

## Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalaya, Amravati

### Navodaya Meet 2009 – Report

It was a time for all the Navodayans to cherish their golden memories on 19<sup>th</sup> July 2009 at Pune. Total 141 alumni from Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalaya, Amravati were gathered for one humble cause, to work for the betterment of Navodaya students.

The program started in a traditional way with Sarswati Pujan and a tribute was paid to the founder of Navodaya, late Prime Minister Mr. Rajiv Gandhi. Chief guests Mr. R.T. Lad, Principal JNV Kolhapur and Mr. N.S. Pawar, Librarian JNV Parbhani were welcomed. Then, every alumnus had self introduction and was warmly welcomed with a bouquet as a token of appreciation of their presence.

Presentations on 'Navodaya Journey' and 'Action Plan' started soon after welcoming the guest -

- Navodaya Journey which started with an idea behind establishment of Navodaya, how that idea became reality, how it became one of the largest talent development program in the country, what Navodaya has given to us and what are our responsibilities towards betterment of this great institution.
- Action Plan presented the ideas about the various programs that can be carried out in JNVs for the benefits of students and which can take Navodaya to next level.

After presentations, Objectives behind this most awaited meet were explained. Objectives were focusing on the motto behind establishment of Navodaya "Come in to learn, go out to serve", which means to bring all the alumni on one common platform to work together for the betterment of our society.

Mr. Lad Sir then addressed the gathering and shared his experiences in JNV Amravati. He informed us about various positive developments in JNV's in recent years, outstanding results and achievements in comparison to other educational organizations. Also gave us information about various tie-ups with reputed foreign and national organizations on educational front. In addition to this he emphasized on a need to improve personal skills of the students.

Mr. Pawar Sir mesmerized everyone with their Navodaya memories and their feelings, emotions, attachment with JNV Amravati. Everyone got extremely emotional and cherished their unforgettable memories. This proved there is a single binding thought among everyone associated with Navodaya.

Soon after guest guidance, everyone enjoyed delicious lunch. In the mean time Ms. Alka Raja, PET JNV Amravati joined for the rest of the function.

Stage was perfectly set, environment was such that everyone was focused on the objectives for which the meet was held and at the same time they were passionate to express their thoughts. At that

moment, Open forum started with an outlining speech full of statistics and analysis where it was quantitatively measured the debt that we owe towards Navodaya.

Main ideas that discussed in Open forum were-

- Creating centralized database of alumni information.
- Developing website as a single platform for communication.
- Conducting various programs for Personality development, Career guidance and Social awareness.
- Organizing special guidance program for IIT/AIEEE, Medical, Civil Services and other Competitive Examinations.
- Branding Navodaya.
- Build strong union among alumni, which actively works for Navodaya and society.
- Help each other among us in every possible way.
- NVS Silver Jubilee Program Celebration in 2010.

During interaction, teams were formed to work for achieving the objectives. Attendees registered themselves in their desired teams. The teams are

- Personality Development
- Career Guidance Program
- Competitive Exams
- Information Management
- Social Awareness

Mr. K.S.N. Bhat, Deputy Commissioner, NVS Pune region visited the function in spite of his busy schedule. He expressed his views regarding Navodaya and conveyed his support for student development activities. He felt very contented and extremely satisfied to witness this kind of alumni function.

This Alumni Meet ended on high note, with a hope for the beginning of a movement that will work towards the fulfillment of the objectives.

Thank you!