Sankranti Celebrations

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Makar Sankranti, a harvest festival, is celebrated all over India by different names such as Lohri in Punjab, Pongal in Tamil Nadu, Bihu in Assam and Uttarayan in Gujarat. India is the second largest producer of the crop globally! Under the EBSB club of IIT Hyderabad, the IITH community celebrated Makar Sankranti on 15th of January with various competitions.

Sankranti signifies the beginning of longer days and shorter nights. Being a harvest festival, many of the delicacies prepared are made from the produce of the newly harvested crops. Sankranti is celebrated with kites all over the telugu speaking states. The students showcased their talent in various activities. A sky touching fun with kite-flying filled everyone with joy, thrill and inspiration.
At IIT Hyderabad, Sankranti celebration started with kite flying competitions which is a traditional event on the day of Sankranti. Tug of war was held with huge grace and participation. On the occasion of festival of harvest, all the students savored sugarcane and all the students were observed in traditional attire. Winners of all the competitions were given prizes and the day ended gracefully.
It was followed by kho-kho, an energizing sport and simultaneously organized were rangoli and mehendi competitions. There was huge participation in all the competitions held.

Even as the festival ended, the moments spent in the festival would be some of the most enjoyable memories.