

Rhetorque Events 2019 - 2020

Axiom 2020

Axiom 2020, the Annual Parliamentary Debate, took place on 15, 16 and 17 February 2020 and witnessed participation from across colleges and universities with a total of 28 teams and over 60 adjudicators. Adi Narayanan (College of Vocational Studies), Garv Johar (Ramjas College) and Aaditya Malhotra (Hindu College) won the tournament as part of a cross college team, while Ajatshatru Rawat, Archit Dikshit and Satwik Rajput from Shaheed Sukhdev College of Business Studies came second. The best adjudicator of the tournament was Nishith Bhat from AUD and the second best adjudicator was Devanshi Jain from GGS. The third position went to Anirudh Kaushik from Shri Ram College of Commerce while the fourth position was shared by Prabal from Shaheed Sukhdev College of Business Studies, Khyati Batra from Maharaja Surajmal Institute of Technology and Nimish from Netaji Subhash University of Technology. Surmayi Khatana from Miranda House and Ananya Kukreti from USLLS shared the fifth position. Kundan Sen and Gaurika Sood were the core adjudicator panel and provided motions which led to a spirited debate between the competitors.



Poster of Axiom 2020 held from 15 February 2020 to 17 February 2020

Jabberwocky 2020

As part of the College Festival Symphony, Rhetorque the English debating Society held its annual debate Jabberwocky on 9 January 2020. Despite the chill in the air, enthusiastic participants lined up by 8.45 am eagerly awaiting their topics which were given on the spot. The

judges for the event were Ms Thingle Hansen, who teaches at Khalsa College and Ms Jaya Yadav who teaches at the English Department at JDMC. The topics were wide-ranging and provocative embracing politics, popular culture, issues of caste and gender, technology and social media. Even the idea of holding a cultural festival during troubled times was debated. Participants spoke both for and against the topic they drew in lots as is a part of the format of the turncoat debate. They also responded to interjections which are always challenging in the turncoat format.

Dr Swati Pal, the Principal, spoke to the students about debating as an effective peaceful means of protest and urged them to unitedly eschew the idea of violence. Ms Jaya Yadav shared useful insights on language use and the format especially with respect to cross-referencing and also encouraged the students to make their references more topical. She announced the prizes as the audience waited eagerly. The first prize was given to Shishir K. Narwal of KMC, the second to Jatin Jha of Hindu College and the third prize was shared by Priyanshu from Jamia Millia Islamia and Tanmay Mehra from MSIT. The best interjector award was won by S. Sriteja , a student of Political Science Hons. at JDMC.

After the prize distribution, the judge Ms Yadav offered to share individual feedback with the speakers and they flocked for advice. The Convenors Dr Sethi, Ms Suparna and Ms Kalita offered thanks and shared their feedback as well.

Jabberwocky provided ample excitement and opportunities to debaters to hone their skills.



Rhetorque, the English Debating Society
Of Janki Devi Memorial College
presents

Jabberwocky 2020

A Turncoat Debate Competition
As a part of Annual College Fest, **SYMPHONY**

9th Jan, 2020 | 9.00am
Library Hall

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Poster of Jabberwocky: Turncoat Debate Competition held as a part of Symphony 2020 on 9
January 2020



The Judge and Prize Winners of Jabberwocky: Turncoat Debate Competition held as a part of Symphony 2020 on 9 January 2020 with the Convenors of Rhetorque



Jabberwocky: Turncoat Debate Competition held as a part of Symphony 2020 on 9 January 2020

Vigilance Debate Competition

Rhetorque: The English Debating Society of JDMC, in collaboration with the National Textile Corporation Limited and the Central Vigilance Commission, organised an Intra- College Conventional Debate Competition on 24 October, 2019 to celebrate the Vigilance Awareness Week. JDMC has been hosting this event in collaboration with NTC for a few years now. The theme chosen by the National Vigilance Commission for this year is “Integrity: A Way of Life.” Keeping this theme in mind, Rhetorque organised a Conventional Debate offering the participants a choice between two motions:

‘This house believes that in present times ethics and integrity have become dispensable’

and

‘This house believes that conventionality is not morality’.

The judges for the event were: Sidharth Kavadia, Startup Management and Communications Consultant and Personality Development Trainer and Jaya Yadav, Assistant Professor in the Department of English, Janki Devi Memorial College. The event kick started with potted plants being handed over as a token of appreciation to the judges. The Principal outlined the importance of integrity in our personal and professional lives and administered the Integrity Pledge in both English and Hindi. The Integrity Pledge was forwarded to the NSS students and the administrative office as well, underlining how serious the commitment of college is to issues of national and moral import. The Principal encouraged the participants who debated eloquently.

While the judges were finalising the list of winners, the NTC team conducted a fun quiz about the Vigilance Commission and its objectives. This event too, saw enthusiastic participation and the participants enjoyed the chocolates given out as a prize for each correct answer.

The winners of the debate competition were announced by the judges, both of whom gave valuable feedback and tips for improving oratory and presentation to the participants.

Ritigya Malik secured the first position, while the second and third positions were bagged by Vironica and Arshiya Mahajan respectively. The interjection award was given to Sanskriti Jain and Vanshika Bhambri. All the winners received certificates and exciting gifts. All the participants were also given participation certificates.

The Principal, the Conveners Dr Sethi, Ms Suparna and Ms Kalita, the judges and the organising student committee posed for pictures with the winners. All the participants enjoyed light refreshments provided by the NTC. The event was both educational and enjoyable, and reaffirmed the readiness of Rhetorque students to dedicate themselves to the national cause.



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PRESENTS

CONVENTIONAL DEBATE COMPETITION

Motions

**This house believes that conventionality is not
morality.**

Or

**In present times, integrity and ethics have
become dispensable.**

DATE: 24TH OCTOBER 2019

TIMINGS: 11 AM ONWARDS

VENUE: COMMITTEE ROOM

- Each speaker will be given 3 minutes to speak, followed by an interjection.
- One question will be asked by the audience and one by the judges.
- Negative marking for exceeding time limit will be followed.

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Poster of the Vigilance Debate Competition Organised by Rhetorque in Association with NTC on

24 October 2019



The Judges, Participants and Audience Taking the Integrity Pledge during the Vigilance Debate Competition Organised by Rhetorque in Association with NTC on 24 October 2019.

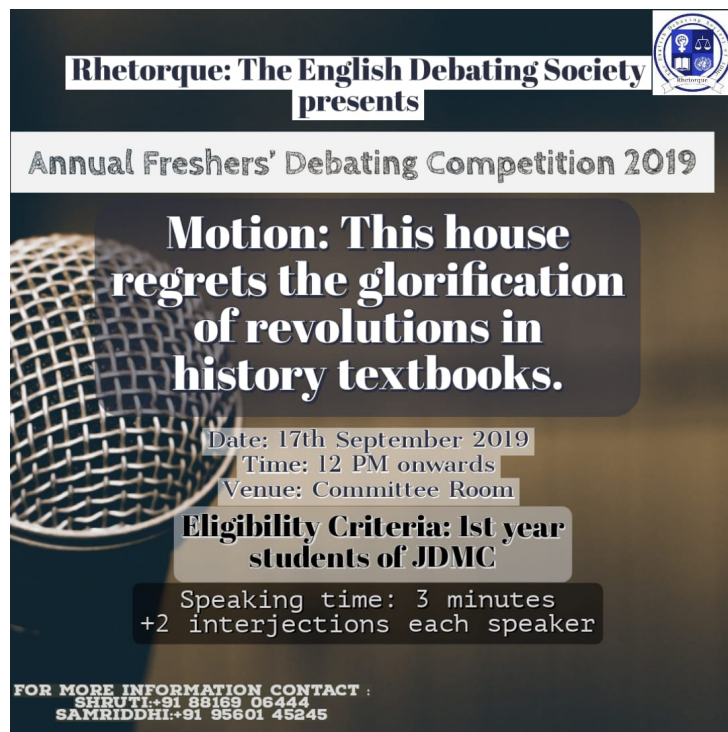


Ritigya Malik, First Prize Winner of the Vigilance Debate Competition Organised by Rhetorque in Association with NTC on 24 October 2019, with the Principal, Judges and Members of the NTC.

Freshers Debate 2019

This year Rhetorque conducted the Annual Conventional Freshers Debate Competition in two rounds. The first round of the competition took place on 17 September 2019, 12 PM onwards in the Committee Room. The motion of the house was 'This house regrets the glorification of revolutions in history textbooks'. The first round saw massive participation from the freshers across departments. Rushika Rabha, an alumna of the society, and Muskaan Grover from B.A. (H) Political Science III Year, were the judges for this round. After a long day of witnessing fantastic debates, eight students were shortlisted for the second round.

The second round took place on 21 September 2019, 12 PM onwards in the Committee Room. Ms Ruchika Bhatia from the Department of English, Janki Devi Memorial College and Surbhi Arora, a Rhetorque alumnus, were the judges for this round. The motion for the second round was 'This house will oblige all the production units to cast actors accurately to their character's identity in their artwork'. It was contested eloquently from both the sides. The first prize was secured by Sanskriti Jain; Chandrika Tomar won the second prize while Roshni Uppal received the third prize. The event was a huge success because of the massive turnout and varied perspectives brought forth by the engaging debaters.



Poster of the Freshers Debate held on 17 September 2019 and 21 September 2019



Round One of the Freshers Debate which was held on 17 September 2019



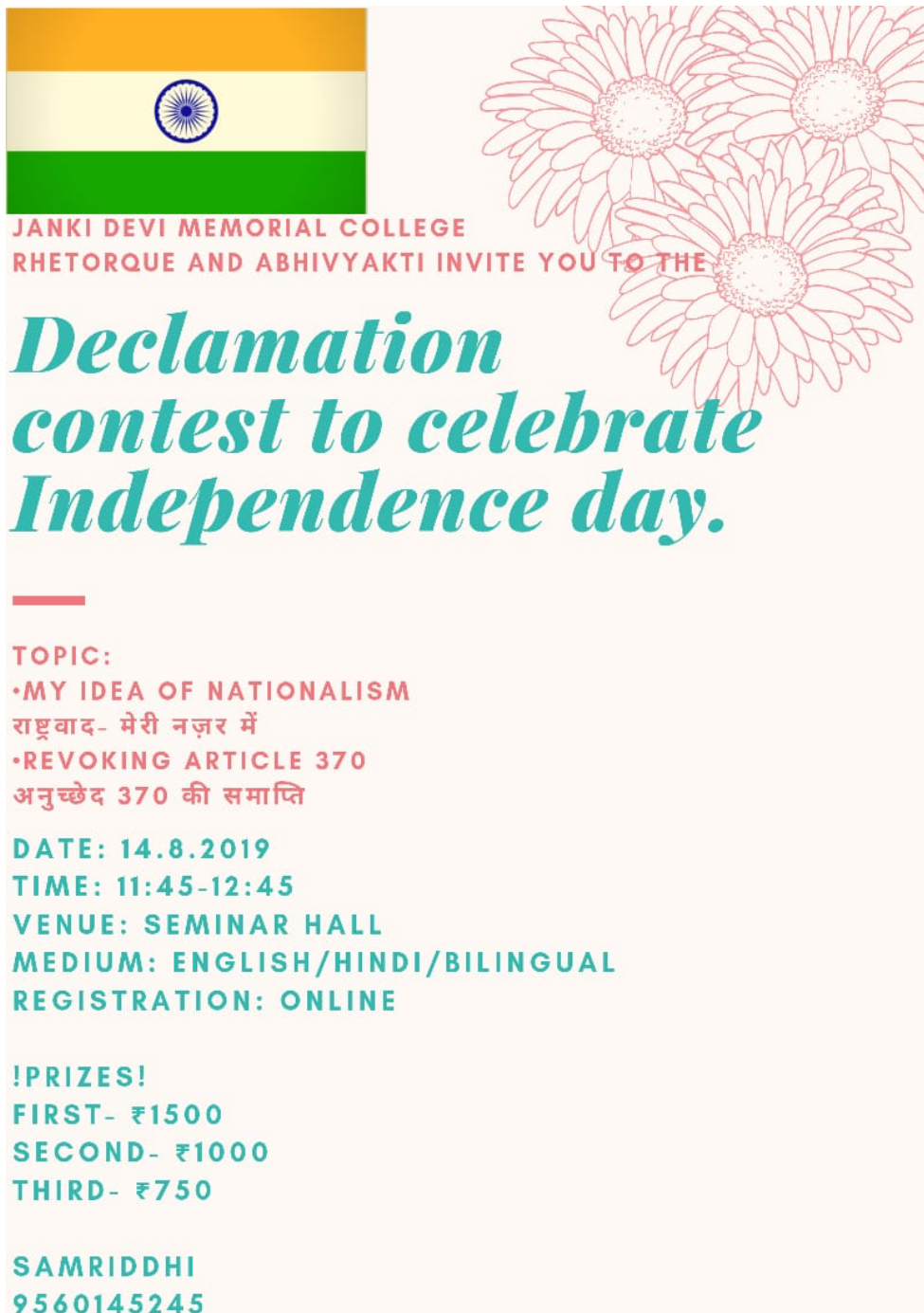
The Judges and the Prize Winners of the Freshers Debate, the second round of which was held on 21 September 2019

Bilingual Declamation Competition to Celebrate Independence Day

Rhetorque: The English Debating Society, in collaboration with the Hindi Debating Society, Abhivyakti organised a bilingual Intra College Declamation Competition on 14 August 2019 to celebrate Independence Day. The topics of the house were 'My Idea of Nationalism' and 'Revoking of Article 370'. The competition was held in the Seminar Hall and saw enthusiastic participation from students.

Dr. Namita Pandey and Dr. Kumar, Associate Professors from Sri Venkateswara College and Dyal Singh College respectively, were the judges of the competition. The event began with potted plants being handed over as a token of appreciation to the judges. The speeches were eloquently delivered by the participants, in both Hindi and English. The Principal, Dr. Swati Pal, addressed the participants and audience and gave them valuable advice and encouraged them to keep participating in competitions.

Anshika won the first prize, while Aditi Mrinal and Muskaan Grover received the second and the third prize respectively. Versha Soni received a special mention. All the winners received certificates and cash prizes, and the judges addressed the house to conclude the competition.



Poster of the Bilingual Declamation Competition to Celebrate Independence Day held on 14

August 2019



Bilingual Declamation Competition to Celebrate Independence Day held on 14 August 2019



The Prize Winners of the Bilingual Declamation Competition held on 14 August 2019 along with the Judge, Principal and the Convenors of Rhetorque and Abhivyakti