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On the invitation from Infantry Brigades, Army Headquarters to "**Know Your Army Festival 2024**", being hosted for the first time in Uttar Pradesh, nearly 60 students from various departments of Integral University along with Prof. Monowar Alam Khalid, Dean, Students' Welfare, faculty/staff members Mr. Amit Kumar from Department of Commerce & Management and Ms. Rubina Bano from Office of Dean, Students' Welfare visited the festival organized at Surya Khel Parisar-I in Lucknow Cantonment.

The purpose of this event was to provide participants with an educational opportunity to learn about the Indian Army, its activities, and capabilities. The festival was meticulously organized to offer a structured insight into the functioning of the Indian Army. Activities such as rock climbing, hot air balloon rides, and a quiz were designed to provide a practical understanding of the physical and intellectual challenges faced by military personnel. These activities were aimed to foster respect and appreciation for the efforts of the armed forces. The festival also featured stalls displaying military equipment, including armor-ships, planes, and various weapons. At the festival venue various arms, artillery, military vehicles with the latest technology were also displayed, a few notable among them were the T-90 Indian Army's main battle tank, K-9 Vajra self-propelled artillery gun, a gyrocopter, Swathi a domestically produced weapon locating radar etc. There was also an exhibition of ancient weapons like rifles etc. of Second World War and British rule.

This exhibition allowed students to observe firsthand the technological advancements and strategic assets of the Indian Army. The interactive nature of the stalls facilitated student engagement, encouraging inquiries and enhancing their knowledge about the military apparatus using during peace and war. The festival's key component was a series of shows where soldiers from different regiments demonstrated their talents. Sikh regiment showcased Gatka performance and an impressive Punjabi sword-fighting martial art, which involved fire tricks and stunts and Kalaripayattu, a pipe band show, an Army martial arts display, rappelling display, a Khukhri dance and an army dog show etc. The objective was to showcase the diverse skill sets within the Indian Army and provide students with a practical understanding of the cultural and physical dimensions of military life. There were a number of counters, where information regarding joining the armed forces were provided through interaction, brochures, pamphlets, charts etc., providing details to youngsters who wanted information and insight into career opportunities and the latest developments related to military service.

Integral University's participation in the 'Know Your Indian Army' fest aimed to provide its students with not only an entertaining afternoon, but also an educational experience. The structured program allowed participants to gain insights into the operational aspects of the armed forces and cultivate a sense of national pride. Reflecting on this informative day, Integral

University acknowledges the significance of exposing students to the multifaceted roles of the Indian Army. This successful visit aligns with the university's commitment to comprehensive education, ensuring that students develop a well-rounded understanding of the various dimensions that contribute to the nation's security and defense and inculcate pride for the nation.

Few Glimpses of the visit:









Warm regards,
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