

## **Report- 'Ek Bharat Shrestha Bharat' Programme**

The 'Ek Bharat Shrestha Bharat' Programme (EBSB) aims to celebrate the cultural diversity of India through mutual interaction and reciprocity between the people of different states and union territories. Keeping in view the aim, DPS Gurgaon celebrated Andhra Pradesh Week (19<sup>th</sup> July – 27<sup>th</sup> July '22) to showcase the rich heritage and culture as well as the customs and traditions of Andhra Pradesh, thereby enabling students to understand and appreciate diversity to foster a sense of common identity. Various interesting and engrossing activities were conducted for the students of classes VI-VIII in order to promote the spirit of national integration through a deep and structured engagement in the spheres of cuisine, wildlife, flora-fauna, music, dance, theatre, movies, handicrafts, sports, literature, festivals, painting, sculpture etc.

At the onset, students got a glimpse of the culture and heritage of Andhra Pradesh through a PowerPoint Presentation which showcased music, dance, architecture, culinary practices, social reformers, famous personalities, art & craft, and the rich culture of the state. This was followed by class quizzes which not only challenged the students' intellectual abilities, but also their knowledge and presence of mind on different aspects of Andhra Pradesh. Each Subject Department organised varied student-centric activities to ensure cultural exchange among the students during the week.

The programme witnessed enthusiastic participation of the students in the diverse activities like Kolam (rangoli) making, collage making, poster making, preparing brochure, showcasing exhibits and food etc. The activities strengthened their research abilities and helped them to get the deeper knowledge of Andhra Pradesh. These engaging activities were full of fun as well as infused learning in the classroom and fostered the spirit of national integration among the students. There was a display of artefacts, handicrafts, cuisines, traditional dresses, jewellery etc. enabling both students and teachers to learn and acknowledge the rich heritage and culture of Andhra Pradesh.

Students were appreciated for their excellent performances in EBSB activities which reflected their understanding of the state of Andhra Pradesh.



