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Opening Ceremony.



“Persist con valentia” the theme for this year’s SPARK MUN speaks of persisting with valor in situations where the right choice is the hard choice. When the world is no longer black and white, it takes courage and compassion to embrace the harsh realities of the world and bring colors to the lives of many. This phrase encapsulates the idea of facing challenges and difficulties with unwavering determination. The SPARKMUN,23 conference brought together over 300 students from schools across Delhi, to recreate the UN and give the students a platform to engage in debate and diplomacy.

It is a profound initiation into the world of international affairs where students channel their skills, passion, and intellect to find solutions to issues that challenge our world. The conference officially opened with a hymn by the western music choir seeking blessing from the almighty. This was followed by the lighting of the lamp and the felicitation of the dignitaries gathered at the conference.

An enlightening speech from keynote speaker and Chief Guest Salman Khurshid, the Ex-External Affairs Minister of India was followed by our principal Fr. Roy who welcomed the delegates and talked at length about the atrocities of war and its grievous consequences. He also said that our economy was on the brink of collapse and persistent courage in newly emerging leaders is now needed more than ever. The sincerity and seriousness of his remarks set the tone for the conference. The opening ceremony wrapped up with an enthralling performance by the dancers of our school and the Secretary-General, Ishaan Bisaria declared SPARKMUN’23 open.



Opening Ceremony.



MR. SALMAN KHURSHID, CHIEF GUEST

Our honorable chief guest- Mr. Salman Khurshid Alam Khan enticed the audience with his powerful speech. He talked about the atrocities currently happening across the globe- namely the tension between Israel and Palestine, while the rest of the world could simply watch helplessly. He stated that it is our choice to put out the fire of hate, anger, greed, and put an end to our inability to be happy in each other's happiness so as to secure a peaceful utopian world.

FR. ROY D'SA, PRINCIPAL, FAS DELHI

Our principal Fr Roy D'Sa, opened his speech with deep appreciation for the dedicated delegates and teachers. Fr D'Sa delved into a sobering reality, he acknowledged the challenging state of the world where hope seems to fail and future seems bleak. The world is in a need for leaders who will stand against such atrocities with a positive mindset to do the right thing, who will be the face of the faceless and voice of the voiceless., Fr D'Sa said and i quote "The courage of one is the courage of many."



ISHAAN BISARYA, SECRETEARY GENERAL

Ishaan Bisarya , Secretary General, greeted all the delegates as future world leaders. He went on to say "The essence of democracy is the essence of open-mindedness" and urged the delegates to hear out all viewpoints though they may differ from our own. He concluded with the words "Knowledge has the power to triumph over ignorance, wisdom has the power to triumph over ego, and the spirit of 'we the people' has the power to triumph over the barriers that lie between us" With these inspiring words, our secretary general declared the mun open.

Opening Ceremony.



Dear MUNers,

Each time you gather together for a Model MUN meet, please remember that you are face to face with an unique opportunity – to change the world! You may be tempted to consider this as a pep talk and dismiss it. The reality however is that, all seismic change in the history of the world have happened because an IDEA was born in the mind of one individual, who nurtured that idea,



communicated to others, found others who subscribed to the same and thus became a movement that changed the world. It does not matter, how small that idea was, when it was first noticed, but the desire to look that apparently insignificant idea in the face, was what bought about change.

You find yourselves at a very crucial time of human history, because so much is changing, faster than we would want to imagine. but grabbing the opportunity and the right idea is what makes history.

Men and women who changed history were not born change makers, they were ordinary guys like you. but they nurtured the spark of opportunity in their lives and decided that their lives matter too! Let your lives matter!

Wish you the best experience of SPARK MUN

Fr. Jose Alarico Carvalho

Director

UNGA



Ensuring The Safety And Accessibility To Jobs And Financial Services Of Asylum Seekers With Special Emphasis On Russia Ukraine War

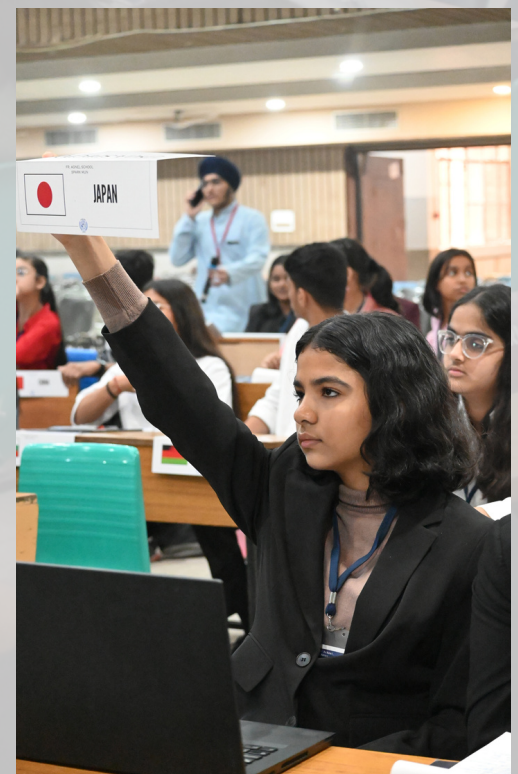


The committee began with the delegates representing their country's status on the Russia-Ukraine war. Russia was bombarded with questions. The delegate was asked, "Russia's involvement in the Ukraine crisis has displaced over 12 million people. What is Russia doing to provide aid to the very people whose lives it has uprooted?". The delegate of Russia, stated that the government is simply defending itself from Ukraine.

It was the one that initiated the conflict by joining NATO, posing a security threat to the Russian Federation. He went on to state that Russia is not currently in a good financial state to adhere to the rehabilitation of so many people that are not a part of its population. On the other hand, China was accused of committing crimes against humanity and genocide against the Uyghur population as well as the other Muslim minorities. The government was accused of mass detention, forced labour, religious oppression etc.

The delegate of China denied all claims as he was confident that there was no factual evidence from any legitimate sources and thus neither the press nor any country can make these allegations against China. Saying, "how can you even attempt to justify these crimes against humanity".

-Deveshi Taneja



Perusing World's Response towards Climate Refugees- The Forgotten Victims



The committee commenced with the delegate of Argentina addressing Argentina's role in reducing carbon emissions to mitigate the migration of climate refugees within the country. The delegate explained that the country had begun to reduce emissions, primarily through decreased deforestation.

Supporting this claim, the delegate presented statistics, stating that Argentina aims to achieve a reduction in greenhouse gas emissions of up to 16% by 2030 and 65% by 2050.

In response to the plight of the "forgotten victims," the country recently approved a refugee law, displaying the Argentine authority's commitment to addressing this issue.

The delegate of Germany, contradicted him emphasizing the challenges faced by refugees, and stated, "No one chooses to be a refugee; everyone deserves a home and safety within a familiar environment."

The delegate detailed the country's efforts to raise awareness and educate citizens about the adverse effects that disasters can have on locals. The country is also providing urgent accommodations, ample food, and healthcare to the victims. The delegates of South Sudan, China, and Madagascar, presented their countries' stances on the issue and the different global problems that may contribute to this situation.

-Mehair Parashar



UNCTAD



Addressing DISTORTED INVESTMENT patterns and promoting sustainable and inclusive investment strategies



The esteemed representatives of distinguished countries constituting the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD) gathered to deliberate and find legitimate and practical solutions to the overarching issue of “distorted investment patterns encouraging sustainable and inclusive investment strategies”.

The chair of the UNCTAD initiated the proceedings of the committee by elucidating the conference guidelines, which were followed by the roll call of delegates representing different nations.

The floor was opened for motions, and the General Speaker's List (GSL) was established, initiated by the delegate of India, who claimed to have advised other developing countries to implement the suggestions offered by MIGA, such as providing debt relief and transparency. Furthermore, the delegate of France stated that they had initiated the FRANCE 2030 project in Paris, through which they would invest in the fields of innovation and energy transition.

The delegate of Australia affirmed their plan to issue sovereign green bonds in the middle of 2024 and provide aid, along with taking measures to reduce poverty. Australia also took initiatives to minimize greenwashing. The delegate of Argentina mentioned their support program for Argentine students, addressing issues like unemployment and education.

A motion was raised by the delegate of the United Kingdom (UK) on the topic of sustainable investments with special emphasis on Environmental, Social, and Governance (ESG) factors. The delegate of China claimed to be carbon emission-free and mentioned an investment of 546 million in green energy products. Furthermore, the delegate of Russia emphasized the promotion of renewable energy resources and natural resources.

-Sukriti Mittal



UNESCAP



Contextualizing Hegemonic Confrontation in the modern world and Free and Open Indo Pacific



The debate was initiated by the delegate of India, who eloquently stated, "How a deer should behave cannot be discussed with a hunter." This thought-provoking quote set the committee on a path to a profound discussion on the impact of the Indo-Pacific region on international relations. The delegate of India challenged the notion that Pakistan was solely responsible for hosting the "War on Terror" terrorist invasion, asserting that Iran and Iraq also played a significant role.

Moving on, the delegate of Palestine presented compelling reasons that shape the dynamics of their region. These reasons included the rise of China, the growing assertiveness of India, and the continued presence of the United States. The delegate of Palestine courageously confronted their neighbor, Israel, highlighting how its occupation has hindered their full participation in economic and political activities within the region.

Palestine also accused Israel of pressuring countries reluctant to engage with them. In conclusion, Palestine called upon Israel to end its occupation and respect the rights of Palestine.

China offered suggestions to address this issue, including the promotion of a forum for all stakeholders to voice their concerns and suggestions. Additionally, they proposed the development of infrastructure, trade, and investment that would benefit all nations in the region, fostering economic growth and stability.

-Sukriti Mittal

AIPPM



Addressing the impacts of Freebie Politics on sustainable development and the welfare of democracy



The All India Political Parties Meet began with Narendra Modi, the leader of the BJP, establishing the agenda discussing distribution of freebies and the moderation in its distribution.

However, the Congress Party's leader, Rahul Gandhi and Bhagwat Mann, CM of Punjab, both contradicted him saying the BJP government is being hypocritical as they had distributed free scooters under the "Amma Scooter Yojana" and reiterated that people should be using public transport instead. The former opposed the argument stating that it was the need of the hour and was an initiative for the empowerment of women. Bhirain Singh, a BJP MLA, spoke about how people should only be given

Bhirain Singh, a BJP MLA, spoke about how people should only be given utilitarian facilities and not luxuries such as laptops or air conditioners. The Executive Board was not convinced about the same, given their growing importance in the modern world.

BJP responded by emphasizing their priority in providing education rather than convenience. The congress went on to state that BJP has been playing both sides of this argument the whole time, simultaneously condoning and participating in the issue of freebies. No concrete outcomes or resolutions were reached. However, the discussion symbolised the potential for a better allocation of money for the benefit of the people.

- Aarav S. Rana



Churchill's Cabinet

Navigating impending attacks of Germany and Hitler's Regime in World War 2



Our present circumstance is fully influenced by the decisions taken by the leaders of the past. The Second world war was arguably the harshest moment in human history where humanity in humans was a rare occurrence.

In these dire times, a group of basement offices in Whitehall served as the centre of Britain's war effort. The complex known as the cabinet war rooms was occupied by leading government ministers, military strategist and Prime Minister Winston Churchill. The session began with Hollis raising a motion for a GSL speech of 90 seconds.

Neville Chamberlain gave the opening speech about reforming strategies regarding the Nazi attacks by enhancing industrial centers and transportation networks. Ernest Bevin added that with combined strength and unity, the cabinet has a lot of potential.

Lord Hastings believed that wisdom and united resolve would lead to the defeat of Hitler's regime. The cabinet responded with strength by relocating military facilities and using ammunition, as well as dropping bombs.

Greenwood also pointed out that shipments may be targeted by the Nazis, and cutting off supplies and shipments could cause a lack of agricultural and trade relations if the Nazi army further invades Great Britain.

The cabinet should not be defeated by this and should work with allies and marginalize soldiers to strengthen the defense system. Lord Beaverbrook suggested that shipments should be protected, and the USA should provide machinery and weapons instead. The cabinet members worked on solutions to prevent the rise of the Nazis and their allies.

- Diya Menon



Closing Ceremony



The closing ceremony of SPARK MUN 2023 marked the culmination of two days of intense debate, diplomacy and collaboration.

The ceremony not only simulated the workings of the United Nations but also fostered a spirit of cooperation and understanding among the participating delegates.

Delegates, presenting various committees, were acknowledged for their dedication and hard work throughout the sessions

Our Principal Father Roy addressed the delegates, sharing insights and emphasizing the importance of diplomacy, global cooperation and the role of the youth in shaping the future.

Outstanding delegates were recognized and awarded for their exceptional contributions to the delegates.

The closing ceremony encapsulated the essence of the entire event,

bringing together young minds to engage in diplomatic discourse, fostering a sense of responsibility towards global issues and creating lasting connections.

Secretary General, Ishaan Bisarya addressed the assembly and expressed gratitude to the participants

He formally declared the conclusion of SPARK MUN 2023. As delegates left the venue, they carried not only the memories of the conference but also a commitment to being active global citizens.



Behind the Scenes

