

AIMUN AT A GLANCE

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 Ambassador R M Aggarwal, IFS (Retd.); Speaker in UNEP

Highlights: AUUP tour & workshops in Forensic Sciences, Cyber Crime, and **Bioinformatics**

Committees: GA, HRC, UNSC, INEA, UNEP, UNEC, INTERSTATE COUNCIL and NSC

Winners: AIS G-46, Modern School-Barakhamba and AIS Saket

OPENING to a better future



MONDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2017

November 16th Thursday, marked the beginning of the three day Amity International Model United Nations, a simulation of the UN. Commencing with a spectacular opening ceremony, put together by AIS Noida, the event was off



to a cheerful start. The ceremony was an eclectic mix of shloka rendition, melodious tunes, engaging movie presentations, pearls of wisdom by esteemed dignitaries and a lot more. **MORE ON PAGE 2**

SECRET(ARIAT) to success

If you are wondering what the secret to such a successful conference could possibly be, look no further - the secretariat is here. With Jyoti Arora (Charge de Affaires) and Sumedh Kapoor (Chef de Cabinet), at the helm, followed by Aryaman Kashyap (Sec Gen), Kabir Arora (Dep Sec Gen), Shikhar Aggarwal (Dir Gen), and the talented Under Secretary Generals backed by diligent Logistics, Conference Services and a Global Press team; the event had all the ingredients for a glorious success.

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STAR galore

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With luminaries from different walks of life, AIMUN'17 was an event to watch out for. Several dignitaries graced the opening and closing ceremonies, enlightening the students through motivating addresses and engaging interviews. It was a oncein-a-lifetime opportunity as some dignitaries donned the role of speakers and took to various committees.

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300+ delegates, 9 countries, 8 committees and 1 encompassing platform; the 8th Edition of AIMUN 2017 was bigger and better. Nandika Mogha, AIS Noida, XI brings you an overview

HAPPIER tomorrow



As envisaged by Dr (Mrs) Amita Chauhan, Chairperson, Amity Group of Schools, AIMUN '17 with its tagline 'Sarve Bhavantu Sukhinh' ie 'Happiness in Every Soul', aimed at making this world a happier place by seeking solution to global issues.

On a new HIGH

AIMUN'17 brought the world together, a world that could be seen making merry during the high tea ceremony on day 2 of the event. From group songs to couple dances; Shloka gayan to Rock music performance, the foreign delegates showcased their talent in numerous shades. Organising credits: AIS Pushp Vihar.

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COMMITTEE(D) to a cause





An ALL-INCLUSIVE society



Teach by example. AIMUN'17 did just that as it included participants from the lesser privileged sections of the society amidst talks of creating an inclusive world. Students of Amitasha, Amity's wing for the less privileged girl child, served as delegates in the event. "AIMUN was a great learning experience for it gave us the confidence to put forth our views. It also helped us learn more about global issues," shared Moti Suman, a student of Amitasha.

8 committees. 1 common aim: 'World Peace'. The conference saw simulation of invigorating committees as UNGA, UNHRC, UNSC, IAEA, etc., focussed on agendas that

ranged from racism and nuclear power to internal security and environmental concerns. Through intense debate and diplomatic discussions and aided with

inputs from an experienced Executive Board, the committees tried to reach a solution to problems that loom over the world at large. **MORE ON PAGE 4,5,6,7**

WORK(SHOP) in progress

Amidst debates and discussions, the foreign delegates attended workshops on forensic sciences, cyber crime and bioinformatics. The informative workshops were an enriching experience for the delegates who got to learn something new.



It's a BEAUTIFUL day



God is in the details. And every detail at AIMUN'17 spoke of the beautiful world we all want to create. Case in point - the venue décor that mesmerised all.



The WORLD is here



With foreign delegations from over 9 different countries, including the Netherlands, Italy, Mauritius, Canada, and USA; AIMUN '17 was a 'global' event in every sense of the word. Living true to its philosophy of 'vasudhaiva kutumbakam' or 'the world is one family', Amity brought the world on one common platform. MORE ON PAGE 10

CLOSING with warmth



The conference concluded with an impressive Closing ceremony, put up by the students of AIS Saket. Motivating words from Mr Aseem Chauhan, presenting awards to those who impressed, cultural extravaganza... that's how AIMUN'17 came to a close in style. MORE ON PAGE 11



UDENING BEREFILITION Open for change











...hereby declare AIMUN'17 OPEN

And with those words, the world of young diplomats opened up to new avenues, vistas and opportunities, along with the doors to a better and brighter world that we all want to see...

Khwaish Gupta, AIS Gur 46 & Khushi Saxena, AIS Noida, X

What: Opening ceremony, AIMUN'17
When: November 16, 2017
Where: Amity University, Noida
Why: To open a plethora of opportunities and a platform for discussion for young diplomats
Who: Dr (Mrs) Amita Chauhan, Chairperson, Amity Group of Schools & RBEF
Eduardo Sanchez Moreno, Deputy Head of Mission, Embassy of Spain
Carlos Verona, Director, Instituto Cervantes, Spanish Cultural Centre

Air Marshall Ramesh Rai VM(Retd)

Shigeki Ashida, Director, Ritsumeikan Office

Opening with open arms...

With its motto 'Sarve Bhavantu Sukhinah' that translates to 'may all be happy', AIMUN'17 welcomed all with open arms; enthusiasm and happiness palpable in the air. The ceremony was as formal as the delegates' attire. Crisp suits and smart dresses did the talking even before the delegates could. As the guests were accorded a warm welcome with tulsi pots, the event opened up the roads to a brighter future. The lighting of the lamp by Chairperson Dr (Mrs) Chauhan and the revered guests carried the ceremony forward.

Opening to melodious tunes...

A song by students of Amitasha, Amity's wing for the less privileged girl child brought smiles to everyone's faces. Perpetuating AIMUN's bequest of uniting nations, foreign diplomats marched with their national flags, making a rain-

bow on the stage shaded with the magical colours of cultures.

Opening ears, and minds...

An open mind is the first step to opening closed doors. As words of wisdom flowed through the auditorium, they unlocked closed ideologies and opened minds to a vision of a peaceful world we all want to see. Chief Guest Eduardo Sanchez Moreno, complimented India for being tolerant, which he not only appreciates but venerates too. Dr (Mrs) Amita Chauhan urged the students to make the most of this opportunity.

Opening up...

In its constant endeavour to create global leaders, Amity has been a frontrunner in initiating global programmes that expose students to varied cultures and ideologies. The year gone by saw

AERC organize several such programmes, all of which were beautifully captured in a movie showcased during the opening ceremony. AIMUN Dubai, held earlier this year was a step in the same direction. A movie on the same was also showcased.

Opening up new vistas...

As Sumedh Kapoor, Chef de Cabinet, AIMUN, took to the stage to announce the Executive Board, cheers and applause reverberated in the auditorium. The EB members took to stage one by one, receiving their gavel and opening up new vistas and platforms for dialogue and discussion.

And with that the Secretary General. AIMUN'17

Brig NK Bhatia SM(Retd)
Ambassador RM Aggarwal, IFS (Retd)
Heads of Amity institutions

Aryaman Kashyap banged the gavel, uttering the words everyone was eagerly waiting for "...hereby declare AIMUN'17 OPEN."









Young delegates from across the world at the opening ceremony

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Goodbye Diaries



Signing off, your Secretariat

The 8th Edition of AIMUN was a success, and we have them to thank for it. Here are a few final messages from your beloved Secretariat who toiled hard to make the conference a big hit

Sarve Bhayantu Sukhinah



Dr (Mrs) Amita Chauhan | Convener Chairperson, Amity Group of Schools & RBEF

This edition of The Global Times, brings a complete verview of the eighth edition of Amity International Model United Nations (AIMUN) 2017. It seems just like yesterday when we organised the first MUN conference in the year 2000 at AIS Saket. From hosting an intra-school MUN to being the first educational institution in India to host an MUN abroad this year at Dubai; we have come a long way indeed.

Over the years in this journey, I have seen students excel not only as good orators, but also master the art of leadership and diplomacy. AIMUN is a step towards enabling students to realise their responsibilities towards communities and sensitising them towards the problems that plague our world at large. This in turn drives the realisation of the power that they hold in shaping the future of humanity.

It perfectly embodies Amity's core philosophy of nurturing global leaders, by giving students a platform to hone their debating skills and engage in peaceful and effective dialogue, wherein ideas lead to actions and actions lead to positive changes.

The AIMUN 2017 logo stating, 'Sarve Bhavantu Sukhinah' from the Upanishads, meaning 'May all people be prosperous and happy' is deep rooted in our Indian philosophy. Happiness is important because only when we all are happy, will we be able to achieve our cherished personal goals and ambitions. And only when we are happy from within, will we have the potential to build a happy society and a happy world around us. Soon, the light of happiness could be seen transforming every individual into a happy soul. My heartiest congratulations to Charge d'Affaires, Chef de Cabinet and all those people who have been involved in making AIMUN 2017 a success.

A big dream

made its debut under the aegis of AERC in the year 2007, little did we

imagine that this humble initiative will go on to become a mega spectacle. AIMUN, in its eighth edition only gets bigger, better and more special for it marks 10 glorious years of AERC. AIMUN has had something new to offer with each passing year. Whether it was the introduction of specialised

committees or an upside down newsletter or forging new partnerships, the event has managed to uphold its uniqueness quotient, year after year. While AIMUN has already carved a legacy for itself in India, this year it took the same beyond borders with AIMUN Dubai. This was the first time that an MUN conference was organised on an offshore campus. This year too AIMUN withheld to its legacy of offering something new as it

We at Amity, believe in making witnessed participants from Germany, things happen. As AIMUN USA, Canada, Italy and Thailand for the first time. A new segment of 'workshops' was also introduced.



ple with 'Namaste' meaning I bow to the divinity that is in you and which is also in me. This encompasses the whole creation, not just of all human beings, but also plants, animals and nature. It unites everyone as it is an expression of our love & respect. Where there is

In India, we greet peo-

love & respect there are no problems or issues- there are discussions, debate, solutions, negotiations and resolutions- the very essence of MUN. And where there are resolution, there will be happiness. This unique journey of dreams has been guided by our Chairperson, Dr (Mrs) Amita Chauhan. It's her vision and mission that has made AIMUN a tool for that omnipresent dream – a happier and peaceful world.



"AIMUN has been a platform for young minds to expand their worldview. This not only helps them to discover themselves as leaders of tomorrow, but also in getting over their inhibitions. The young minds are being trained around the fact, 'world is not a fairyland', and actual problems exist in society that need to be thought about and solved at the earliest. The eighth edition of this conference saw great energy and relevant discussions proving yet again that children, if given the right opportunities, can achieve whatever they want.



Every year AIMUN has been an astounding success with participation from delegates across the world. This year we had eight committees picking up agendas such as UNGA discussing racism; UNSC debating upon North

Korea; UNHRC discussing

protection of children in armed conflict; IAEA discussing nuclear energy; UNEP discussing the implementation of the Paris Agreement; ECOSOC discussing poverty and NSC discussing Rohingya crisis.



Our special simulation this year, the Inter State Council discussed Internal Security. The feedback for all our committees was

fantastic. The outcome of the intense debate was magnificent. earning

AIMUN its well-deserved place as one of the biggest MUN conference in India.

> Aryaman Kashyap Secretary General



2017 has, without а doubt, been an excellent experience for me. Doubling up as

AIMUN

the President for SC made me feel even more responsible towards making the event an enriching experience for the delegates. I hope that all those who attended the conference pursue their interest further in debating and MUNs. Stepping into the shoes of the Secretariat, I realised that working to make an MUN a great success needs a competent team, which had been given to us by AERC, and would like to thank it for that. Shikhar Aggarwal

tion, and become a part of a mutual synergy. It is here that I've discovered many obscure aspects about myself, and started my journey of self-enlightenment.

> Nandika Mogha, USG GP



AIMUN is the greatest platform for any student to learn how to manage multicultural teams in

pressure filled scenarios; to learn the value of integrity, respect for others, and humility. I am proud to have been a part of the rostrum.

> Nayesha Gandotra Editor-in-Chief, GP

has been a

beautiful experience. Coming across new people, learning new things and collecting amazing memories, these conferences have been fun and learning both. Parth Kohli, USG IT



Being a part of the AIMUN organising committee has always been an honour, and this year was no different. Exceptional in its commitment to furthering Amity's vision of raising a generation of future leaders, AIMUN is truly global, in name

and deed both. A big thank you to every member of the conference who has toiled tirelessly to ensure that the conference went on smoothly.

My heartfelt gratitude to the Amity Universe for allowing me to be a part of such a stellar event.

Devyani Goel, USG Conference Services



A sense of empowerment is instilled in you when you become part of such a great consortium, AIMUN. It enables you to discuss and understand the issues that plague our world and become informed citizens who can change the society. However, my sheer interest in the very concept of MUNs, propelled me to participate every year. My persistence, passion and belief has inculcated in me the qualities required to hold a responsible Secretariat post for such a prestigious conference.

Kabir Arora, Deputy Secretary General



I have been participating in MUN's for almost 3 years now, but I have to say that-AIMUN'17 was indeed different. My journey from a Conference Staff member to USG logistics has been quite overwhelming and exalting. These three days have really for-

tified my resolve to work with dedication and hard work always. This year's AIMUN was not only extremely fulfilling, but it has enhanced my leadership skills too. I can't wait to see what the next year's MUN brings on. Best wishes to the future delegates!

Yash Kumar, USG Logistics

Director General



The odyssey started four years ago, when I participated in my first AIMUN. Ever since then I've only been gaining

more experiences. But this AIMUN was unique because I had the opportunity to represent my school as a USG. Icing on the cake all these years has been the neck to neck competition with one of my juniors for winning the best delegate in such a competitive committee. I hope the legacy continues and more competition ensues.

> **Aasheesh Randeo** USG, Crisis Affairs





Indian Atomic Energy Agency

The Debate



UNGA

United Nations General Assembly

The atom strikes!

Is nuclear power salvation or destruction? Is it a blessing in disguise or a curse veiled as a boon? This committee looked for answers





Nigeria



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Samriddhi Agarwal, AIS Gur 43, XI & Himadri Seth, AIS Saket, XI

ing specialised bunker spread for the same. This was followed by a review of the existing IAEA safe-

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Nuclear energy as a

transitional power source



Awards Galore
Best Delegate
Russia, Ukraine & Norway
High Commendation
USA, Pakistan & China
Special Mention
Syria, Netherlands & Argentina
Position paper
Netherlands



Avant-Garde assembly

Ebony and ivory are like keys on the keyboard, distinguished yet complementary. The delegates sought its echoes in our society

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Khwaish Gupta, AIS Gur 46, XI I,

AGENDA

Elimination of racism and racial discrimination

The committee discussed the issue of racism, the

n these fast paced times of breakneck technological development, the need of the hour is a sustainable, efficient, and viable source of energy. While many advocate nuclear energy for the same, others voice concerns about its efficacy in the long run. Picking up on this, the delegates of IAEA intensely debated the viabil-"Tired and hungry, the only ity of nuclear power for three days. The committee kicked off with the vulliminger was not promised that POE. But little did she know that General Speaker's List where the delegates presented their country's stance on the issue. Following this, a moderated caucus on the topic, 'Suitability and feasibility of nuclear energy' saw a discussion on the relative importance of nuclear energy as compared to other sources of renewable energy. Various security concerns regarding usage of nuclear energy were also discussed. The idea of using special types of nuclear reactors that could not be misused was also the focus of discussion.

On the second day, the EB members heard some well researched speeches. Subsequently, the committee discussed 'Waste management of spent fuel'. The delegates of Pakistan, Syria and Cuba proposed constructive solutions such as the vitrification process of nuclear waste or organis-

guards. As the session commenced on the final day, it seemed as if the delegates were pulling off their best moves to win. The delegates of Germany and Ukraine had a long spat over the validity of a 'Point of Order'. In the moderated caucus on the topic 'Availability of nuclear energy in developing countries', the delegate of Ecuador called other

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delegates 'Vendors of nuclear energy'. An unmoderated caucus was held to design the draft res-Committee Was her promised

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the Chair Was yet to speak.

The 'Words of wisdom' shared by the Chair from time to time entailed everything under the sun. Passing motions was a herculean task marred with multiple failed attempts. The Chair at one point opened the floor for delegates to speak on any subtopic of their choice,

olution and 'fetch signatories'. In the end even though no draft resolution could be passed, there were fruitful discussions, interspersed with fun.

Point of Entertainment

Several requests and some drama later the EB agreed to GP's demand for a POE. So an anonymous chit session was held to share small funny gossips and even make dance requests. The Dutch delegates danced on 'Tamma Tamma', followed by a Dutch carnival song. A fun ending to an intense committee! G T

Samiksha Ramesh, AIS MV, X E & Sanya Goel, AIS Gur 43, XI B

ver seen the line where the sky meets the ✓ sea? The delegates almost touched it with their quality of contention. In a bid to predict the future of racism, and to uproot it from its very depth, the committee began an "She drew SpongeBob and Patrick organised session. Day one at General on paper, symbolising how colours Assembly also witnessed an eardon't separate. If only she was splitting unmod, where each delescored for her doodles, not her gate fought to be the alpha of the committee. Following the establishment of the General Speaker's List, two moderated caucuses covered the situation of the institutional discrimination by police and also the racism practiced by the judges in the USA, which brought some shocking truths to the fore. The fact that African Americans, or any 'colourskinned' person for that matter, is more likely to get detained than any of the 'whites' in the US made most of the committee raise their placards sky high to register their views. Having learnt on day one, the second day saw delegates bounce back with greater vigour and enthusiasm. As beginners came out of their shells to discover new horizons, the atmos-

phere of UNGA beamed with zeal.

condition of prisoners who are discriminated against in prisons and also many social reforms to tackle this problem.

Day 3 saw delegates deliberating over the ways to uproot racism. Draft resolutions made by four different blocks were deliberated upon, which also led to an intensive debate- the conclusion of which was that not humans, but

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laundry was the only thing that should be separated by colour.

Highlights

• The UN-USA procedure of the MUN was suspended and replaced by an organized committee with elements from the actual UN organization. **2** Everyone unanimously agreed that the USA should pay for racist crimes against humanity.

84 draft resolutions were discussed but none could be adopted.

In these times, the wounds of the hurt and incapacitated are covered and not cured, brushed under the carpet to gratify egos. But when these egos start signing cheques that bodies can't encash, then the world awaits an intervention by sessions like these to wipe the society clean of its biases and rise like a phoenix from the ashes.

Point Of Entertainment

This committee was so entertaining in itself that the Executive Board decided a point of entertainment wasn't required.GI



The Debate

UNEP United Nations Environmental Programme

UNSC United Nations Security Council

The day Paris agreed

Irony was at its best in the committee, as temperatures soared in aggressive debating, while the delegates discussed global warming







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> Anandi Sen, AIS MV, XI & Sanya Grover, AIS Noida, XII I

he red brick building resonated with the sound of heels and the banging of the desks emitted by the young delegates. The committee was off to a promising start as guest speaker RM Aggarwal enlightened the delegates. The action packed committee commenced with countries pondering over funds and the inability of other countries to take any substantial steps for environment protection. As the temperatures gradually soared, the headstrong dele-"We must work stringently to save gates continued their deliberations the environment"! the delegate said. Irony smiled as she threw the on various loopholes in the Paris plastic water bottle on the ground. Agreement. Controversial allegations were what left the entire committee roaring with indignation. While Spain made some serious allegations against India and its stubble burning, UAE did not hesitate to point fingers at the United States of America and its presidential problems.

AGENDA

Regional implementation of Paris Agreement

the committee. The need for nations to be well informed about being responsibly engaged with each other for improving the climate of earth, was highlighted. Armenia emphasised on how African tack-



Committee





A Korean bone to pick

Three days of fervent debates, scalding allegations, a power packed agenda and revealing speeches. Couldn't ask for more

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> Siona Ahuja, AIS Noida, X C & Mudit Aggarwal, AIS MV, XI

The eager delegates commenced the committee with contentions on Resolution 1874, which was implemented by the UNSC in 2009 to restrict the nuclear activities of North Korea in relevance to ballistic missiles and nuclear warfare. Next, the delegates debated on the sanctions imposed upon North Korea after it conducted its second nuclear test, out of a total of 6 (including chemical and atomic bomb tests). The member states were encouraged to "How was I?" asked USA to inspect ships, and destroy any cargo DPRK.You alleged me relentlessly and I will take my revenge, thought suspected of being related to the anu I will lane ing rooms, around the latter."Perfect", he said out loud. nuclear weapons. Delegate of USA pointed out the loopholes in the existing nuclear non-proliferation treaties and highlighted the need for North Korea to dispose off its nuclear weapons, Highlights while reiterating its stance as a peace-• Brig NK Bhatia gave an ful nation. To this, DPRK retaliated insightful background of by pointing out the interventions Korea's history and made by the USA in Syria, Iraq, highlighted the need for Afghanistan, Pakistan and many world dominance as the more nations. Several delegates reason behind DPRK's brought the committee's attention to nuclearisation. Korean, Israel-Palestine, and Indo-2 The Delegate of India Pak conflicts, highlighting how they went through an identity were most likely to evolve into a nuclear war. After numerous Points of Order and moderated caucuses, the focus of the billion identities. committee shifted towards the Korean conflict and partition of Korea

AGENDA

Security situation in North Korea

into North (DPRK) and South (Republic of Korea) Korea. The most prominent debater - the Delegate of Ukraine, raised some very interesting points demanding the justification for the large nuclear as-

The next day welcomed the delegates armoured

with their research, engaging in a war of wit and words. Heated debates on the implementation of the Paris Agreement in the European Union and the African Union made the placards throng high up in the air. Soon enough, interesting methodologies on overcoming the loopholes in the Paris Agreement, along with ingenuous and unique solutions for improving the climate, worked to greatly intensify debate in



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The committee proceeded towards a unanimous report after an unmoderated caucus that had left the Executive Board slightly annoyed, since no substantive action had taken place. The

consensus of the committee was questioned as the unanimous report exhibited conflicting views of the countries. Yet, at the end, delegates were able to reach a decision collectively, drawing the conference to a close.

Point of Entertainment

Mixed feelings flushed the delegates

as the conference came to an end.

The Press took the fun factor a notch

up by conducting 'Anonymous Con-

fessions'. The EB was showered with

love and appreciation from the dele-

gates. DPRK was called the 'Junior

Eminem' and USA was labelled as

the 'Professional Rap Dancer'.GI

Highlights

• DPRK stole the show, and, of course, the awards, away with his lightning fast delivery of speech. RM Aggarwal versed the delegates with a detailed background on the Paris Agreement.

sets of DPRK.

The Soviet Union wholeheartedly supported North Korea in the spread of communalism. Ever-ready to help its ally and oppose its enemy, the United States backed South Korea. The debate further heated up as the topic of North Korean allies and China's reaction to DPRK's nuclear testing was

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discussed. Many countries expressed strong opinions by advising China, DPRK's only

crisis and raised the wrong country's placard. Well, can you blame him? He has 1.28

ally to break its alliance with DPRK in order to denuclearize it. 3 blocs were formed, where the draft resolution made by bloc 1 failed to be introduced. The draft resolution by bloc 2 was passed, but vetoed later. Overall, UNSC was a committee filled with fiery diplomats debating their way to glory!

Point of Entertainment

This is the Security Council that we are talking about. Who needs a Point of Entertainment when you have an agenda like the North Korean conflict? GI



Unsure about being secure

The nation grapples with security concerns. But are these threats external or do they come from within? The committee looked for answers







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Prime Minister: Aniket Basu Home Minister: Aditya Sharma Scribe: Tanmay Awasthi

> Arushi Gupta, AIS Noida, XI & Yashika Thapar, AIS PV, XI

AGENDA

Review of the internal security of India

The debate over AFSPA was followed by a question hour, wherein Chief Ministers had to answer the questions put forth by the EB. Sixteen speakers voiced their concerns and questioned past actions of ruling parties. From past events to AFSPA, many loopholes were pointed out in the governance of parties in combating threats to state security. The question hour session allowed Chief Ministers to



Awards Galore Best Delegate Secretary of Defense **High Commendation Chief of Air Staff Special Mention Finance Secretary**



The anatomy of a crisis

Passionate members of the council strove hard to make the perfect plan of action, trying not to let the spirit of nationalism go away in vain

EXECUTIVE BOARD

Prime Minister: Taranjit Singh Defense Minister: Ashwin Tewary Scribe: Bharat Goel

Aditi Suresh, XI & Garvita Batra, XI **AIS Pushp Vihar**

The committee started off with an overview of National Security Council, also known as Indian War Cabinet by guest speaker Air Marshall Ramesh Rai. He also presented his views on the 'Rohingya Crisis', the issue at hand for the committee. The Rohingya crisis dates back to the time when Rohingya, the Muslim minority group concentrated in Western Myanmar, were subjected to brutal repressions. India in the neitegates, hope I you taught me as much as I hope I has never had a strong refugee poltou laught ne as moun as more taught you. Sorry the committee icy, and has never considered the ilwas so serious :D. Was so serious :D. Signing off, The Prime Minister" legally deported people from Myanmar and Bangladesh, as 'refugees'. The country has around 40,000 people from the tribe, and has been facing serious repercussions about the carelessness ensued by authorities. A significant percentage of this 40,000 was classified as 'sleeper cells', implying that they pose a direct threat to our

AGENDA

Rohingya Muslims in India

a separate state. The Secretary of Defence made a prominent statement midway in the committee, "illegal Rohingya immigrants might be a threat to the national security and can possibly be linked to the activities in the Pakistan Occupied Kashmir." While some of the members wanted to provide help, others saw this as a threat to India's image at the international forum.

he first day in the Inter-State Council saw the Chief Ministers of many states giving their opening statements. Faced with the daunting task of reviewing the internal security of India, the ISC met for the first time after twelve years on November 16, 2017. The committee saw the Chief Ministers discuss and deliberate several internal issues that pose a threat to the nation's security.

Rohingya Muslims was an issue that was discussed at length as the CMs heatedly debated whether they should be allowed to cross Indian border and seek asylum. The reason for this speculation were rumours of their terrorist links, which could mean putting nation's security at stake. A brewing rebellion against the Central Govt was another issue at hand that the committee discussed. On the next day, the Armed Forces Special Powers Act (AFSPA) was discussed during a lengthy moderated caucus. The act grants many powers to India's army personnel in 'disturbed' areas. 'Do we still need AFSPA?' was a major question that was deliberated upon. Some called AFSPA 'undemocratic' due to the many cases of human rights violation that had been reported; others called it 'necessary' to ensure law and order.

reflect on their past decisions and dwell on the need to look for a better approach towards dealing with human right violations. Many press releases were also "Caught on cam: Chief Minister of Telangana playing Shadow Fight 2." drafted.

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Highlights

#Achche Din In Progress captioned

the delegate behind him.

 The Scribe, Tanmay Awasthi, held an informal session, wherein he gave the delegates valuable tips on improving their confidence levels and public speaking skills. 2 The Prime Minister explained the delegates the art of sending a chit in the absence of a stapler. **8** Unmods and unmods ruled the committee.

The third day started with another question hour. Inter-state problems were brought up by the Prime Minister. Delegates worked on press releases, listing strategies that could be implemented to enhance the country's security level.

Point of entertainment

A Model UN conference is incomplete without confessions. On the second day, 'Anonymous Confessions' were held. Delegates sent anonymous confessions to the EB and themselves via chits, which were read out in the committee. GI national security.

The members were surprised with an ad hoc crisis, which was an open plea from the 'Arakan Rohingya Salvation Army', an alleged rebel group in Myanmar, demanding help for the formation of a new state that protects the rights of the minority group. It was, therefore, up to the generals of the Indian government to decide whether or not to aid them with military support, in their mission to form The second day saw members deciphering the crisis, along with an unpredictable update from the

> Supreme Court allowing the government to go ahead with the deportation process. The Prime Minister urged the gen-

erals to reach a consensus. The last day of the conference was the most important, as the members of the council were expected

Micro Tale

Highlights

\rm Air Marshall Ramesh Rai

explained the structure of

Ø Secretary of Finance

dancing skills at all times,

❸Loads of Point of Orders

but no time for justifications!

was seen showing his

NSC in detail.

quite literally.



To sum up, the committee offered three days of intense debating and ample food for thought.

Point of entertainment

With crucial, country changing decisions to be made, who has time for a point of entertainment?GT

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The Debate

UNHRC

United Nations Human Rights Council

A poor world, rich debate

ECOSOC

Economic and Social Council

In a world grappling with poverty, an enriching debate on ways to improve the life of the poor comes as the ray of hope we all seek





Committee Callin







Whosoever said that all is fair in war perhaps did not think of the young children who suffer in the times of conflict; glad this committee did

EXECUTIVE BOARD

Chairperson: Rohan Singh Vice-Chairperson: Karan Pawani **Rapporteur:** Ayush Jha

> Vidhi Vivek, AIS Noida, IX & Sanjana Jain, AIS PV, XI

ach day of the 'Human Rights Council' advanced with a pace impossible to match. The committee kickstarted on a rather enriching note with guest speaker Air Marshall Ramesh Rai addressing the delegates on the plight of children in the times of armed conflict. This was followed by a brief introduction of the agenda, and the establishment of the GSL. Things steadily got heated up as conventions upon conventions, "With political and territorial disputes, laws upon laws, and allegations upon Came along a rush of batbarthy allegations served to prove the depth threatening every inch of morality of the agenda and how damp the that ever exist in the more in the second se reality of such children was. Day tomorrow awaits them. one for the committee was laudable indeed, for hundred percent participation was recorded in both the moderated caucuses. As the committee ventured into day two of the proceedings, it stood witness to enthusiastic and well informed delegates in both moderated length about the as well as unmoderated caucuses. The moderated caucuses emphasised on elaborating the agenda and countering the loopholes in the legal frameworks. The first moderated caucus was filled with fiery allegations as the delegates accused each other of having fragile laws leading to heinous crimes like rapes, murders and sexual violence against children, which were met with snarky defenses. As the delegates lobbied to

AGENDA

Promoting and protecting the rights of children during armed conflicts

form blocs and alliances, one thing was certain, the room was full of future diplomats ready to do anything to make the world a better place. Thereafter, the committee entirely focused on the making of the draft resolution.



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s the wooden doors were flung open, ele-

AGENDA

Eradicating poverty in all its forms through promoting opportunities and related challenges

went on to point out how refugees could be an asset to a nation's economy.

Soon came the time to direct the committee to a conclusion, wherein the delegates unanimously opted for the formulation of a draft resolution (DR). Then came what destiny had long been waiting for-two blocs, competing furiously with each other armed with their respective draft resolutions. Alliances held together loyally; the hall was radi-

gantly dressed teenagers walked in with a mission to change the world, firm in their belief that words are mightier than the sword. The committee set off for a conference which proved to be a journey of learning. In the first moderated caucus, root causes of poverty and the factors affecting the same were discussed at length. The motion saw delegates touching upon various causes of poverty as overpopulation, corruption and untalent is making words," the Chair equal distribution of income. Comthought, as yet another delegate passion towards those affected by this raging issue could be felt as Delegate of Czech republic went on to state, 'Poverty is like a punishment for a crime you did not commit'. Intensive debate on factors affecting paucity, with special emphasis on the vicious cycle of dearth and deficiency followed.

Day two of the committee saw some equally serious debating that teed off with the establishment of the General Speaker's list. Delegate of Pakistan pointed out the unfair consequences of globalisation on the less developed countries. He also highlighted the unjust and exploitative nature of the most favoured nation policy. Soon, the debate steered towards 'Role of refugee crisis in causing poverty' in a moderated caucus. Several delegates

ating energy. What followed was momentous deliberation accompanied by clever cross-questioning. Smart points of information shared by the Delegate of "Forget resolutions- their real India were the 'cherry on top' of

Highlights

thanked him for providing

'recognisation'

• Incredibly intense unmoderated caucuses, wherein delegates crossed all limits to gain supremacy, be it screaming at the top of their voices or standing on the chairs.

² The applause celebrating the passing of Draft Resolution 1.0 with a whopping majority was surely something that could not be missed.

the fantastic proceedings. The three day conference was filled

Micro Tale-

with aggressive and factual debate, and the committee ended as the first DR, comprising recommendations on eradication of poverty, was passed with a whopping majority.

Point of entertainment

On heavy demand, the POE found its way to the floor! Hidden feelings came to the fore in an anonymous chit session. It saw everything from compliments, leaving some redcheeked, to critical remarks, which are best left unsaid.

The final day was dedicated solely to debate on the resolution that was drafted. The draft resolution was taken up clause by clause and discussed, to which blazing points of information were added and amendments were submitted.

Micro Tale

The dramatic conference came to an end with the EB not only giving the delegates a constructive feedback, but also sharing their own MUN

Highlights

 Air Marshall Ramesh Rai VM (Retd) spoke at

International Humanitarian Law and the need to uphold the same even in the times of war and conflict.

2 The Delegate of India surely won hearts when he offered his hotspot to the whole committee, just to quicken the process of documentation.

experiences, which lightened up the intense environment. The committee concluded with the Executive Board lauding the delegates for their thorough research and factual debating. Here's hoping that this is the beginning of a better future.

Point of entertainment

All present in the committee were given a chance to unleash their furies and emotions, sending confessions via chits to the Executive Board, which were later read out to the committee.GT

Takeaways

Words of wisdom

From insight on global issues to memories, there was a lot that one took away from AIMUN'17. But most of all, it was words of wisdom, from those who graced the event



Be correct than quick

the Peters, South Asia Bureau Chief, British Broadcasting Corporation, shared her views on a plethora of subjects. We bring you some excerpts from the interview...

Nayesha Gandotra, AIS Gur 46, XI

On roles and responsibilities

A journalist holds the freedom of expression, and s/he must exercise this freedom with absolute caution. It is the responsibility of a journalist to present the right information for any wrong information can damage the core values and tenets of journalism. When we report something, people believe us, so an enormous amount of responsibility rests on our shoulders. Thus, we need to focus more on being factually correct, than being quick.

On the significance of MUNs

MUNs are a great platform to acquire new skills and to hone the existing ones. For instance, The Global Press team acquired the skill of making a newsletter. Besides, such conferences help you get a view of what's happening around the globe.

Message for youth

For all those of you who are studying at a prestigious institution like Amity, you must know



Kate Peters addresses the audience

that you are rather fortunate to be receiving such quality education. Make the most of this education, step out of your home and create magnificent changes around you. But as you take the road to change, remember to take a refined approach towards various problems and issues. After all, it is always a wise thing to do things more carefully.



"I think the quality of wanting to know about the world, about different cultures is what contributes the most to your growth. This is what MUNs instill in you - to know more about the world. Now, when I look back, I realise that the learning I received from participating at various MUNs is something I still carry with me."

Dr Aseem Chauhan, Chancellor, AUH

Make world a better place

Eduardo Sánchez, Deputy Head of Mission, Embassy of Spain, India, shared his views on a myriad subjects, during closing ceremony of AIMUN'17, where he was present as Chief Guest. Here are excerpts from the interview...

Nayesha Gandotra, AIS Gur 46, XI

On roles and responsibilities

As the Deputy Head of Mission at the Spanish Embassy, my role is to fulfil the duties of the Ambassador when he is away. Since, Embassy is a complex organisation, it's my responsibility to receive and welcome various dignitaries who visit us. Above all, my duties entail maintaining diplomatic relations with India, and strive to promote Indo Spanish cultural exchange and unity.

On the significance of MUNs

The world is an aggressive place. Every day there is something or the other happening. There-



Eduardo Sanchez shares his views

Eduardo Sanchez, Deputy Head of Mission, Embassy of Spain, India

fore, by organising MUNs, a simulation of UN, the young delegates get an insight into the issues as well understand the role of United Nations in maintaining peace and making the world a better place. So, such conferences are need of the hour and should be organised more frequently.

Message for youth

Well, the world is in your hands! You will encounter challenges and problems at every step in your life. And you need to overcome the problems efficiently by understanding varied aspects of the problem. So, you have to live up to your task of adulthood, and of leaving to the coming generation a better world.

A junction of thoughts



Leaders of tomorrow

I am of the firm belief that the youth is an asset for every nation. It is up to us how we channelize the energy of youth. Platforms like MUNs are a great way to shape the youth, for they not only give the youth a chance to get an insight into world politics, but at the same time give them an opportunity to discuss and draft possible solutions to world problems. If such opportunities are extended then we would never fall short of diplomats. **Air Marshall Ramesh Rai VM (Retd)**



Encourage eclectic views

One thing I appreciate about MUNs is that it fosters exchange of ideas, cultures and traditions. It enables delegates from various parts of the globe to come together, experience different cultures, & share views and thoughts. It is this mutual exchange that makes such events a harbinger for peace and connects people in the truest sense of the word. I urge the students to make the most of this platform and earnestly work towards making this world a better place to live in.

Carlos Varona, Director, Instituto Cervantes, Spanish Cultural Center

Interviewed by Aditi Suresh, AIS PV, XI







A debut for many

Everyone needs a chance, and MUNs could be the first step for many to get into the world of debates and discussions. Every year you will find many delegates who participate for the first time. Along with experiencing the world of MUNs, they also get to better understand things like geo politics, international policies and relations; and how these components affect world peace. Confluences like these shape the careers of many by teaching them the requisite skills at an early stage in their life.

Bgdr NK Bhatia SM(Retd)

Interviewed by Sanya Goel, AIS Gur 43, XI



New horizons to explore

Knowledge is the most prized possession of a man. It is not something that is inherited, rather acquired with time. Such conferences open up a new horizon of knowledge. There is a lot that one can pick up from here. MUNs help the youth emerge as dynamic individuals as they get an insight into global problems and also come up with probable solutions for the same. This simulation of thoughts on a global scale improves the prospect of a brighter future by instilling leadership qualities. **RM Aggarwal**

Ambassador, IFS (Retd)





Dynamic outlook

Something new is happening every day and the dynamics of world politics change with every happening. Some associations are formed and some are dissolved. With MUNs, the young ones are able to grab the gist of the world politics and emerging issues. This brings a change in their outlook and makes them confident about the world equations, ready to take charge of driving the nation.

Dr Shigeki Ashida, Director, Ritsumeikan Indian Office, The Ritsumeikan Trust





Cultural gala

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High Tea ceremony reflected Amity's philosophy of

'Vasudhaiva kutumbakkam' - 'the world is one family'

Aditi Suresh AIS PV, XI F

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the hen world comes together, it

calls for a celebration. The High Tea ceremony, organised on November 17, the second day of AIMUN'17 was one such celebration. Held at Amity University, Noida, the event witnessed the amalgamation of multiple cultures from across the globe. The evening commenced with a formal greeting and warm welcome of foreign delegations by Dr (Mrs) Amita Chauhan, Chairperson, Amity Group of Schools. Also in attendance were Ms Pooja Chauhan, Vice Chairperson, AHF & Ms Divya Chauhan, Chairperson, ASPA, ASFA & ASFT, along with heads of Amity institutions. Here's

a run-down of the cultural gala. The fest commenced with 'Ta Ra Rum Pum', a Bollywood song presentation by Slovakia.

Up next, the girls from Chettinad Public School, Tamil Nadu, enthralled the audience with their folk dance.

Embodying the spirit of spiritual India, Collin from USA recited the Gayatri Mantra.

AGS Gurugram had the audience tapping their feet to rock show.

The soulful melodies of 'Buddhu sa man' by girls from Chinar Public School, Alwar, was indeed a sonorous treat to the ears.

The auditorium echoed with a deafening applause as the delegation from Netherlands brought their country alive with their native folk song presentation.

The excitement of the audience was palpable in the auditorium as

the German delegation took over the stage to waltz to the tunes of 'Photograph' by Ed Sheeran.

American delegate Anna performed the traditional Indian dandiya dance on 'Ganapati morya'. ■ With their sunny smiles and booming voices, the scintillating

song and dance performance of the delegates from AFS School touched many hearts.

The American delegation gave an invigorating live performance on 'to the left, to the right, then do the criss cross.'

The energy levels of the auditorium reached to zenith as AIS PV gave the audience a glimpse of Indian culture with a captivating performance on 'ghoomar'.

■ The delegates were felicitated with token of love.

A scrumptious high tea and delectable conversations followed.









Gobal Conversation

AIMUN'17 saw convergence of cultures from across the globe. GT reporters caught up with them during the high tea ceremony. Here's bringing you a sneak-peek into what our global friends take back in their bagpacks

ITALY

Experience at AIMUN'17: We experienced that the world is not limited to our home town. In fact, you enter the real world only when you actually step out of your comfort zone.

Expectations from AIMUN vs reality: We actually expected delegates from all over the world to be actually

representing their own countries. However, there were a majority of Indian delegates representing different countries.

Delegates at AIMUN: They are full of enthusiasm.

Highlight of AIMUN 2017: Interacting with the delegates and getting to meet new people.

Your favourite take away from **India:** We love Indian culture and are already taking back a bag full of memories.

One thing you'd like to give India: The country is beautiful as it is. Parting message: We're spellbound and carrying best memories with us.





THAILAND

Experience at AIMUN'17: I had always heard about such simulations but never attended one. This one was my first MUN experience and was definitely the best.

Of new friends

Expectations from AIMUN vs reality: AIMUN was an experience that was way above my expectations. I would re-

member it for a long time and love to come here again for another one. Delegates at AIMUN: They were enthusiastic, scrupulous and well prepared with perplexing research on their agendas. Impressive, I must say! Highlight of AIMUN 2017: The argu-

> **Interviewed by:** Yashika Thapar, AIS PV, XI

ments, they were loaded with facts. Your favourite take away from India: Being in India for AIMUN, I learnt to express my thoughts and became more confident. It opened my horizon of thoughts and expanded my knowledge as well as my point of view; that is something I will take away with me. Parting message: You were a great host. I loved everybody here.

(*) CANADA

Experience at AIMUN'17: Describing it would be a hard task because I will fall short of words to tell how beautiful it was.

Expectations from AIMUN vs reality: It was exactly how I expected.

Delegates at AIMUN: They're quite strong headed. I noticed that one delegate was eating throughout the committee, so I guess they're not just hungry for debate but also for food. But jokes apart, they are really good debaters.

Highlight of AIMUN 2017: Being interviewed right now for the first time in my life.

Your favourite take away from India: I would love to take away the Indian culture as you cannot have enough of it.

One thing you'd like to give India: Its love, love and more of love.

Parting message: Thank you AIMUN for being a wonderful host. I had the time of my life.

> Interviewed by: Khushi Saxena, AIS Noida, X



Experience at AIMUN'17: It was overwhelming in the beginning since everything here was new at first. However, once we got a hang of it, we realised that it was an amazing experience.

Expectations from AIMUN vs reality: Though we did not expect much when we arrived here, it definitely surpassed our expectations.

Delegates at AIMUN: All the delegates were good orators.

Highlight of AIMUN 2017: Interacting with other foreign delegates at the conference.

Your favourite take away from India:

There is so much that Indian culture has to offer; we would like to take back the same with us.



One thing you'd like to give India: The same our culture! It always helps to learn from cultures other than your own.

Parting message: Anyone who gets an opportunity to take part in AIMUN, must seize it.

erviewed by: Siona Ahuja, AIS Noida, X



GERMANY

Experience at AIMUN'17: It was a great experience for us as we had not experienced anything like this before.

Expectations from AIMUN vs reality: We did not have many expectations. But then it was at par with other MUNs that we have attended so far. Delegates at AIMUN: They know what they are talking about and are very good at conferences! Also, they look very nice in their traditional outfits.

Highlight of AIMUN 2017: The cultural evening. Favourite take away from India: We would like to take some of the food (Golgappa!)

One thing you'd like to give India: We

JAPAN

Experience at AIMUN'17: Participat-



would like to give our 'punctuality', as Germans are known for being very punctual.

Parting message: Goodbye, AIMUN! See you next year once again. Thank you for being so warm and hospitable.

terviewed by: Himadri Seth, AIS Saket, XI







Experience at AIMUN'17: Our experience was

really good as we got to learn many new things. Expectations from AIMUN vs. Reality: We did not form any expectations for AIMUN or India beforehand. We just decided to go with the flow. Delegates at AIMUN: The warmth with which they interacted with others present around them is truly heartwarming.

Highlight of AIMUN 2017: The high tea. Favourite take away from India: The delicious *paneer* and *dosa*! It was simply irresistible! One thing you'd like to give India: We

would like to give them stroopwafels Parting message: Thank you very much for calling us at AIMUN! We would love to be here, next year again.

Interviewed by: Himadri Seth, AIS Saket, XI

ing in AIMUN- 2017 was truly a very enlightening experience for me. I learned a lot by listening to the viewpoint of participants from Amity International Schools .

Expectations from AIMUN vs reality: I was expecting that I would be very interactive in this AIMUN, how-

ever in reality it was not so easy when I saw the preparation standard of other participants. But having learnt this year, I am sure I will be better prepared next year.

want to take away the effective communication skills from India.

One thing you'd like to give India: I would like to give the Japanese spirit of humility. Parting message: Let's meet in next AIMUN. Can't wait to be here next year.

SLOVAKIA

Experience at AIMUN'17: Overall, it was an enriching and enjoyable experience.

Expectations from AIMUN vs Reality: We were only expecting to be a part of an MUN conference, but the workshops were the cherry on the icing. They workshops at the Amity University gave us experience worth cherishing.

Delegates at AIMUN: Indian delegates are very passionate. This was evident all throughout the conference.

Highlight of AIMUN 2017: The cultural extravaganza at high tea.

Favourite take away from India: We would love to take Indian people to Slovakia!



One thing you'd like to give India: We really wish that Delhi's air quality is as good as Slovakia's.

Parting message: We loved being here.

nterviewed by: Sanjana Jain, AIS PV, XI

MAURITIUS

Experience at AIMUN'17: It was good and at the same time special for me as being 12 years old, I was the youngest foreign delegate participant. Expectations from AIMUN vs reality: It totally matched my expectations. The conference could not have been better.

Delegates at AIMUN: They were a mix of varied cultures and ideologies. I'm glad I had the chance to meet a lot of different people.

Highlight of AIMUN 2017: The Unmod sessions in the conference were an all new experience. Favourite take away from India: I

would like to take everything from India, its culture, clothes, food...basically everything!



One thing you'd like to give India: I can't give anything. India is perfect! Parting message: I'd like to be a part of such an exciting experience once again.

Interviewed by: Siona Ahuja, AIS Noida, X

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Closing Cerem

The end





Spectacular performance by AIS Saket



Young performers share a pic with Chairpersor

...hereby declare AIMUN'17 CLOSED

And with those words the biggest event of the year drew to a close, leaving behind a bagful of memories, learnings and the will to usher in a better and brighter world we all want to see...

Arushi Gupta, AIS Noida, XI

What: Closing ceremony, AIMUN'17 When: November 18, 2017 Where: Amity University, Noida Why: To draw debate and discussion spanning across three days to a close Who:

Dr (Mrs) Amita Chauhan, Chairperson, Amity Group of Schools & RBEF

Mr Aseem Chauhan, Chancellor, Amity University, Haryana

■ Kate Peters, South Asia Bureau Chief, BBC Head of Amity institutions

Closing cold hearts with warmth... AIMUN'17 was a platform for students to under-

stand problems that concern countries other than their own and provide probable solutions to the same, by engaging in meaningful dialogue. The process gave birth to young diplomats with open hearts. The closing ceremony bore testimony to this triumphant win of closing all animosity. An enthralling dance performance by students of AIS Saket was exactly the kind of celebration such triumph called for. Divya Bhatia, Principal, AIS Saket, accorded a cordial welcome to all the guests and dignitaries present. The chief guest, Kate Peters, special guest Dr Aseem Chauhan, and Dr (Mrs) Amita Chauhan were felicitated with anti-pollution plants.

Closing speeches, opening minds... The closing ceremony saw esteemed dignitaries

motivate and inspire the young audience with enlightening words. Kate Peters urged students to keep learning more about the world. Aseem Chauhan lauded the role of Model United Nations in shaping young minds. Dr (Mrs) Amita Chauhan shared the story of a carpenter with the students, encouraging them to put their 100% in whatever task they undertake.

Closing with brilliance...

The debate that spawned across committee sessions had come to a close and it was time to reward those who had made the most valid points. The closing ceremony stood witness to the giving away of awards for each committee. The most coveted Best Delegation award was won by Germany, the United States of America and Ukraine,

represented by AIS Saket, Modern School, Barakhamba and AIS Gurugram 46 respectively.

Closing, only to open again...

AIMUN 2017 was a mix of intense competition and sweet friendships, hard work and merriment, debate and chit-chat, tough books and good looks. A movie prepared by the IT team captured all these moods and more. As the movie was screened, everyone took a trip down the memory lane, reliving the best days of November 2017.

And with that the biggest event of the year came to an end. What followed next were the inevitable words of Sec Gen Aryaman Kashyap, everyone wished could be postponed to another day, "...hereby declare AIMUN 2017 closed."

Best Delegation



AIS Gurugram 46: Winners of Best Delegation, AIMUN 2017







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