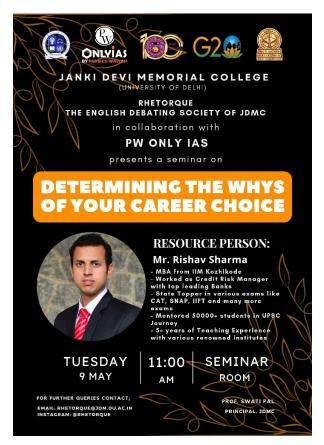
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Seminar on "Determining the Whys of Your Career Choice"

Rhetorque, in collaboration with PW Only IAS, organised a seminar on "Determining the Whys of Your Career Choice" on 9 May 2023 from 11:00 am onwards. The speaker of the workshop was Mr. Rishav Sharma. The speaker spoke about the various career options there are after graduation with special focus on UPSC examination, stating its pros and cons and how to go about it. The session came to an end with a vote of thanks to the speaker for holding such an informative session.



Poster of Seminar on "Determining the Whys of Your Career Choice" held on 9 May 2023



Glimpses from the Seminar on "Determining the Whys of Your Career Choice" held on 9 May 2023



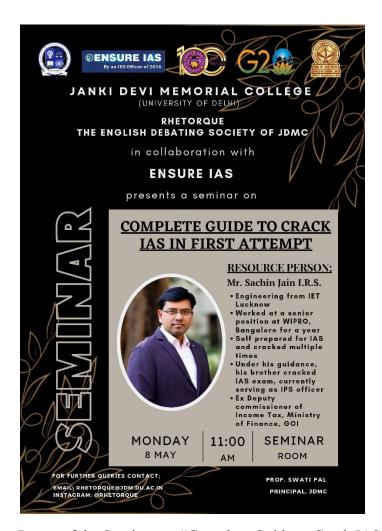
Glimpses from the Seminar on "Determining the Whys of Your Career Choice" held on 9 May 2023



The Speaker with the Attendees of Seminar on "Determining the Whys of Your Career Choice" held on 9 May 2023

Seminar on "Complete Guide to Crack IAS in First Attempt"

Rhetorque, in collaboration with Ensure IAS, organised a seminar on "Complete Guide to Crack IAS in First Attempt", held on 8 May 2023 from 11:00 AM onwards. The speaker of the session was Mr. Sachin Jain, I.R.S. The speaker spoke about the various dynamics a student needs to face while preparing for the UPSC exam. He further threw light upon his own journey as a civil servant. The session came to an end with a vote of thanks to the speaker for holding such an informative session.



Poster of the Seminar on "Complete Guide to Crack IAS in First Attempt" held on 8 May 2023



Glimpses from the Seminar on "Complete Guide to Crack IAS in First Attempt" held on 8 May 2023



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The Speaker with the Attendees of the Seminar on "Complete Guide to Crack IAS in First Attempt" held on 8 May 2023

Axiom 2023

Axiom 2023, the Annual Parliamentary Debate, was held on 17, 18 and 19 April, 2023 and witnessed participation across colleges and universities with a total of 20 teams and over 30 adjudicators. Team TBA, composed of Angad Singh Chawla (DTU), Ayush Verma (EX-DCAC)

and Ritabatra Mitra (Government Law College, Mumbai), won the tournament, while team Venky met Sudama composed of Mahesh R. (SVC), Kaushiki Ishwar (Miranda House) and Adhiraj Singh (KMC) were the runners up.

The best adjudicator of the tournament was Alabhya Pandey and the position of second best adjudicator was shared between Uditi Kukreti and Yash Vardhan Singh.

Adi Narayanan, Narayan Sharma and Abheepsita Purkayastha were the core adjudicator panel and provided motions which led to a spirited debate between the competitors.

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G20 Inter-College Conventional Debate

Rhetorque: The English Debating Society of Janki Devi Memorial College organized an Inter-College Conventional Debate Competition for G20. The competition was held on 9 February 2023 in the seminar room.

The competition witnessed 22 participants. The participants came from various institutions in the Delhi NCR, ranging from Miranda House, Gargi College, Ramanujan College, etc. The motion of the debate was: India's Presidency at the G20 will successfully resolve political fissures.

The competition was judged by Dr. Md. Zubeer Ahmed and Ms. Jaya Yadav. Dr. Md. Zubeer Ahmed is an Assistant Professor in the Department of Political Science, Janki Devi Memorial College. Ms. Jaya Yadav is an Assistant Professor in the Department of English, Janki Devi Memorial College.

The winners of the competition were:

1st position: Riya Pandey from Lakshmibai College, University of Delhi.

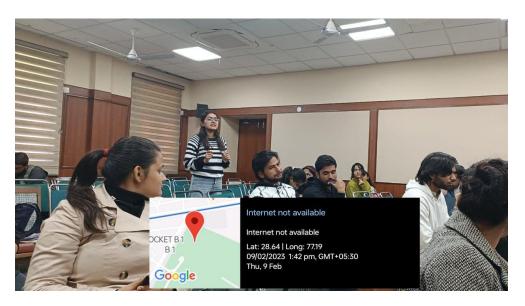
2nd position: Akshay Pratap from Shivaji College, University of Delhi.

3rd position: Manish Jha from IMS Law School, Noida.

Best Interjector: Divya Pratap from PGDAV College, University of Delhi.



Poster of the G20 Inter-College Conventional Debate Competition held on 9 February 2023



Glimpses from the G20 Inter-College Conventional Debate Competition held on 9 February 2023



Glimpses from the G20 Inter-College Conventional Debate Competition held on 9 February 2023



Judges and Convenors of Rhetorque with the Prize Winners of the G20 Inter-College Conventional Debate Competition held on 9 February 2023

Jabberwocky 2023: The Annual Turncoat Debate

Rhetorque, the English Debating Society of Janki Devi Memorial College, held Jabberwocky, The Annual Turncoat Debate Competition, under the Annual College Cultural Festival, Symphony 2023, on 12 January 2023 in Room no. 69.

The competition witnessed participation from across institutions in the Delhi NCR, ranging from Miranda House, Hansraj College, J.C. Bose University, etc. out of which 35 participants were shortlisted. The judges for the event were Mr. Bharat Narayanan, Researcher at the Sinchan Education and Rural Entrepreneurship Foundation, and Ms. Ritigya Malik, an alumna of JDMC and Rhetorque.

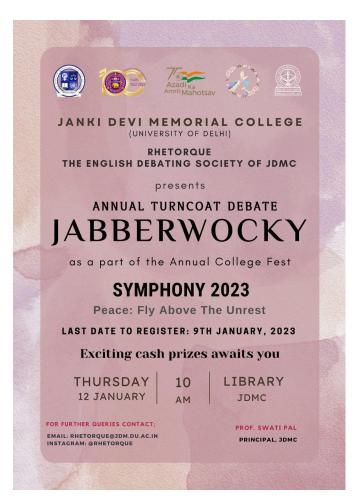
The winners of the competition are as follows -

1st position: - Reet Malik from Kamala Nehru College, DU

2nd position: - Harshita Bansal from Miranda House, DU.

3rd position: - Iffat Aurooj from Janki Devi Memorial College, DU.

Best Interjector: - Puru Gupta from BITS Pilani.



Poster of Jabberwocky 2023 held on 12 January 2023



Judges with the Prize Winners at Jabberwocky 2023



Judges Addressing the Audience during Jabberwocky 2023



A Glimpse of the Audience during Jabberwocky 2023

Annual Freshers' Conventional Debate Competition

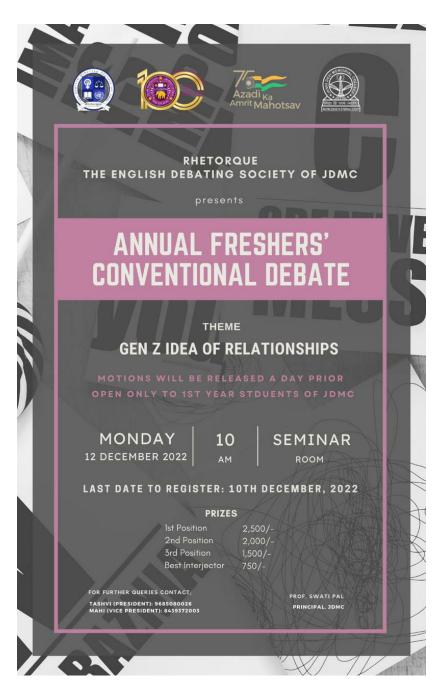
Rhetorque, The English Debating Society of Janki Devi Memorial College, organized an Intra-College Freshers' Conventional Debate Competition on 12 December 2022 in the Seminar Room, JDMC. The Competition received enthusiastic participation from students from various departments of the college and there were 30 participants for the Competition. The judges for the event were Ms. Akanksha Goswami, an alumna of JDMC and Rhetorque, and Ms. Jaya Yadav, Assistant Professor, Department of English, JDMC.

The theme for the Competition was "Gen Z Idea of Relationships" and the motions were as follows:

- 1. This House Regrets the glorification of bare minimum in relationships.
- 2. This House Believes that LinkedIn has turned into a site for dating with professionalism
- 3. This House Regrets the fetishization of having a gay guy best friend
- 4. This House Supports the idea of Polyamorous relationships under the notion that a person can't have one but many soulmates.
- 5. This House Believes that in contemporary relationships, people use their partners as dumping grounds for their emotional trauma.

The competition commenced with the introduction and felicitation of the judges, followed by the participants' speeches. The winners of the competition were:

- 1st position: Ananya Gujral from B. A. (H) Economics.
- 2nd position: Iffat Aurooj from B. A. (H) Political Science.
- 3rd position: Ira Chaturvedi from B. Com (H).
- Best Interjector: Debalina Adhikari from B. A. (H) English.



Poster for the Annual Freshers' Conventional Debate held on 12 December 2022



Rhetorque Convener, Ms Grace Suparna, Judges, Ms Akansha Goswami and Ms. Jaya Yadav with the Prize Winners of the Annual Freshers' Conventional Debate held on 12 December 2022



The Judges, Ms Jaya Yadav and Ms Akansha Goswami with Ananya Gujral, Winner of the 1st Prize of the Annual Freshers' Conventional Debate held on 12 December 2022

One Day Workshop cum Talk Show on "Disabled Women Riot: Understanding Disability and its Webs of Intersection and Care"

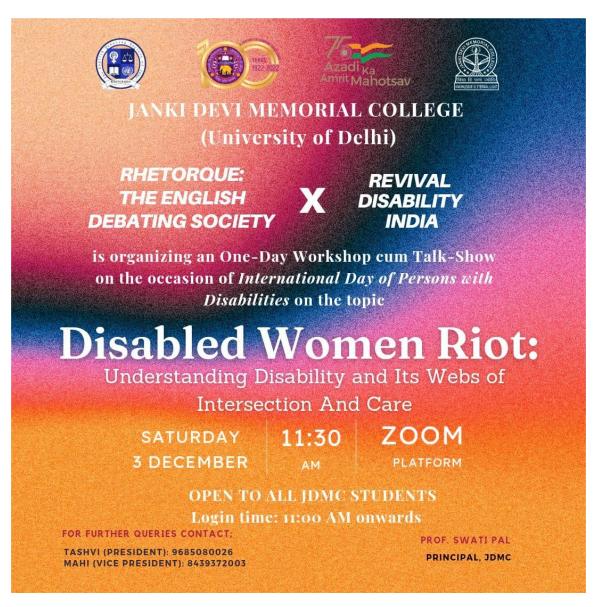
Rhetorque, in collaboration with Revival Disability India, a UN recognised Disabled Queer Collective, organized an online workshop on the occasion of International Day of Person with Disabilities on 3 December 2022, from 11:45 am onwards.

The speakers of the workshop were NU and Rashmi Maruvada. The session started with an introduction to various aspects related to disability, such as understanding disability, the need for awareness about disabilities and how to acknowledge a person with disability. It also threw light on being a queer person with disabilities. The speaker discussed Ableism in academia and presented videos of people talking about their experiences.

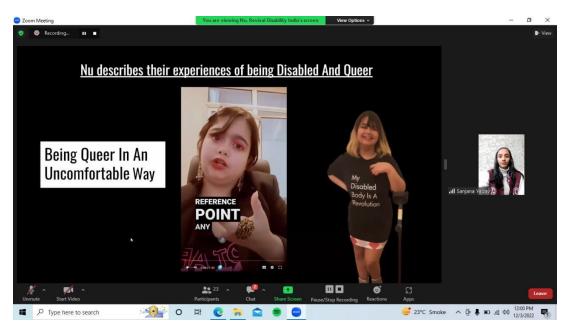
Rashmi Maruvada talked about the problems she faced during her childhood and teenage years. She threw light upon topics like employment, education and safety of disabled queer people. The latter part of the discourse revolved around the lack of safety in a country such as India for someone who is a woman, a queer and a disabled person.

Furthermore, they explained about disabled women riot and the parameters of dissent that are "allowed" in a patriarchal able bodied framework and talked about unpacking perceived safety and access as a queer person with disability. They also emphasized on the need to overcome our disabilities and to believe in each other so as to create a safe space.

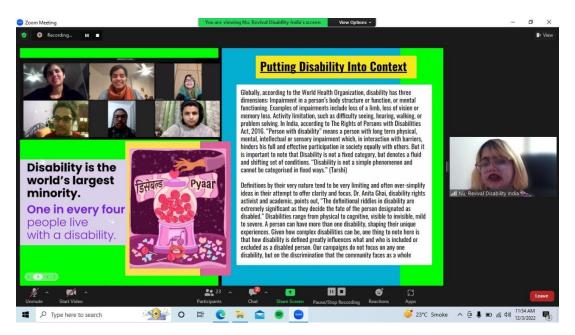
The participants were enthusiastic throughout. It was a great exposure for them to learn about the sphere of disabled women and their riots. The session came to an end with a vote of thanks to the speakers for holding such an informative workshop.



Poster for the One Day Workshop cum Talk Show on "Disabled Women Riot: Understanding Disability and its Webs of Intersection and Care"



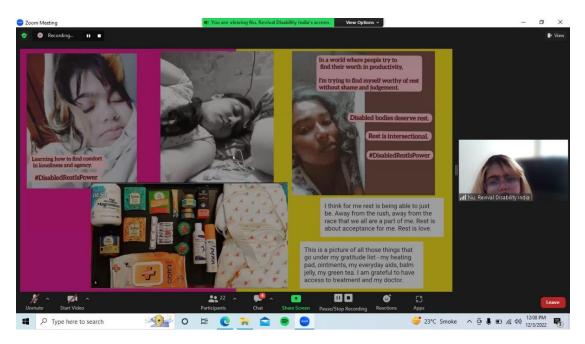
Glimpses from the One Day Workshop cum Talk Show on "Disabled Women Riot: Understanding Disability and its Webs of Intersection and Care"



The Speaker, Nu, addressing the Audience during the One Day Workshop cum Talk Show on "Disabled Women Riot: Understanding Disability and its Webs of Intersection and Care"



Glimpses from the One Day Workshop cum Talk Show on "Disabled Women Riot: Understanding Disability and its Webs of Intersection and Care"



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Intra-College Debate Competition to Commemorate Vigilance Awareness Week

Rhetorque, the English Debating Society of Janki Devi Memorial College, organized an Intra-College Conventional Debate Competition on 4 November 2022 to commemorate the Vigilance Awareness Week.

The theme for this year's Vigilance Awareness Week was, "Corruption Free India for a Developed Nation". The topics for the debate followed the same tone and were as follows:

- 1. Corruption is Gender Neutral
- 2. Corrupt Politicians Who Work Are Better Than Honest Ones Who Don't!
- 3. Corruption is the price we pay for democracy

The event began with the Integrity Pledge which was taken by all the participants and audience present there. This was followed by the introduction of the judge, Dr. Navpreet Kaur. Dr. Navpreet Kaur teaches Economics at Janki Devi Memorial College, University of Delhi.

The participants then represented their views on the above mentioned topics. Each participant also fielded interjections from the audience.

The winners of the competition are as follows:

Ist Prize: Iffat Aurooj, B.A. Hons. Political Science, Ist Year.

IInd Prize: Medha Tushti, B.A. Hons. Political Science, IInd Year.

IIIrd Prize: Umama Ahmed, B.A. Hons. Philosophy, IInd Year.

Best Interjection: Medha Tushti, B.A. Hons. Political Science, IInd Year.

The Judge, Dr. Navpreet Kaur, also addressed the participants and the audience and gave them some advice and suggestions to become more effective debators. All the students were enthusiastic and participated with great zeal. The competition also provided the newly enrolled first years with an opportunity to access different opinions and viewpoints as well as display their talent.



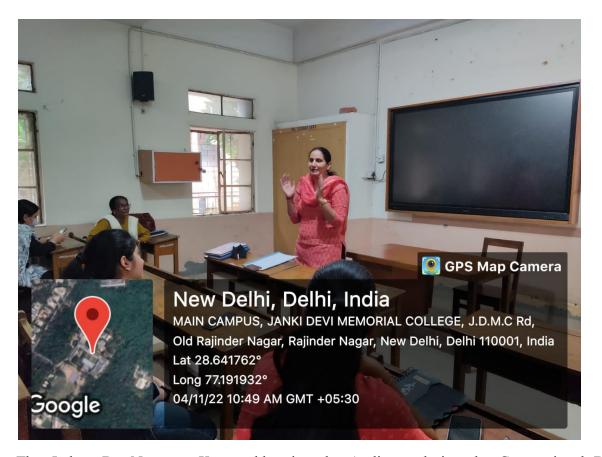
Poster for the Conventional Debate Competition held on 4 November 2022 to commemorate Vigilance Awareness Week



The Judge, Dr. Navpreet Kaur, with the Convenors and President of Rhetorque and the Prize Winners of the Conventional Debate Competition held on 4 November 2022 to commemorate Vigilance Awareness Week



The Judge, Participants and Audience taking the Integrity Pledge during the Conventional Debate Competition held on 4 November 2022 to commemorate Vigilance Awareness Week



The Judge, Dr. Navpreet Kaur, addressing the Audience during the Conventional Debate Competition held on 4 November 2022 to commemorate Vigilance Awareness Week

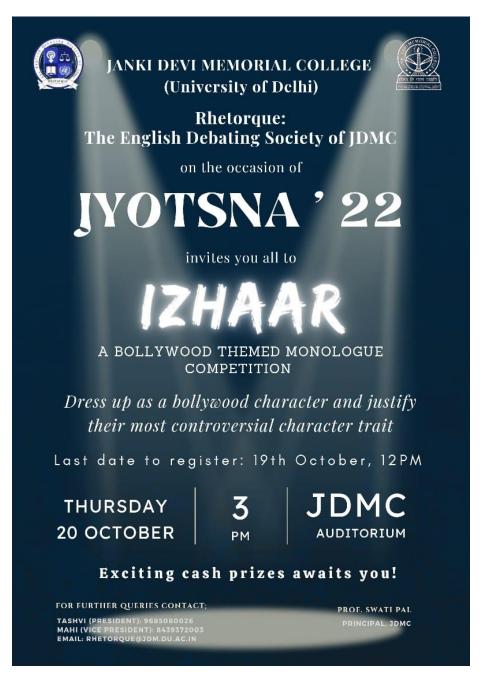
Izhaar: A Bollywood Themed Monologue Competition

Rhetorque- The English Debating Society of JDMC organised Izhaar: A Bollywood Themed Monologue Competition as a part of JYOTSANA'22: The Diwali Mela of JDMC. The competition was held on 20th October 2022 in the college Auditorium from 3:00 PM onwards.

The society members along with the participants dressed up as famous Bollywood characters. The competition started with a glamorous ramp walk to raise the spirits of the participants. The competition then commenced in full bloom, where each participant argued in favour of their character's most controversial trait. The participants came from various colleges across Delhi-NCR.

The winners of the competition were:

1st Position: Medha Tushti from Janki Devi Memorial College 2nd Position: Sanjana Yadav from Janki Devi Memorial College



Poster of Izhaar held on 20 October 2022 on the occasion of Jyotsna' 22

Inter-College Declamation Competition on the Occasion of the Library Festival

Rhetorque: The English Debating Society of Janki Devi Memorial College in collaboration with JDMC Library organized an Inter-College Declamation Competition on the occasion of JDMC

Library Festival on the theme "Gandhian Vision and Values". The competition was held on 28th September 2022 over Zoom.

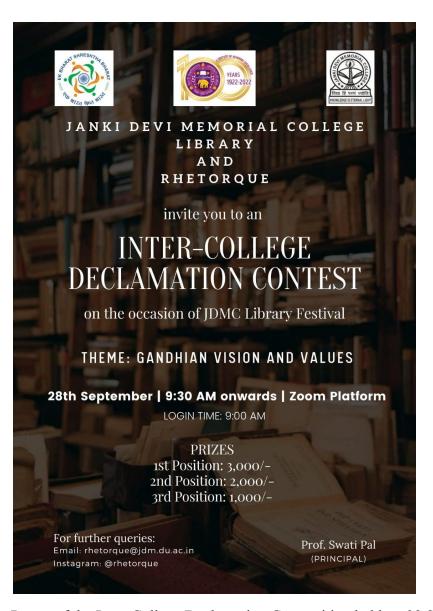
The competition witnessed registrations from more than 35 participants, out of which 20 participants were shortlisted. The participants came from various institutions in the Delhi NCR, ranging from Miranda House, Gargi College, Ramanujan College, etc. The competition presented five topics to the participants to prepare their respective speeches. The topics are as follows:

- 1. The assassination of Gandhian Vision
- 2. Understanding the Gandhian Vision is the need of the hour
- 3. Propaganda on social media against Gandhi's legacy
- 4. The urban-rural gap in Gandhi's vision
- 5. Understanding widowhood in the Gandhian vision

The competition was judged by Dr. Rajyalakshmi and Ms. Mani Dixit. Dr. Rajyalakshmi is a Professor in the Dept of Sociology, Janki Devi Memorial College. Ms. Mani Dixit is an alumnus of the college and has completed her B.A. in English from Janki Devi Memorial College.

The competition commenced with the introduction of the judges and librarian's addressal to the audience, followed by the participants' speeches. The winners of the competition were:

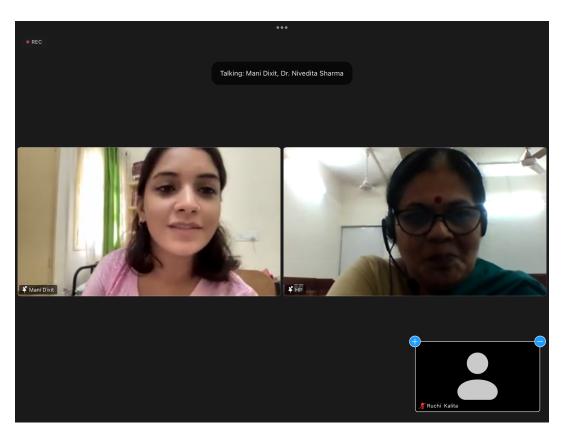
- 1st position: Chitrank Kaushal of P.G.D.A.V. (M) College, University of Delhi.
- 2nd position: Priya Singh of Ramanujan College, University of Delhi.
- 3rd position: Meadha of Janki Devi Memorial College, University of Delhi.



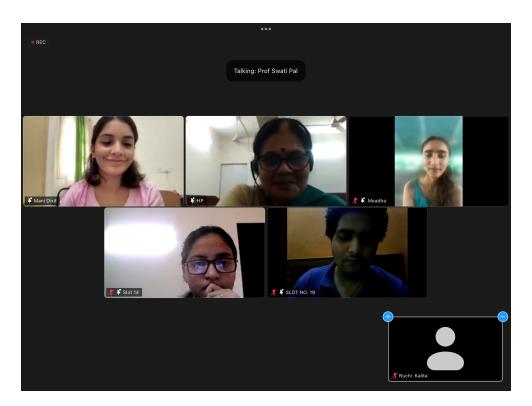
Poster of the Inter-College Declamation Competition held on 28 September 2022



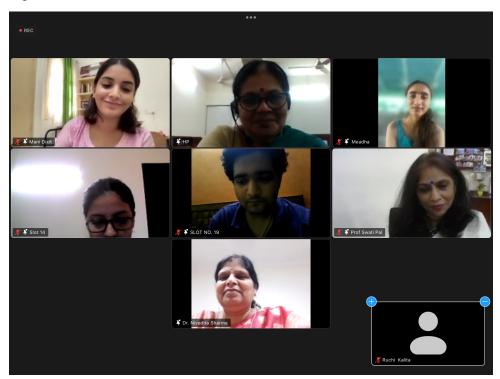
The Principal, Prof. Swati Pal, addressing the audience during the Inter-College Declamation Competition held on 28 September 2022



The Judges, Ms. Mani Dixit and Prof. Rajyalakshmi addressing the audience during the Inter-College Declamation Competition held on 28 September 2022



The Judges and the Prize Winners of the Inter-College Declamation Competition held on 28 September 2022



The Judges and the Prize Winners of the Inter-College Declamation Competition held on 28 September 2022 with the Principal, Prof. Swati Pal, and the Librarian, Dr. Nivedita Sharma

Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav Closing Event: Inter-College Declamation Competition

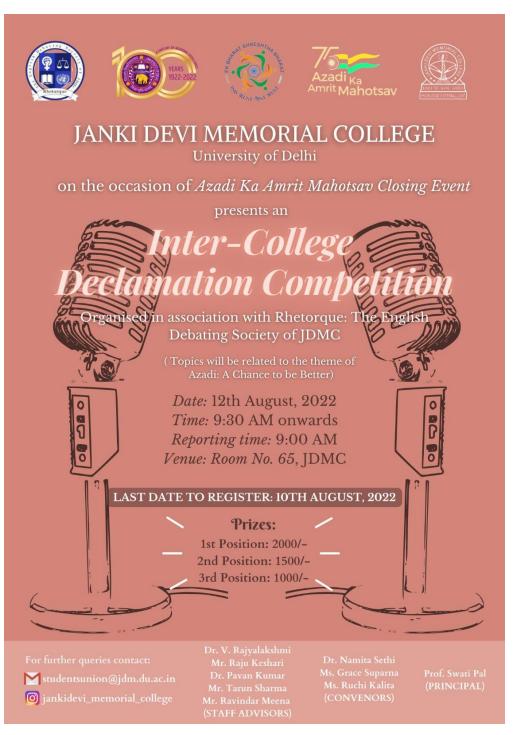
Rhetorque: The English Debating Society of Janki Devi Memorial College organized an Inter-College Declamation Competition in collaboration with the Students' Union of Janki Devi Memorial College on the occasion of the closing event of Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav. The competition was held on 12th August, 2022 in the JDMC Auditorium. The judges for the event were Ms. Vandana Madan, Associate Professor, Department of Sociology, JDMC, and Ms. Muskan Grover, an alumna of JDMC and Rhetorque.

The competition received registrations from more than 50 participants, out of which 20 participants were shortlisted. The participants came from various institutions in the Delhi NCR, ranging from Miranda House, Hansraj College, J.C. Bose University, etc. The competition presented five topics to the participants to prepare their respective speeches. The topics are as follows:

- Patriotism: Politics of Love or Hate?
- The bird flies only within Twitter
- Azadi: A chance to be better. Are we?
- Relevance of Preamble after 75 years of Azadi
- Freedom and environment: the case of stubble burning

The competition commenced with the introduction and felicitation of the judges, followed by the participants' speeches. The winners of the competition were:

- **Ist Prize:** Bharathi Kamban of Lady Shri Ram College.
- **IInd Prize:** Chirag Tyagi of J.C. Bose University of Science and Technology.
- **IIIrd Prize:** Vishaalakshi Sharma of Atma Ram Sanatan Dharma College.



Poster of Inter-College Declamation Competition on the occasion of Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav Closing Event held on 12 August 2022.



The Judges, Ms. Muskaan Grover and Ms. Vandana Madan with the Ist Prize winner, Bharathi Kamban of the Inter-College Declamation Competition on the occasion of Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav Closing Event held on 12 August 2022.



The Judges, Ms. Muskaan Grover and Ms. Vandana Madan with the IInd Prize winner, Chirag Tyagi of the Inter-College Declamation Competition on the occasion of Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav Closing Event held on 12 August 2022.



The Judges, Ms. Muskaan Grover and Ms. Vandana Madan with the IIIrd Prize winner, Vishaalakshi Sharma of the Inter-College Declamation Competition on the occasion of Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav Closing Event held on 12 August 2022.



Judges and Winners of the Inter-College Declamation Competition on the occasion of Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav Closing Event held on 12 August 2022.