A Report on Kashmiri Craft Competition

The covid-19 pandemic has affected not only our physical and mental health, but all the aspects of our lives. In these hard times the NSS wing of college organized *"Kashmiri Craft Competition"* on 30th December-2020 under the patronage of our worthy Principal Prof. (Dr.) Tabasum Rafiq. The objective of this event was to provide a platform for the students to showcase their talent through the powerful medium of art, as art is an expression of our thoughts, emotions and desires.

The theme of the event was "*A Unique Piece of Kashmiri craft*" which was made open on 23rd November-2020 to the students having expertise in the different Kashmiri handicrafts. The interested students were supposed to submit their exhibits in the NSS Wing of the Government College for Women, Nawkadal, Srinagar up to 15th December-2020. A total of 22 students from different colleges of Kashmir division participated in the event.

The Kashmiri handicrafts that were included in the competition were (i) Paper-Mashie (ii) Crewel embroidery (iii) Sozni work (iv) Walnut work (v) Willow work (vi) Chain stitch (vii) Aari work (viii) Tilla work (ix) Silverware (x) Tapestry (xi) Calligraphy (xii) Copper work (xiii) (xiv) Khatamband & (xv) Staple Work.

The college received 06 exhibits in Calligraphy category, 03 participations in Sozni work, 03 expos in Staple work, 03 entries in Aary work, 03 in Crewel, 02 in Paper-Mashie, and 02 entries in Tilla work.

The event was judged by the team of four faculty members of the college namely Prof. Yasmeen Bashir, Prof Rubayia Rasheed, Prof. Shabnum Ara and Dr. Zuhaib Bazaz. The winners of the competition were announced after the demonstration by students in their specialized art held on 30th December-2020. On this occasion the worthy Principal of the college gave away the certificates and prizes to the participants. The first position along with the cash prize of Rs. 5000 was won by Shazia Rasheed in Sozni work, while as Farhana Majid in Crewel work and Shaista Bashir in Staple work both bagged second position along with the cash prize of Rs. 4000 each. Third position along with the cash prize of Rs. 3000 each was secured by Rimsha Bashir in Calligraphy and Roofa Jan in Tilla work. Moreover, the consolation prize of Rs. 1000 each was given to every participant. The event culminated on vote of thanks presented by Prof. Tahseena Kanth.

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