

SQUAD-DEBATE KARO-NA

The Society of Quiz and Debate, Delhi Public School, Gurgaon conducted the final round of the much-awaited intra-school debate competition- DEBATE-KARO-NA for students of classes 9 and 10 on 21st November 2020. The twelve finalists were selected after they were put through a rigorous selection procedure that tested their analytical, logical and debating skills. A day prior to the event, the participants were given visual clues in the form of caricatures and cartoons, all of which sought to challenge the participants to think out-of-the-box and come up with a series of arguments in favour or against the topic given.

The event commenced with a warm welcome by the Squad Club Presidents to the esteemed judges Dean Student Welfare, Ms Sapna Dhawan, and Ms Sonia Jain, Mentor, Dept of English. The event was graced by the presence of Headmistress, Senior School, Ms Arpna Gupta, and Headmistress, Middle School, Ms Shalini Arora. The enthusiastic audience comprised of students of classes 9-12. The young debaters voiced their stance as leaders and innovators of the next generation. They debated on diverse topics like Animal Rights, Budget of India, Relevance of 'Doctors Without Borders' and Powers the Military and Police Possess. The participants spoke with tremendous confidence, passion and zeal. Their in-depth research on humanitarian, financial, social and political issues clearly stood out while their interpretive and logical skills left the audience spell bound. The debate on each topic was followed by a question-answer session in which the participants cross-questioned their peers on the opposing stance, creating an aura of a true debating atmosphere. The event ended on a lively note, with a hope for many more such events in the near future. Anya Kapoor (X D) was tied with Mehakpreet Kaur (X E) for the coveted first prize while the second and third place was bagged by Tora Mukhopadhyay (IX B) and Tavishi Batra (X G) respectively. The judges also presented the 'Judges Appreciation Award' to Samar Jain (IX E) for his spirited performance.

The coordination of ideating and putting together an event of such prestige portrayed the hard work of the entire organising team of teachers and students. The audience was delighted by the holistic learning experience and expressed their gratitude for being able to attend the event. The event culminated with a vote of thanks proposed by the club secretaries.

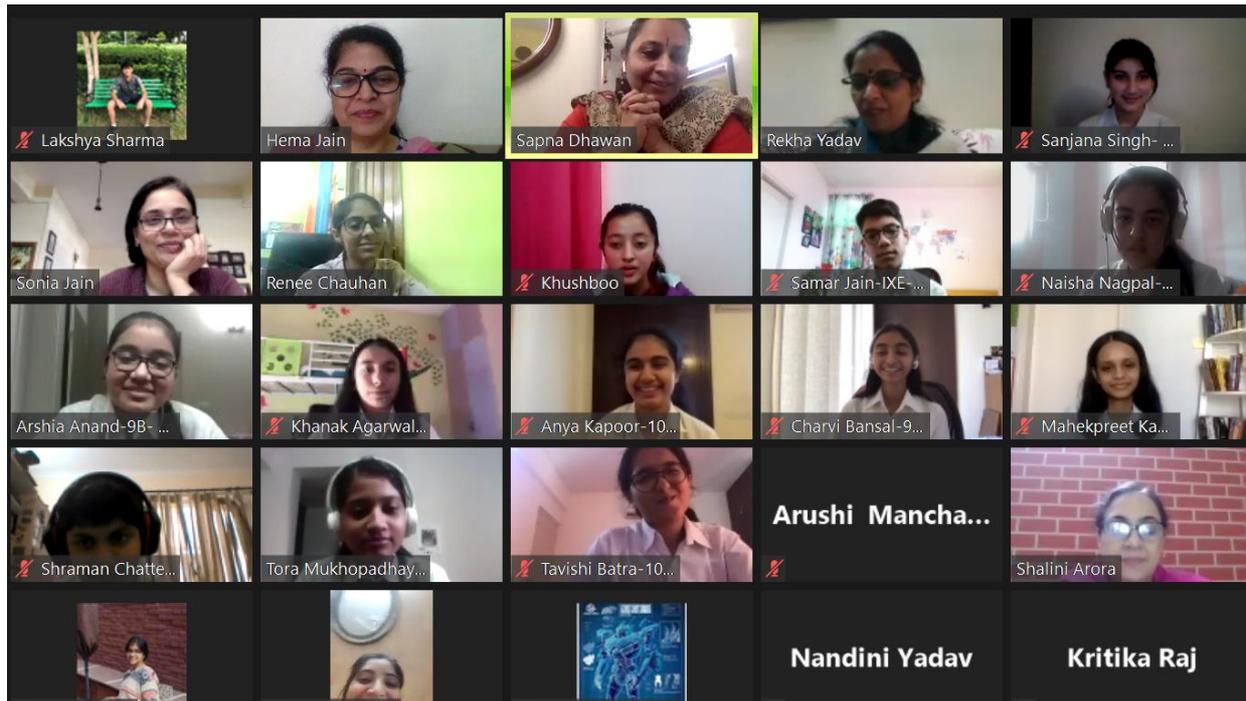
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PARTICIPANTS

Tavishi Batra (X-G)	Naisha Nagpal (IX-D)	Khanak Agarwal (IX-K)	Shraman Chatterjee (IX-I)
Sanjana Singh (IX-L)	Arshia Anand (IX-B)	Tora Mukhopadhyay (IX-B)	Charvi Bansal (IX-A)
Samar Jain (IX E)	Arushi Manchanda (X-A)	Mehakpreet Kaur (X-E)	Anya Kapoor (X D)

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A presentation slide with a teal and yellow background. On the left, there is a cartoon titled "THE LAST CONVERSATION!". The cartoon depicts a laboratory setting where several anthropomorphic animals (a rabbit, a dog, a cat, and a pig) are being experimented on. A scientist is speaking to a pig in a tank of water. The pig's speech bubble says, "AMMA, I'LL NEVER BE ABLE TO SEE HUMANS?". The scientist's speech bubble says, "YOU WONT REGRET, BABY!". A caption above the cartoon reads, "I knew animal experimentation would come back to bite us." Below the cartoon, the text "SHEEV / ANSIS" is visible. On the right side of the slide, there is a vertical strip of four small video feeds showing participants. At the bottom of the slide, the text "Petition: A new human-free world for animals" is displayed in a serif font. Navigation icons (back, forward, search) are visible at the bottom left of the slide.