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## Activity War of Wits

**Literary Club**

**On**

**August 29 , 2018**



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## **FORM A**

### **Proposal :**

- **Name Of the event to be organized :** Activity War of Wits
- **Date :** August 29 , 2018
- **Time :** 01:30 PM – 03:30 PM
- **Venue :** Lecture Theatre
- **Organized By:** Literary Club
- **Motivation for the activity :** • **Motivation for the activity:** WAR OF WITS - Debate programs create leaders. Leading requires intelligence, vision, efficiency, resolve and empathy. Participating in and studying debate cultivates these essential leadership skills. In a world in which incorrect information and unjustified ideas are abundant, debate creates those confident leaders who can direct public thinking toward moral and prosperous decision making.

## **Form B**

### **Part 1**

#### **Aim of the event :**

The primary aim of conducting the activity was to enhance the debating skills of the students and to make them capable of presenting their viewpoint on any topic in front of people , also grooming them for their better future.

### **Part 2**

#### **Abstract :**

Debate provides experiences that are conducive to life-changing, cognitive, and presentation skills. In addition, through debate debaters acquire unique educational benefits as they learn and polish skills far beyond what can be learnt in any other setting.

At the very least, debate helps learners to see the power of deploying rational, reasoned arguments and compelling evidence in action. It enables them to elucidate their standpoint through utilizing rhetorical expressions. It teaches them the skills of researching, organizing, and presenting information in a compelling fashion.

In general, the benefits of debate include:

- Gaining broad, multi-faceted knowledge cutting across several disciplines outside the learner's normal academic subjects.
- Increasing learners' confidence, poise, and self-esteem.
- Providing an engaging, active, learner-centered activity.
- Improving rigorous higher order and critical thinking skills.
- Improving learners' ability to form balanced, informed arguments and to use reasoning and evidence.
- Developing effective speech composition and delivery.

WAR OF WITS - A DEBATE COMPETITION was conducted for both students of MBA & BBA. The students were given liberty to select any topic of their choice and debate on the same. The topics were as follow:

1. Do movies promote social evil ?
2. Who is responsible for pollution - people or government ?
3. Is artificial intelligence taking away jobs ?
4. Rahul Gandhi hug - masterstroke or a blunder?
5. Euthanasia - is it justified?

6. Intellectual property : is it necessary to preserve rights for different types of intellectual property ?
7. Our votes : Do they really matter ?
8. Does advertising create artificial needs ?
9. Good economics is good politics ?
10. Use of social media in classroom - worth or waste ?

The students were supposed to participate in a team of two, with one member speaking “for the motion” and other speaking “against the motion” . Each team member was given a time of 2-3 minutes to present their viewpoint on the selected topic. After both the members of a team spoke about their point of view, they were entertained by 1 interjection from the audience.

The participants were judged as teams on the basis of pre- designed judging criterion including:

- ✓ Content and Clarity [ 10+10 POINTS ]
- ✓ Use of argument [ 10+10 POINTS ]
- ✓ Presentation [ 10+10 POINTS ]
- ✓ Confidence [ 10+10 POINTS ]

TOTAL 80 points [ 40 + 40 points ]

The Winners of 1st, 2nd, and 3rd positions and two consolation winners were awarded with books and certificates and to motivate and appreciate the students. 1 best interjection was appreciated by a gift.

There were total 11 teams which participated and were judged by Dr. Kajal Tehri - Assistant Professor English, Satyawati Collge, University of Delhi and and Mr. Deepak Chabbra - Assistant Professor - RDIAS. Towards the end of the activity, our esteemed guest Dr. Kajal Tehri shared her words of wisdom and her experience with all present there. Madam also bestowed her heartfelt congratulations to all the winners and participants of the activity.

The winning teams were as follow :

1st Position : Akarsh Srivastava & Dhriti S Katyal

2nd Position : Daniyal Usmani & Areeba Eram

3rd Position : Sanchit Arora & Dhriti Ghai

2 Consolation Prize : (1) Sahil Vijay & Rashi

(2) Mahima & Esha

### **Part 3**

#### **Conclusion**

Students participated with full zeal and presented their views on various topics. It positively contributed towards broadening the multi-faceted understanding about various issues along with enhancing their debating skills.

## **SnapShot**

Chief Guest Ms. Kajal Tehri ( Asst. Prof , Satyawati college ) being welcomed by Chairperson – Literary Club , Dr. Irameet Kaur

Participants voicing their opinion on their chosen topic.

Interjection: Audience listening intently and posing interesting questions

Mr. Deepak Chhabra Asst. Prof. RDIAS presenting a token of gratitude to Ms. Kajal Tehri.

The proud prize winners

Consolation prize winners