



Kendriya Vidyalaya Chronicle

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Editorial

Bharat Bodhan AI and the Future of School Education: Promise with Prudence

The Bharat Bodhan AI Summit, organised by the Ministry of Education, marks an important step in India's efforts to thoughtfully integrate Artificial Intelligence (AI) into the education system. Envisioned as a platform for dialogue and direction-setting, the summit underscored a clear message: AI must serve education with equity, ethics and purpose, especially at the school level.

AI has the potential to transform school education by making learning more personalised and inclusive. Adaptive learning systems can help identify individual learning gaps and support differentiated instruction. AI-enabled assessment tools can provide timely feedback, while multilingual content delivery can help overcome language barriers in a diverse country like India. For teachers, AI can assist with lesson planning, student progress analysis and routine administrative tasks—freeing valuable time for mentoring, creativity and holistic development of learners.

Recognising both opportunities and risks, the Ministry of Education has adopted a balanced and responsible approach. AI initiatives are being aligned with the vision of NEP 2020, ensuring that technology complements, rather than replaces, the teacher. Indigenous and open frameworks such as AI Bodhan emphasise ethical, India-centric and public-good-oriented AI solutions. Teacher capacity building, digital infrastructure strengthening and collaboration between schools, research

institutions and technology partners form the backbone of this approach.

The way ahead demands careful implementation. Teachers and school leaders must be trained not only to use AI tools, but also to critically evaluate their pedagogical relevance. Students should be introduced to age-appropriate AI literacy, digital ethics and responsible technology use. Institutions like Kendriya Vidyalayas can play a pioneering role by piloting AI applications, documenting best practices and sharing learnings across the school system.

At this stage, certain precautions are essential. Student data privacy, algorithmic bias, unequal access to technology and over-dependence on automated tools are real concerns that must be addressed through strong safeguards and clear guidelines. Most importantly, AI must never dilute the human values of empathy, curiosity and critical thinking that lie at the heart of education.

AI Bodhan signals a future where technology and pedagogy walk together—with wisdom guiding innovation. If implemented thoughtfully, AI can become a powerful enabler in shaping confident, competent and compassionate learners for the future.

~Vikas Gupta, IAS
■ Commissioner, KVS



On-Screen Marking: Transforming Assessment through Digital Innovation

Somit Shrivastav
■ Joint Commissioner (Acad.), KVS (HQ)

The Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE) has decided to implement a progressive reform by introducing an innovative evaluation method for class XII board examination answer books for the 2026 examination. The 'On-Screen Marking (OSM)' is set to be rolled out for the examination held during Feb-March 2026. This has been hailed as a great step forward towards making the evaluation of answer books relatively free of errors by bringing greater accountability in the evaluation process.



Although the CBSE has resolved to allot fewer answer books to teachers for evaluation, leading to better quality in evaluation. Apparently, teachers will conduct on-screen assessments from their respective schools during specific fixed hours. Teachers, however experienced they may be, require familiarity and a certain degree of habituation with the proposed mode of work. The system, when stabilized in a few years' time, would result in greater accuracy, efficiency, and accountability in evaluation work.

Modalities of several related works will have to be carefully worked out,

keeping in view local constraints, so that the exercise remains hassle-free. Teachers are being exposed to on-screen marking by presenting to them a sample answer book and asking them to go through the rigours of evaluation in the new setting.

The CBSE is required to gather a lot of data regarding teachers, availability of computers, etc., which it already has in great measure, but the remainder has to be acquired expeditiously so that an appropriate number of answer books can be allotted to different schools. Delineation of instructions, careful and adequate, needs to be passed on to schools to ensure the exercise does not run into unwanted perils.

Digitalization of evaluation would remain partial in the absence of digitalization of examination to begin with. Computer-based examination will remain an important part of the exercise. Re-evaluation or verification will become easy and quick. Many students and parents are interested in getting the answer books re-evaluated as they are not satisfied with the marking. Doing this work physically is quite time-consuming, but with the digitalization of evaluation, it would become easy and hassle-free.

With proper guidelines and orientation, the exercise is likely to add value to the examination process.

No More Paper Piles! Class XII answer books to be evaluated online.

Beyond Marks: Walking With Students Through Exam Season

D. Manivannan
■ Joint Commissioner (Training), KVS (HQ)



February has a way of quietly changing the mood in schools and homes. Classrooms grow more serious, conversations turn to syllabi and revisions, and anxiety often shadows even the most prepared students. This happens even though in KVs, learning is thoughtfully planned from the very first day of the academic session. With multiple assessments: monthly tests, periodic tests, pre-boards, and achievement tests, examinations can still feel overwhelming. At this sensitive time, students need not more pressure, but steadier support from both school and home.

To our students, it is important to know this: you are not facing this phase alone. In KVS, a strong support system stands firmly behind you. Your teachers focus not only on what to study, but also on how to study, building conceptual clarity rather than rote memorisation so you can understand and apply concepts with confidence. The CBSE examination pattern is discussed clearly to help you focus your efforts. Study camps organised in the final weeks provide structured revision aligned with question paper patterns, while Student Support Material prepared by KVS serves as a dependable tool for last-minute preparation. Teachers remain

available on messaging platforms to clear doubts, and on the day of the examination, their presence till the exam centre gate quietly reminds you that the school walks every step with you.

Dear parents, your role during this time is equally crucial. Children often draw emotional cues from adults around them, so your calm can become their strength. Please avoid transferring your anxieties to your child. A peaceful home environment, adequate sleep, and simple, balanced meals can help children stay focused. Trust the preparation done in school and avoid overloading your child with multiple guidebooks or last-minute materials. Most importantly, allow your child to pursue their own potential rather than carry unfulfilled aspirations. Every child has different intelligences and strengths, and acceptance of this truth builds confidence far more effectively than pressure ever can.

When schools and parents work in harmony, examinations lose their fear. They become a meaningful step in the learning journey—one where students feel supported, understood, and confident enough to do their best.

Pariksha Pe Charcha 2026

The Journey of Exam Warriors with PM Modi

Pariksha Pe Charcha 2026 was experienced in a fresh and engaging format this year, with Prime Minister Narendra Modi interacting informally with students during its 9th edition. The first session, held on 6 February at his residence in Delhi, addressed student concerns such as exam stress, balancing social life, valuing skills alongside marks, and gaming as a hobby.

The second episode on 9 February expanded the programme to multiple locations, including Coimbatore, Raipur, Devmogra, and Guwahati, reflecting a wider national outreach. The Prime Minister appreciated the enthusiasm and curiosity of students, making the initiative more interactive, relatable, and student-centered than ever before.



PM's Mantras

- ✓ Don't see studies and art as separate.
- ✓ Every small step will build Viksit Bharat @ 2047.
- ✓ Be your own anchor, celebrate your strengths.

PM's Mantras

- ✓ Listen to everyone's advice, but change your pattern only when you want to.
- ✓ Revise and become wise.
- ✓ Never settle in life, always strive for more.

PPC Anthem

Students and staff of Dr. Rajendra Prasad KV composed & sang the PPC Anthem in multiple languages, reflecting the spirit of 'Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat'.



Scan the QR Code to listen the PPC Anthem.



Episode 1

The first episode of PPC 2026 saw enthusiastic participation across KVs. Shri Vikas Gupta, Commissioner, KVS, along with senior officials of KVS HQ, joined students of PM SHRI KV Sec. 2 R.K. Puram for the live streaming, followed by an inspiring interaction with learners.

Live Stream Viewership

No. of KV Students:	705808
No. of KV Teachers:	43237
No. of parents:	41380

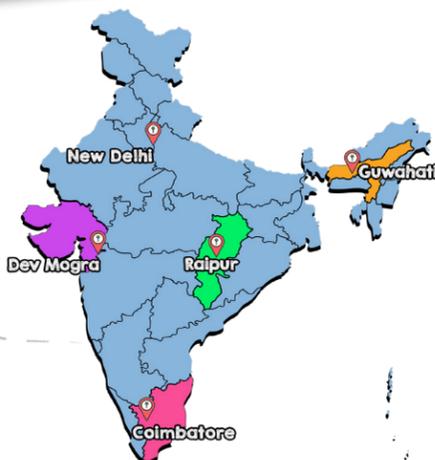
Episode 2

The second episode continued the momentum, connecting students from multiple regions and reinforcing the interactive spirit of the programme. Shri Vikas Gupta, Commissioner, KVS, along with senior officials from KVS HQ, joined the students of PM SHRI KV No. 3, Delhi Cantt, during the live streaming of Episode 2.

Live Stream Viewership

No. of KV Students:	612909
No. of KV Teachers:	37833
No. of parents:	25885

Total KVS Viewership (Episode 1 & Episode 2): 1467052



Four Sparks of KV, One Spotlight



Mansi Pannai
PM SHRI KV Sec. 2 R. K. Puram
KVS RO Delhi



Nikhil R. Nair
PM SHRI KV OCF Avadi
KVS RO Chennai



Lalthalmuanpuii Pachuau
PM SHRI KV Aizwal
KVS RO Silchar



Pinotoli Kappo
PM SHRI KV Dimapur
KVS RO Tinsukia

Four KV students were selected to represent the spirit of curiosity, confidence, and learner leadership in the PM PPC programme.

Pariksha Pe Charcha 2026



बढ़ता चल, कुछ करता चल...!

Manasi Papnai captivated Narendra Modi with her soulful song at PPC.



Scan the QR code and listen to the mesmerising song.



The live streaming of both episodes was also viewed at KVS HQ, New Delhi. Additionally, students and teachers of Kendriya Vidyalaya Moscow attended a special screening at the Embassy of India, Moscow, in the presence of the Ambassador of India and other dignitaries.

Students of the PM SHRI Kendriya Vidyalaya AFS Borjhar witnessed the live screening of PPC 2026 in the presence of Hon'ble Governor of Assam, Shri Lakshman Prasad Acharya.



Best Practice



Where Small Classrooms Build Big Foundations

Tajuddin Shaik

Deputy Commissioner, KVS RO Bengaluru

In the primary classrooms of KVS Bangalore Region, learning this year did not just move forward; it deepened. Across schools, small but meaningful practices quietly reshaped how children read, think, speak, and grow. Rooted in the spirit of the NEP 2020, these efforts place Foundational Literacy and Numeracy at the centre, while keeping curiosity and inclusion close at heart.

Inclusive Education & Strengthening FLN

One beautiful step has been the introduction of Sign Language for Class 4 students. What began with simple words has now grown into short sentences and conversations. More than a skill, it is teaching children empathy and awareness.

Reading has found new energy. Through the Reading Coaches initiative, students guide their peers during break time, turning corridors into spaces of shared



learning. The Phonics Programme for Class 2 and Corridor Reading (Open Library) for Classes 1-5 make books visible, reachable, and joyful.

Academic Support and Community Involvement

With Abacus training for Class 3, numbers feel lighter and more confident. The Academic Loss Compensation Programme, along with Mega PTMs and Mass Assemblies, ensures that learning continues steadily, with parents as partners.

Together, these practices reflect a region quietly strengthening foundations for lifelong learning.



Sanskrit Corner

न हि कश्चिद्विजानाति किं कस्य श्वो भविष्यति।
अतः श्वः करणीयानि कुर्यादद्यैव बुद्धिमान्॥

Meaning

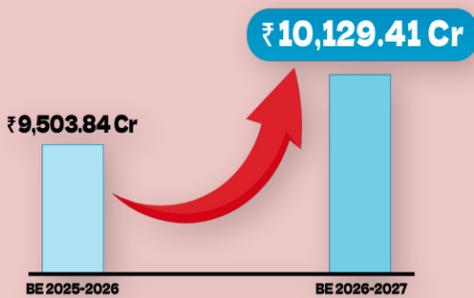
No one knows what will happen to whom tomorrow. So today itself a wise person should complete what he has planned to do tomorrow.



**Union Budget 2026-27
Big Boost for KVS**



Allocation for Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan increases to ₹10,129.41 crore, up from ₹9,503.84 crore in 2025-26.



Video of the Month



Scan the QR Code to Watch!

Chakravyuh

A Short Film Based on the Usage of Mobile Phones by PM SHRI KV Khanapara

Thought to Ponder

"The highest truth is always the simplest."

~Swami Vivekananda



Highlights of February 2026

Footballs Distributed under F4S



Dakshin Dinajpur, 28 February 2026: Hon'ble MoS for Education and Development of North Eastern Region, Dr. Sukanta Majumdar, distributed footballs at PM SHRI Kendriya Vidyalaya Dakshin Dinajpur under the F4S – Football for Schools initiative, promoting fitness and holistic development among students. The programme is implemented by the Ministry of Education in collaboration with the All India Football Federation and Fédération Internationale de Football Association. Nearly 1,700 footballs have been distributed across Dakshin Dinajpur district, while over 87,000 footballs are being distributed across West Bengal, benefiting lakhs of students.

Review of PM SHRI Implementation



Faridabad: Commissioner, KVS Sh. Vikas Gupta visited PM SHRI Kendriya Vidyalaya No. 3, Faridabad to review the progress of PM SHRI implementation. The inspection focused on infrastructure upgradation, enhancement of academic standards, and evaluation of teaching-learning practices aligned with the objectives of the PM SHRI scheme. During the visit, the Commissioner interacted with students and staff, reviewed classrooms, laboratories, and digital facilities, and assessed ongoing initiatives. He emphasised the need to create technology-enabled, inclusive, and future-ready learning environments, while encouraging innovative pedagogy.

के.वि.सं. ने अर्जित किये कुल 10 राजभाषा पुरस्कार



अगरतला, 20 फरवरी: राजभाषा हिन्दी के उत्कृष्ट कार्यान्वयन, कार्यालयीन कार्यों में हिन्दी के व्यापक प्रयोग, तथा राजभाषा नीति के अनुपालन में उत्कृष्ट प्रदर्शन के लिए केन्द्रीय विद्यालय संगठन की विभिन्न इकाइयों को वर्ष 2024-25 के राजभाषा पुरस्कार से अलंकृत किया गया। के.वि.सं के 3 विद्यालयों, 6 क्षेत्रीय कार्यालयों एवं 1 जीट को मिलाकर कुल 10 कार्यालयों को यह सम्मान प्रदान किया गया। त्रिपुरा की राजधानी अगरतला में राजभाषा विभाग द्वारा आयोजित पूर्व, पूर्वोत्तर एवं उत्तरी क्षेत्रों का यह संयुक्त क्षेत्रीय राजभाषा सम्मेलन केन्द्रीय गृह एवं सहकारिता मंत्री श्री अमित शाह की गरिमामयी उपस्थिति में संपन्न हुआ।

Green School Awards

2025-26

The Centre for Science & Environment (CSE) has rated 33 Kendriya Vidyalayas among India's greenest schools, out of 433 selected nationwide. KVs also won three Special Category Awards, reflecting a strong commitment to eco-friendly practices.

Special Category Awards

Rated Green for Five Consecutive Years: PM SHRI KV No. 2, Mangaluru
GSP Air Action Award: PM SHRI KV, Jhunjhunu
GSP Energy Manager Award: PM SHRI KV, Narela, Delhi

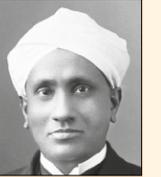


Mother Language Day: KVs Celebrate Linguistic Diversity

International Mother Language Day was observed on 21 February 2026 with great enthusiasm across all KVs. Students and teachers celebrated the occasion with pride, highlighting India's rich linguistic heritage. Special assemblies, and language exhibitions were organised in various regional languages. Students shared folk songs and cultural anecdotes from their mother tongues, reflecting the spirit of unity in diversity. The celebration aimed to promote awareness of linguistic and cultural diversity and to reinforce respect for every language.

Scientific Temper Highlighted as KVs Observe National Science Day

National Science Day was celebrated in all KVs across the nation on 28 February 2026 to commemorate the discovery of the Raman Effect by renowned Indian physicist Sir C. V. Raman. The day was observed with sincerity and academic spirit. During special morning assemblies, students were sensitised to the significance of the day and the remarkable contribution of Sir C. V. Raman to science. Teachers highlighted the importance of scientific temper, curiosity, and innovation in everyday life. The observance reinforced respect for scientific inquiry and inspired students to pursue knowledge with questioning minds and creative thinking.



Safer Internet Day: KVs Promote Digital Safety Nationwide

Safer Internet Day was observed in all Kendriya Vidyalayas across the nation on 10 February 2026 under the theme "Smart Tech, Safe Choices – Exploring the Safe and Responsible Use of AI." The observance aligned with the nationwide awareness campaign organized by the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology under the Information Security Education and Awareness (ISEA) Project. Awareness workshops were organized across schools to educate educators, teachers, and students about online safety, cyber hygiene, major cyber threats, mitigation strategies, and the safe and responsible use of the internet and AI, fostering informed and responsible digital citizenship.



~ Dhurandhars of KVS ~



KVian Makes History in JEE

Ashi Grewal, a former student of PM SHRI Kendriya Vidyalaya Hisar Cantt. (2025 Pass-out), created history by securing an outstanding 99.99 percentile in JEE (Main) 2026, emerging as the only female topper in the examination.



From Laps to Medals

Jeevamsh Subramanya, a student of PM SHRI KV Malleswaram, won 5 Gold, 2 Silver, and 1 Bronze Medals in the AOSI Swimming Championship 2026 held at Bangkok. His outstanding achievement has brought immense pride and glory to the school.



KVian in the Asian Championship

Rudra Roy, a student of PM SHRI KV AFS Tughlakabad, won a Bronze Medal in Taekwondo (U-48 Kg) junior male category in the 27th Asian Taekwondo Championship held at Pune, and he was selected for the World Taekwondo Junior Championship to be held in Tashkent, Uzbekistan.



Divya, a student of PM SHRI KV No. 2 GCF, won a Gold Medal in Yoga at the Khelo MP State Championship held in Ujjain.



Chess Master

Samaksh Ashok, a student of Kendriya Vidyalaya DRDO, received the Candidate Master title for 2026 from the International Chess Federation (FIDE). This prestigious recognition marks a significant milestone in his chess journey and brings pride to the KV fraternity.



KVian Triumphs at AI Quiz

Ms. Archana Jaiswal, Assistant Commissioner, KVS RO Lucknow, won the quiz competition at Bharat Bodhan AI conclave 2026, organised by the Ministry of Education, and received angvastram, a memento, and an AI-enabled laptop.



KVian Shines at APDSF Games

Challa Nakshatra, a special student of PM SHRI KV Picket, shines at the 1st Asia Pacific Down Syndrome Federation (APDSF) Games 2026, Chennai, winning Gold in the 100 m swimming event and Silver in the 25 m swimming event.



Arko, a student of PM SHRI KV Ordnance Factory Khamaria, also secured a Gold Medal in Yoga at the same championship.