

DEBATING SOCIETY: ENGLISH

Introduction: ILS Debating Society undertakes and oversees various debating activities in college including parliamentary debates, conventional debates, Model United Nations conferences.

Faculty Coordinators: Mr. Ashish Pawar and Ms. Mughdha Hedau

Student Coordinators: Ashutosh Ghag (V BA LLB), Chinamy Kshirsagar (III LLB), Krishna Nair (IV BA LLB), Purva Harugade, Vinayak Singh Chauhan and Anushka Singh (all III BA LLB).

Details of the activities conducted:

Weekly session:

- **Title of Session:** Case Construction

Date: October 12, 2022

Mode : Online

No. of Participants: 46

Report of session: The case construction session was an interesting and enthralling session as participants got to learn the minutiae of debating. Since the last session dealt with understanding motions, the next step is to build a case based on the type of motion. This session focused on how negative and affirmative cases are built and how weighing of arguments works. We took up each speaker's role and broadly analyzed how each speaker must build their case.

- **Title of Session:** Mock Debate Session

Date: October 18, 2022

Mode : Online

No. of Participants: 50

Report of the Session- The session was a great experience for the participants as they got to learn more about debating and its format and It was a very interactive session as

participants asked questions and all their queries were answered with various ongoing debate examples.

- **Title of Session:** Understanding Motions

Date: October 20, 2022

Mode : offline

No. of Participants: 50

Report of session: This session was conducted on understanding motions as part of our weekly sessions, the very crucial part of debating is having a clear understanding of motions. We had a speaker come and discuss the various types of motions. Understanding the types - negative and positive eventually helps us understand the perspectives required for case construction of these motions. Debaters often need to prove different questions depending on the type of motion.

Other Activities:

- **Title of the Activity:** Internal Adjudicator Training Session

Topic: Adjudication

Date: January 12, 2023

Details of Resource Person: Ashutosh Ghag (V BA LLB)

No of participants - 20

Report of the activity - The session was to encourage all the students who applied to be internal adjudicators and to introduce them to the format of the debate, general rules and tips in mind. It was a basic crash course on adjudication. It had a discussion on marking of cases and the details an adjudicator must take into consideration while scoring their speakers. Speaker also explained the working of Oral Adjudication.

Participation of ILS Students who made us proud in various competitions:

Ojas Date (III BALLB) represented the college at the Dillman pre-Australs and was also the grand finals panelist at the Competition.

Rajyawardhan Singh and **Ojas Date** (III BALLB) represented the college at the DTU Summers Pre UADC. They both were the chairs for the Octo finals at the Competition.

Ojas Date, Rajyawardhan Singh (both III BALLB) and **Namita Pandey** (V BALLB) represented the college at the Christ University Parliamentary Debate Competition held in Bengaluru organized by Christ University. Ojas Date was the Grand Finals chair and won the title of Best Adjudicator at the Competition. Namita Pandey was a subsidized adjudicator at the Competition.

Ojas Date (III BALLB) represented the college at the Dr. MS Ramaiah Memorial Parliamentary Debate Competition held in Bengaluru organized by Ramaiah Institute of Technology. He was the Pre-Finals panelist and won the Best Adjudicator at the Competition.

Ojas Date and Rajyawardhan Singh (III BALLB) and **Mrunmayee Nagdive** (II BALLB) along with the Speaker teams of **Tanishq Mishra, Yashaswini Joshi, Vrunda Nabira** (II BALLB) and **Palak Sinha, Kunal Behal** (III BALLB), **Madhur Tiwari** (I BALLB) represented the college at the National Law School Parliamentary Debate held in Bengaluru organized by National Law School of India University Bengaluru. Ojas Date was the Open Finals Panelist and won the Best Adjudicator at the Competition. The Speaker team of Palak Sinha, Madhur Tiwari and Kunal Behal qualified in the Open Category and went up to the Quarter Finals at the Competition. Kunal Behal was declared as the 7th Best Speaker at the Competition. The Speaker team of Tanishq Mishra, Yashaswini Joshi and Vrunda Nabira broke in the Novice Category and went up to the Quarter Finals at the Competition.

Rajyawardhan Singh (III BALLB) represented the college at the Sir Vishveswaraya Memorial Debate Competition held in Pune organized by College of Engineering Pune. He was the Finals Panelist and won the Best Adjudicator at the Competition.

Ojas Date (III BALLB) represented the college at the Ram Manohar Lohiya Parliamentary Debate Competition held in Lucknow organized by Dr. Ram Manohar Lohiya National Law University. He was the Open Finals Panelist at the Competition.

Ojas Date and **Rajyawardhan Singh** (both III BALLB) represented the college at the BITS Pilani Parliamentary Debate Competition organized by BITS Pilani. Ojas Date was the Open Finals Panelist at the Competition.

Rajyawardhan Singh (III BALLB) represented the college at the Justice RK Tankha Parliamentary Debate Competition held in Jabalpur organized by Dharmashastra National Law University. He was the Finals Panelist at the Competition.

Rajyawardhan Singh (III BALLB) represented the college at the Gargi Wax Eloquent held in New Delhi organized by Gargi College of the Delhi University. He was the Semi Finals Panelist at the Competition.

Ojas Date (III BALLB) represented the college as a speaker at the Manzar held in New Delhi organized by Miranda House. He was the Quarter Finalist at the Competition.

Koonjal Hatewar and **Soumik Ghosh** (II BALLB) represented the college at the IITB Debate Competition held in Bombay organized by Indian Institute of Technology Bombay.

Pritika Bansal along with the Speaker teams of **Preeti Ramesh Jadhav, Anuprita Ajitsinh Jadhav, Anugraha Sara Jose** (III BALLB) and **Koonjal Hatewar, Soumik Ghosh, Mahima Srivastava** (all II BALLB) represented the college at the Niqash Parliamentary Debate Competition, a novice Competition organized by BITS Pilani.

Reuben Fernandes (II BALLB) represented the college as a Debater in the UNSC, UNHRC, Lok Sabha Competition.

Madhavraje Patwardhan (V BALLB) represented the college at the Ring of Fire Competition.

Rajyawardhan Singh and **Anoushka Singh** (III BALLB) along with the Speaker team of **Ojas**

Date and **Anushka Singh** (III BALB) represented the college at the Symbiosis Law School Parliamentary Debate Competition held in Pune organized by Symbiosis Law School Pune.