BIRLA PUBLIC SCHOOL PRINCIPAL'S REPORT 2025

A very good evening to our honoured Chief Guest Dr. Jai Prakash Agarwal; our distinguished Director Major General S. S. Nair, AVSM (Retd.); respected Deputy Director (Finance) Mr. Gaur: colleague Principals of sister institutions under the Birla Education Trust; ; esteemed Members of the BET; distinguished members of the media; dear parents; esteemed colleagues; cherished alumni; and my beloved students.

It gives me immense pleasure and pride to stand before you this evening to present the Annual Report for the session 2025–26, a reflection of our collective commitment, perseverance, and pursuit of excellence at Birla Public School, Pilani.

As we gather to celebrate yet another year of growth, learning, and achievement, we bow in reverence to our visionary founder, **Late Shri Ghanshyam Das Birla ji**, whose ideals continue to light our way. His timeless words —

"All the treasure in the world is worthless, unless you have someone to share it with" — remind us that the true essence of education lies in sharing knowledge, fostering empathy, and shaping character.

Guided by the dynamic leadership of **Syt. B. K. Birla ji**, **Syt. S. K. Birla ji**, **Mrs. Sumangala Birla**, **Syt. Siddharath Birla ji** and the **Birla Education Trust**, we take pride in upholding the noble ideals of our motto — "*Shraddha*, *Gyan*, *Karam*" — Faith, Knowledge, and Action. With these values at our core, we remain steadfast in our mission to nurture every Birlaite into a compassionate, capable, and conscientious individual.

This evening, we are deeply honoured to welcome our Chief Guest, Dr. Jai Prakash Agarwal, one of our most distinguished alumni — a renowned oncologist, researcher, and academician, presently serving as Professor and Head of Radiation Oncology at Tata Memorial Hospital, Mumbai. His professional excellence and humanitarian spirit serve as a beacon of inspiration for all our students. We are privileged to have you among us today, Sir.

We extend heartfelt gratitude to the Birla Education Trust, to our Director Major General S. S. Nair, Deputy Director (Finance) Mr. Gaur, Colleague Principals and to all associated institutions — BITS, CEERI, the Birla Museum, RSEB, CMO, Birla Sarvajanik Hospital, M. S. Singhi Eye Hospital, the District Administration, the local Police and all stakeholders in Pilani — for their unwavering support.

I also extend sincere appreciation to my colleagues — the Headmaster Mr. Susant Baral, Bursar-Mr. Mahesh Pandey, Dean of Pastoral care-Mr. Sadanand Tyagi, Academic & Assistant academic, Examination, MUN, Round Square and AFS coordinators, faculty members, HODs and the administrative and support staff — for their tireless efforts in shaping the lives of our

students with dedication and affection.

To our parents, I convey my deepest thanks for your unflinching support, cooperation, and faith in the school's vision. Your encouragement strengthens our resolve to create a nurturing and value-based environment for every child.

We take immense pride in acknowledging **VINOBA** — **our esteemed Alumni Association** — whose unwavering commitment and affection continue to illuminate the path for their alma mater. Their active involvement and goodwill are a true source of strength and inspiration for our school community. We express our deep gratitude to **Mr. Sumit Kumar**, President of VINOBA, and **Mr. Arun Kumar Khandelia**, Ex-President, for their steadfast support and enduring dedication. The strong bond our alumni share with the institution stands as a shining testament to the values and spirit that define our school.

A special word of thanks to the members of the media for their constructive support in sharing our achievements and initiatives with the wider community.

With these words, I present before you the Annual Report 2025–26, which chronicles the academic, co-curricular, cultural, and sporting achievements of our school during the year — achievements that bear testimony to the hard work of our students, the guidance of our teachers, and the support of the entire Birla Public School community.

ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

The academic year reflected sustained scholastic strength. In Class XII, 94 students appeared, recording remarkable averages across streams — Science 78.74, Commerce 72.90, and Humanities 82.40. Several students achieved centum scores, including four in Painting, eight in Music, three in Artificial Intelligence, and one in Accountancy — a testament to their diligence and to the mentorship of their teachers.

The Science stream topper, Master Priyanshu, secured 98.2%, while the Commerce stream topper, Master Harshit, scored 98%. The Humanities topper, Master Amber, attained 90%, upholding the strong academic standards of BPS.

In the Class X Examination, Master Vatsal and Master Krishna topped the batch with 94%. Several students secured distinctions and a number of them achieved centum scores in subjects such as Painting, Music, Artificial Intelligence, and Accountancy. The overall school average was 75.41.

Let the applause reflect our pride and appreciation for the consistency of these results mirrors the school's academic rigour and our commitment to fostering curiosity and conceptual understanding.

SPORTS AND GAMES

From tracks to turfs, our young sportsmen carried the Birla banner high.

At the IPSC Swimming Meet hosted by The Lawrence School, Sanawar, our swimmers returned with a silver and a bronze medal.

In the IPSC Basketball Tournaments, both U-17 and U-19 teams distinguished themselves — with one player from each category earning selection to the SGFI Nationals, at MBRS Guwahati and The Maan School, Delhi respectively.

Our footballers shone brilliantly: at the IPSC Football Tournament held at Genesis Global School, Delhi, BPS Pilani emerged winners, defeating the hosts 3–1, with Master Prakhar's hattrick sealing the victory.

The U-14 team performed creditably at The Emerald Heights School, Indore, reaching the quarter-finals,

while in the U-19 event at Daly College, Indore, three boys — Sumit Rana, Shivam Sharma, and Aryan Kumar — earned SGFI selection.

Archers of BPS dominated the IPSC Archery Championship at Mayo College Boys', Ajmer, winning 23 medals — 10 gold, 9 silver, and 4 bronze — and securing first place in both U-19 and U-17 categories and the runner-up position in U-14.

In Lawn Tennis, hosted by Emerald Heights International School, Indore, our players advanced to the pre-quarter finals.

At the MFT U-19 Football Tournament, also at Emerald Heights, our boys played valiantly to a 3–3 draw before narrowly missing victory in extra time.

Thirteen boxers made it to the SGFI Nationals following outstanding performances in the IPSC Boxing Trials held at Pilani.

In the **Volleyball Federation of India's U-15 National Trials** held on **26th and 27th August 2025**, three of our students made us proud with their spirited performance. We are delighted to share that **Master Harsh Vardhan Singhania of Class IX** was **selected for the Indian Team trials** — a moment of great pride for our school! Let's give him a big round of applause for this remarkable achievement!

Our Volleyball U-19 team lifted the IPSC Runner-up trophy at Emerald Heights, while young yogis achieved distinction in the Jhunjhunu District Yogasana Championship and **Rajasthan**

Junior & Sub Junior Yogasana Sports Championship 2025, earning multiple gold, silver, and bronze medals.

At the **Jhunjhunu District Open Swimming Championship** hosted by **Birla School Pilani**, our swimmers made us proud by emerging as **Overall Champions**, winning **8 gold**, **7 silver**, **and 3 bronze medals**.

In equestrian sports, under the guidance of Capt. Gulab Singh Rathore (Retd.), our students trained in cross-country riding, dressage, and show-jumping at the Malani Equestrian Sports Academy, Jaipur — an experience that nurtured discipline and courage.

At the **Mayo College Junior Football Tournament**, our young footballers displayed exceptional skill, teamwork, and determination, making us proud by emerging as **Runners-up**.

Our teams brought pride to the school with a series of victories — winning the **Handball** match against BITS Pilani, the Friendly Cricket match against Rakesh Academy, and the Handball Invitational Tournament at Jhunjhunu. In the BITS BOSM Handball Tournament, Team BPSP A remained unbeaten in all league matches, while Team BPSP B secured the bronze medal — a proud display of skill, teamwork, and determination.

Further laurels came from inter-BET arenas: At the **Inter-BET Swimming Championship** hosted by **Birla School Pilani**, our swimmers delivered an exceptional performance, securing the title of **Overall Runners-up** with an impressive tally of **9 gold**, **6 silver**, **and 13 bronze medals** — a true testament to their grit, grace, and dedication in the pool!

In the Inter-BET Basketball Tournament, both Under-19 and Under-17 boys emerged champions, while younger teams also triumphed in their categories — a true sweep of titles.

Our teams continued their winning momentum in the Inter-BET Football Championship (senior winners, junior third place) and the Inter-BET Volleyball Championship (first position).

Let's give a thunderous round of applause to our athletes for making us proud!

CO-CURRICULAR ACHIEVEMENTS

Our young diplomats made their mark in several **Model United Nations Conferences** this year, showcasing confidence, intellect, and global awareness. Students of **Birla Public School, Pilani** actively participated in prestigious platforms such as the **Scindia MUN**, **Mayo MUN**, **Doon MUN**, and the **Harvard Model United Nations**, **Dubai**. Engaging with delegates from across India and abroad, they not only learned but also demonstrated debating skills, diplomacy, and leadership. Their participation in these esteemed conferences provided invaluable exposure to global issues and international dialogue — a proud reflection of the school's commitment to nurturing articulate and informed global citizens.

In collaboration with **AFS India**, ten of our students participated in a **national workshop aimed at nurturing a global vision and intercultural understanding**, furthering our mission of preparing responsible, empathetic, and globally-minded citizens. In AFS initiatives, ten students took part in Timesnap, with Master Mugilan earning a Special Mention Award.

The **Round Square spirit** continued to flourish at **Birla Public School, Pilani**, through active participation in a series of **Zoom Postcard sessions** hosted by partner schools around the world. Our students engaged in meaningful global dialogues on diverse themes such as *Sustainable Cities, Acts of Kindness, Breaking Stereotypes, People–Power–and the Planet: Can Democracy Tackle the Climate Emergency?*, and *The Olympics Beyond Athletics.* These enriching interactions fostered cultural understanding, compassion, and collaborative problem-solving among our students.

Our learners also showcased innovation and insight in the **Round Square Geography Lab series**, presenting a case study on *Sustainable Cities* like Chandigarh and Pune. They further strengthened their commitment to global citizenship by attending the **Round Square Conference at Scindia School, Gwalior**, and the **57th Round Square International Conference held in Dubai, UAE**, hosted by **The Millennium School, The Indian High School**, and **GEMS Modern Academy**.

Our students distinguished themselves at **Dharohar '25** at *Scindia Kanya Vidyalaya, Gwalior*; **Ragotsav – the IPSC Music Fest** at *Sanskar Valley School, Bhopal*; **IPSC Dance Fest** at *Rajmata Krishna Kumari School, Jodhpur*; and the **IPSC Visual Arts Fest** at *Birla Vidya Mandir, Nainital*, earning awards and widespread appreciation for their creativity and talent.

Our campus resonated with melody and tradition during **SPIC MACAY's flute recital** by *Padma Shri Pandit Ronu Majumdar* and the **All-India Sanskrit Shlokachan Competition**, which witnessed participation from schools across India and Abu Dhabi.

The **Inter-House Oratory Competitions** held during night prep saw nearly four hundred students articulate their views with confidence and clarity in English, Hindi, Commerce, Mathematics, and Social Science.

At the **IPSC IT Fest** hosted by *B. K. Birla Education Centre, Pune*, our tech enthusiasts secured national-level recognition, bagging multiple second positions and an overall fourth-place finish among top schools of the country. At the **BET IT Fest – Tech Tronix 2.0**, our students excelled with **first positions** in *Techno Tales, Web Weaver*, and *Byte Battle*, and **third positions** in *AI Story & Video Editing* and *Turtle Trace Design*, showcasing outstanding innovation and skill.

Our literary and creative spirit shone at the **Aspirations Literary Festival** hosted by *Sunbeam Academy*, where our students excelled in debates, creative writing, and visual arts explorations.

The **Inter-BET English Pentangular Competition** at *Birla Balika Vidya Peeth* brought further glory with thirty prize-winning performances, reaffirming our commitment to excellence in communication and language arts.

Team BPS Pilani also made its mark at the **PI Summit 2.0** at *The Scindia School, Gwalior*, where students participated in workshops on Vedic Mathematics, design innovation, and problem-solving, blending learning with creativity and collaboration.

Our students honed their leadership and collaborative skills through active participation in the **Leadership Conclave at Welham Girls' School, Dehradun**, and the **Leadership & Adventure Bootcamp at House of Lalpur, Chandigarh**. Engaging in workshops, design thinking sessions, and adventure activities like cycling and kayaking, they gained valuable insights into teamwork, innovation, and global awareness.

Back home, the stage at BPS Pilani came alive with spirited performances during the **Inter-House Singing, Drama, and Dance Competitions**, reflecting the vibrancy, talent, and confidence of our young Birlaite performers.

EDUCATIONAL TOURS AND TREKS

Educational tours and treks this year spanned a wide range of destinations. Students visited the Manju Organic Farm House and the Sewage Treatment Plant in Pilani, undertook heritage tours across Rajasthan, and attended the Leadership and Adventure Camp at Mount Abu. Junior boys toured Jaipur and Agra, while classes V to VII explored Bengaluru, Mysore, and Ooty. A group of twenty students participated in the Europe Educational Tour, covering Switzerland, Belgium, and France. Recreational visits such as the MG Water Park trip added to the year's diverse learning calendar.

Workshops

Our students displayed creativity at the Bhoor Singh Memorial Art Competition themed "The Fusion of Maths and Art." BPS emerged as **Overall Champion** at the BET–TATC Skill Fest with outstanding performances across disciplines. An Astronomy Workshop by BITS Pilani ignited curiosity among juniors, while our NCC cadets excelled at the ATC Camp in Vrindavan, winning top honours in firing, drill, and sports events.

Skill Fest 2025 at BPS Pilani offered diverse hands-on workshops ranging from Dhokra metal casting, telescope making, and theatre to robotics, coding, and culinary arts. Awareness and enrichment sessions such as *Operation Sindoor* on civil defence by our respected Director BET, *Basic Life-Saving Skills*, and a *Cybersecurity Awareness Session* by Dr. Rakshit Tandon empowered students with practical knowledge and safety awareness.

Our young scientists proudly represented **India** at the *Abu Rayhan Biruni International Chemistry Olympiad* in Tashkent, while the **Astro Night – One Sky, One Dream** celebrated astronaut Subhanshu Shukla's ISS mission. A series of *University Interaction and Career Counselling Sessions* with leading institutions like BML Munjal, UPES, O.P. Jindal, and Campus France guided students toward global opportunities.

In addition, *DELF French classes, Hunar Online Skill Programme* for 330 students, and *in-house NDA & BITSAT coaching* fostered academic and career preparedness. Our participation in the *Youth Parliament* at Jaipur and the *Entrepreneurship Bootcamp* at BITS Pilani reflected leadership and innovation in action.

Faculty development continued through workshops like *Pastoral Care at Dehradun* and the *g2 Experience at Bangalore*. Adding a digital dimension, the **BPS Podcast Series** amplified student voices and alumni insights, while *Mindspark Assessments* for Classes V–X strengthened competency-based learning across subjects.

CELEBRATIONS AND CEREMONIES

The year at Birla Public School, Pilani, was marked by celebration, pride, and achievement. The **Prize Distribution and Convocation Ceremony**, graced by **Mr. Sharad Choudhary, IPS**, and the **80th Annual Day**, honoured by **Mr. Praveer Ranjan, IPS**, and **Maj. Gen. S. S. Nair, AVSM**, celebrated excellence and 80 glorious years of legacy.

Festivities like Children's Day, Christmas, Independence Day, Republic Day, Ganesh Chaturthi, Janmashtami, Raksha Bandhan, and Holi filled the campus with joy, while events like Kargil Vijay Diwas, Har Ghar Tiranga Rally, and Labour Day Felicitation instilled patriotism and gratitude.

The **Montessori Day** highlighted early learning, and the **Investiture Ceremony** empowered young leaders. Academic excellence was celebrated at the **BET Felicitation Ceremony**, and spirited **Inter-House tournaments** in cricket, soccer, and basketball fostered teamwork and sportsmanship — reflecting the true spirit of BPS Pilani.

AWARDS AND ACCOLADES

Birla Public School, Pilani was honoured with a **Certificate of Merit for Educational Excellence** for its commitment to high-quality learning. The school was recognized as the **Best Boys' Boarding School** by **Global Education Awards – ScooNews**, ranked **No. 1 in Rajasthan** by **Education Times**, and proudly stands at **India Rank 3** and **Rajasthan Rank 1**as per **Education World 2025**.

Four innovators — Daksh Sharma, Neev Tulsyan, Molik Sethi, and Tanmay Sigar — won the INSPIRE MANAK Award. Alumnus Srijan Tiwari qualified in NEET 2025, while BPS retained its standing as one of India's top boys' boarding schools.

Birla Public School, Pilani proudly celebrates its illustrious alumni — **General (Dr.) V.K. Singh** appointed as the **Governor of Mizoram**, **Maj. Gen. Abhay Dayal** awarded the **Ati Vishisht Seva Medal, Shri Praveer Ranjan** promoted to **Director General, CISF**, and **Mr. Deepak Pareek, IPS** recognized for pioneering **Anti-Drone Systems** along the International Border. Their achievements bring immense pride to the BPS fraternity.

CONCLUSION

As we conclude another glorious year, we reaffirm our faith in the ideals of Shraddha, Gyan, and Karam — Faith, Knowledge, and Action — striving to shape young minds into compassionate leaders of tomorrow. Thank you, ladies and gentlemen. Jai Hind.

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