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"Saluting Sacrifice: GDC Kulgam Pays Tribute to Bravehearts in Inspirational Event"

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GDC Kulgam, 14-08-2023: The NSS and NCC units of Government Degree College (GDC) Kulgam organized a poignant and patriotic session titled "MERI MAATI MERA DESH; MITTI KO NAMAN VEERON KA VANDAN" today. The event aimed to pay tribute to the brave soldiers of the Indian armed forces and to honor the sacrifices they make for the country. The chief guests for the occasion were Mrs. Mahjabeena Akhter, wife of Lance Naik Nazir Ahmad Wani, Ashok Chakra awardee, and Major Swapnil Shrivastava.

The event commenced with the solemn recitation of the national anthem, "Jana Gana Mana," followed by the NSS and NCC unit songs, invoking a sense of patriotism and unity among the attendees. The esteemed Principal of GDC Kulgam, Prof. Syed Eazaz Hussain Rizvi, then extended a warm welcome to the distinguished guests and participants of the event. In a touching gesture, Mrs. Mahjabeena was honored with a boutique by the Principal as a token of respect and appreciation.

A poignant video tribute to the valiant soldiers, Indian freedom fighters, and the Indian Army was displayed, evoking emotions and a deep sense of gratitude among the audience. The video underscored the courage and sacrifices made by these individuals to safeguard the honor and integrity of the nation.

Addressing the gathering, Mrs. Mahjabeena Akhter shared heartfelt anecdotes about her late husband's extraordinary bravery and unwavering dedication to the country. She emphasized the sacrifices made by all the Indian forces and commended the Indian Army personnel for their steadfast support throughout her journey. Her words resonated with the audience, leaving them inspired and moved.

Major Swapnil Shrivastava took the stage and spoke passionately about Lance Naik Nazir Ahmad Wani's selfless sacrifice for the motherland. Major Shrivastava's emotional address underlined the profound respect and admiration he held for those who lay down their lives to protect India's honor and sovereignty.

As a gesture of appreciation and honor, Mrs. Mahjabeena Akhter was also presented with a memento and a shawl, while Major Swapnil Shrivastava received a traditional Kashmiri shawl. The ceremony concluded with a heartwarming vote of thanks delivered by the NSS Program Officer, Mr. Shahid Yousuf Gilkar, who expressed gratitude to all the participants, guests, and organizers for making the event a resounding success.

The "MERI MAATI MERA DESH; MITTI KO NAMAN VEERON KA VANDAN" session served as a powerful reminder of the sacrifices made by the brave soldiers and a testament to the unwavering spirit of patriotism that runs deep within the hearts of the Indian citizens. The event left a lasting impact, inspiring all present to continue honoring and respecting the dedication of those who protect and serve the nation.



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