

# GANESHOTSAV 2024

“॥ यत् भावो – तत् भवति ॥”



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**About the forum:** Ganeshotsav Mandal of R.A.Podar College organizes Ganeshotsav in college every year and attempts to give a social message through the festival and create a platform for students to showcase their talent and learn new things.

**Event name:** Ganeshotsav

**Date:** September 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>

**Venue:** Main Hall of the R. A. Podar College of Commerce and Economics

**Description:** The theme for this year was "॥ यत् भावो – तत् भवति ॥" This concept emphasizes that if we believe in ourselves, we can overcome even the most difficult situations in life. It was illustrated through the life events of Lord Hanuman.

Preparations for the 84th year began with a Pathpujan Sohala, which was held on July 11, 2024. On the same day, the theme reveal took place, and the decorations and setup for Ganeshotsav 2024 was inspired by this theme.

On September 3, 2024, a Mehendi competition and a poster-making competition were organized for degree and junior college students, who participated in large numbers.

For the 84th year of the Podar Ganeshotsav Mandal, Lord Ganesh's idol was brought to the college campus on September 7 and 8, accompanied by traditional Dhol Tasha music. The college auditorium, decorated by the students, reflected this year's theme. The idol of Bappa was eco-friendly and made from paper. Ganesh puja and aarti were conducted in the auditorium, filling the atmosphere with divinity and positivity. Devotees lined up to seek Bappa's blessings.

The following day, theme-based cultural events took place, showcasing the talents of students in music, dance, drama, and more. After the cultural program, Mahaprasad was served to the college associates and their friends and family. Following the final aarti, a procession accompanied by Dhol Tasha marked the conclusion of the festivities. The celebrations ended on a high note with the traditional immersion of the idol.

Through the hard work and dedication of the volunteers, this year's Ganeshotsav was celebrated in a grand yet eco-friendly manner.