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GOVERNMENT COLLEGE SANJAULI
SHIMLA-06, H.P.

{NATIONAL SERVICE SCHEME}

Report

Prajatantra 2025

National Youth Festival

Winner – Mayor's Speech Competition

Date: 01/11/2025 – 02/11/2025

Introduction:

The NSS Unit of Centre of Excellence Government College Sanjauli, Shimla-06, is immensely proud to celebrate the achievement of Mohit Thakur, who emerged as the Winner of the Mayor's Speech Competition at Prajatantra 2025, the National Youth Festival, held in Mumbai. Prajatantra is organised by Praja Foundation together with the National Institute of Urban Affairs (NIUA) and UN-Habitat, and the 2025 edition was celebrated under the theme "Artificial Intelligence (AI) for Sustainable Cities". Mohit Thakur participated in the competition representing Avichal Yuva Party.

Objectives:

The main objectives of participating in Prajatantra 2025 were:

1. To represent the college and Himachal Pradesh on a national youth platform.
2. To develop public speaking, leadership and civic-engagement skills among youth.
3. To understand the role of the Mayor and the importance of local governance in cities.
4. To present fresh ideas on how Artificial Intelligence can help build sustainable cities.
5. To carry forward the NSS values of service and "Not Me, But You" in public life.

About the Event:

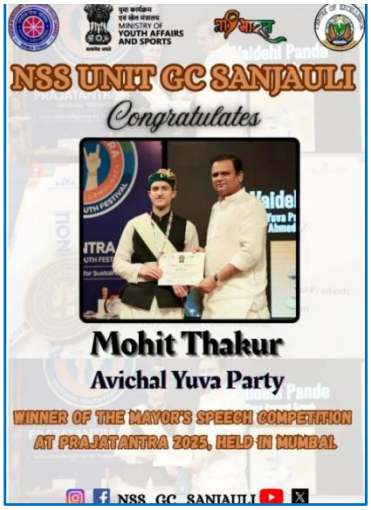
Prajatantra: National Youth Festival is a platform that encourages young people to take part in city governance and democratic processes. The Grand Finale of Prajatantra 2025 was held in Mumbai on 1st and 2nd November 2025, after the qualifying and semi-final rounds. In the Mayor's Speech Competition, participants step into the role of a Mayor and deliver a speech as if at the first General Body Meeting of the Corporation after an election.

The finalists were judged by Manglesh Kumar Srivastava (Mayor of Gorakhpur), Shubha Raul (Former Mayor of Mumbai) and Tikender Singh Panwar (Former Deputy Mayor of Shimla). Mohit Thakur, wearing the traditional Himachali cap and waistcoat, received the winner's certificate on stage, making the NSS Unit and the college proud.

Impact:

Mohit Thakur's victory at a national-level festival has inspired the students and NSS volunteers of the college, showing that confidence, preparation and dedication can bring success on a big stage. It has also brought recognition to the NSS Unit, the college and Himachal Pradesh, and motivated other youth to take part in competitions that build awareness of governance and leadership.

Winner Profile:



Congratulations poster by NSS Unit GC Sanjauli

Winner	Mohit Thakur
Unit	NSS Unit GC Sanjauli
Team / Party	Avichal Yuva Party
Competition	Mayor's Speech Competition
Event	Prajatantra 2025 – National Youth Festival
Venue	Mumbai
Grand Finale	1st – 2nd November 2025
Organisers	Praja Foundation, NIUA and UN-Habitat

Conclusion:

The victory of Mohit Thakur in the Mayor's Speech Competition at Prajatantra 2025 is a matter of great pride for Centre of Excellence Government College Sanjauli and its NSS Unit. His success reflects the spirit of dedication, confidence and service that NSS stands for. We congratulate him on this remarkable achievement and wish him continued success in the future. Jai Hind!

Acknowledgement:

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to our respected Principal, Centre of Excellence Government College Sanjauli, for continuous support and encouragement. We sincerely thank our NSS Programme Officer for guiding the volunteers, and all the faculty members and NSS volunteers for their good wishes and support. We also thank Praja Foundation, NIUA and UN-Habitat for organising Prajatantra 2025 and giving the youth a platform to speak on city governance.

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