

PALAMPUR SCIENCE CENTRE, PALAMPUR
(A Unit of National Council of Science Museums)

Activity Report for the Month of November 2022

Celebration of World Science Day for Peace and Development

10th November, 2022

World science day for peace and development is celebrated each year on 10th of November globally. It is a United Nations prescribed event that is held to mark the significant and indispensable role that science plays in our societies to maintain peace and promote development. Year 2022 is being celebrated on the theme of 'Basic Sciences for Sustainable Development'. To mark this occasion Palampur Science Centre organized a **popular science lecture** on the theme 'Basic Sciences for Sustainable Development'. The lecture was delivered by Er. Mohit Sharma, Principal Scientist, CSIR-IHBT. The orator explained about the basic sciences, their history, branches, significant aspects and achievement. He also highlighted some concurrent issues of greater public interest like climate change, melting of glaciers, acid rains, plastic waste, corona virus, avalanches, landslides, torrential rains etc. and also briefed about the role of basic sciences in solving these issues. After the completion of the lecture, an **open house quiz** was held on basic sciences and their role in sustainable development. Various question related to environment, ecology, chemistry, mathematics etc. were asked and the students who gave correct answers were facilitated with the prizes on the spot. The participants were provided with the e-certificates of participation after the completion of the programme.

Himachal Pradesh State Level Science Drama Contest

25th November, 2022

Himachal Pradesh State Level Science Drama Contest is the latest addition in the already popular science drama competition held nationwide by National Council of Science Museums through different Science Centres. This year's State Level Science drama contest was held at Palampur Science Centre. In this event **06** schools of Himachal Pradesh participated out of which 3 were government schools while the other 3 were private schools. As the chief guest Prof. Anita Singh, Dean, College of Basic Sciences, CSK Himachal Pradesh Krishi Vishvavidyalaya, Palampur was present. Along with her Sh. Trilok Mehra and Sh. Shamsheer Singh also gave their gracious presence. All teams performed well and highlighted concurrent issues like pandemic, corona virus,

covid vaccination, technological innovation for improving quality of life etc. in this competition, Govt. Sr. Sec. School, Averi got first prize, while the second position secured by Viveka foundations school, mansimbal and Cambridge International School was on third place. All the participants were facilitated with the participation certificates.