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Model United Nations, also known as Model UN or MUN, is an extra-curricular activity in which students typically roleplay delegates to the United Nations and simulate UN committees. This activity takes place at MUN conferences, which is usually organized by a high school or college MUN club.

OPENING CEREMONY

"If the United Nations is to survive, those who represent it must bolster it, those who advocate it must submit to it, and those who believe in it must fight for it."

-Norman Cousins

The Opening Ceremony was an amazing kickstart to the two day conference of SPARK MUN 2019. The ceremony began with with the Director General, Mr. Manveer Singh Saini leading the gathering into prayer followed by a beautiful hymn by the choir. The Director General, then invited the members of Organising committee, teachers and other students who made this MUN possible onto the stage for a group photograph.

After this, talented dancers of Fr. Agnel School, New Delhi put up a wonderful Bihu dance performance.

Fr. Bento and Fr. Roy inspired the gathering with their words and finally the Secretary General, Mr. Aditya Jain declared SPARK MUN 2019 open.

-Richeal Monteiro









'Peace cannot exist without justice, justice cannot exist without fairness, fairness cannot exist without development, development cannot exist without democracy and democracy cannot exist without respect for the identity and vote of the people' states the delegate of Barbados thus believing that Indigenous People deserve equal rights, fair opportunities and just treatment.



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Rights of Indigenous People





The delegate of Finland stated that the land that Indigenous People live on, is home to over 80% of the planet's biodiversity and rich in natural resources. However, these lands are routinely sold, leased or simply plundered and polluted by the government and private companies.

would make Argentina the first major country in Latin America with legalized abortion. Argentina was thus further questioned by Chile, Italy, Egypt and France as to how abortion will end up helping the natives.

The delegate of Argentina very well explained the direct link between abortion and the threat to the rights of indigenous people by stating that their county seeks to pass a bill legalising abortion within the first 14 weeks of pregnancy and the bill, if approved,

By providing the present status of the country with only 8.4% of the ethnic minorities, China proclaimed itself a unified nation with diverse ethnic composition and hence considering them equal in the constitution.

Thus the day one of tactful debate ended fruitfully with the discussions in two moderated caucuses on Rights of Indigenous People and with the planning of the proceedings of the second day in the end of the committee.





Members during a formal debate

UNSC

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Protection of Civilians in Armed Conflict







After a very informative opening ceremony, delegates were briefed about the essence of the overlying theme of the MUN 2019. The day began with the roll call and all the delegates were briefed about the rules and regulations.

Motions for the General Speaking List were called for. The agenda, 'Protection of Civilians in Armed Conflict', was then discussed.

The first session saw the opening speeches by the delegates of

Poland, France and other countries putting forward their viewpoints.

Issues of Afgan War and occupation of Hong Kong was the pivotal one during the session.

Unmoderated caucus gave opportunity of diplomacy to the delegates. In the following session, the delegates sought out other delegates with similar goals and solutions, and then decided to collaborate to make a detailed and diverse resolution

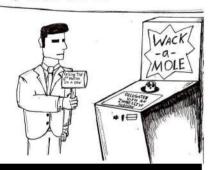






Women entrepreneurs can not only contribute to the GDP, but can also play a key role in addressing societal challenges. The young delegates of UNCSW thus discussed entrepreneurship development of women with special emphasis on CSR.

Day-1 at UNCSW



UN-CSW

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Entrepreneurship Developement of Women with Special Emphasis on CSR





The delegate of Saudi Arabia kick-started the day of debate and discussion by putting forward her country's view on the stacles faced by women include stereoagenda following which Tunisia, Ghana, Estonia, Canada, UK, Bangladesh, Brazil, Kuwait and Namibia emphasized on how CSR helps companies to do something good for the society and gain good reputation.

programs and more accessible resources are necessary to push women towards entrepreneurship since women led cooperations are important in our so-formal sector. ciety.

Many delegates stated in the moderated caucus, that the major obtypes, family pressure, male dominated business arena, fear of failure, cultural standards and lack of resources. The delegates of Tunisia, Ghana, Israel, UK. Bangladesh, Brazil, Canada, South Africa and Eritrea rose up to speak about the role of CSR in developing They all pressed on the fact that training women entrepreneurship such as training young girls to lead businesses, providing funds for startups and helping small companies to move towards





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The G-20 summit committee was headed by the Chair and the Vice Chair. The summit began with the chairperson explaining the importance of G-20.



G-20

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Strong, Sustainable, Balanced and Inclusive Growth



All the delegates presented their GSL. The delegates of Brazil, France and Argentina discussed about the depreciation in the GDP and the rise in the unemployment rate of their respective countries.

The delegates of South Africa compared the current scenario with the older ones and said that during Nelson Mandela period, their economic growth was at its peak.





Two years ago, the GDP was as low as 1.3%. The committee moved on to debate about the trade war between USA and China. It was highlighted that the decrease in the import of goods to USA will affect the developing countries like Indonesia. The Indian delegate stated that it will also affect the Indian economy.



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The Organising Committee were also facilitated for their commendable job during MUN. The ceremony ended with a bang as dancers gave a breathtaking performance. Overall SPARK MUN Phase-2 2019 was a huge success and although it has come to an end, it has started the journey of many young students, a journey of learning, knowledge, ideas and leadership.





CLOSING CEREMONY

This is Just The Beginning

By- Richeal Monteiro

The closing ceremony was just as spectacular as the opening ceremony beginning with a prayer dance performed by Ma'am Megha's team of dancers following which the Western music choir performed an amazing rendition of the song "We are the world" by Michael Jackson. The chief guest of the ceremony, Mr. Rajiv Chandran has striven to create efficient communication and media strategies to strengthen UN outreach in South Asia for the past 25 years. As National Information Officer for the United Nations in India and Bhutan, Mr. Chandran has created a unique branding for his office.

Today, UNIC New Delhi is the accepted source of authentic information on the UN. Always approachable, honest and frank on what he can deliver. Mr. Chandran came forward to motivate the young participants of MUN to grow as leaders and develop leadership qualities in oneself. He then facilitated the members of Executive Boards of each committee and also awarded the winners.

With this Phase-2 of SPARK MUN has come to an end. Cheers to these amazing two days of curiosity and knowledge! Let's all keep learning and growing while we wait for the third phase of SPARK MUN.

