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Message

SPMMUN'16 is an extraordinary intellectual and social conference that brings together an amazing assortment of young minds to engage in a cultural and academic fiesta offering a higher-level atrium of confrontation and debate.

The Conference aims to ignite imagination, creativity and diplomacy within the students, providing them with a platform to assume the role of ambassadors, diplomats and UN representatives to discuss the global problems confidently for a period of three days.

We live in a world of globalization, where it is necessary to apprise ourselves of the issues the world faces. SPMMUN' 16 endeavours to provide a unique opportunity to discuss relevant challenges faced by the world today, gain proficiency in the art of negotiation and to chalk out innovative and pioneering proposals for action. Around two hundred and fifty delegates from all over the country will participate in this stimulating conference.

This year we will be simulating five gripping committees- each one designed in such a way that it will test the caliber of the delegates, promote effective research and transform them into aware, global leaders of tomorrow. The committees will provide a window of opportunity for the delegates to get a first-hand experience on understanding technical aspects of governance and foreign affairs. It is our hope, through this SPMMUN' 16, to shape the participants of this conference into visionary leaders who will successfully bring about a change in the world. This is a wonderful opportunity for both the delegates and organizing committee to learn and grow. I wish that the conference is a great success and all the best to all the budding delegates who are going to turn out to be empowered leaders of tomorrow.

Ms. Bhupinder Gogia

Principal





Significance of SPMMUN

SPMMUN'16 Secretariat is proud to host the 2nd Edition of the Sat Paul Mittal Model United Nations Conference. This year's conference will be a motivational experience which would activate student's innovation, imagination and creativity. The SPMMUN will provide an interactive educational experience to the delegates who would draft resolutions, plot strategy, negotiate with supporters and adversaries, resolve conflicts, and navigate the UN's rules of procedure-all in the interest of mobilizing "international cooperation" to resolve problems that affect almost every country on Earth.

As the Editor-in chief, I feel honoured to be a part of the SPMMUN'16 which indeed is going to be an exhilarating journey of knowledge which would enable the participants to gain an ever better understanding of the United Nations and it's works. We live in a globalized world and as responsible citizens it is our duty to give authentic and presentable solutions for the external and internal threats challenging government and society. This knowledge can also be transferred to our everyday life making an impact on day-to-day basis.

With our dynamic and highly motivated IP team, we hope to make the event an enriching experience for all and look forward to some intense discussions, creative writing and a cherishable farrago of memories.

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THE COMMITTEE

THE SECURITY COUNCIL

Security Council is the most important in the world given the legitimacy by international community to act when needed to resolve the world's most pressing issues. Rise of the Islamic State in the Middle East is one of them. A symmetric warfare, which includes non-state actors (NSAs), is one of the most disruptive threats to the modern nation system in the Middle East. The insurgent group of Sunni Muslim Jihadis, ISIL (Islamic State of Iraq and Levant) tops the list. In June 2014 they formally declared the establishment of a caliphate- a state governed in accordance with Islamic law. To establish their control in Iraq, they crossed the Syrian border where they had already been fighting to gain control. Syria has literally botched to control its territory and has become a Launchpad for ISIL. Led by Abu Bakr Al Baghdadi, it has become notorious for its brutality, mass killings and beheadings. The group has attracted Muslims elsewhere in the world and a US led coalition has vowed to destroy it. The group has welcomed the prospect of direct confrontation with the US led coalition, viewing it as a harbinger of an end-of-times showdown between Muslims and their enemies described in Islamic apocalyptic prophecies.

Human Rights Council

"All victims of human rights abuses should be able to look to the Human Rights Council as a forum and a springboard for action." Racial discrimination is an exigent problem which exists all across the globe. It is a complication experienced by minority communities and it also violates a basic human right: right to equality. This problem has been created by society itself which affects the thought process of young and impressionable minds. Xenophobia is very closely related to racial discrimination. It is the dislike or fear of people from other nations who are termed as 'foreigners'. Most non-citizens are engaged in doing menial jobs. Acts are termed xenophobic when the purpose of these acts is to humiliate, hurt or attack a certain person or community which is alien. If a large part of the population of the world adopts the ideals of xenophobia, it can become the cause of international political turfs which can lead to bloodshed. Eradication of racism is very important for the equal social status of all people so that we live in a society which is peaceful and full of harmony. By doing this we can reduce the number of crimes and terrorist activities. Thus, elimination of racism is a top priority for the world. Therefore the Human Rights Council takes up this pertinent issue for its discussion and plans to bring out the most plausible solutions during the conference.

The Committee

The European Union (EU)

The European Union (EU) is a politico-economic union of 28 member states that are located primarily in Europe. It operates through a hybrid system of supranational and intergovernmental decision-making. Initially created for the purpose of binding the members countries together to make them interdependent on each other economically so as to prevent further conflict among them, it has since then expanded into a vast organization with policy areas spanning from development to environment aid. The EU has developed an internal single market through a standardized system of laws that apply in all member states. 'Euro-zone Migrant Crisis with Special Emphasis on the Socio-Economic Status of Migrants in European Nations' is the agenda that will be discussed in the committee. It will focus on the treatment of migrants in Europe by the EU and its member states. Europe is experiencing one of the most significant influxes of migrants and refugees in its history. Pushed by civil war and terror and pulled by the promise of a better life, huge numbers of people have fled the Middle East and Africa, risking their lives along the way. The EU has come under heavy fire for failure to establish a universal standard for asylum and top UN officials have expressed deep concern with forcible returns of migrants and the creation of barriers to prevent entry into countries in Europe. The response of the committee and its members to the allegations of violations of Human Rights and the highly unsatisfactory response to the Migrant crisis will be the main focus of the committee.

United Nations General Assembly DISEC

The UNGA First Committee deals with disarmament, global challenges and threats to peace that affect the international community and seeks out solutions to the challenges in the international security regime. It considers all disarmament and international security matters within the scope of the Charter or relating to the powers and functions of any other organ of the United Nations; the general principles of cooperation in the maintenance of international peace and security, as well as principles governing disarmament and the regulation of armaments; promotion of cooperative arrangements and measures aimed at strengthening stability through lower levels of armaments. For the first agenda the Executive Board has chosen to provide a crisp summary of the agenda touching upon the important thematic elements. A legal overview has been provided so as to acquaint delegates with the burning international divisions the resolution of which will be critical to enable any progress on the agenda. With regard to the second agenda the resolution of legal issues is quite secondary to resolving more basic political questions such as the role of the UN and the position of states with regard to it. Therefore an overview of UN Peacekeeping mission as it exists has been provided before presenting the many alternatives available to the present system which place more permanent military formations at the UN's disposal.



The Committee

All India Political Party's Meet

All India Political Party's meet is a meeting which gets together to discuss issues of national importance. According to the constitution of India, the basic fundamental rights given to all citizens of India is the freedom of speech however this right is contradicted by the Sedition Law. The Sedition Law states that whoever by words either spoken or written or by signs or visible representation or otherwise brings or attempts to bring into hatred or contempt or excites or attempts to excite disaffection including disloyalty and all feelings of hate towards the government established by law in India shall be punished by life imprisonment. This law was established in India by the British in 1870 by Lord Thomas Macaulay. In the light of recent events in the February of 2016, the student union president of JNU University, Kanhaiya Kumar was arrested on charges of sedition under section 124-A of India Penal code. This arrest raised a political riot the country with marches and protests being organized by activists and academicians against the move made by the government. While those associated with JNU, past and present feel that the government is stifling and ruthlessly suppressing dissent. Another part of population believes that JNU for long has been supporting and exciting anti national slogans and activities and the students involved must be punished. Both sides continued protesting. On 2 March, 2016 videos supporting the act were proven to be fake and Kanhaiya Kumar was released after spending three weeks in prison. Hence, the committee would deliberate and discuss over the issue and chalk out viable solutions to curb the plagued problem.



DELEGATE'S GUIDE TO MUN CONFERENCES.

The backhand way – *evil grins*

Congratulations! You've made it all the way through the registrations for SPMMUN' 16, but I am sure there were questions that might have haunted you back and again. From, how do I organize for my first conference to 'What will a typical day in committee look like?' These questions can be answered but when it comes to testing your expertise, I bet a delegate shouldn't miss out on these points.

So let's get started!

DO NOT let down your formal guard EVER no matter how comfortable you feel. You don't want to be pointed out as the "unsophisticated "one. Even if the situation demands, don't waft away from your charted lines.

Leave your ethics and morals at the table during Unmods. However, do not be rowdy or offensive. If you have to backstab to win, don't think twice but remember the most effective weapon is refinement.

But, DO NOT stand on chairs or tables irrespective of how vertically challenged you are. There are always more subtle ways to gain attention. You might not want to pay for any damage.

Procedural Involvement gets you brownie points. Make sure you have something to say every minute even if you just want to add that you think the previous delegate made an important/useless point. Don't overdo it.

DO NOT get too involved with the IP or other delegates for unprofessional reasons. Don't be afraid to take on the IP, but don't get on the wrong side of the Executive board.

Make full utilization of the food and chits, for all purpose *wink*

Hope this would help both, a newbie and a very refined delegate at the same time. Happy debating!



Behind The Scenes

