closing Function saw several cultural programs and concluded with the Tashis Dance by YAK members with hope for a better 9th Edition of the same camp next year.



