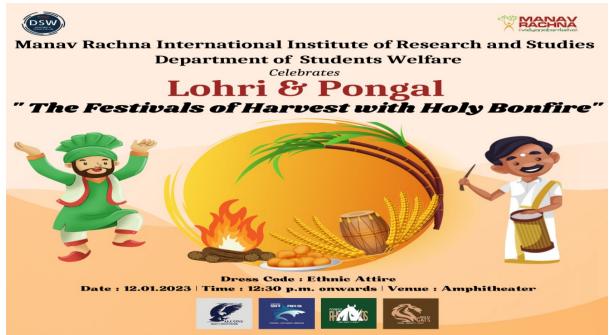
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Report on Lohri and Pongal Celebration "The Festivals of Harvest with Holy Bonfire"

> मक्की दी रोटी ते सरसों दा साग सूरज दिया करण, खुशियां दी बहार, ढोल दी आवाज ते नचदी मुटियार मुबारक हो लोहड़ी दा त्यौहार. लोहडी दी लख-लख बधाइयां !!



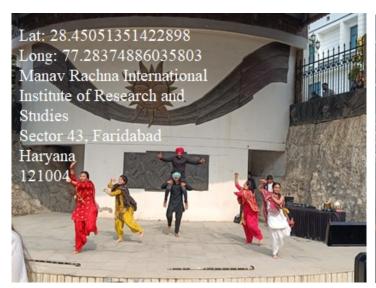
The Department of Students Welfare organised the Lohri and Pongal Celebration, "The Festivals of Harvest with Holy Bonfire" on 12.01.23 in the Amphitheatre, in front of B-Block, from 12:30 pm onward.

To commence with the celebrations, a dance performance was presented by Pappu Kumar, a student of FHM, and Vaibhavi Negi, a student of FMeH, depicting the joy of Pongal festival. In continuation of the celebrations, members of Surtarang gave a melodious performance by singing melodies associated with the festival of Lohri. The Bhangra performance from the students of Mridaksh simulated the audience with their upbeat songs and foot tapping steps. Dr. Sanjay Srivastava, Vice-Chancellor, extended his good wishes for Lohri and Pongal celebrations to the august gathering. He shared the historic background of a song sung by the members of Surtarang and appreciated the efforts of the students for the event. He also enlightened the students regarding the significance of One Tree for Nation - "EK PED DESH KE NAAM" campaign which was announced at the same celebration event. He encouraged students to contribute significantly to Mother Earth.

The holy bonfire was lit by the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor and all dignitaries present, and everyone took turns going around it to pray for health and prosperity for all. During the bonfire, folklore was also sung by the host, Ms. Pragun Sharma, and members of the Mridaksh Society. To make the event more graceful, some students of FBSS gave a lively and joyous bhangra performance. The Fashion Society presented a ramp walk, which left everyone spellbound. The walk was based on the themes of Lohri and Women Empowerment which were strongly depicted through the attire and the walk of the students.











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