

## **Economics Department, 2017-2018**

With the aim of holistic development of our students, we work towards creating an environment that helps them to grow in various respects and providing the much-needed co-curricular and extra-curricular exposure in currently high-demanding times. Our aim is to nurture leadership qualities, developing organizing skills and promoting teamwork; as well as promote creative and critical thinking.

The department has a very active 'Economics Association' that organizes, every year, various intra-department events and Inter-College Annual Economics Festival, *ECOPHORIA*, wherein students get to organize as well as participate in various events such as Debate, Paper-Presentation, Panel Discussion, Mock Newsroom, Group Discussion, Parliamentary Debate, Mock UN, Quiz, Poster-Making, Cartoon-Making, Ad-Mad Show, Barter, Extempore etc. The department launched its annual department magazine, *ECOGENE*, in 2013-14 and 'Annual Lecture Series' in 2016-17. The department also organizes workshops to help students in their preparation for various entrance/ competitive examinations. Workshops are also organized in order to sensitise students towards various issues of importance to individual, inter-personal and society.

The activities/ events organized by the Association during the academic session 2017-18 are as follows:

### **I. Students' Union Elections**

Elections were held on July 28, 2017 for the various posts in the Students' Union, Economics Association.

- President - Vidhata
- General Secretary - Chhavi
- Vice-President - Anoushka Chawla
- Treasurer - Ishita
- Joint Secretary - Priyanshi
- Creative Head - Aru
- Coordinators - Shraddha (3<sup>rd</sup> year), Akshita (3<sup>rd</sup> year), Eshita (2<sup>nd</sup> year)  
Nabodita (2<sup>nd</sup> year), Urvi (1<sup>st</sup> year), Amisha (1<sup>st</sup> year)
- Class Representatives - Pranjali (3<sup>rd</sup> year), Priyanka Sarda (2<sup>nd</sup> year)  
Deeksha Sharma (1<sup>st</sup> year)



Students' Union, Economics Association, 2017-18

## II. Welcoming the Freshers- 2017

'Freshers' Welcome' was organized on 2<sup>nd</sup> August, 2016 to welcome the additions in the department. As always, it was a day filled with fun, entertainment and interaction. The theme for the party was: THE BOLLYWOOD BLING.

A great show was put up by the Union including the activities arranged for the first years, dance performances by the second and third years, a small skit introducing the new members to the college and their department along with some games involving not only the students but also the teachers. The event was also attended by our respectable Principal Dr. Swati Pal who motivated the students to have active participation in various activities of the department as well as the college.

Following first-year students won the titles:

***Ms. Economics Hons:*** Shwetaashree

***Runner Up:*** Deeksha Sharma

***Ms.Divya:*** Urvi





Freshers' Welcome: The Winners of the Day



### **III. Intra-Departmental Student Competitions**

In its attempt to provide for opportunities around the year for both their academic learning and personality development, Economics department organised its Intra-Department Economics Festival on 30<sup>th</sup> August, 2017.

- i. Paper presentation competition* – that gave the platform to students to display their understanding and application of knowledge/concepts on various contemporary economic issues. The topics were:
- Interest rate cut: A good policy?
  - Intellectual Property Rights and Developing Countries
  - Direct Benefit Transfer – An apt policy for India
  - Trade – Still an “Engine of Growth” !
  - How Sustainable is India’s Growth?

The prize winners of the event were: Ritika Jain, III Year (*Best Presenter*), Mahima Khurana, III Year (*First Runner-Up*), Simran Singh, II Year (*Second Runner-Up*) and Shruti Mehta, III Year (*Best Interjector*).

ii. **Poster-Making competition-** to let the creative side of our students as well as their expression on a variety of sensitive/societal issues come to the surface. The topics were:

- Right to Privacy
- Beti Bachao Beti Pado
- Mankind: A Threat to Environment
- Swachh Bharat Abhiyan
- Quality of Life: A Right
- The LGBTQ+ Community

The prize-winners were Nayan, III Year (*First Prize*) and Sakshi Mukhi, II Year (*First Runner Up*).



Prize winners, Paper Presentation Competition



#### **IV. Annual Lecture Series**

- i. “*Goods and Services Tax*” by CA Rajeev Saxena (30<sup>th</sup> August, 2017) helped the students to understand the biggest tax reform of India. The lecture was very interactive which not only made the issues clear to students but also resolved a lot of their queries.



Lecture on GST

- ii. **“Science, Technology and Innovation in India”** by **Prof. Sunil Kanwar, Delhi School of Economics** on 27<sup>th</sup> September, 2017. Prof. Kanwar discussed the issue of innovations and intellectual property rights (IPRs) in the contemporary world with specific focus on India and that there is need to increase the pace of innovations/ patents in India.



- iii. **“Skill Development in India”** by **Dr. Fransisco Marmolejo, Lead Tertiary Education Specialist, World Bank** on 24<sup>th</sup> October, 2017. This was truly an extremely motivating session wherein Dr. Fransisco discussed the changing global scenario and that students need to prepare themselves for a bigger role for being a ‘global’ citizen and equip themselves with necessary skills that are needed by the employers.



**iv “Economics Beyond Textbooks in Day to Day Life” by Mr. T.S. Gopal, Honorary Secretary, Scientific Research Association for Economics and Finance (SRAEF), Chennai on 6<sup>th</sup> of February 2018.** This session was a true delight as the speaker did not actually deliver a lecture but rather interacted with the students in very interesting way to convey the economics behind every transaction that take place in our life. The students really enjoyed the lecture and gained knowledge on various facets of economics in today’s world.

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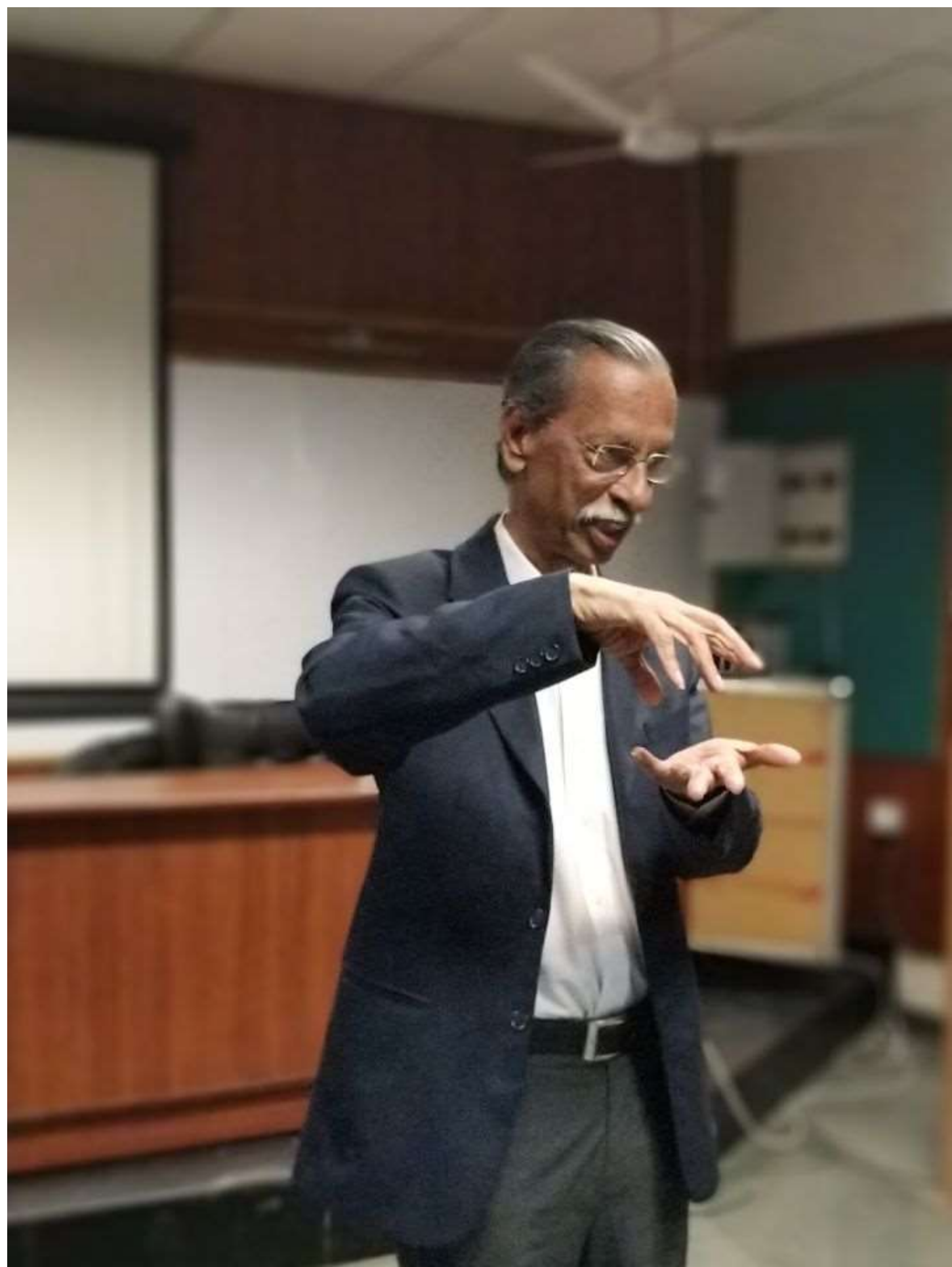
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## V. ECOPHORIA, 2017

Economics Department organized its Annual Inter College Economics Festival, ECOPHORIA 2017 on 27th of September, 2017.



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**ECOPHORIA '17**

*There is just no substitute*  
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27th September, 2017  
WEDNESDAY  
INAUGURAL LECTURE BY  
PROF. SUNIL KANWAR,  
Delhi School Of Economics  
"Science, Technology and Innovation  
in India"

GAME OF THRONES STALL

MINUTE TO WIN IT

PROJECT RUNWAY 30

THE HORCRUX HUNT

MAD ANGLE

ECONFERENTIA  
Paper Presentation

FREAKONOMICS

ECONNOISSEUR  
Quiz

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ECOPHORIAJDMC



It began with the Inaugural lecture by Prof. Sunil Kanwar, Delhi School of Economics. The lecture was followed by a series of competitive events where students from many colleges of University of Delhi like Hansraj, Dyal Singh College, SSCBS, Miranda, Hindu, SPM, Indraprastha College along with Department of Financial studies, Indraprastha University, Jamia University and Indira Gandhi National Open University took active participation and won many prizes. Following events were organized on the day of ECOPHORIA, 2017

### 1. Econferentia: Paper Presentation

The topics for the same were:

- Intellectual Property Rights and Developing Countries
- How Sustainable is India's Growth?
- Direct Benefit Transfer – An Apt Policy for India

- d. Interest Rate Cut- A Good Policy?
- e. Trade- Still an “Engine of Growth”!

Students came well prepared with their presentations on different topics with thorough understanding of concepts well supported by case studies, data and experiences from the world. Following are the details of prize winners for the event.

**Best Presentation:** Sakshi Rana, Dyal Singh College

**First Runner Up:** Ritika Jain, Janki Devi Memorial College and Vrinda, Shaheed Sukhdev College of Business Studies (Shared)

**Best Interjection:** Tanya Sharma, Miranda House



The Winners

## 2. **ECONNOISSEUR: The Economic Quizzard** powered by "The Quizzard's Show"

The Quizzards, an initiative of students of Economics Hons showcased a well planned Quiz competition segmented in two rounds, viz. Preliminary and Finals. Questions were asked not only to check knowledge of students in Economics but also to judge them on their general awareness. Teams in two participated in the event and the event was indeed a successful learning experience. The results for the same were:

**Best Team:** Aditya Singh Chauhan, Campus Law Centre and Vaibhav Gupta, Sri Guru Gobind Singh College for Commerce

**First Runner Up:** Kanishk Garg and Chaitanya Akalamkam



The Prelims



### 3. MAD ANGLE (The Ad-Mad show)

The Ad mad show of the festival was one of its kind. Students very efficiently unfolded their marketing skills with a twist of bollywood. Students were asked to advertise for certain commodities while imitating some characters from Bollywood movies and Tellywood serials. Following are the winners for the same.

**Best Team:** Niyati Wadhwan, Gargi Chandra, Akanksha, Meenakshi Thapiyal, Janki Devi Memorial College

**First Runner Up:** Khushvinder, Rajat, Shrawan, Faculty of Arts

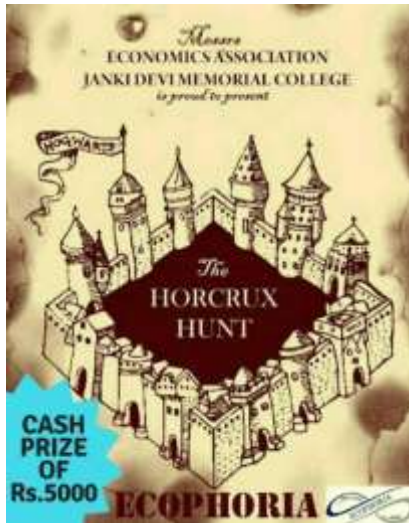




The Winners: AdMad Show

#### **4. THE HORCRUX HUNT (Treasure Hunt) :Based on Harry Potter stories**

The Horcrux Hunt was one of the popular events of ECOPHORIA this year where students with interest in Harry Potter series of stories participated in huge numbers to solve riddles based on them, locate clues in different places of the college and reach final destination to win the prize. Prize for this event was won by Prachi Chamoli, Ashley Kumar and Muniba Sikander from Indraprastha College for women.



## 5. Project Runway 2.0 (Fashion Event)

Fashion event organized on the day had its roots in basic definition of economics which is a science of optimizing or taking decisions to satisfy unlimited wants in presence of limited resources. Participants in the event were suppose to design costumes based on geometric pattern with limited resources at their disposal. Some of the items could also be begged, borrowed or stolen for the purpose. Students used their creative ability in a very fashionable way to match their economic thinking. Results for the same were:

**First Prize:** Sanya, Janki Devi Memorial College

**First Runner Up:** Sonam, Miranda House



## 6. Freakonomics : Logics Gone Rogue

Freakonomics was an academic event which urged the participants to brainstorm on a certain theory to break its stereotypical relevance and explain other aspects to the same. Participants were given an hour to think on their respective topics after which they could present their views in conventional or tech-savvy manner. This event indeed brought out the critical thinking of students on various aspects of economics. Following were the results for the same:

**First Prize:** Manan Nawal and Ramanpreet Singh, Hindu College

**Runner Up:** Harshit P. Kacholia, Hindu College and Rythm Dhawan, Sri Guru Teg Bahadur Khalsa College

**Best Interjection:** Ankit Aggarwal and Shreyansh Goyal, Department of Financial Studies, University of Delhi.



The Winners

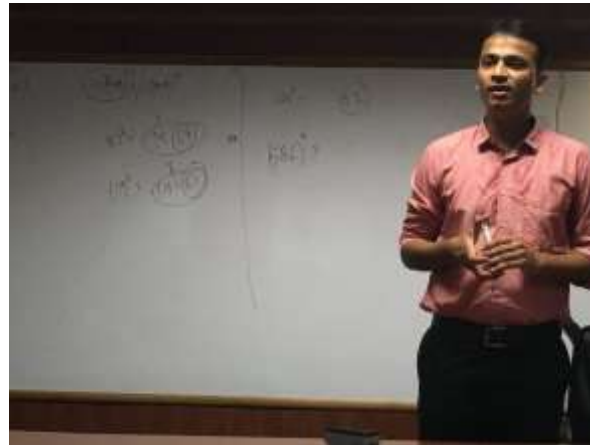
Besides the academic and non-academic events, the students of Economics Hons put up some stalls in college premises where different fun activities were organized like Selfie station, Quiz on Game of Thrones and minute to win games. The festival witnessed active participation from students across the university in all the events and the show was a huge success.



## **VI. Seminars & Workshops**

### **i. "Fun With Numbers"**

The seminar on "Fun with Numbers" was organized on 19th of August 2017. The resource person - Mr. Gourav Gupta, Academic Regional Manager, Endeavor, aimed at making students comfortable with numbers and polish their ability to deal with the numbers. Students not only from economics but also from other departments like commerce, philosophy and sociology attended the seminar. It was indeed a successful initiative which was appreciated by all the students who attended it.



## ii. Workshop On “Open Data Development Initiatives”, World Bank

The workshop, held on 13th of September 2017, aimed at familiarizing both students and faculty with the open data made available by World Bank that can be extensively used for research purposes. **Ms. Sunita Malhotra**, the resource person from World Bank, conducted the workshop and explained each element with precision that indeed made the workshop a learning experience along with an interesting one.



### **iii. 'Menstrual Hygiene'**

Dr. Parul Sehgal, Senior Consultant/ Gynaecologist, interacted with students and talked about female hygiene, preventive measures/ birth control measures and IVF treatment.



## VII. Film Screening

'Hindi Medium' was screened on 23<sup>rd</sup> September, 2017. It was followed by a discussion on the present education system, the pressures created on the parents as well as children, the much-needed reforms and role of government in this sector.



### **VIII. How to Crack Personal Interview through Effective Communication**

The seminar to polish student's communication skills to crack personal interviews was organized on 17<sup>th</sup> of January 2018. The guest speaker, Mr. Kushal Mohta, Academic Regional Manager, Endeavor Careers put in palpable efforts to interact with students in a manner that conveyed useful tactics to handle pressures while appearing for interviews that considerably added to their confidence. Students from various departments including economics, commerce, philosophy, sociology participated in huge numbers 6

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