

DRDO steals show at Pallishree mela

The stalls put up by the defence establishment here have been stealing the show in the district level Industrial Expo and Pallishree mela. The Defence research and development organisation (DRDO) pavilion has been a big hit with visitors, largely the youth who throng the Expo. The Integrated test range (ITR) the missile test range and Proof and Experimental establishment (PXE), two major units of DRDO based at Chandipur have showcased their products and activities. The models of missiles, tanks and guns are being displayed to show the fire power of India. Besides the mighty fire power, the shielding mechanism, against any enemy attack is drawing huge crowds to the pavilion. Besides live models, the video clips of launching of missiles are played and DRDO personnel explain and interact with visitors. The locals here they have the opportunity to see technological advancement in the field of missiles. The ITR pavilion, besides showing recorded video of launching of some of the missiles carried out by the unit was also showing its brief history from establishment of the unit in Chandipur till today. "The youth are showing keen interest in the defence stalls. They have lot of queries. Basically, our display is to attract the young mass and create interest among them towards science, technology and defence besides generating an awareness among them about the developments that are being taken place in defence sector by the DRDO" said the Director of ITR, Binay Kumar Das. "This year we have shown Agni-V, the long range missile, mounted in a mobile launcher. This is to show people that we are capable of launching the missile from rail, road mobile launcher," he said. "We are excited to see some of the pre-recorded live visuals of the missiles flight mission. This is one of the best career options and one should aspire to be part of DRDO," said Sandeep Sinha, another college student. The 5-day fair jointly organised by Industry associations and district administration has as many as 500 stalls from various sectors including SHGs exhibiting their products.

