

“Great achievements are not born from a single moment but from years of preparation, perseverance, and purpose.”

Good evening, ladies and gentlemen, members of the management, parents, Ma'am Saswati Sen ji, Ms. Mamta Maharaj ji, faculty members, and my dear students. It fills me with immense pride and gratitude to welcome you to the Annual Prize Giving Ceremony of Neerja Modi School **in this most special year**—our **Silver Jubilee**. In the twenty-five glorious years, our **community** has grown from 1 campus to now 7 campuses, has stood together—nurturing ideas, kindling courage, and shaping character. This evening, we celebrate not only prizes and distinctions but a **quarter century** of purpose.

L & G, twenty-five years is not a number; it is a narrative. It **carries the dreams of children** who first **found their voice** in our classrooms, the dedication of teachers who believed that every mind is a horizon, and the trust of parents who chose values alongside achievements. Page by page, year by year, this community has authored a story that **redefines** what holistic education means—and why it matters.

Our guiding motto—Knowledge, Truth, Wisdom, nurtured by values—has been our **North Star**. It shaped our earliest classrooms, it **anchors** our present, and it **illuminates the path** ahead. As we mark this Silver Jubilee, we **honour** that ethos—with humility for how far we have come, and **responsibility** for how far we must go. Over these years, Neerja Modi School has become synonymous with academic excellence, global citizenship, empathy, and creativity.

L & G, Esteemed national and international organisations have affirmed this journey. In the Education World India School Rankings, we are ranked All India No. 1 Day-cum-Boarding School with 4 stars and placed among India's Top Ivy League Schools. **C-Fore School Ranking 2025** places us as Rajasthan No. 1 and among the country's best. **The World Education Congress** honoured us with the **Skill Development Leadership Award 2025**; the Asia Pacific HRM Congress recognised us as **Asia's Best Educational Institution**. Education Today conferred the **India School Merit Award**, while The Academic Insights has named us as the **Outstanding School of the Year**.

These accolades fill us with pride, but it is not the awards that define the **Neerja Modi Group of Schools**. It is our ethos — the unwavering belief that education must empower, enlighten, and enable young people to lead lives of meaning, purpose, and compassion that we hold on to.

At **Neerja Modi School**, we prepare our students for a dynamic, globalised future. Our academic programmes build a solid foundation, encouraging analytical thinking, curiosity, and research-based learning.

At the senior level, we focus on holistic education and international-mindedness & these values are reflected in our results year after year. This year, our high school students have once again proven that excellence is a habit at Neerja Modi School.

L & G, the CBSE Grade X and XII Board Examination results 2025 have been phenomenal and the **best in the city**.

In Grade X, Aryav Barmecha with 99.4% is AIR 4 and the school topper. Other top scorers include Vedant Kaul and Yash Agarwal, both at 99%. In aggregate performance, 40 students scored 97% and above, 70 students scored 95% and above, 177 students scored 90% and above, and 355 students secured overall distinction. Remarkably, 66 students scored a perfect 100 in various subjects.

In Grade XII, Deepshikha Prasad with 99.6% is AIR 2 and the school topper, and Sarvagya Tholia with 99.4% is AIR 3. Additionally, 27 students scored 97% and above, 56 students scored 95% and above, 152 students scored 90% and above, while 321 students secured overall distinction. An outstanding 122 students achieved a perfect 100 in various subjects.

The IB and IGCSE results this year have been exceptional as well. In the IB Diploma Programme, Aditya Agarwal with 45/45 IB points is a World Topper; 3 students scored 44/45; and 36% of the cohort scored above 40 points. In IGCSE, 3 students scored 10/10 A*, 1 student scored 9 A*, and 4 students scored 8 A*, with 66% of the class earning A* and A grades in all subjects.

These results are not just numbers; they are stories of perseverance, discipline, and the relentless pursuit of excellence by our young learners.

L & G, the ultimate measure of any school's journey lies in where their students go after they graduate from high school. And I am happy to let you know that this year again has been a hugely successful one as far as university placements are concerned.

On the national front, **12 students** qualified the highly competitive **NEET examination**, earning admission to premier medical institutions such as **AIIMS Rishikesh, SMS Medical College, and Vardhman Mahavir Medical College**. **13 students** cracked the **JEE**, gaining entry into **IIT Delhi, IIT Kharagpur, and IIT Hyderabad**, among others. **19 students** cleared **CLAT**, joining India's top National Law Universities.

Our **in-house CUET preparation programme** ensured that students secured admissions into India's most prestigious colleges under Delhi University — including **SRCC, Lady Shri Ram College, Miranda House, Hindu College, Kirori Mal, and Hans Raj**.

Once again, our students have taken their place on the world stage with exceptional international university placements. They continue to earn admission to Ivy League and global universities with scholarships, becoming true ambassadors of our school.

We are immensely proud of **Hitisha Goyal**, admitted to **Harvard University** with a scholarship of over ₹2.6 crore; **Pratyush Singhal** at **Columbia University**; **Shivam Narhari** at **Princeton University**; **Vasudha Rawat** and **Aditya Agarwal** at **Cornell University**, with Aditya awarded a scholarship exceeding ₹2.4 crore; **Daksh Jain** at

Stanford; Jhankaar Purohit at the University of Chicago with a ₹3.39 crore scholarship; Linayesha Kumawat at NYU; and Chaarvi Bansal at UCLA.

Nandini Jaithalia joins Michigan State University with a ₹2.27 crore full scholarship; Anant Kasliwal is at University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign; Prisha at Purdue University; Aaradhya at University of Texas, Austin; Sambhav Dhandiya at Boston University; and Shuchita Ajmera and Khuman Patodiya at University of Washington, Seattle.

Beyond the US, Nirali Bhagat joins University of Melbourne; Madhhur Jain at IE Spain; Palishka Sonkiya at Sciences Po; Paarth Sonkiya and Aarjav Jain at NTU; Tvisha at NUS; Anvi Sacheti and Ada Jain at University of British Columbia, Canada; Yajvin Singhal at TU Delft; and Shaurya Chandra and Kushagra Jain at King's College London.

Over the years, our students have also earned admission to **Brown, Dartmouth, UPenn, University of Cambridge, LSE, University of Sydney, University of Toronto, University of British Columbia, APU Japan, and Hong Kong University**, collectively receiving over **₹275 crores** in scholarships and financial aid over the years — a testament to their calibre and the school's unwavering commitment to excellence.

L & G, Education at Neerja Modi School extends well beyond academics. **Co-curricular excellence** lies at the heart of our philosophy, where creativity, leadership, service, research, and enterprise converge. I am delighted to present this year's **Other Achievements** — a panorama of distinction across debate, innovation, culture, linguistics, entrepreneurship, and the performing arts:

- In the **Jaipur Debate 2025**, **26 schools across India** participated in both the Senior and Junior categories. **Neerja Modi School** emerged **Winners in both categories**. **La Martinere Girls'**, Lucknow was **1st Runners-Up in the Junior category** while **Vasant Valley School, Delhi** was the **1st Runners-Up in the Senior category**.
- In the **Indian Debating League 2025**, **Tanuj Yadav, Anushka Yadav, and Aavya Gupta** won **Gold Medals**. **Tanuj Yadav** was also awarded the **Best Speaker**.
- In the Indian Debating League circuit, **Anushka Yadav** received the **Best Speaker of the Tournament** at the **Awaaz National School Debating Championship 2025**
- The **NMS School Team** emerged **Winners of JEDI Debate 2025** held at **The Doon School, Dehradun**.
- In the **Stockholm Junior Water Prize India**, **Gauri Gupta** and **Ryan Wazz** were among the **Top 10**
- In the **Kreativity League** held at **IIT Delhi** **Tia Mishra** and **Mysha Kaswan** were **Winners**. They also won a trip to **NASA**.
- **Khanak Singhvi** won the **Asia Cup Youth Scrabble Championship** in **Delhi**.
- **Vihaan Singhvi** and **Khanak Singhvi** represented **India** and stood **2nd** at the **World Youth Scrabble Championship** in **Sri Lanka**.

- **Devansh Singh Uppal** and **Pranav Bakliwal** won the **Taal-vadhya National Award for Tabla** at the **All-India Music & Dance Competition** organised by **Darshak Sanstha**.
- **Shweta Sharma** and **Radhika Yadav** bagged **1st position** in the **Hindu Young World Quiz**, organised by **SBI**.
- **Adhikar Ahuja** and **Arush Jain** were **2nd Runners-Up** in the **SBI Scholar Quiz 2025** and received a **cash prize of ₹10,000** each.
- The **NMS Team** was **2nd Runner-Up** at **Invictus Competition**.
- **Abeer Gupta** and **Akshay Agarwal** were **1st Runners-Up** in the **National Youth Robotics Challenge**.
- In the **Youth Ideathon NMS Team – Art-innovate** was selected among the **Top 25 ideas** in the country from **1.8 lakh participants**.
- **Dhruv Pungalia**, **Rushil Kasliwal**, **Evyavan Choudhary**, and **Ryan Wazz** were **TiE Rajasthan Winners**.
- **Vaanya Kapoor** received the **Global Child Prodigy Award 2025** for her exemplary work.
- In the **INSPIRE MANAK Awards 2025** — a prestigious Government of India initiative fostering school-level innovation — **Manan Agarwal** and **Kanan Kankarwal** won and received **₹10,000** each.
- In the state dance championship **D'fest 2025**, the **NMS Team** was **Winner in Folk Dance** category— marking **eight consecutive years** of victory. We were also **winners** in the western junior dance category.
- At the **Filmit India Film Festival, Jaipur**, the **NMS Team** won multiple honours: **Best Unique Story**, **Best Documentary**, **Best Direction**, **Best Concept**, **Best Script**, and **Best Voice Over**.

At **Neerja Modi School**, sports are an integral part of our educational vision — a crucible for discipline, teamwork, and resilience. This year, our students brought glory at the **district, state, national, and international levels**.

In **Table Tennis**, **Arinjay Kuchhal** became **Rajasthan's No. 1 in the U-15 Boys Category**, winning the State Championship. He also led his team to victory at the British Premier league where he was declared the player of the match in the senior division. **Saarthak Totuka**, **Jaivardhan**, **Hiten**, and **Arinjay Kuchhal** won **Silver Medals** in **U-17** and **U-19 SGFI Tournaments**. **Karan Ladia** was **Runner-Up** in the **U-19 individual category** and also won **Silver** in **U-17** and **U-19 team events**.

In **Tennis**, **Ojasvir Singh** was the **Winner** in both **Doubles** and **Singles** at the **National Tournament** organised by the **All-India Tennis Association**. **Arnav Sharma** was selected for **SGFI Nationals (U-19)**. **Saumya Choudhary** clinched the **Singles and Doubles titles** in the **All-India Tennis Association Tournament** and represented **Team India** at the national level. **Janhavi Kajla** won **Gold** at the **SGFI Nationals** and was selected for '**Khelo India**'. **Kavya Badaya**, **Tanushka Chopra**, **Divyanshi Rajoriya**, **Yashvi Jain**, and **Nirvi Poddar** each won **Gold** in the **SGFI U-14 District Tournament**.

In **Skating**, **Vanya Bohra** won **three Gold Medals** in the **CBSE Zonal U-17 Category**, receiving the **Best Player Trophy** and selection for Nationals. She also bagged **Gold at the CBSE West Zone Championship** in Gujarat.

In **Chess**, **Shreyanshi Jain** is **World No. 2** and **India No. 1** in the **U-6 Girls Category**. **Rudradaman Mertia** finished **4th in U-15** at the **State Tournament** and qualified for Nationals. **Vedanshi Gupta** won **Gold at the CBSE West Zone Tournament**, while **Ari-sha Agarwal**, **Shreya Poddar**, **Vedanshi Gupta**, and **Shreshtha Jain** claimed **Gold in CBSE West Zone U-14**, advancing to the **National Camp**. **Niti-sha Agrawal**, **Gehna Ajmera**, **Yash-i-ca Baheti**, and **Anushka Yadav** secured **Silver in the U-17 Category**. **Niti-sha**, also won **1st place in the Open FIDE International Rated Chess Tournament**, receiving **₹10,000 cash prize**. **Shreshtha Jain** became **Rajasthan U-15 State Champion** and will represent Rajasthan in Nationals; she also won the **U-13 Asian School Chess Tournament** at Bangkok. **Shivika Saraogi** bagged **Bronze at ISSO U-19 Nationals**, and **Tanvi Banura** was **Runners-Up at SGFI U-19 Nationals**. Together, they led the team to distinction and earned **Board Awards** for individual excellence.

In **Cricket**, **Kanishka Chauhan** was selected for women **U-19 State Challengers** by the **Rajasthan Cricket Association**, while **Devansh Singh Uppal** represented the **U-14 District** and qualified for both **U-14 and U-16 Challengers**.

In **Badminton**, **Harsh-ika Jain** and **Aaradhya Dhingra** won **Gold at the SGFI State Tournament**, with **Aaradhya** qualifying for Nationals.

In **Basketball**, **Risha Bargoti** won **Gold at the SGFI U-14 Nationals** and serves as the **Vice-Captain of the Rajasthan Team**.

In **Squash**, **Ayaan Kuchhal** is ranked **No. 13 in India** by the **Squash Racket Federation of India**. **Subhash Choudhary** won **Gold at the Uttarakhand U-19 Championship**, while **Ritwika Singh Bundela** earned **Bronze at the National Games**.

In **Gymnastics**, **Livi Grover** secured **All India Rank 3** at the **CBSE National Gymnastics Competition**.

Tanya Agarwal earned her **Black Belt 1 Dan Diploma** from the **International Karate Federation of India**.

In **Shooting**, **Deetya Choudhary** won **2 Gold and 1 Bronze Medal** at the **Pre-State Championship**, while **Swa-dha Nitin Kale** qualified for the **Pistol Shooting finals**. **Vihaan Singhvi** and **Neel Chaturvedi** were selected for **Pre-State SGFI U-14 and U-17**, and **Sanidhya Pathak** bagged **Silver in 10m Air Pistol Shooting** at the **Shree Bhanwar Singh Memorial Championship**.

In **Athletics**, **Aarnik Maheshwari** won **Gold and Bronze** at the **Serra International Racing and Relay Competition**, while **Anhad Arora** secured **first place in 100m and 200m races** at the **SFA Championship**.

In **Golf**, **Shiksha Jain** was the **2nd Runner-Up** at the **Open Golf Championship** held in Ahmedabad.

In **Swimming**, **Aditya Sharma** won **nine medals** at **District and State-level competitions**.

L & G, a huge round of applause for all our sports achievers.

And now moving to the Olympiad Achievements. This year has been truly exceptional. Our students have once again demonstrated exceptional academic prowess and global competitiveness. At the **International Olympiad Foundation**, our students achieved outstanding results — with **8 International Toppers, 12 Zonal Toppers, and over 190 medal winners**, including **55 Gold, 79 Silver, and 58 Bronze awards** across various subjects.

The **Science Olympiad Foundation** examination results have been equally remarkable. Students earned **Gold Medals of Distinction and Excellence** in **IMO, NSO, IEO, and IGKO**. More than **60** achieved **Zonal Silver and Bronze Medals with cash awards**, making their place among the country's brightest young minds.

In the **Silver Zone Olympiads**, Neerja Modi School students continued to excel, securing numerous **Medals of Excellence — Gold, Silver, and Bronze** in various subjects. Many of our students advanced to Level-2 and Level-3 rounds, with some achieving **Olympiad Topper distinctions** at the national level

- **37 students** qualified for **IOEL Level-2; 20 for IOM; 14 for IEO; 6 for NSO; and 10 for IMO**.
- **Saanvi Jain** was recognised for **excellent performance in Innoventure** — India's first National Ideation & Entrepreneurship Challenge.
- **Prisha Gupta** achieved **International Rank 1** in the **CREST English Olympiad**, earned **All India Rank 1** in **UIEO**, and **qualified for Level-3** in the **International Science Olympiad**.
- In the **International Green Warrior Olympiad**, **Tia Mishra** and **Abeer Dayal** secured **Zonal Ranks 20 and 29**, respectively.
- In the **International Olympiad Foundation** exams across streams, **12 students** were **Zonal Toppers**, **55 students** won **Gold, 79 Silver, and 58 Bronze** medals.
- In the **Singapore and Asian Schools Math Olympiad (SASMO)**, our students won **5 Gold, 6 Silver, and 14 Bronze** medals.
- In the **American Math Competition**, **Divit Sharma, Tejas Agarwal, Veer Agarwal**, and **Khyati Agarwal** secured **Country Ranks 1, 3, and 5**.
- In the **Singapore Math Competition**, **Aviraj Singh** and **Shaurya Maheshwari** achieved **International Rank 1**.
- In **Vanda Science**, **Nitin Agarwal, Samarth Saini, and Prisha Gupta** each secured **Country Rank 1**.

These triumphs — in scholarship, debate, innovation, and sport, are not just laurels; they are **living lessons** in perseverance, teamwork, courage, and values. Each of

these achievements stands as proof of the balance we strive for — where academic excellence, creativity, athletic spirit, and moral integrity coexist in harmony.

Behind every success is a team of **dedicated teachers** who mentor, inspire, and guide. I thank each one of them for their passion, patience, and perseverance. I also extend heartfelt appreciation to our **parents**, whose unwavering trust and partnership make these achievements possible.

As we stand at this **25-year milestone**, we are reminded that education is not only about knowledge but about **character, compassion, and courage**. The world is changing rapidly, yet our mission remains steadfast — to nurture ethical, innovative, and resilient learners who will lead with purpose and empathy.

To our dear students — remember, success is not defined only by what you achieve, but by who you become. Continue to learn, to question, to create, and to give back. Carry gratitude and humility in your journey, and let them guide you as you soar higher.

As we celebrate this evening of excellence, let us take pride not merely in medals and certificates but in the values, determination, and integrity that define our school community.

My heartfelt congratulations to every student, teacher, and parent who has contributed to this remarkable journey. Together, let us continue to nurture **curiosity, courage, creativity, and compassion**, ensuring that **Neerja Modi School** remains a beacon of **excellence, integrity, and innovation**.

Thank you for your continued support and trust. I wish you all a pleasant evening — and may the achievements we celebrate tonight inspire many more journeys of learning, leadership, and legacy ahead.