COMMEMORATING THE 50TH BIRTH ANNIVERSARY OF SHAHEED CAPTAIN VIKRAM BATRA

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Venue: SCVB Government College, Palampur

The **SCVB Government College, Palampur**, proudly commemorated the 50th Birth Anniversary of **Shaheed Captain Vikram Batra PVC (Posthumously)** on September 9, 2024, with deep respect and national pride. The event served as a heartfelt tribute to the unmatched bravery and supreme sacrifice of one of India's most gallant sons. As part of this annual tradition, inter-college competitions were organized, drawing enthusiastic participation from **16 colleges** across the **Kangra district**. These competitions fostered a spirit of healthy rivalry, unity, and creative expression among students, echoing the heroic spirit of Captain Vikram Batra.



The celebration commenced with the **lamp-lighting ceremony**, graced by the esteemed Chief Guest, **Shri Girdhari Lal Batra**, the **respected father of Shaheed Captain Vikram Batra**, along with other dignitaries and faculty members. His presence added a deep sense of pride, emotional depth, and patriotic spirit to the occasion. The heartfelt tributes were paid to the valiant martyrs of Himachal Pradesh — Shaheed Captain Vikram Batra, Shaheed Major Sudhir Walia, and Shaheed Captain Saurabh Kalia — for their unparalleled bravery and sacrifice in service of the nation.



The prize distribution ceremony honoured the winners of various inter-college events for their outstanding achievements. The Participants from 16 colleges showcased their talent in **Poetic Recitation** and **Pahadi Folk Song competitions**, impressing everyone with their performances.

The occasion was further enriched by cultural performances by the talented students of **SCVB GC Palampur**, who presented soulful music, energetic dance, and patriotic acts, leaving the audience thoroughly mesmerized. A moment of great honour was marked by the address of **Shri Girdhari Lal Batra**, the **proud father of a martyr**, whose presence brought a deep sense of respect and patriotism to the event. In his address, he shared valuable insights on the importance of integrity, perseverance, and the pivotal role of education in shaping responsible citizens.



The proudest moment for the host institution came when **SCVB Government College**, **Palampur** was declared the **Overall Trophy Winner**, highlighting the dedication, competitive spirit, and excellence of its students. The **Principal Dr. Mahinder Pal** addressed the gathering with an inspiring speech. He also congratulated the participants and faculty for their contributions in making the event a grand success. The **Vote of Thanks** was delivered by **Prof. Arun Chander**, **Senior Faculty Member**, who expressed heartfelt gratitude to the Chief Guest, dignitaries, faculty, students, and all those who contributed to the success of the event. The lunch hosted in honour of the Chief Guest marked the graceful conclusion of the celebration.