

GURU PURNIMA

A Tribute to Knowledge and Guidance

“गुरु गोविंद दौऊ खड़े, काके लागूं पाय।
बलिहारी गुरु आपने, जिन गोविंद दियो बताय॥” – संत कबीर

These timeless words of Sant Kabir perfectly echo the essence of Guru Purnima: the Guru stands even above God, for it is the Guru who shows the path to God.

On 10th July 2025, Bhonsala Military School & Bhonsala Sainik School, Nagpur, celebrated Guru Purnima with devotion, reverence and pride. The campus resonated with gratitude as Ramdandees, teachers, military instructors, and staff paid homage to their Gurus.

The event was graced by Shri Shridhar Gadge (Sahprant Sanghachalak, Vidarbha Prant, RSS) as the Chief Guest, alongside Mr Shailesh Joglekar (Chairman, BMS Nagpur), Mr Rahul Dixit (Secretary, CHMES – Nagpur Division), Col Amarendra Hardas (Commandant), Dr JS Riar (Principal, BSS), and Mr Ajay Shirke (Principal, BMS).

Voices of Gratitude from Ramdandees

• Ramdandee Mridul Gaikwad (Class IX, BMS) spoke about the eternal role of the Guru in

leading a disciple from ignorance to enlightenment. He recalled examples from the Ramayana, where disciples placed Guru above even God.

• Ramdandee Sundaram Kumar (Class VIII, BSS) highlighted how a Guru nurtures not only knowledge but also character—instilling selflessness, confidence, and decision-making skills.

Their heartfelt words added depth to the occasion, proving that the bond between Guru and disciple is sacred and everlasting.

Ceremonial Honour

The celebration commenced with the worship of the School Flag and Company Colours in full military style. The Chief Guest presented the School Flag to Ramdandee Chitransh Sarve, while dignitaries handed over the Company Flags to Company Captains of Shivaji, Rana Pratap, Swami Vivekanand, and Subhash Chandra Bose Companies.

The impressive Nishan Toli carried the flags with pride, as the armed contingent saluted them in true military tradition.



Words of Wisdom from the Chief Guest

Addressing the Ramdandees, Shri Shridhar Gadge called them 'The luckiest Ramdandees' for being part of such a unique institution that blends education with military discipline.

He inspired Ramdandees with stories of Guru Vashishta, Vishwamitra, and Lord Rama, emphasizing how divine strength arises from righteous guidance. He reminded everyone of Lord Krishna's teaching in the Bhagavad Gita:

“अज्ञानतिमिरान्धस्य ज्ञानाञ्जनशलाकया।
चक्षुरुन्मीलितं येन तस्मै श्रीगुरवे नमः॥”

“Salutations to that Guru who opens the eyes of one blinded by the darkness of ignorance, with the collyrium of wisdom.”

Tree Plantation Drive

In the spirit of Guru's selflessness, the celebration concluded with a Tree Plantation Drive. Dignitaries, teachers and Ramdandees planted saplings, marking the beginning of

the Inter-Bhawan Arboriculture Competition, where each Bhawan nurtures trees as part of the Best Bhawan Trophy.

The plantation drive symbolized the Guru's role as a nurturer—just as trees give shade and life, so does the Guru provide wisdom and guidance.

Festival Spirit:

The Guru Purnima celebration at Bhonsala was not just a ritual - it was a living lesson of gratitude, knowledge, discipline and sustainability. It reminded every Ramdandee that behind every achievement, there is always a guiding hand of a Guru who lights the way.

