'While we try to teach our children all about life, Our children teach us what life is all about'.

Good evening Ladies and Gentlemen. On behalf of the Management, Staff and students of Neerja Modi School I extend a very warm welcome to one and all to the Neerja Modi School Annual concert 2022.

Isn't it heart-warming to come back together after two long years? We, the students and teachers are really excited by the return of our vibrant campus life. And I am sure so are you. The last two years have been challenging both personally and professionally for all of us, moreso for the educational world, as most were caught unaware and unprepared. But we at NMS had perceived the magnitude of the pandemic much in advance and had started to prepare and equip ourselves to transition overnight. The greatest challenge was not only to continue learning but to impart an uncompromised all-encompassing quality education. We shifted to an online based system at a pace nobody in Jaipur had imagined. NMS never stopped. It was our resilience and determination that enabled us to sustain in the face of challenges.

At NMS we understand the importance of uninterrupted learning for a child. The robust learning experiences of a child affects his physical and social-emotional development immensely. During the pandemic when the parents were worrisome of their child's education, we not only ensured learning but also engaged our students in meaningful activities. We were and are fully committed to develop 21st century skills, nurture inquisitiveness,

build team spirit, and enhance social and interpersonal skills of our students. You, the parents, are testimony to the methods we adapted then to create learner friendly virtual classrooms. The classes were conducted to not only cater to academics but with an intent to boost confidence and teach our students empathy, compassion and resilience. Not only this, the teacher's interaction and engagement with the students ensured their emotional well-being which was the need of the hour.

We greatly appreciate the parents' support during those unprecedented times that ensured the thread of learning continued uninterrupted. We express our sincerest gratitude to you. It is because of your unconditional support that we all sailed through together.

For families and parents who suffered personal loss, we stand in solidarity with you. You can count on us for support at all times.

L & G our students are the future of the world. They are not things to be moulded but are people to be unfolded. They are the leaders of tomorrow and thus it is our prime responsibility to show them the right direction. Our curriculum is oriented in a manner that students embody self-confidence and 'out of the box' thinking.

In all our endeavours, the focus is to strengthen competencies needed to be lifelong learners, propelling self-belief, confidence & decision making.

Success is the result of years of disciplined hard work, planning and perseverance. Ladies and Gentlemen, the three branches of NMS in the city and our three franchisee schools in Udaipur, Chittorgarh and Jodhpur bear testimony to our commitment to quality education and academic rigour. Our trust and belief have yielded unparalleled success.

I am sure that you are aware that our Kalwara branch has received CBSE affiliation and we are now a K-12 school. L & G,it could not have been a better time for the school to receive recognition and quite a few of them in the form of awards from various established organizations. I am happy to let you know that this year, Education World ranked Neerja Modi School as all India No.6 and Rajasthan no-1 day- cum- boarding school for the year 22-23 in the award ceremony organised on October 11, 2022.

NMS has been awarded 'India's Best Schools 2022' award by Careers 360 with 5-A rating.

Marksmen in partnership with India Today television has awarded NMS as the most preferred workplace 2022.

Not only this, NMS has also won Education Worlds- School of Eminence Award with A* rating for the year 21-22.

L & G the Innovation cell under the Ministry of education, Government of India has certified NMS for establishment school innovation council 2022-23

Neerja Modi School today stands at unmatched and impressive heights of glory in all fields, be it in academics, sports, Art, Science &technology and university placements.

Ladies and Gentlemen, NMS reigned again with outstanding CBSE results for grades X and XII this year, endorsing our

claim of the most effective online classes. With a 100% result in grade XII, AnushreeSudrania topped the commerce stream with commendable 99% and is the city topper, Tiya Bhalla topped the Humanities stream with 98.6% and Anirudh Agarwal with 98% Topped the Science stream.116 students scored 90% and above, 283 students got overall distinction and 54 students scored full 100 in various subjects.

Our CBSE Grade X result was also phenomenal. Besides 100% result, SuhaniSingh secured All India Rank 2 scoring 499 marks out of 500 and Atishay Jain bagged All India rank 3 scoring 498 out of 500. Besides this, 14 students secured 98% and above, 63 students 95% and above, 134 students scored 90% and above and 61 students scored 100 in various subjects

Ladies and Gentlemen, five years on the run & NMS has been producing CBSE toppers. A big round of applause for all our achievers.

L & G our students are also making a mark on the international front by securing admissions in some of the world's most prestigious universities. Four of our students have received admissions to the most coveted Ivy League Universities.

Navya Bharadwaj has been accepted to Dartmouth College with a scholarship of 2.5 cr. Dev Sanjnani has been accepted to Brown University with a scholarship of 2cr, as well as to the University of California, Berkeley with 100% scholarship.

From the prestigious Duke University, New York University,

Johns Hopkins University, Claremont McKenna College, Carnegie Mellon University, and Georgia Institute of Technology, to the distinguished London School of Economics where a record no. of 5 students have been accepted this year. Many more of our students have received acceptance to renowned colleges in UK, Canada, Japan and Singapore.

Our students have been awarded merit scholarships worth over 40 crores this year.

On the national front L & G NMS is the first school in Rajasthan to start in-house CUET preparations through its Npro initiative. A record 10% of the batch has made it to Shri Ram College of Commerce SRCC scoring above 780. Congratulations to ShrishtiShah, Charvi Khandelwal and AnushreeSundrania.

25% of our NPro CUET batch made it to premiere institutions in North Campus Delhi University including Manan Agarwal, Khyati Gupta, Arham Sarogi and Anika Jain.

From cracking the most competitive IIT JEE & NEET to clearing the high stake Nift, NID, NLU, our students are scripting success stories by pursuing their dreams and passion.

They shall now proudly represent our school across the length and breadth of the country as well as the globe and we are overjoyed by their success.

Not only academics, we are proud of the achievements of our

students in co-curricular activities and sports. Ladies and Gentlemen, our students Parv Dixit and Keshav Agarwal with their spectacular performance were the 2nd runner up in the Ultimate Sports Quiz hosted by Harsha Bhogle and telecast on Sony Ten sports. They won a cash prize of Rs 10Lacs and a once in a lifetime opportunity to watch the ICC T-20 world cup India Pakistan match in Australia. In the National round of world Robotics Olympiad ,Aadita Gupta of grade 5 and Kian Bhandari of Grade 4 won the Gold badge.

NMS students have achieved impressive laurels across different sports. In Tennis our Nation Level player Darsh Pabuwal got a scholarship of Rs 1 lac from the government of Rajasthan. In chess Rudraman Mertia is ranked no 1 in Rajasthan and among top 10 in India. Lavanya Bansal bagged 1gold and two silver medals in the All-India Karate Federation championship. In Rajasthan State Ranking Table Tennis Championship Aanyaa Sinha of grade XI was the winner.In badminton our students Yuvika Gaur of grade IX, Mannat Modi of grade VIII &NishitaFauzdar of grade VII were the 1st runner up in JDBA inter-school badminton premier league 2022. In skating Vihan Raghuvanshi of grade II bagged gold medal and Avyukta Vaidya IV & Kashvi Nagpal of grade V bagged bronze medal in inter school sports tournament organised at Vidhyashram. Savir MehrajGodaraof gr VIII has won junior national championship organised by Indian Polo Association.Ritwika Singh Bundela won Bronze medal for squash at the recently concluded 36th

National Games held at Gujarat.

L & G to empower our students we organise multiple specialist workshops which offer students the knowledge, skills & tools that will prepare them to venture out into this competitive world successfully. Language acquisition always enhances learning and so we have introduced spoken classes in French in the early years as well.

L & G, NMS in partnership with GCEC has launched Nstart, one of India's first high school start up incubation centre. Our Young entrepreneurs won various national level competitions including those meant for adults and senior participants to name a few..

Daksh Jain and Aditya Agarwal won the first runners up prize at IIT Mumbai Eureka startup Competition. They also bagged first prize in ACIC Rise by Niti Ayog. Aaryaman Sharma and Aarav Phutela won the first prize at IIIT Delhi and were runners Up at IIT Roorkee and BITS Pilani in a competition meant for adults. Falak Agarwal won the first prize at Hansraj and was the youngest and the only school student participating in the competition.

At the state level, we were undisputed winners bagging both first and second at their Start Government of Rajasthan Bplan contest. We also won both first and second prize at TiE Rajasthan. The list is endless with total prize money exceeding 5 lakhs and over 40 awards in just one year.

L &G, also this year we organised the first edition of NMS shark tank which was a huge success.

Moving further, Nisha Pathak's initiative Planting Hopes won the change makers award with a 1150 \$ grant. L & G like always the achievements of our students in various Olympiads are plenty from the Singapore and Asian School math Olympiad, Ferma Mathematical Olympiad, IOM, IIO, IOEL, SKGKO, IOS, American Math Olympiad, the scrabble championship, Commerce olympiad etc. our students have excelled winning medals.

In our constant pursuit to enhancelearning experiences of our students, and, to be more and do more we have pioneered many initiatives in the school education space in Jaipur. We were the first to start MUN, YSP, high school incubation centre, In house CUET prep. In continuum of this, I am happy to announce the launch of Rajasthan's first Live trading desk for school students in association with the National Stock Exchange where students will learn trade through a specially designed platform by NSE academy.

In the field of science and technology too as always, we are winning prizes. Fourstudents received the Inspire Award and a cash Prize of 10000 each. AarnavBhatia, Manaswi Jagwan and Devansh Raniwala emerged winners in Smart India Hechathon based on block chain and cybersecurity. Our student Sarthak Mehra secured 1st position at Bhamashah Techno Startup and won 1lac rupees.

Over the years we have been sending students in the India squad of the World School Debating Championship. This year too Hitisha Goyal got the best speaker award at the World Schools Debating Competition hosted by Oxford Union. The students from the debating circuit of the country were thrilled with the on Campusreturn of our flagship pan India debating event, the Jaipur Debate. 135 students comprising 45 teams from the leading schools of the country including the Vasant Valley School New Delhi, THE cathedral and John Conon School Mumbai, Mayo College Ajmer, DPS International, ShishuGriha Bangalore etc battled it out in a war of worlds to grab the trophy. Moreover, two of our students Pratiti Jain and Varnita Jain who participated in the Global Round of The World Scholar's cup at Bangkok have qualified for the international round to be held at Yale.

In the state level D'fest dance competition NMS was the winner in the classical and folk-dance categories. Moreover, in the western dance category we received award for best synchronization, choreography and best technical act.

We continue to organise World college fairs and workshops, have more than 30 student led Clubs, STEM sessions for the primary to senior school students, champions league, teacher training workshops etc. to enrich the teaching learning environment at NMS and provide all our students multiple opportunities.

NMS has been in the news capturing headlines for its manifold

achievements.

So, let's give a big round of applause to all the achievers and to all our lovely children.

Nothing has stopped us and nothing will ever stop us. We are spirited and full of bright and innovative ideas, willing to embrace challenges and be courageous in undertaking reforms in pursuit of excellence.

L & G, 'The greatest gifts we can give our children are the roots of responsibility and the wings of independence' and this is what we always endeavour to do.

Snow sit back and enjoy the show as the whole team has put in a lot of hard work into preparation of tonight's show. Theroles, dialogues, postures, dances and the nuances of theatrical presentation have been rehearsed and rehearsed again and again to arrive at near perfection. Have a wonderful evening. Thank You.