## Colours Galore in the Midst of Milan!

Holi might have been on the 2<sup>nd</sup> of May this year, but the third day of Milan saw Holi getting a second wind - not through the throwing of colours everywhere, but through the abundant use of colours in the events and shows of the day, along with dazzling outfits of multiple colours.

The music domain most of the singing competitions on the day, with single and duet performances in both the western and eastern styles. The singers were either accompanied with a backing track or an instrumentalist with them. A separate instrumental battle was also held to cater to all musicians, and the judges also performed for the participants, setting them a benchmark to strive for in the future. The Battle of the Bands and the DJ Battle were the biggest events for the day, with a lot of bands and DJ's doing a wonderful job at portraying their own creations or covers of other famous songs. The dance domain's major event for the day was the themed version of Choreonite, as the cast of "Iruttu Araiyil Murattu Kuththu" was present to complete their audio launch at the show, as the winners were asked to do the audio launch. Solo dances, eastern solo, and group battle was also held for the students, as students from multiple colleges were seen participating in the same.

The environment domain had a lot going on for their events, as the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> stages of most events were underway on this day, with story writing, and multiple games were seen being played at the Tech Park. Creative Writing and JAM (Just a Minute) sessions were the main events for the literary, along with Comic Script and Doodling being the more fun events on the side. The drama domain were also seen on the Tech Park Stairs area in the morning, with "Street Play" - having themes involving the disparity between men and women in this world and some more pressing social issues for the benefit and understanding of the onlookers. The evening brought about the Bodybuilding event in the same area, as well built and sculpted frames of men were all oiled up and shown off to the judges. This attracted a huge crowd, especially the ladies, as the grabbed a bite to eat from the nearby stalls.

The Creative Arts and Funzone domains had a blast on this day of colours, as some events from the previous day along with new events were put up at the Tech Park Avenue. Some events attracted the eyes, like Pani Puri Eating Competition (who doesn't like having some pani puris?), Chilli Eating Competition (extreme burns in the mouth) and Puzzle Hunt. The Pot Painting competition also saw a whole bunch of colours coming out, as the pots were being painted in varying colours and styles that brought about a sense of serenity to the painters and the onlookers at the Biotech block.

The final event for the day, and arguably the most awaited, The Vogue Way. An alias for the fashion show, boys and girls from all colleges thronged in great numbers to watch the latest trends in fashion, as the teams followed the theme of 'Cultural Voyage' set by Milan - with the host team performance at the start. With varying mixes and sequences, different teams performed in front of the star of the day - Miss Grand India 2016, Pankhuri Gidwani, who was seated directly in front of the ramp. She was also given the task of selecting the winners of Mr. and Ms. Milan, as a proper pageant took place at the Auditorium Ground with cheers in the air and hands up with phones recording the entire event. The sponsors of the event - Derby Jeans Community, also walked onto the ramp with their models showcasing their clothing line-up.

Day 3 ended with the declaration of Mr. and Ms. Milan, as the day finally wrapped with a vast abundance of colours in the minds and hearts of the participants and the viewers.

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