

INTERNATIONAL YEAR OF MILLETS 2023

The UN Day celebration

SBOA Matriculation and Higher Secondary School, Chennai celebrates International Year of Millets 2023

SBOA Matriculation and Higher Secondary School, Chennai, one of the schools run by the SBIOA Education Trust of the State Bank of India Officers Association, organized various competitions based on the theme of International Year of Millets 2023. The aim of the competitions was to raise awareness about the importance of millets and their health benefits among the students and staff.

The competitions were held on November 8, 2023, and included poster making, written quiz, and oratorical contests. The participants were from classes 6, 7, and 8. The competitions were conducted by the teachers in charge, Mrs. Geetha, Mrs. Subha, Mrs. Zahidha, and Mrs. Manjula, with the help of the judges, Mr. Chandran and Mrs. Thulasi.

The **poster making competition** was for the students of class 8. The design was "a map of the world representing an azimuthalo equidistant projection centered on the North Pole, inscribed in a wreath consisting of crossed conventionalized branches of the olive tree, in gold on a field of smoke-blue with all water areas in white. The projection of the map extends to 60 degrees south latitude, and includes five concentric circles." The posters were judged on the basis of creativity, relevance, and neatness. 24 students participated in the competition.

The **written quiz** competition was for the students of class 6. The quiz consisted of 20 questions related to millets, such as their types, nutritional value, cultivation, and consumption. The quiz was aimed at testing the students' knowledge and interest in millets. 53 students participated in the competition.

The **oratorical competition** was for the students of class 7. The topic was "Millets". The students had to prepare and deliver a speech on the benefits of millets for human health and the environment. The speech had to be

between 3 to 5 minutes long. The oratorical competition was judged on the basis of content, delivery, and expression.

The winners of the competitions were announced and awarded with certificates issued by UN Volunteers-India by the principal, **Mrs. Sunila Cherian.**

The principal congratulated the winners and appreciated the efforts of all the participants and teachers. She also emphasized the importance of millets in the diet and encouraged the students to consume more millet products. She said that the International Year of Millets 2023 was a great opportunity to promote the production, consumption, and valueaddition of millet products.

The competitions were a success and received positive feedback from the students, staff, and parents. The competitions helped to create awareness and interest in millets among the school community and also showcased the talents and skills of the students. The school plans to organize more such events in the future to celebrate the International Year of Millets 2023.

The competition was attended by Mrs. C. Namagiri, the National UN Volunteer's India.



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