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Avanti Sandeep Kulkarni sets a record for India's Largest Warli Art Wall Painting. Avanti has completed a painting on the wall, sized approximately 58 ft x 30 ft, using exterior wall paint at The Manik Public School, Maniknagar, Humnabad, Karnataka state, India. The wall painting attempt was commenced on December 24, 2022, and completed in 13 days on January 5, 2023.

Warli art is a traditional form of tribal art that originated in the Warli region of Maharashtra, India, and is now popular globally. Warli is characterized by simple geometric shapes and figures like triangles, circles, and lines and is often used to depict everyday scenes and rituals. The authentic Warli art is drawn on a terracotta background with white colour.

This Warli Art Wall at The Manik Public School showcases layers of thoughtfully designed themes. The top layer has a traditional 'Toran' and displays eighteen Manik Public School (MPS) student activities. The second layer depicts the Warli way of making bamboo artifacts and pottery along with the inclusive Tarpa Dance form. It subtly shows the MPS way of hand-crafting student development. The third layer is dedicated to the Warli lifestyle and routines.

Shri. Anandraj Manik Prabhu, President of the Manik Education Society, says, "Warli Art is the best example of how simple geometric forms could be effectively used to create some magnificent works of

art. This has been successfully demonstrated by Mrs. Avanti Kulkarni through her huge Warli Wall Painting on the walls of the Academic Block of Manik Public School. She has beautifully portrayed the educational vision of the school using the traditional Warli motifs."

Mrs. Avanti Kulkarni expresses her deepest gratitude and honor for the opportunity to showcase her masterful Warli art on the grand walls of The Manik Public School. The experience of working on this magnificent project was both exhilarating and enlightening, as she skillfully depicted the values and initiatives of the school in her intricate Warli paintings. The task of painting on a grand canvas of 58 ft x 30 ft, which required climbing five layers of scaffolding, was challenging but ultimately rewarding.

She attributes the success of this dream to the blessings of H.H. Shri. Manik Prabhu Maharaj and the guidance of her family's elders. She is eternally grateful to her family for their unwavering support and encouragement. She also extends her heartfelt thanks to H. H. Dnyanraj Manik Prabhu Maharaj, Anandraj Manik Prabhu-ji, Sumangala-ji Jagirdar madam, Arundhati-ji Bhagwat madam, Charudatta-ji Prabhu, and all Manikians for placing their faith and confidence in her for this prestigious art initiative. She feels truly blessed to be a part of this grand endeavor and is honored to have contributed to the rich cultural heritage of The Manik Public School.

About Avanti Sandeep Kulkarni

Avanti Sandeep Kulkarni is a celebrated artist whose work is steeped in the rich tradition of Warli art. A true evangelist of this ancient craft, Avanti is a teacher, visualizer, designer, and voice-over artist dedicated to promoting the beauty and significance of Warli art. She applies traditional Warli techniques to create large-scale wall paintings and illustrations that convey powerful messages of vision, mission, values, and initiatives. Her focus on handmade, creative artifacts brings her unique collection to art lovers everywhere. With a special talent for visualizing and designing traditional Warli paintings on various media, such as fabric, walls, canvas, clay pots, lanterns, paper, frames, and more, Avanti's designs and creations have gained popularity in India and around the world. Her work has been featured in documentaries, interviews, and articles in digital and print media. Avanti was honored with the award for the best painting in the Indian Heritage category at the 7th State Art Competition & Exhibition arranged by KalaVishwa Artfest 2020, further cementing her reputation as a master of Warli art.

About The Manik Public School

The Manik Public School is a grand institution that has stood the test of time. Established on the 27th of July, 1972, in the picturesque town of Maniknagar, Karnataka, the school is nestled upon the verdant slopes of the hillock called Manigiri. Surrounded by the beauty of nature, the 70-acre campus is a harmonious blend of modern amenities and natural splendor.

The school is named after the great Indian philosopher and Saint, Shri Sadguru Manik Prabhu Maharaj (1817-1865), who devoted his life to the practice and preaching of 'Sakalamata Siddhant,' a principle of life that unites humanity through love. It was with a desire to empower people that H.H. Shri Siddharaj Manik Prabhu Maharaj founded Manik Public School.

Maniknagar, the tri-land area established by Shri Manik Prabhu Maharaj in 1845, is a place of spiritual, cultural, and educational activities. The Manik Public School is situated in this historically significant location, providing students with a serene and peaceful atmosphere to learn, live, and thrive. The school is a fitting tribute to the legacy of Shri Manik Prabhu Maharaj and continues to inspire students to reach

their full potential.

*India Book of Records recognized this record.

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