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MORNING SESSION

“THIS HOUSE BELIEVES SANCTIONS AND CONSEQUENCES AND NOT REASON CAN BRING A CHANGE IN HUMAN BEHAVIOUR.”

St. James' School, Kolkata
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“This House Regrets the shift from media regulation to media control.”



St James' School, Kolkata
(OPPOSITION)



vs
Yadavindra Public School, Patiala (PROPOSITION)

Judges- Mrs. Jaya Basera, Ms. Devika Shekhawat, Mrs. Nabanita Kaur Jassal

A lively and heated debate was set off with convincing arguments from both the sides. The Lead Speaker of side Proposition began with a fiery argument where he spoke about the National Security issues being neglected and the need for free and fair media. The Opposition rebutted by stating that the biases of the media stemmed from the prejudices and biases of society and was merely a reflection of it. The debate saw a competitive combat between the teams which made it an engaging session.

The motion was lost.

Winners: St. James' School, Kolkata
The Best Speaker: Aryan Ghosh (St. James' School, Kolkata)
The Most Promising Speaker: Ushnish Bhattacharya (St. James' School, Kolkata)



Sanskriti- The Gurukul, Guwahati
(PROPOSITION)



vs
St. George's College, Mussoorie
(OPPOSITION)

Judges- Mr. Puspak Chamariya, Mrs. Neetu Mathur and Mrs. Rajeshwari Chattoraj

The debate kick started on a controversial topic that was also very relevant. The Proposition started out by stating that media control took away a person's independence and their basic right of Freedom of Speech. The Opposition on the other hand pointed out that if a person was unable to maintain basic ethics in the media resorting instead to being abusive and offensive then the media ought to be controlled. The debate was fiercely contested and kept the judges and audience engaged.

The motion was lost.

Winners:- St. George's College, Mussoorie
Best Speaker:- Moksh Jain (St. George's College, Mussoorie)
Most Promising Speaker :-Aryan Bhartia (Sanskriti- The Gurukul, Guwahati)



Welham Boys' School
(OPPOSITION)



vs
Royal Global School
(PROPOSITION)

Judges- Mr. Abhinav Baruah, Mr. Tushar Bharadwaj and Ms. Barkha Dubey

A wonderful debate it was set on a controversial topic. The lead Speaker of the Proposition began his argument on a strong note stating how we are a democratic country and how media control completely ignores this fact and does not perform its role as the fourth estate optimally. The Opposition rebutted with equally strong points stating that media control is needed in order to maintain peace, safety and privacy. The debate saw excellent rebuttals being raised which made the session engaging for the judges and audience alike.

The motion was carried.

Winners: Royal Global School (Guwahati)
The Best Speaker: Arham Dudhoriass (Royal Global School)
The Most Promising Speaker: Sheryas Shah (Welham Boys' School)



Legacy School, Bangalore
(PROPOSITION)



vs
The Assam Valley School, Team Green
(OPPOSITION)

Judges- Ms. Aditi Vashista, Mr. Ratul Biswas and Ms. Puja Konch

The first Speaker of the Proposition set the mood for the debate by pointing out that the ruling party along with all other political party used media in general for their own selfish publicity which was not a correct democratic exercise. They spoke about the right to freedom of speech and expression being denied because of media control. The Proposition also included statistics about the deaths of journalists for voicing their opinions. The Opposition argued the inefficacy of regulations and advocated that people regretted the lack of control and not the presence of control itself. They reiterated that the motion does not talk about the magnitude of control but the necessary shift from regulation to strict implementation as regulations were not fulfilling their purpose.

The motion was lost.

Winner- The Assam Valley School Green Team
The best speaker- Aakanksha Kumar (The Assam Valley School Green Team)
The most promising speaker- Fareeha Ambreen (The Assam Valley School Green Team)



The Assam Valley School, Team Blue
(OPPOSITION)

vs

Maria's Public School Guwahati
(PROPOSITION)



Judges- Ms. Subhalaxmi Bora, Mr. Nidarshan
Nandan Koushik, Ms. Promita Roy

A heated debate commenced on a highly contentious topic that has been a cause of frequent arguments over the years. The lead Speaker of side Proposition portrayed a strong conviction in her stand, claiming that those who control the media control the people's minds. Side Proposition made a distinct difference between media control and media regulation, where regulation is censorship which regulates without controlling. Side Opposition spoke about how control prevents loopholing of regulations. The Speaker made it clear that regulation and control go hand in hand thus, regulations occur through control. Side Opposition made a distinct point that media control does not define state control. The debate saw thought-provoking arguments that stayed with the audience.

The motion was carried.

Winners: The Assam Valley School Team Blue
The best speaker: Hiyaneijemmy Das (The Assam Valley School)
The Most Promising Speaker: Pratiti Baruah (The Assam Valley School)

"This House Believes that you can control your fate."



The Lawrence School Sanawar
(PROPOSITION)

vs

The Scindia School Gwalior
(OPPOSITION)



Judges- Mrs. Nabanita Jassal, Ms. Devika
Shekhawad and Mrs. Jaya Basera

A gripping debate where both teams were persuasive in their argument on whether one controlled their own fate. Side Proposition's lead Speaker began with an argument where she pointed out that fate is a will and we were the masters of our own will. The lead speaker of Side Opposition argued that fate was a collision which she went on to define. The Opposition rebutted their argument that fate was unpredictable like the future and concluded by saying that what is meant to be, will be. Side Proposition wrapped up by saying that fate was nothing but a social construct. In entirety, the debate was engrossing and had impressive arguments.

The motion was carried.

Winners: The Lawrence School, Sanawar
Best Speaker: Manya Bansal (The Lawrence School, Sanawar)
Most Promising Speaker: Veer Devgan (The Lawrence School, Sanawar)



La Martiniere College, Lucknow
(PROPOSITION)

vs

Bishop Cotton School, Shimla (OPPOSITION)



Judges- Mr. Pushpak Chamariya, Mrs.
Rajeshwari Chattoraj and Mrs. Neetu Mathur

The debate commenced on a swift note with the lead Speaker from side Proposition defining key terms- 'fate' and 'control'. Lead Speaker from side Opposition laid stress that humans falsely thought of ourselves as the 'master race' and believed that we held sway over everything. The side Proposition argument was centered around the fact that decision-making ability that we possessed enabled us to control our fate. Side Opposition argued that we could manipulate our fate only to a certain extent. The topic was addressed fairly throughout the debate and made for an engaging session.

The motion was carried.

Winners: LA Martiniere College Lucknow
Best speaker: Varnit Pandey (LA Martiniere College)
Most promising speaker: Aditya Francis Masih (LA Martiniere College)



The Sanskaar Valley School, Bhopal
(PROPOSITION)

vs

Mayo College, Ajmer (OPPOSITION)



Judges- Mr. Pushpak Chamariya, Mrs.
Rajeshwari Chattoraj and Mrs. Neetu Mathur

The Proposition began with a forceful attack on the idea that we had complete control over our destiny and that every decision we made was in our hands. The Opposition was equally vociferous and argued that success was not determined by fate and that side Proposition had confused success with fate. An interesting debate it saw strong rebuttals from both corners.

The motion was carried.

Winners: The Sanskaar Valley School
The Best Speaker: Shubh Jain (Mayo College)
The Most Promising Speaker: Avni Bansal (The Sanskaar Valley School)



Delhi Public School, Guwahati
(OPPOSITION)

vs

Tezpur Gurukul School
(PROPOSITION)



Judges- Ms. Arunima Saraf, Dr. Ruchira Sen
and Dr. Soumyadip Roy

Today's debate with an ever-so-slightly controversial topic, started off with the side Proposition confidently stating that fate was not a matter of chance but was a matter of choice determined by our actions. The argument of side Opposition centred around intergenerational privileges and how the circumstances of an individual altered the so called "path of life", thereby changing their fate. They spoke extensively on how control over our actions made us think that we had control over our fate, but control over our fate meant no failures, no faults and no losses which was not how human life panned out. This in turn meant that in actuality the sense of control was but an illusion. This debate saw intensity and passion from both teams, with excellent rebuttals which kept everyone at the edge of their seats.

The motion was lost.

Winners: Delhi Public School, Guwahati
Best speaker: Mudra Sonowal (Delhi Public School, Guwahati)
Most promising speaker: Jayana Roy (Delhi Public School, Guwahati)



Maharani Gayatri Devi Girls' School,
Jaipur (OPPOSITION)

vs

Vasant Valley School, Delhi
(PROPOSITION)



Judges- Ms. Subhalaxmi Bora, Mr. Nidarshan
Nandan Koushik and Ms. Promita Roy

An interesting motion, it led both sides to put across philosophical yet fiery arguments. First speaker from side Proposition quoted that "deeds grow into destiny" and fate is a product of everything we do. Lead Speaker of side Opposition argued that all people weren't blessed with a "genetic lottery." The opposition then gave various examples in their arguments from the role families play in the selection of subjects for their wards to the life of Malala Yousafzai. Side Proposition stated that her destiny was only decided by what she decided to do and not by some obscure idea of fate. The proposition summed up their speech by stating fate was not a deciding factor but the choices they made, were. The Opposition ended the debate with the proverb 'you reap what you sow,' but what kind of seeds you were given lay not in your hands.

The motion was lost.

Winners: Maharani Gayatri Devi Girls' School
The best speaker: Darsh Puri (Vasant Valley School, Delhi)
The most promising Speaker: Vidushi Chaturvedi (Maharani Gayatri Devi Girls' School)

"This House Believes sanctions and consequences and not reason can bring a change in human behaviour."



St. James' School Kolkata
(OPPOSITION)

vs

The Scindia School, Gwalior
(PROPOSITION)



Judges- Mrs. Jaya Basera, Ms. Devika Singh
Shekhawat, Mrs. Nabanita Kaur Jassal

A heated debate was set off consisting of arguments based on theories and historical evidences that laid the ground for an interesting session. The Lead Speaker from side Proposition came up and argued about how people wore masks during COVID due to sanctions laid and not out of their own violation. The Opposition rebutted with the argument that the sanctions were part of health security and were necessary. Both the Opposition and Proposition backed up their arguments with strong rebuttals which made the session interesting and engaging for the judges and the audience.

The motion was lost.

Winners: St. James' School Kolkata
The best speaker: Tanay Jain (St. James' School Kolkata)
The Most Promising Speaker: Aryan Ghosh (St. James' School Kolkata)



Sanskriti- The Gurukul, Guwahati
(OPPOSITION)

vs

LA Martiniere College, Lucknow
(PROPOSITION)



Judges- Mr.Puspak Chamariya, Mrs. Neetu
Mathur and Mrs.Rajeshwari Chatteraj

A very interesting debate it started with side Proposition stating that it was a proven fact that consequences and sanctions were more effective than mere reasoning. Side Opposition rebutted by arguing that criminals benefit more from rehabilitation than punishments thereby proving that reasoning had more power. Both sides argued their points with valid examples. The debate proved successful in keeping the judges riveted and the audience interested through the duration of the session.

The motion was lost.

Winners: Sanskriti- The Gurukul, Guwahati
The Best Speaker: Paarth Garg (Sanskriti- The Gurukul,

Guwahati)
 The Most Promising Speaker:- Bhavya Sri (Sanskriti-
 The Gurukul, Guwahati)



Welham Boys' School, Mussoorie
 (PROPOSITION)

vs



Mayo College, Ajmer (OPPOSITION)

Judges- Mr. Abhinav Baruah, Mr. Tushar
 Bharadwaj and Mrs. Barkha Dubey

An interesting debate it was set off on a controversial if an uncommon topic. The lead Speaker of side Proposition began his debate by stating that sanctions against criminals would make them less destructive. The opposition rebutted with an equally strong argument that people are less destructive because they're scared of the consequences. The session was filled with interesting rebuttals being brought up which made it extremely engaging for the audience and judges alike.

The motion was carried.

Winners: Welham Boys' School

The Best Speaker: Divij Gupta (Welham Boys')

The Most Promising Speaker: Shaurya Jain (Mayo College)



The Assam Valley School, Team Green
 (PROPOSITION)

vs



Delhi Public School Guwahati
 (OPPOSITION)

Judges- Ms. Aditi Vashista, Mr. Ratual
 Biswas and Ms. Puja Konch

From the start of the debate, the Proposition defined their stance on motion making it clear that they were not talking about the nature of the change but only the presence or existence of change. The Proposition advocated that sanctions and consequences were necessary for the betterment of society. The Opposition pointed out that punishments do not necessarily bring forth behavioural changes. The person will behave in a certain way when the punisher is present and differently when not. The debate had strong rebuttals and varied points that made it an engaging session.

The motion was carried.

Winner- The Assam Valley School Green Team

Best Speaker- Tasmin Ahmed (The Assam Valley School)

Most Promising- Madra Sonowal (DPS, Guwahati)



Vasant Valley School Delhi
 (OPPOSITION)

vs



Maria's Public School Guwahati
 (PROPOSITION)

Judges- Ms. Subhalaxmi Bora, Mr. Nidarshan
 Nandan Koushik, Ms. Promita Roy

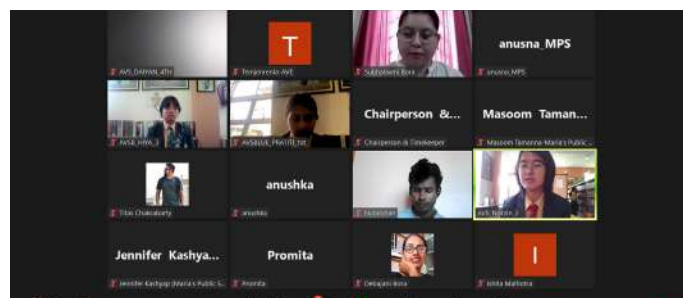
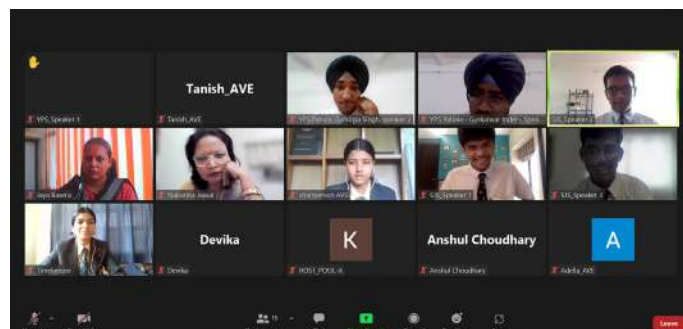
A theoretical debate was set in motion where the speakers argued over a complex topic. Speakers from both sides laid out various hypothetical scenarios to prove their cause taking many examples from the US - Iran conflict and the Russia-Ukraine crisis. The debate started off with the lead Speaker from side Proposition stating that reasoning was subjective and hence, unreliable. The Opposition fervently argued that subjectivity was the biggest advantage of reasoning as it accounted for an act a person committed. The Proposition asked the Opposition if they could reason with China to not terrorize Uyghur Muslim communities. The debate heavily focused on societal aspects of the situation and was enlivened with engaging rebuttals.

The motion was lost.

Winners: Vasant Valley School Delhi

The Best Speaker: Saniya Kakoti (Maria's Public School Guwahati)

The Most Promising Speaker: Arush (Vasant Valley School Delhi)



“THIS HOUSE BELIEVES THAT HUMAN BIAS AND PREJUDICE CAN
BE ELIMINATED THROUGH EDUCATION.”

The Lawrence School, Sanawar
vs
Yadavindra Public School, Patiala

Bishop Cotton School, Shimla
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St. George's College, Mussoorie

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“THIS HOUSE BELIEVES THAT MOVIES BREED CRIMES.”

St. James' School, Kolkata
vs
The Lawrence School, Sanawar

Sanskriti- The Gurukul, Guwahati
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Bishop Cotton School, Shimla

Welham Boys' School, Dehradun
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The Assam Valley School, Team Green
vs
Tezpur Gurukul School

Maria's Public School, Guwahati
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Maharani Gayatri Devi Girls' School, Jaipur

AFTERNOON SESSION

“THIS HOUSE BELIEVES THAT CORPORATE JOB IS A NEW FORM OF SLAVERY

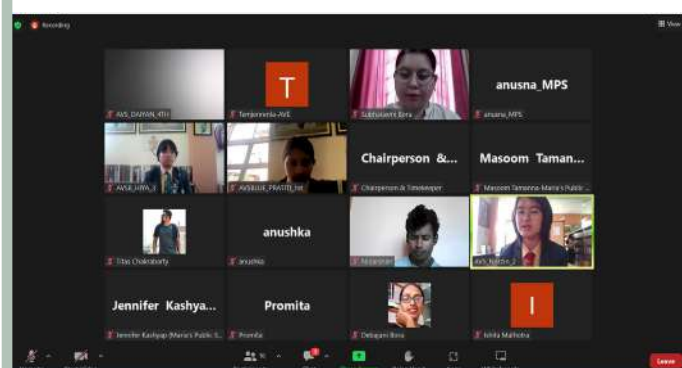
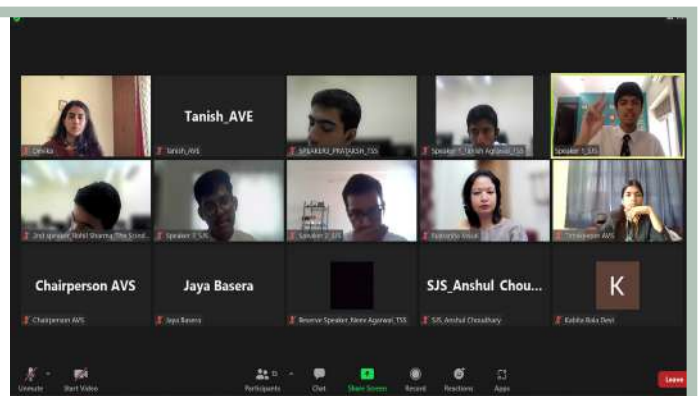
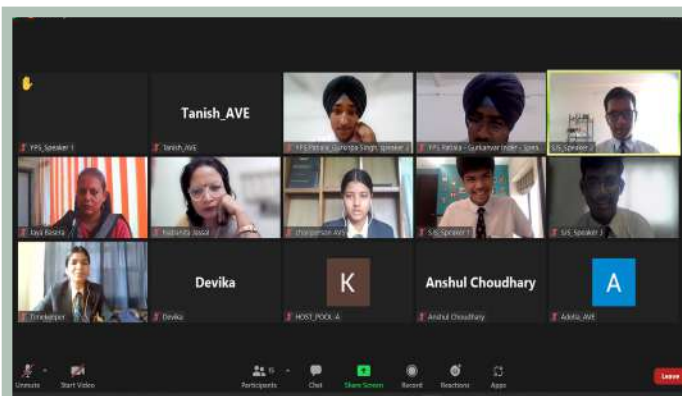
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The Assam Valley School, Team Blue



“This House Believes that human bias and prejudice can be eliminated through education.”



The Lawrence School, Sanawar
(OPPOSITION)

vs

Yadavindra Public School, Patiala
(PROPOSITION)



Judges- Mr. Thajeb Hazarika, Mr. Shantam Basu and Ms. Anjuri Nagalia

An engrossing debate the sessions saw both teams argue about the role of education in eliminating human bias and prejudices. First speaker of Side Proposition pointed the importance of education in society which helped us broaden our mindset, leading to better opinions. Lead Speaker of side Opposition argued that the tentacles of bias would always hold humans and education today remained mere rote learning. Side Proposition rebutted by arguing that education today was a combination of many progressive parallels which helped tackle biases. The debate certainly left its audience and judges entertained.

The motion was carried.

Winners: The Lawrence School, Sanawar
Best Speaker: Malik Arjun Ahluwalia (YPS, Patiala)
Most Promising Speaker: Manya Bansal (The Lawrence School, Sanawar)



Bishop Cotton School
(OPPOSITION)

vs

St. George's College, Mussoorie
(PROPOSITION)



Judges- Mrs. Dayita Bira Dutta, Dr. Pooja Jain Benjamin and Mr. Ayush Mazumdar

The debate started off with a fierce stand taken by side Proposition who centred their stance around the 'New Education Policy' and eliminating bias and prejudice through it. They claimed that literacy meant the ability of merely reading and writing whereas education led to moral and holistic development. Side Opposition firmly opposed this argument, stating that education itself created bias. They advocated for personal growth, instead of education, for eliminating bias and prejudice. The engrossing arguments revolved around the clash between formal education versus personal well-being and growth.

The motion was carried.

Winners: St. George's College, Mussoorie
Best speaker: Parth Jindal (St. George's College)
Most promising speaker: Moksh Jain (St. George's College)



Royal Global School, Guwahati
(OPPOSITION)

vs

The Sanskaar Valley School, Bhopal
(PROPOSITION)



Judges- Ms. Anandita Luther, Mr. Rahul Rajkhowa, and Mr. Maitreya Rajan Mahanta

The Proposition stuck to its stance by laying emphasis on the key terms “can be” and “education” at the outset defining clearly the crux of their stance. In response, side Opposition argued that if education had the power to end bias and prejudices, they would have essentially done so by now. The session saw interesting arguments and strong rebuttals making it entertaining as well as engaging.

The motion was carried.

Winners: The Sanskaar Valley School
The Best Speaker: Arhan Dudhoria (Royal Global School)
The Most Promising Speaker: Anadya Verma (The Sanskaar Valley School)



Legacy School, Bangalore
(OPPOSITION)

vs

Tezpur Gurukul School, Tezpur
(PROPOSITION)



Judges- Mr Clifford War, Dr. Mirza Z Rehman and Mrs. Roopalee Gill

This compelling debate started with the first Speaker from Side Proposition defining the motion citing examples of prejudice from Indian history, like Sati, the sacrificial ceremony performed once a woman was widowed, and the caste system. Side Proposition argued that education was a very powerful weapon of change in society. With extremely good questions and equally enthralling rebuttals, both the sides kept the audience engaged with topics ranging from human psychology to history. Overall, the session was captivating for students and teachers alike and left us all thinking.

The motion was lost.

Winners: Legacy School, Bangalore
Best Speaker: Aditya Rao (Legacy School, Bangalore)
Most Promising Speaker: Neil Sarin (Legacy School Bangalore)



The Assam Valley School, Team Blue
(OPPOSITION)

vs

Maharani Gayatri Devi Girls' School,
Jaipur (PROPOSITION)



Judges- Ms. Anchita Sen, Mr. Titas
Chakrabarty and Ms. Banashree Bardalai

The fiery debate began with the first Speaker of side Proposition putting forward her argument by quoting Nelson Mandela -that nobody was born hating. They learnt to hate in the same way we learn to love which was through education. The side Opposition argued that biases that have existed over centuries in the human mind and amongst societies could not be eliminated merely through books. Side Proposition then put forward the argument that our choice of clothing did not dispel our biases but our education did. The debate brought forth interesting arguments and strong rebuttals that centred around the theme of experience over education or if the latter was the solution to all of society's woes.

The motion was lost.

Winners: The Assam Valley School Team Blue
The Best Speaker: Hiyaneijemmy Das (The Assam Valley School Team Blue)
The Most Promising Speaker: Daiyan Alam (The Assam Valley School Team Blue)

"This House Believes that movies breed crimes. "



St. James' School, Kolkata
(OPPOSITION)

vs

The Lawrence School,
Sanawar (PROPOSITION)



Judges- Mr. Shantam Basu, Mr. Thajeb Ali
Hazarika and Ms. Anjuri Nagalia

A heated debate was set off over a controversial topic that has been often debated over. Convincing arguments from both the sides citing many real-life incidents was thrown across the static podium. Side Proposition grafted their argument around how movies glorified violence and this in turn influenced people especially the younger generation to commit crimes. Side Opposition rebutted and argued that movies served as a source of entertainment and people don't execute what movies portray. They cited the example of how Japanese movies were primarily crime centric movies and yet Japan had the lowest crime rates. The teams put forth a good show which left the audience and the judges entertained and engaged.

The motion was lost.

Winners: St. James' School, Kolkata
The best speaker: Tanay Jain (St. James' School, Kolkata)
The Most Promising Speaker: Ushnish Bhattacharya (St. James' School, Kolkata)



Sanskriti- The Gurukul, Guwahati
(PROPOSITION)

vs

Bishop Cotton School, Shimla
(OPPOSITION)



Judges- Mr. Ayush Mazumdar, Mrs. Dayita
Bira Dutta and Dr. Pooja Jain Benjamin

An extremely interesting debate it started off over an oft-argued over the topic. Side Proposition stated that most movies showcased violence, which often influenced people to commit them; thus, the crime. Side Proposition argued their point through many apt examples. Side Opposition put up a strong argument by stating that movies did not 'breed crime'; instead, they merely triggered it. The people who committed the crimes were already inclined towards it. This very interesting debate kept the audience and judges engaged.

The motion was carried.

Winners: Sanskriti- The Gurukul, Guwahati
The Best Speaker: Riyaa Agarwal (Sanskriti- The Gurukul, Guwahati)
The Most Promising Speaker: Pranay Bansal (Bishop Cotton School, Shimla)



The Sanskaar Valley School
(PROPOSITION)

vs

Welham Boys' School, Dehradun
(OPPOSITION)



Judges- Mr. Leslie Peter Watts, Mr. Rahul
Rajkhawa and Ms. Anandita N. Luther

An exciting debate it started on a very interesting topic often argued over. The Proposition stated that most movies that showcased violence did not necessarily "breed" violence and the people who commit crimes were inclined towards it mentally in the first place. The Opposition over rebuttals used statistics and data to argue their stance. Overall, it was a session packed with skilfully posed rebuttals which made it engaging for the audience and judges alike.

The motion was lost.

Winners: The Sanskaar Valley School
The Best Speaker: Shubh Jain (The Sanskaar Valley School)
The Most Promising Speaker: Anadya Verma (The Sanskaar Valley School)



Tezpur Gurukul School
(PROPOSITION)

vs

The Assam Valley School, Team Green
(OPPOSITION)



Judges- Mr. Clifford War, Dr. Mirza
Rahman and Mrs. Roopalee Gill

The debate started off with side Proposition advocating that movies glorified violence. They pointed out that the viewers who were the general mass are often easily swayed by what they saw in movies wanting the same in their personal lives. They brought up real life examples such as an open fire in a theatre hall by a die-hard Joker fan. While agreeing that movies do influence people, side Opposition argued assertively that movies by themselves did not 'breed crimes' laying focus on the key words. They argued that a movie was merely a source of entertainment which could be held responsible for the workings of the mind of a person who was a potential criminal.

The motion was lost.

Winner- The Assam Valley School Team Green
Best Speaker- Fareeha Ambreen (The Assam Valley School, Team Green)
Most Promising Speaker- Rohit Choudhary (Tezpur Gurukul School)



Maria's Public School, Guwahati
(OPPOSITION)

vs

Maharani Gayatri Devi Girls School,
Jaipur (PROPOSITION)



Judges- Ms. Anchita Sen, Mr. Titas
Chakrabarty and Dr. Banashree Bardalai

The debate was set over a pertinent topic in the contemporary world where the speakers laid out well-constructed arguments. The lead speaker of the side Proposition affirmed that movies portrayed criminals in a false sense of grandeur, enforcing a romanticized portrayal thereby inspiring audiences to imitate such behaviour. Side Opposition emphasized that society's thinking and mentality affect the outcome, not the movies themselves, and claimed that side Proposition was trying to shift the blame from society to the entertainment industries. It was a gripping debate that saw the speakers debating over a grey area.

The motion was lost.

Winners: Maria's Public School, Guwahati
The Best Speaker: Masoom Tamana (Maria's Public School, Guwahati)
The Most Promising Speaker: Saniya Kakoti (Maharani Gayatri Devi Girls School, Jaipur)

"This House Believes that corporate job is a new form of slavery."



Yadavindra Public School, Patiala
(PROPOSITION)

vs

The Scindia School, Gwalior
(OPPOSITION)



Judges- Mr. Thajeb Hazarika, Mr. Shantam
Basu and Ms. Anjuri Nagalia

The debate was a convincing battle of arguments between the two teams. Side Proposition's lead Speaker brought out the political ideology of liberalism and said that it is a 'dog eat dog' world where capitalists valued only money. Side Opposition's lead Speaker argued that the multiple opportunities and benefits corporate jobs offered were anything but slavery. Side Proposition pointed out the hierarchy in a corporate world and that human beings had turned into a machine living another's dream. Side Opposition rebutted arguing that corporate jobs were the very opposite of slavery whereas Proposition argued that corporate jobs lay on the same side of the transversal and were indeed a modern form of slavery. The session was highly engaging.

The motion was lost.

Winners: The Scindia School, Gwalior
Best Speaker: Malik Arjun Ahluwalia (YPS, Patiala)
Most Promising Speaker: Neev Agarwal (The Scindia School, Gwalior)



St. George's College, Mussoorie
(OPPOSITION)

vs

LA Martiniere College, Lucknow
(PROPOSITION)



Judges- Mrs. Dayita Bira Dutta, Dr. Pooja
Jain and Mr. Ayush Mazumdar

The debate saw side Proposition begin by stating that corporate jobs were the form of slavery in the current existing world. They further added that jobs in the corporate sector were highly profit-centric and provide little to no scope for personal development to the employees. Side Opposition crafted their stance by striking a clear difference between a slave and an employee, the former having no other purpose other than working, and the latter having certain benefits, schemes and scope for negotiations. Both the sides stood their ground firmly throughout the debate and contributed to an appealing argument.

The motion was lost.

Winners: St. George's College Mussoorie
Best Speaker: Parth Jindal (St. George's College, Mussoorie)
Most Promising Speaker: Parv Johar (LA Martiniere College, Lucknow)



Mayo College, Ajmer
(OPPOSITION)

vs

Royal Global School, Guwahati
(PROPOSITION)



Judges- Mr. Clifford War, Dr. Mirza
Rehman and Mrs. Roopalee Gill

The Proposition began by clearly stating that a corporate job blew through every labour law in the name of paying their employees a salary they more than just earn. Their lives are then tethered to their little cubicles and they are left at the mercy of their seniors. The Opposition rebutted arguing strongly that corporate employees like all individuals had a choice which they could exercise to quit their jobs if the burden felt too overwhelming. Both the sides also discussed reforms and fundamental Human Rights. The rebuttals were truly engaging and the summary of the speeches was interesting.

The motion was carried.

The Best Speaker- Arham Dudhoria (Royal Global School, Guwahati)

The Most Promising Speaker: Shlok Agarwal (Royal Global School, Guwahati)



Delhi Public School, Guwahati
(PROPOSITION)

VS

Legacy School, Bangalore
(OPPOSITION)



Judges- Mr. Clifford War, Dr. Mirza
Rehman and Mrs. Roopalee Gill

This intense debate started off with the first Speaker from side Proposition talking about the role of race and gender that played a significant role in corporates. They also spoke about the sheer decline in the mental health of corporate workers who slowly lost their individuality and control over their lives leaving them as slaves to their jobs.

Side Opposition centred their argument primarily on a moral perspective and argued that corporate jobs were not even remotely connected to slavery. The maximum extent of work they did was well within accepted and legal work parameters and the salaries they earned allowed them a healthy living standard. The final debate of the day was thought provoking as it was engaging.

The motion was lost.

Winners: Legacy School, Bangalore

Best Speaker: Caleb Cherian Abraham (Legacy School, Bangalore)

Most Promising Speaker: Jayana Roy (Delhi Public School, Guwahati)



Vasant Valley School, Delhi
(PROPOSITION)

vs

The Assam Valley School, Team Blue
(OPPOSITION)



Judges- Ms. Anchita Sen, Titas Chakrabarty
and Dr Banashree Bardalai

An interesting debate with a complex topic, it began with side Proposition arguing that corporate jobs jeopardized the very well-being of their employees. They pointed out that corporate employees had to work like robots their very existence limited by their workload. Side Opposition rebutted arguing that corporate jobs had perks that provided social and economic security and benefits. Together they outweighed possibilities in other sectors and was the very opposite of slavery. Side Proposition believed that 'choice' in corporate jobs was an illusion and called the Opposition the 'wardens of the jail of slavery.' Side Opposition ended their argument by stating that money was the route to happiness which corporate employees earned in plenty and therefore could not complain about the consequences and circumstances of their choices.

The motion was carried.

Winners: Vasant Valley School, Delhi

The Best Speaker: Darsh Puri (Vasant Valley School, Delhi)

The Most promising Speaker: Annirudh Vats (Vasant Valley School, Delhi)



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