

SPG, India organizes Regional Inter-School Quiz Competition, SPG MASTERMIND 2013

19th Aug. 2013 witnessed one of the most enthralling quiz contests of Doon, when 17 teams from the top schools of Dehradun and Mussoorie locked horns for the top honors in **SPG MASTERMIND 2013**, the 3rd edition of the Regional Inter-School Quiz Competition organized by Society of Petroleum Geophysicists, India (SPG). The contest featuring students of Class XI and XII was organized at the KDMIPE Mini Auditorium, ONGC. The participating schools included Ann Mary, Asian School, Brightlands, Convent of Jesus and Mary, Cambrian Hall, Doon School, Doon International, St. Joseph's Academy, Oak Grove (Jharipani), Mussoorie International, KV-ONGC, KV-OFD, KV-IMA, RIMC, Seven Oaks, Sunrise Academy and Welham Boys. Mr. N.S. Dangwal, Secretary SPG welcomed the participants and emphasized on the ethos of SPG of encouraging young talents who are the potential geo-scientist of the future through such competitions and events across the country. The humane side of SPG was also highlighted mentioning its recently laudable endeavor of contributing generously

for the relief of the affected in the devastating tragedy that befell Uttarakhand in June 2013.

Of the 17 teams, 5 qualified for the final round after a grueling qualifying round. The finals witnessed a keenly contested battle as the participants' wits, knowledge and presence of mind were put to test in questions ranging from current affairs to earth sciencessports to entertainment, across several rounds, spanning audio, visual, buzzer, rapid fire *etc.*, presented in a sleek and ritzy format. Mr. Rajiv Paul, the Quiz Master, conducted the event with great aplomb. The contest was keenly watched by an enthusiastic audience who also had the chance to showcase their own knowledge during the audience questions. The crown was eventually bagged by the team from Brightlands School comprising Kaustubh Chaturvedi and T M Ravi Kiran. The First Runners-up were Akash Zutshi and Shervil Kala from Asian School while Alok Bhatt and Shourya Kumar from St. Joseph's Academy finished Second Runners-up. The honors were done by Mr. Anand Sahoo, Executive Director,



The final round in progress: The participants listening to the Quiz Master, Mr. Rajiv Paul with rapt attention.

ONGC, Mr. A.K. Tandon, General Manager, ONGC and Mr. T.R. Muralimohan, General, Manager, ONGC. Mr. C.B. Yadava, Jt. Secretary presented the Vote of Thanks.

The team from Brightlands School, by virtue of

finishing numerouno, had earned the proud privilege to represent the region in the National level during the SPG International Conference and Exposition that was organised in Kochi during November 2013 and had put up a commendable performance there.



The winning team from Brightlands School receiving the trophy from Mr. Anand Sahoo, Executive Director, ONGC



The first runners-up team from Asian School receiving the trophy from Mr. A.K. Tandon, GM, ONGC



The finalists with the organizers and dignitaries