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Republic Day Celebrations 2024: National School Band Competition winners declared

Odisha & Rajasthan schools secure top spots in Pipe Band Girls & Pipe Band Boys categories respectively; Kerala & Sikkim schools bag best Brass Band Girls & Brass Band Boys awards

The winners of National School Band Competition, which was jointly organised by Ministry of Defence & Ministry of Education at Major Dhyan Chand National Stadium, New Delhi as part of Republic Day celebrations 2024, have been announced. The winners are as follows:

S No	School	Cash Prize	
Pipe Band Boys			
1.	PM SHRI School Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalaya, Suratgarh, Sriganganagar, Rajasthan	Rs 21,000/-	
2.	Andhra Pradesh Social Welfare Residential School, Arugolanu, West Godavari, Andhra Pradesh	Rs 16,000/-	
3.	Govt. Mizo High School, Aizawl, Mizoram	Rs 11,000/-	
4.	Maharaja Agarsain Public School, Ashok Vihar, North Delhi	Rs 3,000/- (Consolation Prize)	

Brass Band Girls			
1.	St. Teresa's Higher Secondary School, Kannur, Kerala	Rs 21,000/-	
2.	City Montessori School, Kanpur Road Campus, Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh	Rs 16,000/-	
3.	St. Xavier's Higher Secondary School, Pathaliaghat, Sepahijala, Tripura	Rs 11,000/-	
4.	Carmel Convent Senior Secondary School, Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh	Rs 3,000/- (Consolation Prize)	
	Pipe Band Girls		
1.	Droupadi Girls High School, Nishaposi, Mayurbhanj, Odisha	Rs 21,000/-	
2.	Shri Swaminarayan Kanya Vidya Mandir, Bhuj, Gujarat	Rs 16,000/-	
3.	PM SHRI Kendriya Vidyalaya MEG & Centre, St. Johns Road Sivan Chetty Garden, Bengaluru, Karnataka	Rs 11,000/-	
4.	Queen Mary's School, Tis Hazari, New Delhi	Rs 3,000/- (Consolation Prize)	
	Brass Band Boys		
1.	Govt. Sr. Secondary School, West Point, Gangtok, Sikkim	Rs 21,000/-	

2.	Amalorpavan Higher Secondary School, Vanarapet, Pondicherry, Puducherry	Rs 16,000/-
3.	Don Bosco High School & Junior College, Vikhroli, Mumbai, Maharashtra	Rs 11,000/-
4.	DAV Public School, Hamirpur, Himachal Pradesh	Rs 3,000/- (Consolation Prize)

Secretary, Department of School Education & Literacy Shri Sanjay Kumar gave away the cash prizes to the winners along with a trophy, and certificates. The jury appointed by the Ministry of Defence, which included members from each wing of the Armed Forces, selected the winners of the competition upon the culmination of the grand finale held on January 21 & 22, 2024.

In addition to the participating teams, there was a special performance by Government Sardar Patel Senior Secondary School, Kalpeni, Lakshadweep.

The competition was organised at three levels viz. State, Zonal and conducted by all the States/Union Territories (UTs) for all schools (CBSE, ICSE, KVS, NVS, and Sainik schools etc). Four hundred and eighty six (486) teams, comprising 12,857 children, participated at the State-Level Competition, while 73 teams of 2,002 children took part at the Zonal Level. Four hundred and fifty seven (457) students of schools from 15 States/Union Territories took part in the Grand Finale. This competition was aimed at rejuvenating the spirit of patriotism and unity amongst children in schools throughout the country and motivating them on the path of holistic education.

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