Event: Debate Competition

Event Overview

The Debate Competition is an exciting event designed to foster critical thinking, effective communication, and teamwork among students. This event provides a platform for participants to showcase their ability to analyze complex issues, develop compelling arguments, and present them in a structured manner. This event not only highlights the importance of perspective but also promotes respectful discourse and appreciation for diverse viewpoints. With an emphasis on critical engagement, the Debate Competition promises to be an enriching experience for all involved.

Resources Required:

- Two Podiums
- Papers
- Pens
- Projector displaying the debate topics.

Venue: CIMP Examination Hall

<u>Time</u>: 2 hrs.

Date and Time:

<u>Rounds:</u> 2-3 rounds depending on the number of participants. Half of the participants will get eliminated after each round.

Topic Selection and Rules

Topics:

- Should social media platforms be held responsible for spreading misinformation?
- Is a cashless society beneficial or risky?
- Does AI pose a threat to humanity?
- Are exams an effective way to measure a student's knowledge?
- Should climate change be a priority over economic development?
- Is democracy the best form of government?
- Does mainstream media shape society's moral standards?

Note: Topics can be changed or added as required.

Set Rules and Guidelines

- Participants will be divided into two groups representing the affirmative and opposition sides.
- Each participant will get a pen and a paper and will have 5 minutes to jot down their points before the competition starts.
- Participants won't be allowed to carry the paper to the podium.
- Participants will get 5-7 minutes to deliver their thoughts in the competition.
- They will get an alert sound 1 minute before their time gets up.
- Participants must use respectful language, avoid personal attacks, and remain civil throughout the debate.
- Speakers should not be interrupted by the opposing team while presenting.

Judges: 2-3 Judges

Judging Criteria:

- Judges will assess the strength and relevance of arguments, evidence, and examples presented.
- Points should be clearly articulated and logically structured.
- Confidence, voice modulation, body language, and eye contact contribute to scoring.

Scoring and Evaluation

- Judges will score each speaker based on the above-mentioned criteria. The total score will determine the winning team.
- Judges may provide constructive feedback to the speaker after the end of each round.
- In case of a tie, there will be an additional 3-minute round for deciding the winner.

Disqualifying Rules

- Late arrivals
- Misconduct