GD Goenka Public School, Vasant Kunj Adds Another Jewel To Its Crown; Inaugurates State-Of-The-Art Shooting Range

<u>New Delhi, February 26, 2025:</u> GD Goenka Public School, Vasant Kunj, proudly unveiled today a state-of-the-art Shooting Range, an exciting addition to Sports Arena, this facility is a testament to their commitment to nurturing young talent and providing world-class sports infrastructure to help shape well-rounded individuals.

The occasion was honoured by **Mr. Rannvijay Singha as the Chief Guest**, **he is a multifaceted Indian actor**, **television personality**, **and sports enthusiast**, whose passion for athletics has inspired many. Mr. Singha also inaugurated the school's sports arena last year.

"I am really excited to see the shooting facility and revisit some of the sports I played here. Competing against GD Goenka always made me envious of their outstanding infrastructure. If young kids receive this level of support and infrastructure from their parents and schools, nothing can stop our sportsmen, sportswomen, and athletes from winning numerous medals for the country," said **Mr. Singha.**

The shooting range is an impressive, Olympic-size 10-meter facility, equipped with modern air rifles and air pistols, along with an advanced electronic target scoring system.

"GD Goenka school remains at the pinnacle of offering a conducive environment for holistic growth. The shooting facility will not only provide the best-in-class training to students but will also inspire the next generation of champions. With exemplary infrastructure and support, our students can achieve remarkable success on the global stage," said Mr. Nipun Goenka, Managing Director of GD Goenka Group.

The event witnessed the presence of several distinguished guests of honour, including **Mr. Deepak Kumar**, a celebrated Indian sport shooter, Junior Warrant Officer in the Indian Air Force, and Asian Games silver medalist in the 10m air rifle event and **Mr. Parth Makhija**. a rising star in Indian shooting, Junior World Champion, and leader of the Delhi shooting contingent at the Goa National Games.

"The inauguration of the shooting facility marks an auspicious endeavour. An athlete has the capability to make our national flag fly high in front of the entire world, and I can say that in the future, many athletes from this school, this state, and this country will bring glory and numerous medals," said **Mr. Deepak Kumar.**

Adding to the prestige of the occasion, **Ms. Ria Rajeshwari Kumari**, a proud Goenkan alumna (Batch of 2010), an international trap shooter, silver medalist at the 2022 Asian Games, and a 2024 Olympian, currently ranked 9th in the world and **Ms. Shreya**

Agrawal, shooting sensation, Air Rifle Gold Medalist at the World & Asian Championships, former India Junior Rank 1 holder, and a Senior World Cup medalist, currently pursuing her MBA at GD Goenka University.

"The new shooting range is a reflection of our dedication to promoting both academic and athletic excellence. This initiative will not only enhance the physical abilities of students but also instil discipline, focus, and a competitive spirit at a young age," said Dr. Kevin Brady, Principal of GD Goenka Public School, Vasant Kuni, Delhi.

The event commenced with a formal inauguration ceremony followed by inspiring speeches from dignitaries who underlined the significance of promoting sports in schools. The distinguished athletes were also honoured for their achievements and contributions in the realm of sports, motivating young students to pursue excellence in their athletic endeavours.

The new shooting facility stands as a testament to GD Goenka School's commitment to the well-rounded development of its students, establishing new benchmarks in both academics and sports.