

Inter-College G20 Declamation Contest

Objective- To provide a platform for students from various colleges to hone their oratory skills, including public speaking, articulation, and effective communication.

On 12th September 2023, an Inter-College G20 Declamation Contest was organized by *Akashvani* and *Doordarshan* in Rajiv Gandhi Government Degree College, Kotshera. The contest was adjudged by Mr. Jawarhar Kaul, Mr. Amrindar Kumar and Ms. Aarti Sood. The program was inaugurated by lighting of the lamp at 11:30 A.M. by the esteemed judges along with the Principal, Ms. Anupama Garg and Vice-principal, Ms. Shikha Joshi of the hosting college.

There were twelve participants, two from each college. Paper chits were picked by a random student to decide the order in which students of the participating colleges would present their respective speeches. Nikita Thakur of BA- English Honors (2nd year) was the first one to present her views on the topic "Inclusive Economic Growth and Sustainable Development" which was followed by other representatives of the other colleges. Eventually, Shefali Rapta of BCom (2nd year) of St. Bede's College spoke on the topic, "Vasudhaiva Kutumbakum", followed by remaining representatives of the other colleges.

While the results were being evaluated, the students of the Rajiv Gandhi Degree College, Kotshera entertained the gathering with their mesmerizing cultural program. They presented an instrumental performance which was followed by a folk song of Himachal Pradesh. The most awaited moment came after their amazing performances when the results were announced.

The first prize and the first consolation prize were awarded to the representatives of Centre of Excellence College, Sanjauli. The representative of the University Institute of Legal Studies, Ava Lodge got the second prize. Nikita Thakur of St. Bede's College bagged the third prize while a representative of Rajkiya Kanya Mahavidyalaya (RKMV) was given the second consolation prize. All the other participants along with the faculty members were given a token of appreciation in the form of a mug with Akashvani's logo imprinted on it.

The most spectacular element of the entire contest was that all the participants were females which was highly appreciated by the host of the event. He cited how it was a symbol of true women empowerment and female representation. The event was concluded by a group photograph and the judges commended the participants for their active participation and their performances. Overall, the event enhanced the participants' improvisational and presentation skills.

Outcome- The competition encouraged participants to explore and present their perspectives on diverse topics, thereby fostering critical thinking and analytical abilities. It helped to boost confidence and self-expression among participants. It also facilitated a cultural exchange among colleges, creating an environment of networking, collaboration, and mutual understanding.











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INTER-SHIP DEBATE COMPETITION

Objective- To conduct an Inter-ship Debate Competition to foster critical thinking, articulation of ideas, and expression among participants. The objective was to provide a platform for representatives from different ships to engage in a structured debate, showcasing their perspectives and arguments for and against the motion.

On 27 September 2023, an Inter-ship Debate competition was organised by **Debates and Dramatics Cell** in the auditorium at 2:50 P.M. Dr. Dipti Pajni and Ms. Annet James adjudged the competition. Each ship had two representatives, one speaking for the motion and the other speaking against the motion. Each participant was given a maximum time of four minutes to put forward their respective views. INS Chirag was the first to present its views on **RIGHT TO DISSENT: Representation in Contemporary Cinema**, followed by the other three Ships. All the participants poured their hearts out while speaking, which was greatly applauded and appreciated by the audience. An additional 2 minutes were given for a rebuttal round and counter-questioning to each Ship.

While the results were being evaluated, the audience was asked to question the participants on their speeches which, indeed was a wholesome source of entertainment.

The winners of the "Inter-Ship Debate Competition" were:

- First Place- Saizal and Shreya from INS Vikas
- Second Place -Deepti and Pushpangi from INS Himmat.
- First-best Speaker Saizal
- Second-best speaker Deepti

Outcome- The competition created an environment for intellectual exchange and constructive discourse, facilitated by competent adjudicators, to determine a deserving winner among the participating ships. The competition also encouraged audience engagement and appreciation for diverse viewpoints.



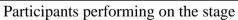




Team INS Himmat

Team INS Vikas

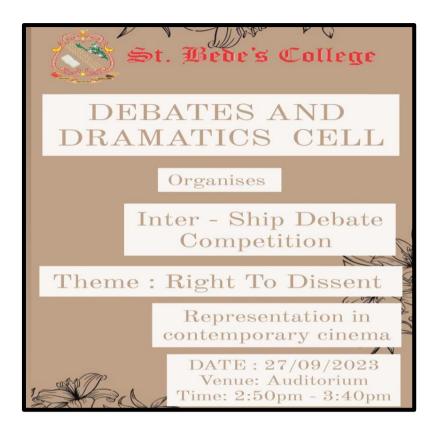






Judges for the Event





Brochure



Debates and Dramatics Society St. Bede's College, Shimla

RBI POLICY CHALLENGE 2023

Objective: This challenge aimed to compel students to think creatively about contemporary issues in the Indian economy and propose original solutions to address them.

On August 25th, 2023, the college received a letter from the RBI inviting a team of 3-4 students to write an essay on the topic "*Deglobalisation: Challenges and Opportunities for India.*" The submission deadline was set for 3rd October 2023. This competition was held at the regional level, with colleges from across Himachal Pradesh participating. Representing our college were four students: Manya Pandey (BA Economics Honours, 3rd year), Harshita Thakur (BA Economics Honours, 2nd year), Diksha Uniyal (BA Economics Honours, 2nd year), and Nikita Thakur (BA English Honours, 2nd year) with faculty advisor Ms. Charu Mukherjee.

Following this, the RBI conveyed the results of the regional round via email. Our college emerged victorious in the essay writing competition, thereby clearing Round 1 of the competition and winning a cash prize of Fifteen Thousand Rupees. Subsequently, six topics were assigned to all the regional-level winners for preparation, as Round 2 of the competition was scheduled for 6th December 2023 in New Delhi. Our college team prepared a presentation on the topic of "Financial Inclusion."

The team arrived in Delhi on the evening of 5th December, accompanied by their faculty advisor, Ms. Charu Mukherjee. All participants were required to reach the RBI office in Delhi by 9 am. Six teams, representing the 6 regions of the North zone, were present: Chandigarh, Dehradun, Kashmir, Ghaziabad, New Delhi, and Shimla. The presentation order was alphabetical, with Team Chandigarh being the first to present, followed by the others. The Shimla team delivered their presentation towards the end, offering strong competition to their counterparts. Consequently, they were granted a 15-minute break during which they were served high tea while the judges tabulated the results. The judges eventually announced that Team Jammu had won the zonal round, receiving a cash prize of Twenty Thousand rupees and qualifying for the final round to be held in Mumbai in January. Although the team was disappointed, they vowed to return next year as stronger competitors with better preparation. Post the result announcement, all participants and faculty advisors were presented with mementoes and treated to a lavish lunch. The team returned to Shimla on 7th December. Overall, it was an enriching experience for the students.

Outcome: This event provided immense exposure to the students and proved to be a valuable learning experience. It instilled in them a spirit of critical and creative thinking towards real-life problems. Researching for the essay and preparing the presentation enhanced their knowledge. They developed a sense of sportsmanship and gained valuable insights from their competitors.





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The RBI Policy Challenge Regional Round Results

To

St. Bede College

Thank you for participating in The RBI Policy Challenge - 2023.

- 2. We are pleased to announce that the entry forwarded by the team from your institution comprising Ms. Harshita Thakur, Ms. Diksha Uniyal, Ms. Manya Pandey and Ms. Nikita Thakur, and guided by faculty adviser Ms. Charu Mukherjee has been adjudged as the Best Entry from this region. Accordingly, the team has qualified for the Zonal Round of the competition to be held at New Delhi on December 06, 2023.
- 3. In the Zonal Round, each participating team would have to make a presentation of 15 minutes before a panel of experts on any one of the topics from amongst those indicated in the Annex. The presentation would be followed by a Question and Answer session (15 minutes).

The criteria for assessing the presentations would be as under:

- (a) Approach to the topic: 40 marks
- (b) Contents of the presentation: 25 marks
- (c) Group dynamics: 20 marks
- (d) Style of presentation: 15 marks
- 4. We request you to kindly forward us the travel plans of the winning team and faculty adviser for participating in the Zonal Round latest by 11.00 am of November 17, 2023 by an email addressed to Shri Akash Chaudhary [A

This would enable us to make the necessary bookings and forward details thereof, to your hosts for the Zonal Round. Please note that the team may endeavour to reach the venue for

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the Zonal Round earliest by evening of December 05, 2023 and leave in the morning of December 07, 2023.

- 5. Details regarding stay and other arrangements made for the Zonal Round at New Delhi would be communicated by us shortly.
- 6. Winners of the Zonal Round would participate in the National Round to be held at RBI Central Office, Mumbai. Schedule for the same shall be intimated in due course to the Zonal Round winning team.

Congratulations and all the best!

Yours faithfully,

Result for the Regional Round