



Delhi, 6<sup>th</sup> Dec 2022 –

Today saw the successful launch of Delhi Robotics League(DRL), the first of its kind ever to be held in India as school level and soon looking at going all across India schools. This brilliant initiative towards inspiring and motivating government school students and showcasing their brilliance in the field of robotics and putting them at par with the rest of the best. Today everything is about on the job and hands on learning and with this initiative that is exactly what is being encouraged to the students, to start building a robot from scratch. This involves, planning, team work, meticulous and precision of thoughts , problem solving and strategy and above it all the ability to make a functional successful robot.

On the launch of Delhi Robotics League (DRL), **Shri. Himanshu Gupta IAS, Director (Education), Government of NCT of Delhi** said *“Delhi government schools have been making meaningful strides in improving quality of education offered to our students by undertaking new and innovative initiatives regularly. We are launching a new initiative as part of our ongoing efforts in strengthening learning in Dr. B. R. Ambedkar Schools of Specialised Excellence called the Delhi Robotics League (DRL) in collaboration with our Knowledge Partner, IHFC , Innovation Hub For Cobotics (The Technology Innovation Hub of IIT Delhi).*

*We started Delhi Robotics League for school students to create exposure to building working prototypes. The competition is envisioned to simulate real world task-based robotic prototyping. The competition will foster curiosity in robotics, build excitement in students and create an opportunity to learn & display their technical skillsets. The competition promotes skills of problem solving, teamwork and strategy while building technological know-how of designing & prototyping robots.”*

Speaking regarding this wonderful initiative **Prof. S.K. Saha, Project Director, IHFC** said *“After the immense success of Robocon the idea of having something similar at school level came about during that time itself. These young minds are our future and if we spark their brilliance in the right direction of ideation conceptualization and creation of robotics and it’s possibilities in the future at this age itself, India can surely see a huge number of them contributing to the future of science and technology putting India on the global map in the field of science and technology.”*

**CEO, IHFC , Mr. Ashutosh Dutt Sharma** too was thrilled on partnering with this initiative and added, *“It is important that such events are conducted in schools as they give these young children good exposure of upcoming technologies and excite them to solve real-life problems using them. Imbibing the new generation with such skills and thoughts will help us shape India for a better tomorrow.”*

DRL will create the opportunity for all students of Delhi to come together and participate in the showcase of their robotics skills. There will be exciting prizes for students including

mentorship from, IHFC, IIT Delhi, SEED grant for their own start up being one of the main attraction points and the planned game theme should also attract student interest. This event is currently being launched for Grade 9 and 10 and will further be expanded to other grades as well.