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Pratika Rawal: A Testament to Modern Barakhamba's Sporting Legacy

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The newest sensation, Pratika Rawal, is a prodigy, groomed on the fields of Modern Barakhamba. She has been making waves in the sports world for her exceptional skills. She made her debut in the International Cricket on December 22, 2024, against the West Indies. She wasted no time in making an impression, displaying composure and skill beyond her years. On January 15, 2025, she scored her first ODI century, smashing 154 runs against Ireland. In the same match, she helped set the highest ODI total for India, with 435 runs, by forming a 233-run stand with captain, Smriti

Mandhana. She is the only cricketer, male or female, to score more than 400 runs in her first six innings, a feat that highlights her consistency from the very beginning of her international career. In doing so, she has also broken the Netherlands' Tom Cooper's record of 392 runs in the first six innings. Pratika is one of the few cricketers to be praised for both her technical skills and mental strength at such an early stage of her career. With her talent and smart approach to the game, she is set to be one of the cornerstones of Indian Cricket for years to come.



Nurturing Talent, Building Champions

The Story of Modern Barakhamba and Pratika Rawal

Modern Barakhamba has produced cricketing stars like Ayush Badoni and Shweta Sehrawat in recent times. Pratika's journey began when her exceptional talent was identified during her admission to class 6, leading the school to offer her a scholarship to pursue both academics and sports.

Academically strong, Pratika Rawal, secured an impressive 92.5% in the CBSE XII examination, making the school proud.



A versatile athlete excelling in basketball and cricket, Pratika brought glory to the school by winning numerous accolades, including the SGFI Gold. She was honoured with the prestigious Kiran Seth Award as the All- Round Best Sportsperson of 2017-18 and also received the PTA award the same year for her selection in the U-19 Nationals by the BCCI. Pratika's dedication to sports and relentless pursuit of excellence have made her an inspiration to her peers. Her achievements continue to shine a spotlight on her remarkable talent and hard work.

A World of Learning

Modern Barakhamba's Cultural Exchange with Riverdale Country School



A group of eight students from Riverdale Country School, New York, visited Modern School as part of a cultural exchange programme from December 24, 2024 to December 28, 2024. The group was accompanied by two teachers, Ms Chime Dolma and Ms Asya Reznikov. The exchange began last summer, with the students of Modern Barakhamba visiting Riverdale Country School, New York, and continued with the students of Riverdale visiting Modern Barakhamba.

Throughout the five-day exchange programme, the students participated in a wide range of activities, starting with an extensive tour of the school conducted by Ms Beeba Sobti, followed by a Christmas special assembly to warmly welcome the guests.



The Students were also given the opportunity to visit the Cheshire Home, an experience that left a lasting impression on them. They got the chance to connect with the members there and presented them with gifts, making the visit both meaningful and heart-warming.



On December 25, Christmas Day, the activities included art and craft sessions in the creative wing of the school, where the students made photo frames and paintings.



The day trip to the Taj Mahal on December 26, was the highlight of the exchange program, captivating everyone with the beauty of the monument.

The following day, the students attended classes and engaged in chemical experiments in the chemistry lab, followed by a visit to the newly constructed Parliament, including the Rajya Sabha, Lok Sabha, and the old Parliament.

The exchange concluded on December 28, with a tree plantation ceremony, a fashion show featuring students from Modern Barakhamba and Riverdale in traditional Indian clothes, and a performance of ABBA's 'Dancing Queen.' The programme ended with a heartfelt goodbye, and the students thanked Dr Vijay Datta, our respected principal, for providing them with this opportunity. He appreciated the efforts of the students and the staff.

The programme greatly fostered cross-cultural understanding, enriching students' perspectives through diverse interactions. It encouraged mutual respect and appreciation for cultural diversity, providing a unique platform for dialogue. Activities such as cultural workshops and community engagement helped build meaningful, enduring relationships between the two communities.

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