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Urdu Mushaira

REPORT

On September 14, 2023, the debates and cultural committee of the college, in collaboration with the Jammu and Kashmir Academy of Art, Culture and Languages, organized a *Mega Urdu Mushaira, a sui generis*. This was the second out of a series of three such programmes organized by the above mentioned academy and the only in the series in North Kashmir. The event included the singing of the college tarana and a welcome song and took place in the college auditorium under the chairmanship of the worthy principal, Prof (Dr.) Salma Ahad.

The event was presided over by famous dignitaries that included the ex-divisional commissioner of Kashmir, Masood Hassan Samoon, ex-SSP, Hassan Anzar, ex-executive programmer All India Radio, Dr. Shabnum Ashai. A large galaxy of renowned and prominent poets of various professional backgrounds from different parts of North Kashmir recited their compositions and added feathers to the cap of the event. The college auditorium was filled to its capacity with audience who listened to the poetic compositions with a lot of enthusiasm. The audience included guests from various colleges and students from the host college.

A good number of students also read out their poetic compositions. The entire event, which began at 11:00 am and concluded at 5:00 pm, was moderated beautifully by a well-known Urdu poet, Gulzar Jafri. Prof. (Dr.) Aijaz Fareed and Prof. Gh Rasool Dar also recited a few poems which were hailed/applauded by the audience with huge rounds of applause.

The guests were served a sumptuous lunch by the host college. The academy members thanked the college principal, the staff and the students for their sincere and valuable efforts that made the event possible and successful. Salim Salik, from the academy presented the vote of thanks and emphatically put on record that their proposal of conducting the *Mushaira* was warmly welcomed by the principal. The academy also expressed great pleasure at the endeavours of the debates and culture committee, the discipline committee, the protocol committees, the NSS wing, and the NCC wings of the college for making it a successful event.



The event also witnessed an official book release of a book authored by Dr. Wahid Ahmad Sheikh of the department of Persian.

