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The cold wave continues...

BY NINA JAIN, SECRETARY GENERAL - USO

I hope that all of you are keeping warm. February is turning out to be a cooler-than-usual month for all living in the northern part of India. Several schools saw a delayed reopening after winter break due to the cold wave, and hopefully, that is now behind us.

Our activities are going strong too. We observed Founder's Day celebrations on January 27, which is the birthday of our Founder Secretary General, Late Mr. Jiya Lal Jain. Dr. Nasir Siddiqui was kind to accept our invitation and join us as the Main Guest for the day. It was heartwarming to see how he encouraged the students who have come from the USO Co-Action Learning Centre at Chitra Vihar. Details about the celebrations, and more are on the following pages.

We just concluded Phase I of DhanGyan for Schools program. Registered students completed online modules, attended expert webinar series and gave an online test. With Phase II, the top scorers from every school have been assigned a special project relating to the online modules that they completed. We are looking forward to receiving the project reports from the students, and have begun planning for the actual in-person presentation of the top 5 selected projects. The online felicitation ceremony shall take place on March 24, 2023, at USO House.

It goes without saying that as another academic year draws to a close, all schools, teachers and students are busy with the preparation for their exams. On behalf of USO, I would like to wish all the students the very best for their upcoming exams. Also, it is important to remember to stay calm, get a good night's sleep before each exam and eat well. I am certain that all of you will do well.

We look forward to your continued participation in our activities. We have begun planning our calendar of events starting in April 2023!

Take care!

USO February Highlights

ABOUT OUR FOUNDER -
LATE SHRI JIYA LAL JAIN

FOUNDER'S DAY
CELEBRATIONS

POEM COMPOSED BY DR.
MUKESH KUMAR SHARMA,
PRINCIPAL-MTS PUBLIC
SCHOOL, SAHARANPUR, UP

HIGHLIGHTS OF USO
NATIONAL TESTS FOR
2022



ABOUT OUR FOUNDER LATE MR. JIYA LAL JAIN

United Schools Organisation of India (USO) was founded in 1951, by Late Mr. Jiya Lal Jain, with the vision to promote teachings about the United Nations among school students. As the Founder Secretary General, Mr. Jain aimed to impart among the youth the importance of ideals such as national integration and peace education. He pioneered the idea of extra-curricular tests in schools nationally. He also set up the USO International Centre, at USO House, a venue to provide conference facilities to government bodies and NGO's for educational purposes.

USO reached towering heights under his leadership and guidance. He was a true legend and to this day, his pursuit of excellence continues to inspire us all.

USO FOUNDER'S DAY JANUARY 27

At USO, we celebrate Founder's Day on January 27 each year. This is our way to remember and pay homage to our Late Founder. We start by offering him 'shradhanjali' and honouring him for all the great work he has done to ensure that USO becomes the pioneering national organisation it is today.

The day is celebrated by inviting the students and teachers of USO Co-Action Learning Centre, Rajiv Gandhi Basti Vikas Kendra, Chitra Vihar, New Delhi.

USO Co-Action Learning Centre

USO runs an Open Literacy Centre for the impoverished in Rajiv Gandhi Camp, Basti Vikas Kendra, Chitra Vihar, East Delhi. Since February 1992, USO has been allotted 2 rooms in this Delhi 'jhuggi cluster'. A small neighbourhood of approximately 800 jhuggis, and 5,000 people, this Centre aims to provide non-formal education to children and vocational training to women of the area. Non-instructional training and remedial classes are offered to students who attend the Centre either in the morning or evening session.

We distribute juice, milk, fruits, snacks, etc., to the children and young women after classes. The Centre is fully equipped with blackboards, fans, sewing machines and study desks. The Centre was visualized by the Late Mr. Jiya Lal Jain, Founder Secretary General of USO, to prevent young children from begging at the traffic lights near Institutional Area. Around the same time, UNESCO also started a program called 'EDUCATION FOR ALL BY 2000'. In response to the same, USO decided to set up education centres in and around Delhi in slum areas to educate young children and empower women.



On behalf of all of us at USO, we are thankful to Dr. Mukesh Kumar Sharma, Principal, MTS Public School, Saharanpur, Uttar Pradesh for composing a beautiful poem. This was recited during the Founder's Day celebrations.

AN ODE TO SHRI JIYA LAL JAIN

यू.एस.ओ स्थापना दिवस पर विशेष !

संस्थापक श्री जियालाल जैन जी की स्मृति में विशेष शब्द अभिव्यक्ति, विशेष नमन !

आन थे, वो बान थे,
यू एस ओ की वो शान थे,
जिए समय के साथ, लेकर सबको साथ,
सपने बड़े विशाल थे,
भारत के वो लाल थे,
समय के प्रहरी, जैन जियालाल थे।
है उन्हीं की कल्पना,
यू.एस.ओ की स्थापना,
बस यही सच है, अंतर्राष्ट्रीय यह मंच है,
वे युग दृष्टा थे, समय के वो सृष्टा थे,
व्यक्ति वो विशेष हैं, सपने उनके शेष हैं,
समय का ताना-बाना है,
सबको आना जाना है,
मन में अब तो ठाना है,
लक्ष्यों को आगे बढ़ाना है।
कैसे दे उनको बिसार,
किंचित नहीं है विचार, समय का यही सार है,
यू.एस.ओ पर जा निसार है,
भारत का यह सपूत है, हां यह शांतिदूत है,
इसमें ना कोई अंदेशा है, देता शांति समन्वय का संदेशा है,
शिक्षक, शिक्षा का सम्मान है,
ऐसा मेरा यू.एस.ओ महान है।



डॉ. मुकेश शर्मा

प्रधानाचार्य, एम.टी.एस पब्लिक स्कूल
सरसावा, सहारनपुर, उत्तर प्रदेश
सदस्य, कार्यकारिणी परिषद, यू.एस.ओ, नई दिल्ली



The celebrations were held at USO House, New Delhi. The event began at 12 noon and concluded around 2 pm. There were poems, speeches, songs, and dances by the students. All USO staff attended the event. Lunch was provided to all.



Scan the QR code to watch a short video of the day's events.

FOUNDER'S DAY CELEBRATIONS JANUARY 27, 2023

Dr. Naseer Siddiqui, Principal, MCD Primary Girls School, Katwaria Sarai was the Guest of Honour. The event began with the garlanding of the statue of Shri Jiya Lal Jain by Dr. Siddiqui, Ms. Nina Jain (Secretary General of USO) and Mr. Nikhil Bimbrawh (Member of the USO Advisory Board). One by one, all USO staff joined to pay their respects to the Founder Secretary General by offering flowers.



The event began with the students welcoming all guests. Mr. Hari Singh from USO gave the keynote address and provided a brief about the Late Mr. Jain, the work of USO to date and an overview of the USO Co-Action Learning Centre. Ms. Nina Jain welcomed all attendees and informed them about the significance of the event, and the success of USO Co-Action Learning Centre.

An update on the activities of the Centre was provided by Ms. Chanderkala, the senior teacher, who has been working at the Centre for the last 30 years. Dr. Siddiqui then gave his address and encouraged all the students, especially the girls to do their best and study hard.

Certificates were distributed to all students for attending the Centre. Some students were also awarded medals for 100% attendance, completing their homework on time, and various other reasons.





USO is the pioneering organisation to conduct extra-curricular tests nationally. In 2022, USO celebrated **72 years** of conducting tests for students nationally. More than 3.5 Million+ students have participated in our various tests. Highlights of the test are below.



USO NATIONAL TESTS
SINCE 1951

USO NATIONAL TESTS 2022 HIGHLIGHTS



USO National Test Highlights



Highest Enrolled States in USO Tests



Please see the communication sent to schools regarding USO National tests for the upcoming academic year 2023 - 2024. Exact dates and details of all tests shall be communicated in next month's edition of World Informo.



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USO NATIONAL TESTS 2023 - 2024

The fees for USO National Tests 2023-2024 remain unchanged @ Rs. 175 per student per test (including e-book for all tests and practice test for Mental Math Test).

Rs. 25 may be deducted by school for expenses related to the test and Rs. 150 may be sent to USO per student per test.

