



Kendriya Vidyalaya Chronicle

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Editorial

Celebrating 150 Years of Vande Mataram *A Resonance across Kendriya Vidyalayas*



On 7 November 2025, Kendriya Vidyalayas across the nation came together to celebrate 150 years of Vande Mataram, a song that awakened a nation and became a rallying cry during the freedom struggle. Students sang the complete version in unison — a moving tribute to Bankim Chandra Chatterjee and a vivid reminder of the power of words to unite and inspire.

When Bankim Chandra Chatterjee penned these immortal lines in 1875, he gifted India not only a literary masterpiece but a clarion call that stirred the collective conscience.

Those two words — Vande Mataram — came to embody courage and resolve; they resonated through streets, public meetings, and the hearts of freedom fighters, unnerving the colonial rulers and emboldening the oppressed.

This celebration was more than ceremonial music; it was a practical expression of one of Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan's core aims — developing the spirit of national integration and creating a sense of "Indianness" among children. By engaging students with the complete hymn, its history, and its emotional depth, schools rekindled an organic connection to India's civilisational heritage. Young learners, some encountering the full song for the first time, responded with reverence and curiosity.

In a globalising age, such celebrations are vital. They provide cultural anchors that help learners understand identity, duty, and collective responsibility. The event fostered meaningful discussions in classrooms about patriotism, inclusivity, and the role national symbols have played in shaping our democratic aspirations. Teachers guided students to appreciate the song's literary merit while placing it within the wider framework of India's plural traditions.

As voices rose across KV campuses on 7 November 2025, the chorus carried a promise: that future generations will cherish their roots and translate that love into constructive citizenship. This year-long celebration honours the past, deepens patriotic sentiment, and reaffirms Kendriya Vidyalayas' commitment to nurturing students who are proud, informed, and responsible citizens. Let this renewed acquaintance with our National Song inspire students to serve the nation with compassion, integrity, and a lifelong dedication to learning — a tribute to our rich and diverse heritage.

Vande Mataram!

~Prachi Pandey
■ Commissioner, KVS

PRAYAAS in KVS When Curiosity Becomes Courage

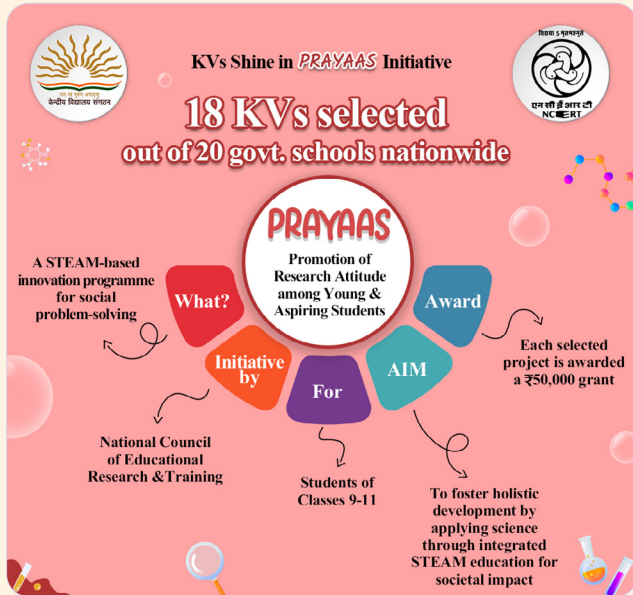
DP Patel

■ Deputy Commissioner (Acad), KVS (HQ)

There's a kind of magic that happens when a child stops memorising answers and starts asking questions. PRAYAAS (Promotion of Research Attitude in Young and Aspiring Students), an NCERT initiative, is built exactly on that magic. It gives young learners in Classes IX–XI the freedom to wonder, to experiment, to solve problems that actually exist in the world around them. Not for marks. Not for competitions. But for the sheer joy of figuring things out.

Under PRAYAAS, a student or a pair of them teams up with a school teacher and an expert from a higher education institute. Together, they dream up a research idea, shape it into a proposal, and if selected, receive a ₹50,000 grant to bring that idea to life. It's not just funding; its permission to explore, break things, rebuild them, and learn along the way.

This spirit is deeply aligned with the vision of the NEP-2020, which urges India to nurture original thinkers, build a global knowledge superpower, and open new doors of opportunity for its young people.



And this year, 18 students from Kendriya Vidyalayas made it to the national list out of 20 government schools. Eighteen dreams, eighteen questions, eighteen sparks of curiosity ready to grow into something bigger.

For KVS, PRAYAAS isn't just a scheme it's a quiet revolution. It tells every child that research is not a distant world reserved for scientists in white coats. It can begin right here, in a school lab, with a notebook, a question, and a brave young mind asking, "Why not?"

Every generation has its dreamers. But a country moves forward when its dreamers learn to question. PRAYAAS exists to nurture that spirit—the boldness to ask "why" and "why not."

Constitution Day

Mass Reading of Preamble at KVS

KVS celebrated Constitution Day on 26th Nov. 2025 with great enthusiasm across all its schools and offices. The celebrations marked the adoption of the Indian Constitution and honored the contributions of the Drafting Committee under the chairmanship of Dr. B. R. Ambedkar, coinciding with the culmination of the national year-long theme, "Hamara Samvidhan – Hamara Swabhiman."

Officers and staff at KVS (HQ), along with students and teachers, participated in the mass reading of the Preamble, reflecting their commitment to India's democratic values. Schools organized a variety of activities, including talks, seminars, quizzes, essays, and painting competitions, focusing on Fundamental Rights and Duties.



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Where Education Meets Gratitude KVS Begins New Podcast Studio Through Vidyanjali Initiative

Tajuddin Shaik

■ Deputy Commissioner, KVS RO Bengaluru

There's something beautiful about a school opening its doors not just to students, but to everyone who cares enough to help them grow. That's exactly what the Vidyanjali Portal, an initiative of the Ministry of Education, sets in motion. It turns goodwill into action, strangers into mentors, and communities into quiet partners in nation-building.

Through Vidyanjali, anyone, a retired teacher, a young engineer, an artist, a sportsperson, even a college student, can step into a school and say, "I can help." Some offer time. Some offer skills. Some offer resources. All of them offer hope.

At PM SHRI KV Malleswaram, three meaningful projects were brought to life through Vidyanjali, including a Podcast Studio that now hums with student voices and new ideas. It is a space where children script,



record, edit, question, and create. A place where shy students find confidence behind a microphone, where stories of the community get documented, and where learning becomes something they can hear and own.

It was made possible because the KV Malleswaram Alumni Trust quietly stepped in, offering the required equipment and technical support needed, giving back to the school that once gave them their beginnings.

Students are already using the studio to record interviews, create theme-based episodes,

practice public speaking, and build digital storytelling skills. It has quickly become a creative playground equal parts classroom, newsroom, and dream space.

Vidyanjali is not just a portal. It's a reminder that when communities step forward, children rise higher.

And when we share what we know, we shape who they become.

"When a community shares its light, every child learns to shine."



Best Practices & Success Story



Young swimmer of Kendriya Vidyalaya

Earning Gold One Stroke at a Time

Subrahmanya Jeevamsh
■ Student, KV Malleshwaram, Bengaluru



I'm Subrahmanya Jeevamsh, a proud and passionate junior swimmer from Kendriya Vidyalaya Malleshwaram, Bengaluru. My tryst with swimming began unexpectedly after the Covid-19 pandemic, when I turned to the pool as a way to regain physical and emotional strength. What started as a routine soon ignited a burning passion, one that now fuels my dream of representing India on the global stage. I worked my way towards becoming a State and national-level swimmer.

Over the years, with disciplined training and unshakeable determination, I've earned more than 25 gold medals at the State and National levels and set several New Meet Records across India. Winning the Individual Champion Trophy from the Hon'ble Home Minister of Karnataka, Shri G. Parameshwar, at the Karnataka Mini Olympics 2025 and receiving the prestigious Sansad Khel Mahotsav Award for excellence in sports, presented by Smt. Shobha Karandlaje, Union Minister, Government of India, at the Sansad Khel Mahotsav, Karnataka 2025.

This journey would not have been possible without the unwavering support

of Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan and my school. KVS stepped in at the right moment, allowing me to participate in the Junior National Swimming Championship despite scheduling conflicts, without letting it affect my SGFI trials. My school gave me the space and flexibility to strike a balance between academics and training, a gesture that shaped my success.

Every lap I swim carries the encouragement of my teachers, the pride of my school, and the faith of KVS behind me. With continued hard work and gratitude in my heart, I hope to rise, represent, and bring glory to my school, my state, and my nation.



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Book Donation Drive

Sharing a Smile, Coz Smile is Contagious



Manju Pathak
■ PGT (Biology), PM SHRI KV Koliwada



Books are magic; they transport us to faraway lands, introduce us to unforgettable characters, and spark ideas we never knew we had. What better way to celebrate that magic than by sharing it? That's exactly what our school's Book Donation Drive aimed to do.

At PM SHRI KV Koliwada, a "Book Donation Drive" started as a collaborative effort where students, teachers, and staff contribute their favorite books to the school library so everyone can explore amazing stories and discover new adventures. It's not about adding more books, but spreading ideas, imagination, and inspiration across curious minds.

Colorful posters decorated the hallways, and a large, brightly wrapped box stood proudly at the school entrance

with a cheerful sign: "Give a Book, Share a Smile!" Everyone came together to donate books from thrilling mysteries and whimsical fairy tales to fascinating encyclopedias and colorful comics. Each book carried a story, and with every donation, a new reader could step into that adventure.

Each book carried a personal touch; some books came with handwritten notes, others with favorite passages carefully highlighted, and a few even had bookmarks tucked inside. Each donation became more than just a book; it was a piece of someone's imagination, memories, and a personal touch for its next reader.

The donated books found cozy corners in the library, chairs waiting, lights twinkling, and shelves bursting with fresh energy. Suddenly, reading breaks became treasure hunts, and lunchtime conversations buzzed with book recommendations.



Each donation is a small gesture that spreads joy, imagination, and connection. At the end of the day, it's not the number of books on the shelf that matters; it's the number of minds and hearts they touch.

Events in KVS

150 years of Vande Mataram



7th Nov 2025: Hon'ble MoS for the Ministry of Education, Dr. Sukanta Majumdar, joined the students of PM SHRI KV No. 2, Salt Lake, in the celebration of 150 years of the National Song "Vande Mataram". The event echoed deep feelings of unity and patriotism, serving as a tribute to the Freedom Fighters who walked to the gallows with *Vande Mataram* on their lips. Through this celebration, KVS continues to nurture cultural pride and artistic expression among young minds. Students participated in musical renditions, thematic displays, and interactive sessions that highlighted the song's historic and cultural significance, making the event both educational and emotionally enriching.

Janjatiya Gaurav Divas 2025 in KVS



1-15th Nov 2025: KVS celebrated Janjatiya Gaurav Divas to mark the 150th birth anniversary of Bhagwan Birsa Munda, a national hero who dedicated his life to protecting the identity and rights of tribal communities. Schools paid heartfelt tribute through prayer assemblies, speeches, poems, and songs highlighting his role in the freedom struggle. Tribal culture came alive through folk dances, traditional attire displays, art and craft exhibitions, and quizzes. Students also learned about tribal values, environmental stewardship, and government welfare programmes. The celebration instilled a deeper respect for India's tribal heritage and the enduring legacy of Birsa Munda among young learners.

Commissioner visits PM SHRI KV's



On 15 November 2025, KVS Commissioner Ms. Prachi Pandey inaugurated the newly established vocational lab at PM SHRI KV Rohtak, aimed at strengthening skill-based learning, inspected various school activities, and joined the school community in celebrating Janjatiya Gaurav Divas, where students welcomed her with a vibrant tribal dance and "Vande Mataram."

On 24 November, she visited PM SHRI KV No. 1 and No. 2 Jalahalli, where she inaugurated the Vocational Lab, reviewed PM SHRI initiatives, and interacted with student innovators.

Additionally, on 25 November, she inaugurated cutting-edge AR/VR at PM SHRI KV Malleshwaram and the STEM Lab, equipped with immersive 3-D and VR learning tools to enrich experiential learning, at PM SHRI KV MEG & Centre.

Where Unity Found Its Rhythm The Story of KVS Rashtriya Ekta Parv 2025

A National Festival of Culture, Collaboration & Unity



Dr. R. Senthil Kumar
■ Deputy Commissioner, KVS RO Chennai



The Rashtriya Ekta Parv is a heartfelt tribute to the Iron Man of India, reminding us that a nation's strength lies not in sameness but in shared spirit. It is more than a festival; it is India meeting itself.

Under one roof, colours, rhythms, dialects, and traditions come alive as Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan turns classrooms into stages where music replaces boundaries and stories travel freely. The 2025 edition carried this spirit to Chennai and turned the KV IIT campus into a living mosaic of India.

A Campus That Became a Festival
KVS brings Rashtriya Ekta Parv 2025 to the grounds of KV IIT Chennai from 30th October to 1st November 2025 with a team of 54 students from each region (28–EBSB + 26–Kala Utsav). More than 1290 students and their escort teachers from all 25 regions participated, gathered with songs, stories, artefacts, and traditions, ready to celebrate India's diversity in the most human, heartfelt way.

An Inauguration Rooted in Unity
The event opened with grace and symbolism as Ms. Prachi Pandey, IA&AS, Joint Secretary, MoE & Commissioner, KVS, inaugurated the festival and unveiled a statue of

Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, reminding everyone of the timeless spirit of national integration.

Two Pillars of Celebration: EBSB & Kala Utsav
The festival unfolded through two vibrant cultural wings. Ek Bharat Shrestha Bharat (EBSB) filled the venues with group songs, dance performances, paintings, and artefact displays showcasing partner-state cultures. Students

lived the idea that India's beauty lies in knowing and celebrating one another.

Besides it, the State-level Kala Utsav brought alive vocal and instrumental music, theatre, storytelling, and 2D/3D visual arts across multiple stages. The best performers will go on to represent KVS at the National Kala Utsav organized by NCERT.

Organisation That Worked Like an Orchestra
Behind the colourful performances was thoughtful coordination by the KVS RO, Chennai. Accommodation, transport, venue readiness, and scheduling of every detail were handled with precision. Teachers, volunteers, judges, and staff ensured the three-day event flowed like a well-composed melody.

Living the Spirit of Ek Bharat Shrestha Bharat
The festival made the idea of unity tangible. Students exchanged dialects, attire, traditions, and stories, discovering that diversity isn't a gap; it's a bridge.

A Festival Aligned with NEP 2020
The event echoed the principles of NEP 2020: holistic

development, art integration, experiential learning, and multidisciplinary creativity. Here, education stepped out of textbooks and into lived experience.

Rashtriya Ekta Parv is more than an event; it's a movement. A movement that teaches children to respect every shade of culture, to find rhythm in differences, and to see that unity isn't about sameness, it's about harmony.

As the music, laughter, and art fill the air in Chennai, one thing becomes clear:
When India's young voices rise together, unity doesn't just shine, it sings.



Learning That Goes Beyond Stages
Students returned home with more than certificates. They gained:

- Cultural literacy and appreciation
- Leadership, teamwork, and confidence
- Creative expression across art forms
- Research, innovation, and presentation skills through the Artefact Exhibition



Sanskrit Corner

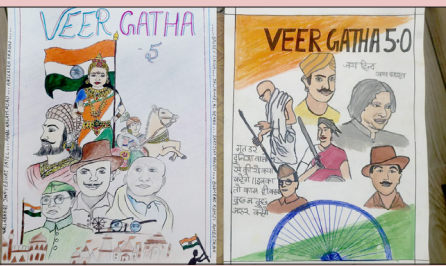
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Meaning

One whose task is never hindered
by cold, heat, fear, love,
prosperity or lack of it, is really
superior.



KVS Veer Gatha 5.0



Across KVs Veer Gatha was not just celebrated but truly lived. Students expressed the bravery of gallantry awardees and ancient warriors through poems, essays, paintings, multimedia stories, plays, and videos. Many schools created "Veer Gatha Corners" to display these works, turning classrooms into hubs of patriotism. Through assemblies, discussions, and art-integrated activities, KVS made Veer Gatha a heartfelt tribute that fostered courage, gratitude, and civic responsibility in young learners.

KVS Podcast Studio



On 25 November 2025, KVS Commissioner Ms. Prachi Pandey inaugurated the new KVS Podcast Studio under the Vidyanjali Initiative at PM SHRI KV Malleswaram. The studio launched with its first recorded episode featuring Ms. Pandey as the guest, hosted by Class XII student Km. Chinmayi Gram Purohit, highlighting the school's commitment to digital creativity and student-led media.



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Thought to Ponder

"A life of joy and happiness is possible only on the basis of knowledge and wisdom."

~Dr. Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan



Highlights of November 2025

Children’s Day with President



14 Nov 2025: Ten talented students and three teachers of Dr. Rajendra Prasad KV had the privilege of meeting the Hon’ble President of India, Smt. Droupadi Murmu, at Rashtrapati Bhavan on the occasion of Children’s Day. This special opportunity proved to be extremely inspiring for the students. During the meeting, the Hon’ble President shared her experiences, learnings, and thoughts.

PM Modi’s school in Vande Bharat



9th Nov 2025: Hon’ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi interacted with KV students during the flagging-off ceremony of four new Vande Bharat Express trains from Varanasi. He appreciated their paintings and said that the Vande Bharat, Namo Bharat, and Amrit Bharat trains represent the new generation of Indian Railways, providing a boost to regional mobility, tourism, and trade.

ADC (Acad) calls on Chief Secretary of Sikkim



18 Nov 2025: Additional Commissioner (Acad.) Ms. Chandana Mandal visited PM SHRI KV Sevoke Road. She inspected labs and encouraged innovative learning among students. She also met teachers to review support for late bloomers and action plans, including remedial and FLN initiatives.

Additionally, a significant meeting was held with the Chief Secretary of Sikkim, the Education Commissioner, Sikkim State Govt., and the Director of SCERT, Sikkim, to discuss expanding the Numeracy Program across govt. schools (Classes I–III). The discussion also focused on how the Jodo Gyan Education Foundation model, already successfully implemented in KVS for the past two years, could be adopted and scaled across Sikkim’s govt. schools.

MoU between KVS & Union Bank



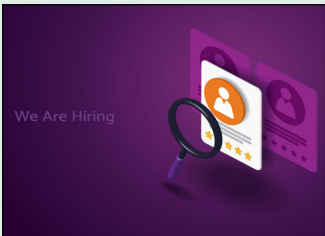
14 Nov 2025: KVS signed an important Memorandum of Understanding with Union Bank of India. This agreement was finalized in the presence of senior officials from both institutions at KVS (HQ), New Delhi. This MoU will ensure the implementation of a salary account with attractive benefits and an integrated salary portal for KVS employees. Through this collaboration, the salary-related processes and grievance handling of nearly 56,000 employees working across the vast network of 1290 KVs in the country will be made more streamlined and simplified.

Inauguration of KV Ramkot



Hon’ble Union Minister of State Dr. Jitendra Singh inaugurated the 1st academic session of KV Ramkot in J&K’s Udhampur constituency. The newly approved KV will provide uninterrupted, high-quality education to children of security personnel and local residents. For the 2025–26 session, over 200 students have enrolled in Classes 1 to 5. Currently, the school is functioning temporarily from the Govt. Model Higher Secondary School, Ramkot, marking a significant step toward strengthening education in the region.

KVS Recruitment Drive



Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan announced a major recruitment drive for 9,213 teaching and non-teaching vacancies. The move significantly expanded employment opportunities and aimed to strengthen the academic and administrative workforce across KVS schools nationwide.

Appointments were made for these posts:

- Assistant Commissioner
- Principal
- Vice-Principal
- Post Graduate Teacher
- Trained Graduate Teacher
- Librarian
- Primary Teacher
- Non-teaching posts

Achievers of the Month



Archery Championship

Anshita Saxena of KVGail Jhabua won 2 Gold and 1 Silver Medals at the 22nd Sub-Junior State-Level Archery Competition (2025) held in Dhar, competing among 200 students.



Painting Champion

Shreya Thakur of PM SHRI KV Dindori received a cash prize of ₹2000 at the state-level painting competition held in Bhopal, organized under the Energy Conservation initiative of the Ministry of Power, GoI.



Karate Warrior

Yuvraj Munish Tyagi of KV NEHU Shillong won a Gold Medal in the 5th West Zone Karate Championship 2025 held in Nashik in the Junior Kumite 76+ kg



Swimming Toward Gold

Aniket Jharoliya of PM SHRI KV AGCR Colony won 3 Gold Medals in the 25th National Para Swimming Championships 2025-26, recently held in Hyderabad. His remarkable achievement stood as an inspiration to students across KVS.



Playing with Colors

Meghna Patel of KV Garha won a consolation prize and a cash award of ₹7500 in the state-level “Energy Conservation” Painting Competition organized by BEE in Bhopal.



KV Teacher Powerlift Gold

Dr. Preeti Raina, PGT Physics of PM SHRI KV Chhatarpur, won a Gold Medal (52 kg category) at the powerlifting competition organized by the MP Powerlifting Organization.

PMs’ Museum & Library
Event: Essay competition on Hon’ble Shri P. V. Narasimha Rao, Former Prime Minister of India, organised by the Prime Ministers’ Museum and Library.



1st
Prachi
PM SHRI KV
Sec.-8 R K Puram



2nd
Niyati
PM SHRI KV
Gole Market



3rd
Manisha
Dr.Rajendra Prasad KV

69th National School Games (SGFI) 2025-26



Shaurya J S of KV RWF Yelahanka won a Gold Medal in Taekwondo (U-19 Boys, 59 Kg category) at the 69th National School Games 2025-26



Manjeet Singh of PM SHRI KV No.1 Kankarbagh won a Gold Medal in Taekwondo (U-19 Boys, 78+ kg category) at the 69th National School Games 2025-26



KVS clinches the Overall Championship at the 69th NSG (U-19 Girls Taekwondo) organized by SGFI in Jammu. (Medal Tally: 1 Gold | 3 Silver, Total Points: 22)



Aarushi Dipak Kadam & Aniket Dnyanoba Nagargoje of PM SHRI KV SCR Nanded secured Silver Medal in mixed team event of Archery(U-14) at 69th NSG 2025-26.