

**PRESS INFORMATION BUREAU (DEFENCE WING)
GOVERNMENT OF INDIA**

‘हर काम देश के नाम’

New Delhi, Pausha 22, 1945
Friday, January 12, 2024

Chief of Defence Staff Visits NCC Republic Day Camp 2024

**NCC is the largest uniformed youth organization in the world with over 17
Lakh Cadets: CDS**

General Anil Chauhan, Chief of Defence Staff (CDS) visited the NCC Republic Day Camp 2024 at Delhi Cantt on January 12, 2024. After being received by DG NCC, Lt Gen Gurbirpal Singh, the CDS reviewed an impressive ‘Guard of Honour’ by the Cadets drawn from all the three Wings of NCC i.e. Army, Navy and Air Force, followed by a brilliant band display by the girl Cadets of BITS, Pilani.

Speaking on the occasion, the Chief of Defence Staff praised the cadets for presenting an impressive ‘Guard of Honour’, exemplary turnout and immaculate drill. He stated that NCC true to its motto of ‘Unity & Discipline’ has grown from a modest beginning into the largest uniformed youth organization in the world with over 17 Lakh Cadets. He lauded the NCC’s contribution in inculcating the qualities of Discipline, Leadership and Camaraderie amongst the youth of this country.

He highlighted the commendable efforts of NCC cadets in Nation Building and their significant contribution in activities such as ‘International Yoga Day’, ‘Har Ghar Tiranga’, ‘Puneet Sagar Abhiyan’ and other similar placed initiatives. He also mentioned about participation of NCC cadets in sports and adventure activities which have been vital ingredients of NCC curriculum. He was happy to learn about the achievements where NCC cadet teams participated in Subroto Cup and Jawahar Lal Nehru Hockey Championship. He also complimented the NCC cadets for winning Medals in the Mavlankar Shooting Championship.

He advised the NCC cadets to strive for excellence and to be optimistic in life not worrying about success or failure.

The CDS inspected the well laid out ‘Flag Area’, prepared by the cadets from all 17 NCC Directorates, depicting various social awareness themes. He was briefed by the cadets on their respective models. The General along with other distinguished guests also, witnessed a spectacular ‘Cultural Programme’ by the talented cadets in the NCC auditorium.

ABB/GC/KB