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NIMUN 10

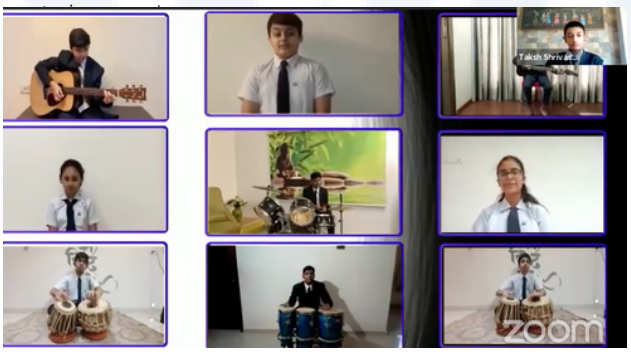
NIMUN's wings soar anew!

The 10th Navrachana International Model United Nations commenced with a virtual lighting of a ceremonial lamp along with a vedic hymn. This was followed by an inspirational song, "Shoulder to Shoulder" performed virtually by the NISV choir and orchestra. The harmonious blend of the choir members singing individually amalgamated into a final melodious song which was a true representation of what the virtual world is capable of. The Deputy Secretary General, Tia Shrivastava, introduced the core team, the Chairs and Co-Chairs of each committee. Then the Secretary General, Sia Shah welcomed all the delegates by quoting Antonio Guterras- "In days darkened by disease, we can see beacons of hope for today and the seeds of future unity of purpose. Our role is to nurture those seeds – and I have no doubt that your work will continue to serve and inspire the world — just as you inspire me every day." The Deputy Secretary General then outlined the virtual conventions for the event.

Since this is the very first time that NIMUN is being conducted virtually Manav Dave, head of the Technical Team briefed the delegates about how each committee session would take place and also reminded the participants of the netiquettes they are all requested to follow throughout the MUN.

Dr. Farah Usmani, Deputy Director and Chief at UNFPA Headquarters, New York was the chief guest for the opening ceremony. She was live from New York, all thanks to the wonders of the internet. Dr. Usmani was delighted to see two female secretary generals, as the UN has not had a woman in that position till date. She also reiterated the importance of their involvement and equal representation and how this could lead to promising change in the future. She then shared her perspective on the agendas the UN is working on. She was delighted to see that many of the committee agendas at NIMUN were interlinked to the goals set by the UN for 2030! She appreciated the conference's efforts to bring together the youth and start such important conversations even amidst a pandemic. Dr. Usmani reminded everyone about how this pandemic is a wake-up call for humans across the globe, and the urgent need for cooperation and unity.

The opening ceremony concluded with the Secretary General declaring the 10th Navrachana International Model United Nations Conference open. The distance between the delegates, chairs and our guests did not taint the grandeur of the ceremony, as the conference was declared open with the loud bang of the gavel, exactly how it has been done for the



A DECADE DOWN, BUT FOREVER TO GO

An inspiring vision and dream of four young girls with zest for achieving the impossible completes ten years. NIMUN has become a premium annual event eagerly awaited at Navrachana International School Vadodara. At this juncture, it becomes obligatory to thank Aminette D'Souza, Roop Kapadia, Sanam Mehta, and Tiffany Patel for their vision,courage and motivation.They came together, put their hearts and minds into simulating a model united conference which promises to uphold our school motto of "Educating, Enlightening , Empowering " the young students of today. Their will to mould young students into future leaders is what drove them to provide a platform for student delegates to express world views, exercise diplomacy, and revolutionize country crises. What started as a co-curricular activity, is now a pivotal place for heated debates, strong opinions, and sanguine solutions. NIMUN has come a long way since its first edition. The tenth edition is unlike any other not only for its virtual platform but also because we took the word 'international' in its literal senses and invited students from Sweden to co-chair our committees.





Communiqué from- Secretary General Sia Shah

This year marks the 75th anniversary of the United Nations Organization, an organization, which has been a cornerstone for multilateralism since its conception. Even though it was born from war, the United Nations today, remains for peace. New threats - such as the commercialization of space resources- have emerged, while we still contemplate over the dreadful history of the Iranian Hostage Conflict. When one war ends and becomes history, we heave a sigh of relief as we once again hope for a stable world and prosperity. Yet it has time and again been proven that the end of one war, does not mean the end of history, rather a beginning for much larger, unforeseeable challenges.

As we face the biggest global crisis since the Second World War, the Corona Virus Disease pandemic, international peacekeeping and safety seems to be in tethers. The reason for this, is not the growing instability or social unrest; nor is it due to global terrorism or a rise in popular trends such as climate change, and population growth. Rather the real reason is the fear that has been instilled within the peoples, due to these global problems. It is the deepening divide between people due to political instability and unequal distribution of universal financial resources, the problem lies within the youth that is unemployed today due to new technological advances, which one day may just become a threat to international security by the weaponization of Artificial Intelligence and Big Data. When citizens are already fighting a war with a tragedy that has hit home, countries declaring war against each other, does nothing to ease their minds.
During such unprecedented times, it is our responsibility to understand the anxieties of the people and meet their needs, without losing sight of our universal values. In the past few years, the world has seen extraordinary technological progress, which implies the need to reconstruct relations between people and leaders — national and international; it is time for leaders to listen and show that they care, about their own people and about the global stability and solidarity on which we all depend.

Today's paradigm is that, even with greater connectivity, societies are becoming more fragmented. More and more people are unable to link themselves with the world human family. Which is why, the partnership of countries must be at the heart of our core beliefs.

At NIMUN 10, as we remain in pursuit of a Humane World, we hope that each delegate will take on the responsibility of being a national leader by successfully applying skills of negotiation, diplomacy and open-mindedness; while formulating resolutions with the intent of a future, in which all countries can live in a state of mutual respect and cooperation, without interference in each other's affairs.

In the words of Antonio Guterres, Secretary-General United Nations, "In days darkened by disease, we can see beacons of hope for today and the seeds of future unity of purpose. Our role is to nurture those seeds – and I have no doubt that your work will continue to serve and inspire the world — just as you inspire me every day." At NIMUN 10, as we rise to the call of the challenges this platform will hold, to shape us as international-minded individuals.

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>
> ANTONIO GUTERRES, SECRETARY-GENERAL
> UNITED NATIONS

Fun Facts !

The Universal Declaration of Human Rights was the firsstdocument to detail the fundamental rights that must be protected; and was proclaimed by the UN General Assembly in1948.

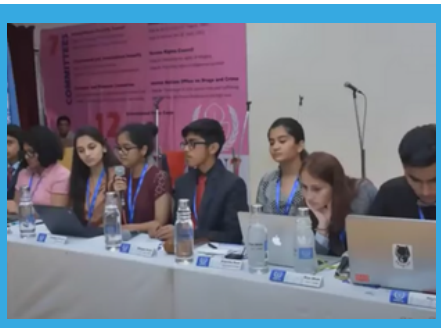
The UN's World Food Programme (WFP) provides food and assistance to some 91 million people in 83 countries.

The UN and its agencies supply vaccines to 45% of the world's children.

A trip down the memory lane



Looking back at the Nostalgic Nine years











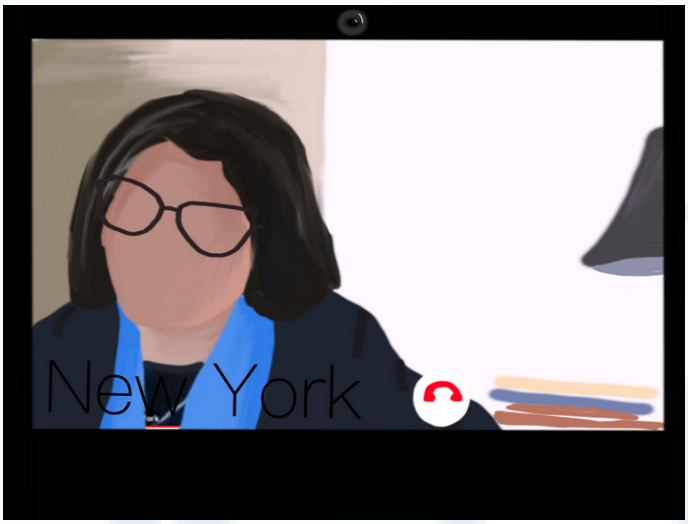








Words to remember...



During the opening ceremony the chief guest Dr Farah Usmani, Deputy and chief at UNFPA headquarters in New York addressed the gathering with her insightful words.

Dr Usmani enlightened the student delegates with her valuable words and urged the delegates to commence the proceedings.She also emphasized on the true values of model UN's and the experience one gets from taking part in one that is as good as NIMUN. Dr Usmani also expressed her pleasure to see both the secretary general and the deputy secretary general were both women and said that "with a woman secretary general the future is bright".

The three pillars of the UN – human rights, - peace and security and – development. She also talked about the 2030 SDGs in great detail, and said "The 17 SDGs that were agreed by the member states collate across the three pillars of the UN". Dr Usmani also goes on to say that due to this global pandemic the committee proceeding of the UN will be much different this time and this time more than ever we need to work together , she then ends with a quote from the new president of the general assembly "this is a more compelling reason to work closely for a common goal".



NIMUN 10-

Dr. Usmani's thoughts

"With a woman secretary general the future is bright"

"Will this pandemic bring the world closer or will it lead to greater mistrust"

"Three pillars of the UN Human Rights, Peace and Security and Development"

"It is really time for unity"

Full frontal with Dr. Farah Usmani

QN. YOU HAVE BEEN WITH THE UN INTERNATIONAL CIVIL SERVICE FOR OVER 15 YEARS NOW AFTER HAVING GRADUATED FROM SEVERAL ESTEEMED INSTITUTIONS LIKE THE LONDON SCHOOL OF ECONOMICS AND CORNELL UNIVERSITY. WAS THIS A PART OF A WELL-THOUGHT-OUT PLAN?



Dr. Farah Usmani
Deputy Chief UNFPA, Headquarters, NY

To be honest, no not exactly. My journey of working with the UN began in Lucknow.After completing my M.D. I was practicing obstetrics and gynaecology there ; wherein I got an opportunity to work in a USAID project which dealt with development projects for young girls and women. And thus, that is where I became quite interested in public health and policy. I soon realised that to make a career out of this profession just an MD degree will not be sufficient. After consulting my USAID colleagues, I applied to the London School of Economics(LSE) and John Hopkins. I received the scholarship for studying in LSE and as part of the campus recruitment ,I joined UNFPA and joined the program which focussed on women and girls at global, regional, national, and sub-national levels . My first posting was in Bangladesh,from there I moved to Nepal to work with the UN International Civil Services. Currently, I have a global position and am stated in New York.

QN. YOU HAVE VISITED OVER 50 COUNTRIES IN YOUR LIFE, HOW HAS IT INFLUENCED YOU AS AN INDIVIDUAL?



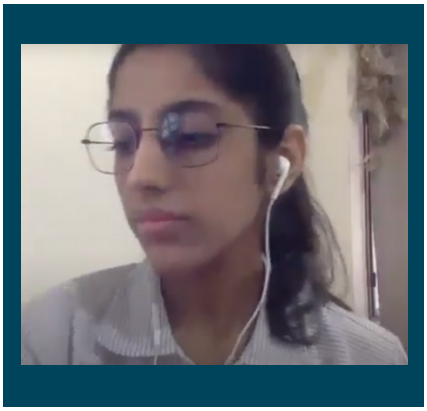
Anupama Bohtan, Press team head

The countries I have visited were for work.From Iraq to Somalia -all these countries are facing some kind of challenges or conflicts.Every experience in these countries was humbling and made me realize how fortunate I am for everything I have in my life. I realized how one can grumble and complain about little things when so many people in these nations don't even have the necessities in life. Travelling in these countries taught me to be grateful for the little things in life which we otherwise take for granted .Secondly, I learnt about how even though there are many differences across countries and borders, issues such as marital abuse,child marriage,women issues that plague these countries such as Niger are all-pervasive and quite common to the state (Uttar Pradesh) where I come from.Traveling across these nations has broadened my views and made me aware of the developmental issues plaguing these nations. Many development issues have been collated in the 17 UN Sustainable development goals. I would thus encourage one to travel no matter where -within one's own country or all across the world.One vision I dream about is setting up a scholarship for public health people to get opportunities to visit and explore NGOs in other nations and work together as I believe that one can achieve the SDG's only by working together. Travelling broadens your horizons .I have always encouraged my children to travel and I would like to say the same to you.

Full frontal with Dr. Farah Usmani

QN. SINCE THE OUTBREAK OF COVID-19, EMERGING DATA AND REPORTS FROM THOSE ON THE FRONT LINES, HAVE SHOWN THAT ALL TYPES OF VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN AND GIRLS, PARTICULARLY DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, HAS INTENSIFIED. WHAT SUPPORT DOES THE UN PROVIDE TO FIGHT AGAINST THIS?

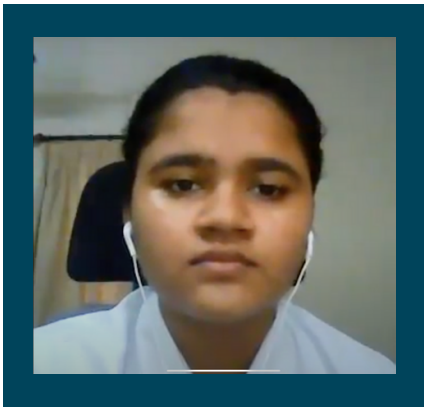
I am glad that you students have caught on such an important issue .This is really sad data for us. I am very passionate about this issue as it is one of the three transformative goals we have this year.The victims cannot phone the helplines, instead, they have to text because the perpetrator is sitting at their homes. We are facing this issue in both developed and developing countries. The UN has several strategies, which are then adapted to the context of those countries. We have helped numerous women and girls. It is not a cookie-cutter approach with every country employing the same method. In some countries, we are doing data analysis where the government has sufficient funding to advocate for this pressing issue. Our role is to advocate and share robust data to inform others about this problem and at the same time, we also deal with an implementation of projects which have large fundings. One such project is the 'Spotlight Initiative', for which the European Union has donated 500 million Euros to support countries and the NGO's in their fight against gender-based violence. These joint projects between the countries and agencies help us to set up support systems or safe spaces for these victims and are part of one of the many strategies employed by the UN to help women all across the world.



Saksham Trivedi, Chief Editor (IB)

QN. TO WHAT EXTENT DO YOU THINK A PLATFORM LIKE THE MUN BENEFITS THE STUDENT COMMUNITY ALTOGETHER?

UN's primary role is to build on the capabilities of the national government to address key problems. Major responsibilities should be taken by the national government and not the UN. Regarding NIMUN, I think the most important points are your takeaways from the conference. Each one of you will learn something different and new. Many people attend training workshops and come out with heightened levels of information, energy, and passion; NIMUN will do the same for all the participating delegates. My suggestion here would be that you should use this opportunity that you have, to form groups, be proactive and to take it to the next step even after the conference is over. It is a very good initiative where you will learn important skills and I'd like all of you to go further and develop a passion for a particular area in which the UN is advocating. Lastly, I encourage you all to study the problems and contribute be it in a small or a big way. Now that will be a solid takeaway.



Sarah Vohra, Chief Editor (CBSE)

From the Editor's desk



Conviction, Compassion and Exhilaration; I believe these three words tie together the true essence of our 10th NIMUN celebration perfectly. From the inspiring words our secretary generals spoke to heated opinion clashes between countries, no moment failed to contribute to the already existing feelings of zeal and anticipation in the air. With our new and modified take on NIMUN this year; with the need to celebrate ten years of great visions and brilliance, strong in us; we expanded and intensified our reach by organizing an online conference this year. This allowed us not only to connect with and learn from our co-chairs and delegates from Sweden, but also taught us to fight against the pandemic in our own little way. Though the struggles of digitalization seemed to overpower our wish to experience face-to-face interactions, there was no stone left unturned in providing the participants the platform they deserve and skills and confidence they seem to inculcate each consecutive year. As promised we strive to educate, empower and enlighten our delegates with the gift of new learning, diplomacy and authority. We wish to aid our students in becoming future ready global citizens - in pursuit of a humane world!



EDUCATORS' ENVISIONS...



I would like to congratulate you and your entire team for the successful execution of the MUN. My students have had a stimulating and enriching experience.
- Sangeeta Kapur, IB head and DPC, Smt. Sulochanadevi Singhania School

That was a wonderful experience!
We enjoyed the sessions . Totally and completely!vNot to mention the motivation and knowledge we gathered from NIMUN. Congratulations to the mentors, and the exceptionally talented youngsters. May god bless them to reach the heights they deserve.
- Ms. Sreeja Menon, Mentor

On behalf of Vidyani , I would like to extend our appreciation for the amazing work done by NISV TEAM for NIMUN10. The endless hours that NISV NIMUN team have spent working on this NIMUN10 and professionalism that team have Portrayed during session and also support given by the team during NIMUN10 Session.We are looking forward to NIMUN11 next year.
- Mr. Rakesh Huidrom, Navrachana Vidyani Vidyalya

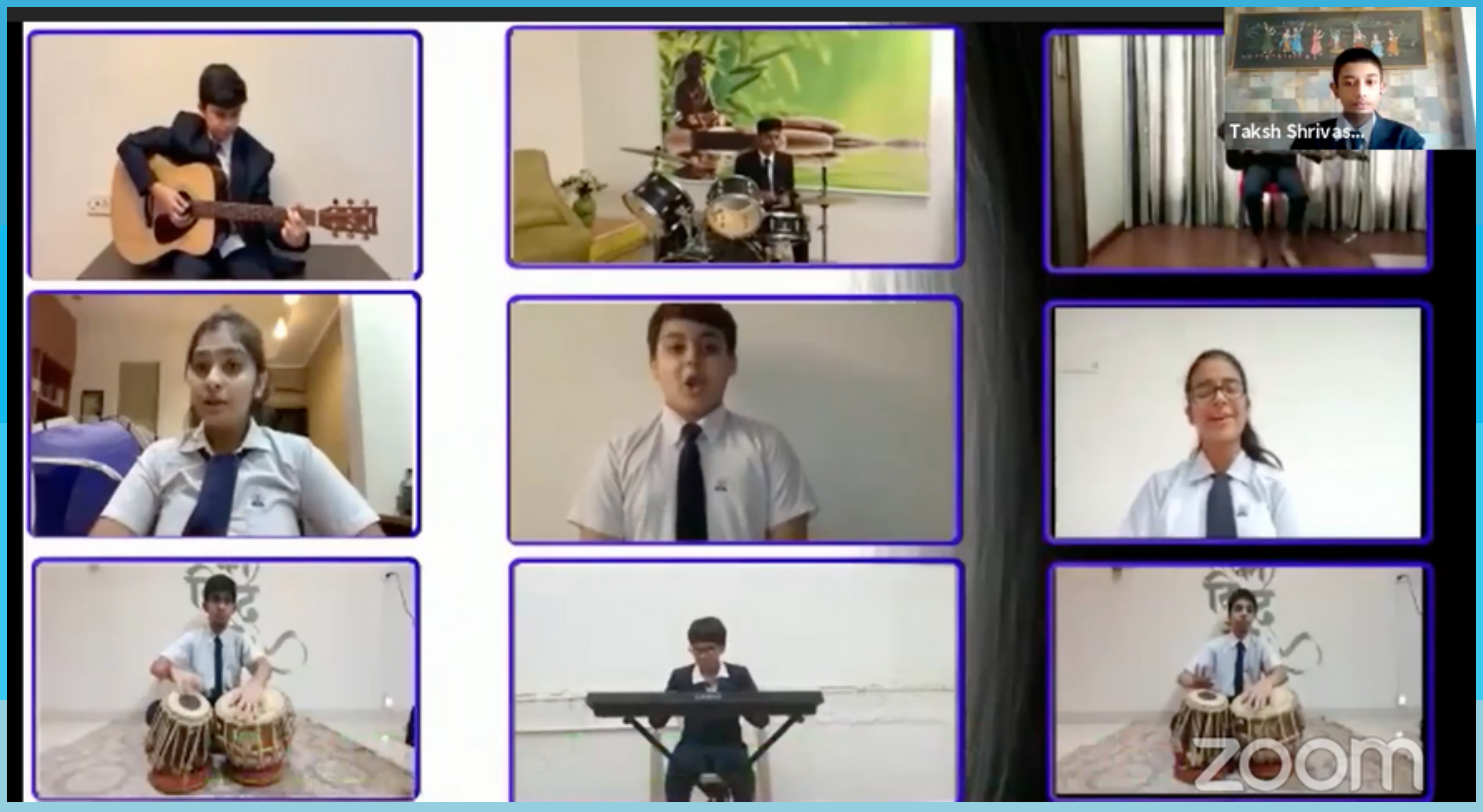
The NIMUN10 was overall a well-organised conference.·
The Tech team of NIMUN was completely on the ball and it played a very active part in every committee to ensure the smooth functioning of the issues related to internet and by highlighting speaker/mic issues, etc. The way the break-out rooms were handled was seamless. The live youtube sessions were a great idea.·
The Executive Board comprised of extremely well informed ' young leaders'. They were courteous and portrayed maturity. They handled the delegates with much sensitivity and gave fair opportunities to everyone. The EB displayed the true values of the school by always focusing on the agenda with dignity, grace and respect for everyone.
The discussions led to a lot of knowledge sharing and the sessions enabled impactful engagement.The guests, both on the opening and closing ceremony was a very good choice as they were relevant, informative and shared insights with the young delegates.·
The GA on the last day was a very good idea to further test the ability of the students to think on their feet. Choice of the topic was well suited and brought out relevant discussions.
I highly appreciate your efforts, Madam Lily as it's your mentorship that made this event a grand success. I also acknowledge and thank you for communicating every detail and keeping me updated according to the flow of the proceedings. I thank Mr Patel for his support whenever required. Wishing the school many congratulations on a successful conclave.
- Ms. Ottima Ragazza, MUN Coordinator & Faculty Advisor, Scindia Kanya VidyalayaGwalior, M.P.

It is extremely fulfilling and heartwarming as educators to see our students taking on the lead and addressing such important and pressing issues with so much clarity . The effortlessness with which I saw these young minds think and react was truly remarkable .IThe most important part of this exercise is to come up with innovative and feasible suggestions which was beautifully carried out by all the committees. The Chairs, co-chairs too did an incredible job of presiding over the delegates in an articulate manner.Last but not the least a special mention of the Tech team to seamlessly put this all together. Well done students..
-**Dr. Divya Chauhan, Faculty advisor (NISV Team 4)**

Shutterbug's Lens







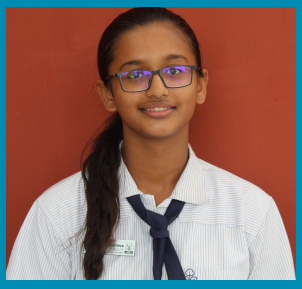


United Nations Security Council

Agenda:

The South China Sea Conflict





Chair: Sia Shah

"Success does not consist in never making mistakes but in never making the same one a second time"

I hope that our delegates become representatives of the United Nations; student amabassadors charged with building a better understanding of the organization while excercising successful diplomacy.

Co- Chair: Tia Shrivastava

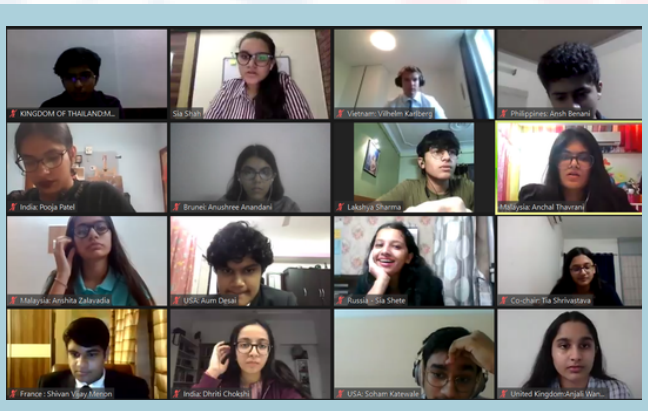
"Music is to my soul, what words are to my mind"

My vision for NIMUN X is to witness bright minds putting the best interest and necessities of humankind before their own, adhereing to quintessese of the beliefs the UN while upholding the dignity of the country.



South China Sea dispute: China adamant about its claims

The United Nations Security Council (UNSC) is primarily responsible for the maintenance of international peace and security and is the only UN organ where all Member States are obliged to comply with the Council's decisions. This year, for the NIMUN X ,the committee chose the agenda as the South China Sea Conflict. The South China Sea, one of the world's busiest waterways, has bountiful and untapped sources of oil and natural gas.The committee commenced with the General Speaker's List and soon a moderated caucus was conducted, which led to China denying allegations maintaining its stand on the conflict . China, which has been building military bases on artificial islands in the area for years, said the other nations "deliberately distorts facts and international law".Brunei, Malaysia, the Philippines, contest China's claim to almost all of the South China Sea. The countries have wrangled over territory for decades but tension has steadily increased in recent years.The room heated up when Vietnam shed light on the fact that China was taken to ICJ in 2016, where it was berated for the construction of artificial islands and illegally claiming the waters of the South China Sea. A lack of willingness by the US to confront China's firm on this issue left others in a state of disbelief. The session was full of surprising instances - India wittily raised a point of information and revealed a flaw in Russia's GSL, which contradicted the agenda. Despite the international pressure, China refused to bow down and stood firm on its stand.It said that it respected boundaries and other nation's sovereignty -pointing out that it has signed border treaties with twelve bordering countries -a proof of its peaceful intentions and its willingness to resolve disputes. India and Bangladesh presented their arbitration over the Bay of Bengal as an example for South East Nations and China to follow as they felt that such a step would take the relationship between the all these countries "one step forward." The session followed an unmoderated caucus to finalize a working paper. China declined to negotiate and launched into a harangue during BLOC formation. The executive board asked the delegates to revert to a moderated caucus, wherein they discussed human trafficking and the recent pandemic outbreak.China commented, "China finds it hypocritical that countries resort to historical facts and being accused of breaching international law. Why is China being accused of breaking the law in the present day?" Fingers were pointed at China and Russia and Malaysia accused them of profiteering through harvesting COVID-19 and other countries pondered over their tactless schemes.Upon the requests of ASEAN countries to the UN for intervention, China loosened its stance and agreed to give 20% of the territory to ASEAN countries. The committee meeting was adjourned with a plethora of colloquies and a nerve-wracking feat.



"Peace is not made at the council table or by treaties, but in the hearts of men." - Herbert Hoover



Spicy Snippets !

China: Tybalt of UNSC- a Romeo Juliet reference

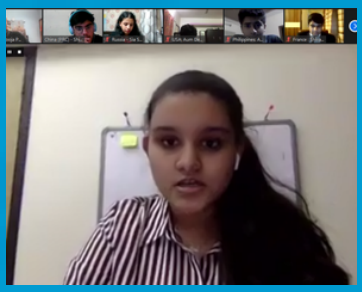
China: I don't have a short temper, I just have a quick response to nonsense.

South China Sea Conflict - Reaching a solution

Pushti Shah, TASS Russian News Agencyl

n the NIMUN 10, UNSC deliberated upon the Agenda of the South China Sea Conflict and China's claim of sovereignty over the sea. Day one began with the UNSC announcing themselves through the General Speaker's List, followed by establishing several agendas.The delegate of India wittily stated a flaw in the Russian Delegation's GSL, as it pointed out the inaccuracy in the point raised by Russia.The second day of the session commenced with countries tabling their views.The delegate of Malaysia believed that ASEAN countries should work together to strengthen their economy, while the delegate of China admitted to signing border treaties with 12 bordering countries so as to solve territorial and maritime issues.The committee was struck with a crisis, plummeting in China and neighbouring countries. "Millions of Muslims were relentlessly being smuggled for the purpose of human trafficking into China from the waterways from neighbouring countries including India, Malaysia, Brunei Darussalam and Vietnam." China denied the allegations,which led to the United Kingdom taunting the Chinese delegation to refer to current affairs. China found it hypocritical that countries resorted to historical facts and accused them of breaching the United Nations Convention of the law of the sea.To add to the crisis, a news update was introduced. An unknown witness had revealed that the "Government of Russia has been involved in human trafficking for the purpose of experimentation on Muslims for medical breakthroughs and the intentional harvest of coronavirus by Chinese and Russian authorities, 7 months later - China has potentially 0 cases and Russia has announced the first-ever vaccine, therefore raising suspicion."China labelled these "accusations" as a malicious attempt to undermine China.It rubbished the evidence produced .Malaysia taking China by horns said c "it has been revealed and hence is not an accusation, therefore, China is contradicting it." The Russian Delegation was firm ;refused to get into any kind of discussion on the topic- neither confirming nor denying the accusation. Malaysia, strongly accused China of profiteering through COVID-19. China combated this accusation and held firm to its stand on the issue.Malaysia -the most active nation-introduced the next motion for the discussion of possible solutions for the sea dispute. The delegate of Vietnam insisted, "A fair deal should be introduced, China cannot have a claim on 80%. Of the sea's resources". All nations agreed to Vietnam's point.The discussions resulted in China agreeing to give a fair share of the South China Sea resources to ASEAN countries. Thus providing a solution to resolve the South China Sea Conflict.

Security Council
United Nations



Delegate expectations

To me, NIMUN is a perfect plethora of my favourite interests which are politics and international affairs. Interacting and collaborating with delegates from all over the world seems like the perfect opportunity for my personal development and expanding my horizons. NIMUN is the perfect amalgamation of diplomacy and multilateral cooperation

-Shiven Chambial, DPS Gurgaon





"A nation has the right to defend itself, but when it comes to the broader issue of peace and security, the legitimacy rests only with the Security Council." -Kofi Anan

Disarmament and International Security Committee

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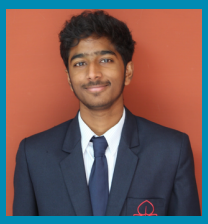
The Artificial Intelligence Arms Race: World Leaders And Their Views

The Artificial Intelligence Arms Race: World Leaders And Their Views The Disarmament and International Security Committee [DISEC] is one of the six main committees at the United Nations General Assembly [UNGA]. It deals with issues related to disarmament, global challenges, and threats to peace that affect the international community and seeks out solutions to the challenges in the international security regime.After rigorous research on topics of international security concern, the core team came up with the agenda- The Weaponization of Artificial Intelligence and Big Data.The delegates came well prepared and had carried out in depth research on their country's stand for the given agenda. They were ready to defend their country's stand and to tackle any opposition to it. Each delegate had done thorough research and had strong opinions on the use of big data and the implications of weaponizing AI. China and the USA -the two super - powers ,were under the radar from the beginning of the session as both nations had devoted a substantial part of their country's budget for development of big data and AI.The other countries accused both China and US of data theft and cyber attacks. The delegates of both these countries strongly denied these allegations.They overpowered the committee discussion and claimed that other nations are resentful of their superiority in the AI field and are mailigning them. The US being a democratic nation is mindful of respecting boundaries and sovereignty of other nations while China being a communist is not. The USA pointed fingers at the Chinese government for "Invasion of privacy and causing cyber attacks", the delegate of China was quick to rebut this attack and questioned the USA's development of autonomous weapons and their capabilities to cause destruction using AI.While discussing how much control humans can have over autonomous weapon systems, Russia and Germany presented contradictory viewpoints and were at loggerheads with one another. Russia felt "Reducing human controls would reduce human errors hence less chance of mishaps on the battleground," while Germany believed that "Machines should not be allowed to make life decisions. AI will have to be controlled by humans as it can learn and store large databases. If not checked they will have an upperhand, thus having the power to cause mass destruction."Allaying the fears of other nations, the delegate of Canada said- "Humans created artificial intelligence, thus they are more advanced than AI, machines and robots."But the big question is, are we?

AI overshadows the Crisis The delegate of Afghanistan was also a hot sensation in all committee sessions, especially those after the Executive Board introduced the committee with the crisis on the second day as it dealt with Al Qaeda; a terror group operating from Afghanistan.The crisis did ruffle a few feathers in the committee, but soon it was overshadowed by discussions on the application of Artificial Intelligence in the field of military, the potential dangers due to advancement in weaponization of AI, the consequences of overusing AI and not following the UN guidelines. It is the attraction each country has towards the development of artificial intelligence to create robots, drones, and other weapons that can be used in the military and the threats that come alongside these inventions that the delegates were more inclined to talk about and thus the crisis was resolved quickly, to get back to discussing the main agenda- weaponization of AI and big data.



Agenda: The weaponization of artificial intelligence and big data





Chair: Prinal Patel

"You can't win in life if you're losing your mind. Change your thoughts and it will change your life"

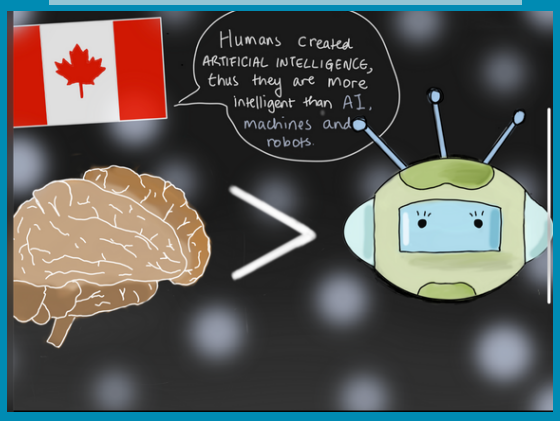
I expect to see an exemplary display of debating, coordination and listening from all of the delegates. Bring the best that you have with overflowing energy and enthusiasm. I hope to be a great chairperson and make it an enriching experience for all.

Co- Chair: Sagarika Menon

"Don't limit your challenges, challenge your limits"

I believe that NIMUN is a platform for young adults to debate about global issues and international policies while maintaining diplomacy and connect with these issues to help build a better tomorrow. I hope to see the same from all of you.

Additional chair: Vivica Jadanesan, ISSR Sweden



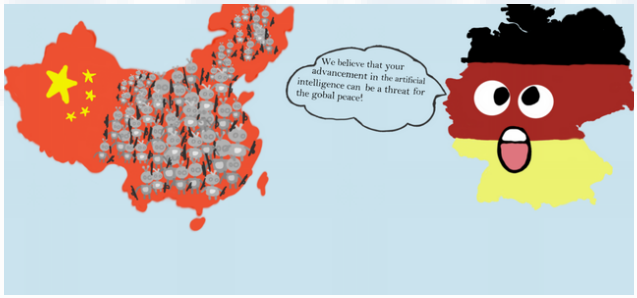
"The real question is, when will we draft an artificial intelligence bill of rights? What will that consist of? And who will get to decide that?" -Gray Scott

Is AI and Big Data the next revolution ininternational warfare?

Aditi Paul, Associated Press, New York.

The Disarmament and International Security Committee focuses on laying out resolutions withalliances and different motions that would be passed. The first day led to a moderated caucus with not a very fruitful discussion. The delegates were merely stating facts without addressing their country's stand on the agenda.The chairperson had to continuously urge the delegates to present motions that would be based on the agenda of the committee but in vain. The 2nd committee meeting led to a gripping debate on the potential dangers resulting from advancement of weaponization of AI; a motion proposed by Germany. The delegate of Canada brought up the topic of using robots as AI to which the delegate of Germany commented saying that the point was as straying from the topic. The US then proposed a motion to discuss the crisis at hand which was passed. The crisis to be discussed was that al-Qaeda had hacked into a humanoid in the USA for 10 minutes. Some country delegates blamed the US for its poor security measures and voiced their opinions regarding security breaches leading to security concerns. Some countries offered their aid to prevent this in future. An alliance with the US might prove to be helpful in the future considering it is one of the superpowers in technology and development. The delegate of the USA associated this statement to the development of AI in its country. He proposed a resolution and suggested that instead of banning AI, the countries should invest in it and promote its growth but within the human loop of course! This resolution was agreed by countries like Mexico, Germany and Canada but said that such casualty in the AI system cannot be ignored.According to the delegate of Pakistan, Afghanistan has not maintained its allies and has violated its alliance with many countries despite having alliance with a superpower like the US, it hasn't been successful to take any fruitful measures regarding the eradication. Hence the question is- Is Afghanistan productively using its alliance or is it just for namesake?

It was agreed that no country shall be given a label based on its terrorist activities as that is a matter of branding the entire nation. It was noticed that the meeting was straying from its topic repeatedly but yet, resulted in lively discussions at a later stage. Amidst this discussion, there was a new update, that the US had been developing technologies that had been banned in the meeting of the CCW(Convention on certain conventional weapons).NATO(North Atlantic Treaty Organization) intermediated the issue and wanted to hold a meetingwith the countries for the preparation and response to the smuggling and manipulation of USTechnology and data.A motion was passed to continue with the current discussion with the inclusion of the new update. After this, a resolution is yet to be made regarding the international ban of the autonomous military but most of the countries seem to be in favour.A question viable to ask is "Will AI and Big data soon take over the world and pose a threat to humanity or is it a boon in disguise? The answer remains undetermined for now but not for forever...



DISEC

Delegate expectations

I hope to gain a current view of the topic at hand, and understand the policies of various countries on this topic. I also hope to acquire skills like public speaking and researching skills

- Prabal Khare, Navrachana International School (CBSE)

Spicy Snippets !

Chair asumes the role of Pakistan and teams up with the USA to take on the entire committee at the time of crisis.

"AI doesn't have to be evil to destroy humanity – if AI has a goal and humanity just happens to come in the way, it will destroy humanity as a matter of course without even thinking about it, no hard feelings."
Elon Musk, Technology Entrepreneur, and Investor.

Economic and Financial Committee

ECOFIN

Chair: Karan Patel

"When you are backed against the wall, break the whole thing down"

NIMUN is a place where delegates can discuss major issues of the world. and that is what I expect to happen in ECOFIN. I wish to guide the committee towards having fun and insightful sessions throughout the day and that the delegates take back from the experience and also enjoy themselves along the way.

Agenda: The need for universal financial access





Co- Chair: Saloni Karia

"There are no regrets in life, just lessons."

Economics is my favourite subject and avidly that is what ECOFIN is all about. The biggest expectations I have for my committee are fruitful debating and great sense of relevance to the topic. I hope the delegates obbey decorum and have a convivial sessions. Moreover, I want them to aspire and have a resolution that could solve the discussed agenda.

Additional chair: Maria Martins, ISSR Sweden

Realizing the digital promise -the bumps and the pitfalls.





The first two days for the Economic and Finance Affairs Council passed smoothly with the delegates discussing and debating on their agenda, "The need for universal financial access".

The session began with a light discussion between the delegates and the chairs . Post it motions were raised by Russia, China , Netherlands and finally Kenya.

Russia raised the motion "Usefulness of digital finance" while Germany raised " Lack of identification for refugees in digital finance". Russia stated that digital finance and financial inclusion has several benefits to financial services users, digital finance providers, governments and the economy; notwithstanding, a number of issues still persist which if addressed can make digital finance work better for individuals, businesses and governments. While Germany looked at the humanitarian aspect of digital finance and advocated that the core essence of financial inclusion lies in its non-discriminatory principle that everyone, everywhere, should have access to essential financial services that are affordable and that meet their needs-hence provisions should be made to address the needs of the refugees.The delegates continued to debate enthusiastically on the motion and the votes were passed. China and Russia debated against the motion and pointed out the flaws of the motion.They felt that the motion has failed to address the issues of hacking, risks for consumers in Digital Finance and the big problem of identification of the refugees for their inclusion in this sector as most of them have low literacy levels.

Furthermore Columbia announced their 37% exposure to digital finance, at which the committee moved to the un-moderated caucus after surprisingly having discussed large aspects only of the sponsors and the signatories. Australia's proposal to form a unanimous bloc marked the end of the discussions for the day.

Proceeding to the second day for the ECOFIN committee commenced with motions being raised by Russia, Ethiopia, India, China and Indonesia. These were passed by the moderated caucus, though eventually all the motions failed.

Finally the motion raised by Germany was passed. Australia's continual disruption of the session forced the chair to reprimand it .It was asked by the chair to refer to the hand book.Later in the session ,the delegates discussed the steps taken by their government to support the agenda of The need for universal financial access. The day concluded with discussions of the and the working paper and formation of one block by the delegates from Australia and Germany .

"Economic growth without investment in human development is unsustainable and unethical." - Amartya Sen

ECOFIN's expression on the need for Financial access.

Vaishnavi Manta, Reuters

The topic of access to finance and financial inclusion has been of growing interest throughout the world, particularly in emerging and developing economies.The policy makers are also concerned with the potential negative consequences for macro stability when financial system assets are concentrated in relatively few individuals, firms, or sectors.With G20 nations increasingly focused on helping more low-income people participate in the financial system, the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, the Better than Cash Alliance, and the World Bank Development Research Group have partnered to highlight the exciting potential of digital payments so as to ensure financial inclusion.It is a well known fact that it is cheaper to send and to receive money digitally than it is to send liquid cash -both for individuals as well as for the government as it reduces the overhead costs of social transfer programs.Digital payments are safer; and help in reducing corruption spurring further innovation in this space and paving the way for more involvement by private sector actors and the international community.The challenges are immense.Just the existence of a digital payments infrastructure doesn't necessarily mean that people will choose to use it. Those who have never had a bank account not only need to be educated on how to use one but also have to be made aware of their safety and reliability. This will ensure that they use digital accounts to build credit history, save, and make financial plans not just to transfer money.The investigation finds clear evidence that addressing these significant challenges is well worthwhile -- for economies of all sizes, for governments, and for millions of people not included in the financial system -- especially women and children.According to UNICEF, the earlier children come into contact with financial service providers, the earlier they can recognize the role such institutions play in society. Germany and Australia despite their bilateral relationships and even some really pleasant trade relations ultimately landed is a heated discussion wherein Australia seemed to sidestep from the point of focus. However the committee being excessively focussed on the agenda -made a unanimous block with only one or two objections which were also approved finally. The resolution which was under construction found Australia and Germany as its two of the four sponsors on the very first day itself . After intense discussions and arguments, the crisis was scrutinised thoroughly and updated in the following session after an UNMOD criticized it for illicit transactions rather than support it for its contribution to the financial sector.After intense discussion about the crisis and the updates the committee entered an UNMOD followed by the drafting of the resolutions. Since it was a unanimous block ,the working papers were sponsored by : Australia,Kenya ,Germany and China and all others as the signatories. Hope the global community works together collectively to come up with solutions to ensure Financial inclusion for financial access to all.

Delegate expectations

As I am allocated a P5 nation, I expect to be recognised in committee since my role plays a major part. Apart from that I expect good cooperation between delegates and the chairs to proceed with committee in decorum.
-Anandita Salil,
Smt. Sulochanadevi Singhania School

Spicy Snippets !

Delegate of Australia- *speaks way over time limit*

Chair- Would you need permission to end your speech too"

Australia opens a kindergarten for first timers in MUNS





"It takes more than financial literacy to truly help people work, toward a stronger financial situation. Attention must also focus on their behaviors, self-efficacy and helping them develop systems to truly make a positive impact." -Vince Shorb

Special Political and Decolonization

SPECPOL

Agenda: Promoting sustainable foreign investement in the formerly colonized states





Chair: Aahna Arora

"I find it amusing that we are all pretending to be normal when we can be insanely interesting"

NIMUN has given a platform to so many delegates including me to express their opinions and stances on extremely vital topics. I expect the delegates in my comittee to not only follow utmost diplomacy but also have fun and learn some valuable lessons.

Co- Chair: Saanvi Chawla

"Life begins at the end of your comfort zome"

MUNs have always been an extremely dynamic experience. Just when you think you have mastered the art of diplomatic deliberation, the MUN world comes up with more challenges to constantly keep you on your toes . I am eagerly awaiting for stimulating discussion that will take place as a part NIMUN's virtual chapter.



A Day Of Discussions And Deliberations

On the first day of NIMUN 10, the Special Political and Decolonization Committee discussed the agenda "Promoting sustainable foreign investment in the formerly colonised states". The proceedings for the day commenced with several motions being raised by the delegates of Germany, Burkina Faso, Jordan, USA and the French Republic. An extremely pertinent motion was raised by the delegate of Jordan about the economic losses faced by formerly colonized countries. This led to a quite fruitful discussion surrounding the importance of the effect and aftermath colonization has on the economies of ex- colonies. During the stages of colonization, the native people of these nations had little to no influence on the way their own country was run. The outcome of this was that the people of the newly independent nation had very inadequate knowledge on how to keep the nation-state going and left them struggling with challenges of leading their nations whose economy was completely gutted and destroyed by colonisers.Colonialism left the independent nation unprepared to function in the modern global nation-state system and vulnerable to outside influence and pressure.

The delegates of colonised nations felt that sustainable Foreign direct investment will help in creation of higher skilled jobs, the introduction of technology and innovation and improved access to international markets. Keeping this sentiment in mind the delegate of Pakistan then raised a motion regarding the relevance of foreign direct investment for sustainable development. A point stated by the delegate of Germany about the importance of efficient and optimum use of funds provoked quite a discussion about the importance of FDIs for sustainable development.

There were also several motions raised by the delegates of Spain, China, Egypt and Norway. A motion by the delegate of Norway, concerning the impact of regional integration on economic activity was passed.

It was an extremely successful day, filled with heated debates. The delegates were also quite energetic and attentive throughout the session.



"From decolonization to outer space, peacekeeping to Palestinian refugees, from public information to mine action, the work of this Committee reflects issues that have been central for the work of the United Nations since our foundation." -President Peter

Rethinking support measures for the less developed countries.

Vrinda Gorripati , Xinhua News Agency.

The discussion by the members of SPECPOL committee was about ways to promote sustainable investment in the formerly colonised states.

It is reasonably evident that colonialism has had a long lasting impact on ex- colonies. Colonialism drew economic development in some countries and economic decline in the others. The delegate of China, during the drafting of a working paper, recommended the betterment of infrastructure in the LDCs to improve trade and commerce which would most definitely result in the growth in their economy. The delegate of Niger, on the other hand, advocated the reinforcement of security in the bordering countries in order to promote foreign direct investments. The delegate also mentioned that Niger, in spite of being a peaceful and politically stable nation, is unable to attract foreign investors due to "border insecurities". It is critical that countries with a fairly good and well-established economy sustain and increase their presence and participation in this important international forum and help the LDCs when in need. The delegate of Germany mentioned the several measures that were incorporated by the nation to promote FDI in the LDCs. The delegate of China, likewise, discussed the country's recent provision of aid to build 70 per cent of the roads in the town of Gwanda , Zimbabwe, geared towards "building relationships with the 'nearby' countries". Xinhua News Agency Reporter to the Delegate of China, SPECPOL: China is one of the world's largest economies. Do you think the fluctuations in China's economy matter for the LDCs?

The delegate's reply: "Yes, for sure. China invests in a number of countries and if it thinks it's going through recession, China would definitely delay or stop some part of the financial aid going out of the country so that it can run itself completely okay" An unanticipated crisis hurtled highlighting an immense recession in Germany's economy due to which the country had decided to marginally curtail the financial aid that it used to provide other countries. Countries such as Pakistan, Iraq and Bangladesh which are heavily reliant on aids from Germany were deeply affected. The delegate of Germany responded to the crisis with an apology and simply asked for "time to reach its recovery state". "The economy of Bangladesh is highly dependent on Foreign Direct Investment. If it doesn't receive aid from Germany, the economy of Bangladesh may collapse" the delegate of Bangladesh stated. The delegate of Iraq, contrary to the delegate of Bangladesh, confronted Germany for not being able to provide aid and for making false promises. " That's nothing but selfish. That's simply and particularly in all words, selfish" said the delegate of Iraq in response to the delegate of Norway's assertion about leading their nation to a self-sufficient state before granting aid to the LDCs. The delegates debated upon various subject matters and came up with very innovative proposals to provide help to the LDCs. With truthful and genuine economic and social support from the more developed countries, LDCs could unquestionably enhance their participation in the world economy and gain access to more opportunities. All this and more seemed to envelope the atmosphere in the SPECPOL committee and led to defining the session as a 'rousing and discerning' one.



SPECPOL

Delegate expectations

I expect that NISV will continue to host such enjoyable MUNS in the future, which I hope to again participate in.
-Arundhati Iyer, UWC Mahindra College

Spicy Snippets !

Germany cuts off financial aid for underdeveloped countries.

Underdeveloped countries: "And I can be needy, way too damn needy" *Ariana Grande reference*

"The United Nations is designed to make possible lasting freedom and independence for all its members."
-Harry S Truman

United Nations Historical Security Council

HSC

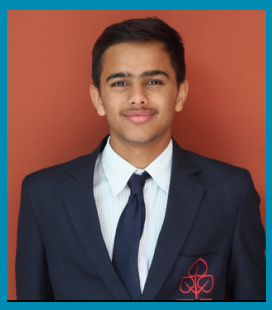
Clashes, Calling and Conversations...

The committee for Day 1 began with the Agenda "The impact of the Iranian Hostage crisis on the latter half of the 20th century". The delegate of the United States along with the delegate of Iran began a heated debate discussing the USA's accountability of being involved in a war between countries that it supports. Further in the session, the Delegate of Israel raised a motion to discuss the ongoing Gulf war that took place in 2003 between the United States and the country of Iraq which passed by the majority voting. Instead of presenting the views of the USA, the delegate chose to reply to the accusations made by the delegates of Iraq and Iran. This later led to a fiery debate between the Delegate of the United States and Delegate of Iraq, which led to the delegate of USA to ask the chairperson to debar the delegate of Iraq from the committee proceedings due to his offensive remarks. The arguments of the USA 's delegate was supported by the delegate of Kuwait.

The delegate of Iraq was called out by the delegate of the USA regarding being held accountable for committing humanitarian crimes and killing in Kuwait by the utilisation of nuclear weapons which was against the policies and acts of the president Saddam Hussain, Iraq used these weapons to their advantage. Furthermore, the chairperson of the committee wished to represent the change of response of Kuwait during the ongoing discussion in the session, which happened to be the end of the second motion. Subsequently, the delegate of Israel declared that Iraq has pursued attacking and striking against Israel in the gulf war. The delegate of the United States who constantly opposed the points made by the Delegate of Tunisia, asked for the point to not be acknowledged when The Delegate of Tunisia shared the country's stand on world war. The first day of committee proceedings ended with the delegate of the USA being influenced by any country intimidating,leading to an impressive start for the committee, UNHSC.



Agenda: The impact of the Iranian hostage conflict on the latter half of the 20th century





Chair: Vyom Patel

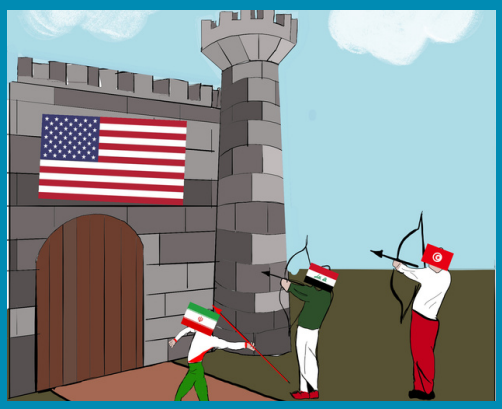
"Success is how high you bounce when you hit the bottom"

NIMUN is an event we all look forward to the most and I am extremely grateful for the opportunity of chairing such an important committee. I expect fruitful debate leading to concrete reolutions along with four days of zeal and pure delight.

Co- Chair: Rishika Pandit

" I rebel, therefore I exist"

I am in eager anticipation of the unique perspective that the delegates will bring to the NIMUN 10 simulation and I sincerely hope that they too find in MUNs an opportunity to connect with the burning issues of today's world.



"The UN wasn't created to take mankind into paradise, but rather, to save humanity from hell." - Dag Hammarskjöld

HSC

Delegate expectations

Unhsc is a committee I've never been a part of before and to be honest this is the first time that I've learnt about it as well. going back in time and assuming we're in 1990 is a difficult thing since you need to keep in mind that the world isn't as developed and progressed as it is today. This committee is extremely challenging . wondering about how the actual committee sessions would be has already got me all excited . With these unprecedented times due to the Covid , NIMUN is definitely fulfilling my wish to go back in time by making me a delegate of Iran In the UNHSC

-Mishty Thakker, Navrachana International School (IB)

Spicy Snippets !

The USA and Iran at loggerheads. Iran questions the penalty for treason in the USA and the USA questions the legitimacy of Iran's penalty giving abilities because of its human rights abuse.

Iranian Hostage Crisis - Has it really calmed down?

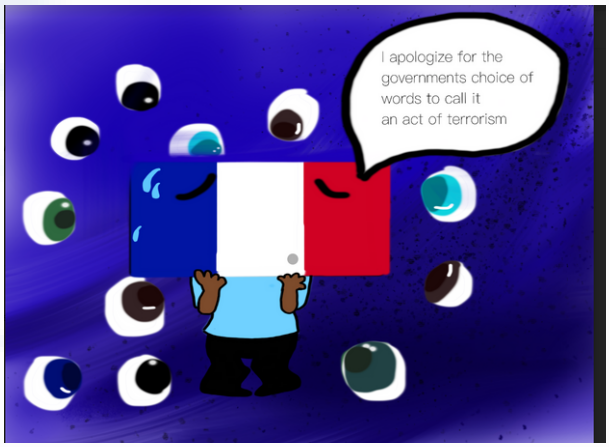
Shanvi Patel The United Press International

The Iranian Hostage Crisis conflict changed the course of American History.It was the culmination of several decades of bad blood between the United States of America and Iran.

On Day 1 of the committee, Iran and the USA's heated arguments kept the air buzzing. "If the US crimes against Iran were shown to the world, it would make a large book," said the delegate of Iran. The delegates of Iran and the USA protected their country's stance -arguing fiercely and not yielding ground to one another.Iran accused the US of providing weapons to Saddam Hussain -the accusation which the US strongly denied and claimed it to be false . Reiterating its country's stand it said,'The USA never acted, enacted or had any kind of participation with the Iran Iraq war.'The delegate requested an apology from Iran for its unwarranted accusations.

Next the moderated caucus regarding the "ongoing gulf war" took place wherein as the chair had to step in to take the palace of the Delegate of Kuwait as Kuwait was absent.The Chair states " During the Iran and Iraq war, Iraq received funding(2-3 billion dollars) from many countries- Iraq was unable to give the money back. Iraq pleaded for exemption citing its poor economy as the reason for its inability to pay back-the other nations refused to give a ropeway to Iraq.The country saw the conflict as an opportunity to invade Kuwait ;take over the oil mills and earn money by selling oil-pay back its lending nations

The shocking mid-Committee conflict and the two news updta about france's role in spread of COVID -19 put the delegates of the United States of America and France on a backfoot.An apologetic France said " It was unintentional to spread the virus, however, the French government is apologetic and is willing to help nations as needed, also it was wrong to call it an act of terrorism " .On the other hand, the USA claimed it to be false news and said ,' The USA is in a dilemma why it is being condemned and held responsible for the spread of spread of the virus in Iraq'.Furthermore,the Delegate of the USA in his resolution mentioned the democratical judicial process would be taken against the scientist responsible for 17,000 deaths. Iran immediately reverted to USA's statement and said: "When Iran asked for the Shah after 26 years of constant torture and cruelty on its citizens, why did the USA not return the Shah?" The United States retorted "The Shah that you are mentioning was told by your people and government to go away, therefore the Shah escaped. It was not just the United States of America but also the country of Egypt, The Shah is buried in Cairo because that was his last resting place". The delegate further stated "The delegate of Iran's position is only focusing on the United States and not Egypt? This is absolutely bilateral that Iran is taking their benefit" " Offering Asylum to the monarch of Iran, Egypt was just showing some humanity to the monarch of Iran" said Egypt. The Iranian Hostage Crisis though long over still cast its shadow on the discussions with the nations showing little faith and trust in one another's actions.



"Some people think that you have to be the loudest voice in the room to make a difference. That is just not true. Often, the best thing we can do is turn down the volume. When the sound is quieter, you can actually hear what someone else is saying. And that can make a world of difference." – Ambassador Nicki Haley United States of America

United Nations Office for Outer Space Affairs

UNOOSA

Chair: Rishabh Somani

"Hard work beats talent when talent doesn't work hard"

I am absolutely thrilled to experience my first online model United Nations and I expect to take away something from the discussions put forth by all the delegates. UNOOSA is a new committee with tremendous potential. The agenda of discussion is well set and I can anticipate various debates and great energy from Day 1.

Agenda: The need for universal financial access





Co- Chair: Devbrat Hariyani

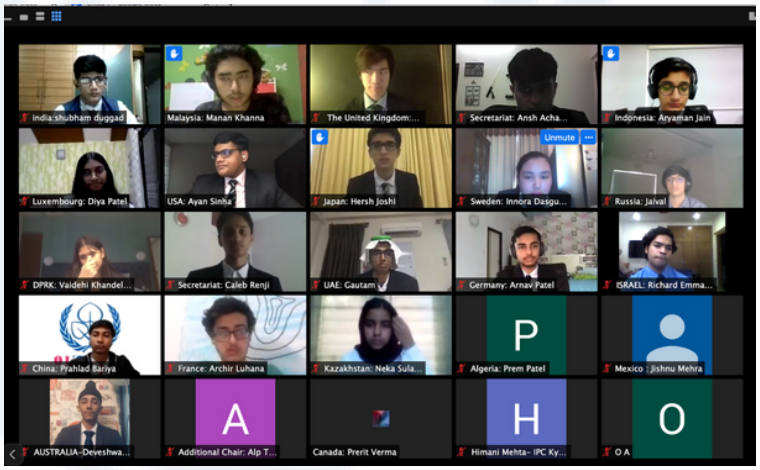
"Being second is to be the first of the ones who lose"

I expect to see in my committee as well because of the various ideas that can be proposed to understand the new era that we are heading towards. Therefore, I firmly believe NIMUN to be a constructive forum for open dialogue on a range of complex issues, including internation

Additional Chair: Alp Tuztas, ISSR Sweden

The Race For Space

The agenda for the first committee session of UNOOSA was 'the commercialization of space-regulation, the exploration, exploitation and utilization of space resources'. Nations such as the USA and Indonesia were in support of advancing the growth of space exploration and commercialization, DPRK was partly in support of this idea but cautioned against using the private sector firms for this purpose, due to their capitalist nature wherein their primary goal will be to turn a profit.DPRK pointed out that the exploration and use of space should be for the benefit of all humanity and for peace, security and development. The delegate of the UK pointed out the need for collaboration amongst all the nations for space exploration due to its exorbitant cost as it is a technologically intensive as well as labour intensive endeavour. Most countries favoured the UK's request for collaboration and to have joint space programs. However, countries like Malaysia and France cautioned the nations in their race for space .They wanted the nations to first assess the environmental impact due to increase in space exploration .They advocated setting up regulations-abiding on all - before the nations began their quest for space exploration and for the utilization if space resources and cautioned against privatization of space.On the second day of NIMUN X, the delegates of UNOOSA brought up very rational arguments regarding their countries and were primarily focused on the issue of "privatization of space".The committee proceedings took off from where they left off from the previous day. During the course of a few moderated caucuses raised by the delegates, a few major developments were made. Later, the committee had an unmoderated caucus where all the delegates started writing up the drafts of their working papers .The session ended with a discussion of their working papers as they will be important for laying the foundation of the draft resolution.





"A sense of the unknown has always lured mankind and the greatest of the unknowns of today is outer space. The terrors, the joys and the sense of accomplishment are epitomized in the space program."- William Shatner

UNOOSA



Spicy Snippets !

There were two occasions when we looked to adjourn, but however, the delegates raised a motion for moderated caucus both times- Cochair laments

Nations agree -Sustainable development of Space must

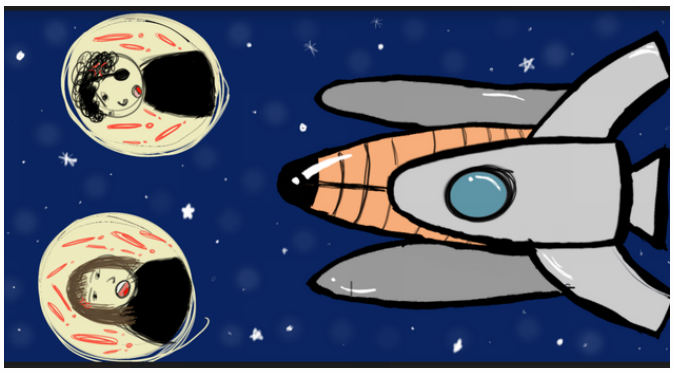
Covid -19 casts its shadow on the discussions

The delegates from the UNOOSA committee discussed the actions of Russia and that inevitably led to a crisis. The delegate of the USA proposed that countries should help nations that have been severely affected by COVID-19. The USA also supported Russia and said that 'things like this are bound to happen and we need regulation to provide proper safety '. Japan demanded compensation from Russia as it blamed it for the crisis. In order to pressurise Russia and to find support for its compensation Japan went out of its way to create a board with other countries for establishing proper security procedures. The delegate of the UK agreed with Japan's plan to form a board as the UK felt that Russia's actions were reckless . Under the pressure from multiple nations Russia said that it will give compensation after the COVID-19 pandemic. However, the delegate of UAE was not happy with this plan and said that a late compensation given is unacceptable -Russia needs to take immediate action and clean up the mess they made-satellites should be relaunched. Algeria supported the UAE stand and said that under the UN treatise Russia is bound to compensate.

The delegate of Malaysia found it ironically that all the delegates were sitting and blaming Russia ; asking it to pay compensation instead of trying to come to a solution and chipping in money. Malaysia suggested removing the space debris using a laser. Germany believed that it was not fair to ask Russia to pay the compensation instead regulations should be laid down for conducting tests to avoid such a situation in future.

Russia welcomed this gesture of Germany and claimed that the Russian space agency works professionally and cannot be blamed for accidents during a launch. It proposed to form a supervisory body to oversee the removal of space debris by bringing them back to Earth.The UK ,skeptical of Russia's plan,felt that the plan was not good.Russia promised to provide use of its satellites to other countries during this global pandemic.

As a result ,the topic shifted from the Russian crisis, to the topic of space commercialization and the main agenda of the committee session. Japan was concerned about the negative environmental impacts of bringing back large amounts of space debris. Most countries were committed to expand their space program in order to gain access to space resources, UAE proposed fair distribution of these resources.The delegate of France proposed involvement of Private companies should work in tandem with Government agencies for space exploration so as to make it cost effective. Japan supported France as it believed that without the research and support of private firms the world wouldn't have reached where it was .The delegate of UAE too acknowledged the crucial role played by private companies in fostering the space economy. However, nations like DPRK and India were not in support of commercialization of space as they felt involving private agencies will have a negative impact on environmental impact as they are driven by their desire to make a profit. The agenda of the commercialization of space- regulating, the exploration, exploitation and utilization of space resources, was greatly discussed in this committee, some countries see eye to eye on certain issues and some don't. Is space exploration a viable idea? Is commercializing space a good idea? Only time will tell.



"Don't tell me that man doesn't belong out there. Man belongs wherever he wants to go - and he'll do plenty well when he gets there."Wernher von Braun, Rocket Engineer

International Press Corps





Chair: Diya Rajgor

"Sometimes the smallest things take up the most room in our heart after all."

Media plays an important role as the fourth estate. It is truly an honour to be a part of the international press corps let alone presenting chairperson. To me, NIMUN is a platform that forms a link between the United Nations Organisation and global citizens. I believe it offers substantial confidence and regard for the ever changing world around us.

Co- Chair: Hetvi Chaniyara

"I have always imagined that paradise will be a kind of library."

I hope to see the delegates put forward unconventional approaches to journalism as conducting IPC online is going to be unbelievable and exciting to concduct. MUN has been a platform for me to confidentely present my stance and therefore I hope the delegates to do the same so that we can have a fruitful and englightening discussion.

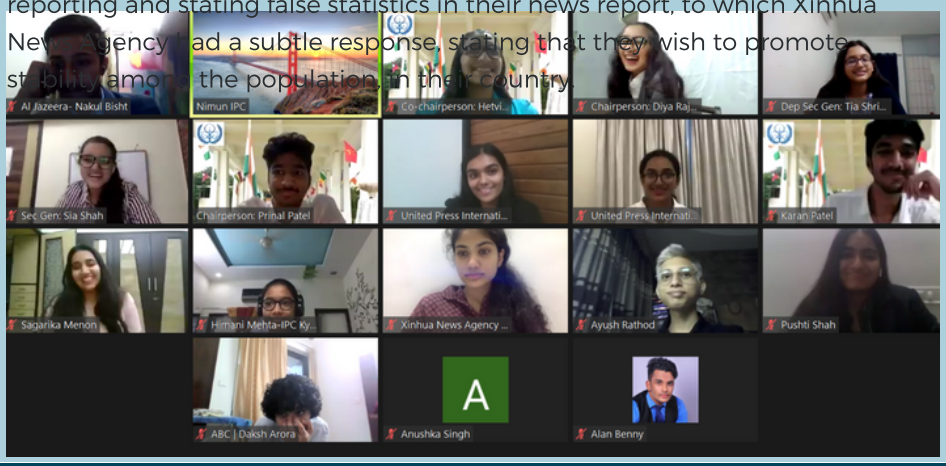


Xinhua Targeted for not voicing its population; TASS faces criticism for unobjective presentation- Al Jazeera accused for bias reporting

The International Press Corps commenced their third day of the Navrachana International Model United Nations, by launching a formal committee proceeding, after its delegates spent the last two days reporting on the occurrences in other committee sessions. The Chairperson, Diya Rajgor, and Co-Chairperson, Hetvi Chaniyara, began with the roll call, to mark the presence of the delegates in the committee. Due to the pandemic, and the necessity to adhere to guidelines, this session took place online, using zoom meetings.

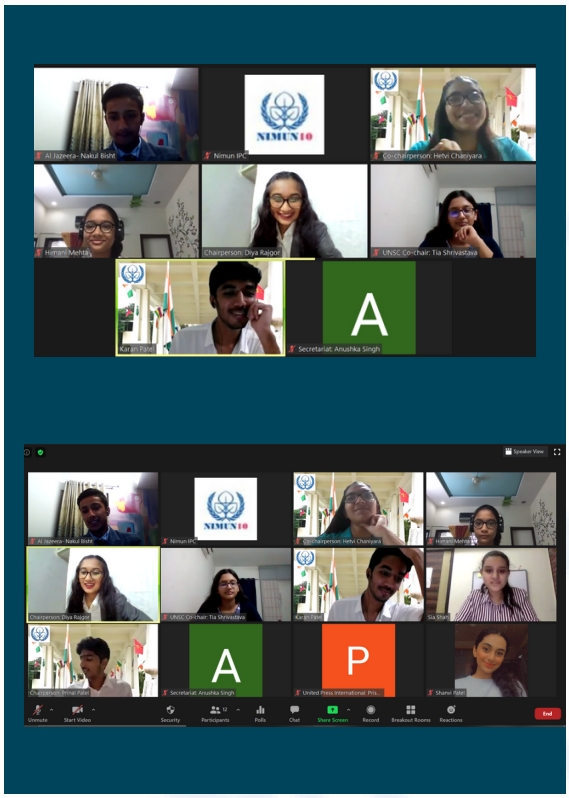
The agenda at hand, was to "Discuss how the media throws light upon the various global issues at hand owing to the gravity of the situation considering the role of ethics in journalism." This agenda aimed to throw light on the value of ethics and right reporting of news and information during the Covid Crisis, and further to raise awareness of unethical practices and the spreading of fake news by media agencies, during the pandemic.

The committee proceedings commenced with the motion raised by the delegate of Telam Argentina, after which the General Speakers' List was established when the delegate of United Press International, Reporter A, raised the motion to do the same. The GSL contained globally recognised agencies such as TASS Russian News Agency, United Press International, and the Australian Broadcasting Corporation. In the GSL, Agencies mainly focused on the ways in which their media has been influencing the pandemic, and adhering to ethical and right journalism. Soon, a moderated caucus was launched, by the United Press International- Reporter B, to discuss "Media Coverage during Covid 19 pandemic". This topic was passed under the chair's discretion, due to the necessity for the discussion and raising awareness as well as connecting ethical journalism to the pandemic. The discussion saw Xinhua News Agency, TASS Russian News Agency, as well as Associated Press Pakistan, among others participating to present their stance on the media coverage. In this caucus, Telam Argentina accused Xinhua News Agency for reporting and stating false statistics in their news report, to which Xinhua News Agency had a subtle response, stating that they wish to promote stability among the population in their country.



The media's the most powerful entity on the Earth. They have the power to make the innocent guilty, and the giulty innocent, and that's power. Because they control minds of the masses— **Malcolm X**

International Press Corps



Framing the headlines...

Ayush, AFP: Genesis of another catastrophe shadows the continent of EuropeOr Nations in discourse as they express aversion with solidarity against China

Vrinda, Xinhua: Prolonged Global Recession In The Wake Of Covid 19

Nakul, Al Jazeera: Covid 19, An Ever Lengthening And Darkening Night. Or Booming Virus Leads To Dooming Economy

Spicy Snippets !

Agency AP Pakistan considers the happenings in UNHSC. Highlight being "gross gross gross."

Drafting the news: IPC hard at work...

Beat Committee : UNSC
Delegate : Pushti Shah
Agency : TASS Russian News Agency

6.23 :
Chairperson asked to raise motions

Singapore - Extension of previous motion

Brunei- Role of mediators such as the ASEAN (10/60)
USA- Discuss the controversial actions taken by China with regards to the co[illegible] (10/60)
Germany- Discussing global impacts of the South China Sea Conflict. (10/60)

The Delegate of Brunei raised a motion to - Failed

USA PASSED :

Delegate of Vietnam : 2016, Philippines took China to court - china will not accept any claim china accused USA

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Motions:

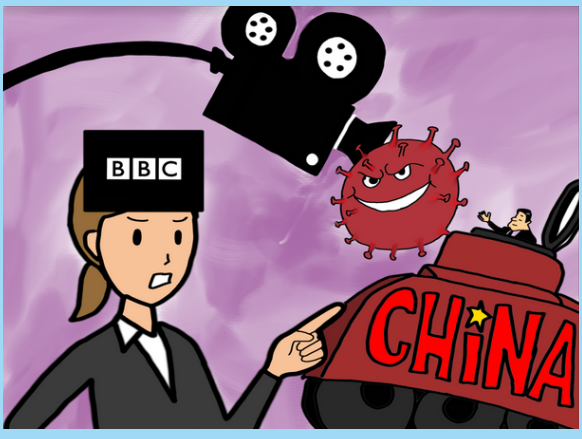
Malaysia- Extend the time by previous motion established(5/60)
Singapore-
Vietnam discuss the roles of Non-claimant countries (10/60)

CHINA : claims of sovereignty over the sea—
and the sea's estimated 11 billion barrels of untapped oil and 190 trillion cubic feet of natural gas
—have provoked countries like Brunei, Indonesia, Malaysia, the Philippines, Taiwan, and Vietnam

Delegate of Vietnam : 2016, Philippines took China to court - china will not accept any claim

India cleverly stated out a flaw in Russia's GSL : which contradicted Russia's stand on the Conflict.

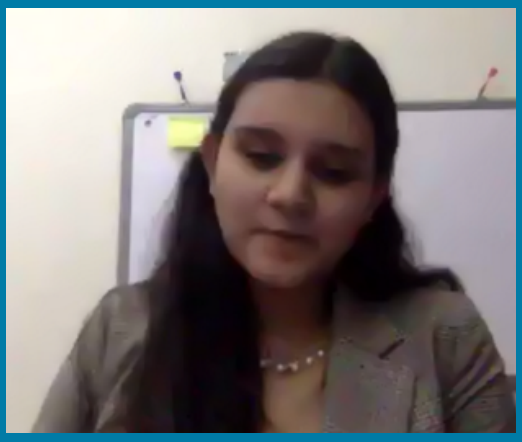
China's increased efforts to reclaim land in the South China Sea —- physically increasing the size of islands or creating new islands.



"You can't pick and choose which types of freedom you want to defend. You must defend all of it or be against all of it" -Scott Howard Phillips

The General Assembly in A Crisis Situation
Global Covid-19 Meltdown.
Recession & Retrenchment





The penultimate day of NIMUN X witnessed a robust debate on the downtrends in global economy. Drawing upon the real-life situation of economic recession and large-scale retrenchment, the simulation set the stage for a robust discourse. Each of the participating schools represented an allotted country in the committee, which was a considered selection of key trans-continental international players.

The Core Team, led by Sia Shah and assisted by fellow Core Team Members Sagarika Menon, Rishika Pandit and Devbrat Hariyani, steered the simulation with
remarkable finesse. The Committee Chairs assumed the role of the members of the secretariat to support the committee. The delegates viewed the looming food crisis with acute concern, and minced no words about the large numbers rendered jobless, expressing their grievance over the disastrous consequences of the first wave of the pandemic.

Strategically timed news updates infused renewed vigour in the discourse, making the discussions robust as well as all encompassing. From pronouncements of a paradigm shift in political affiliations and the consequent emergent trends in international politics to economic damage control programmes such as free trade, the student delegates pitched in strong and presented their country's perspectives assertively and assuredly. Emotional swings from composure to passion, and from restraint to upfront aggression – the simulation offered it all.

Observing the committee proceedings and the energy levels sustained consistently, a deep sense of admiration and pride filled the heart. Taking challenges head on while keeping their head on their shoulders and feet firmly on the ground was a fact the delegates drove home in style!
The session was adjourned with the Chair emphasising the need to take it up furtherin the Security Council.



Rendezvous with Mr. Rajiv Bhatia

Indian Foreign Service (Retired)

Our chief guest, Mr Rajiv Bhatia expressed his delight to be au courant of what the students of NISV have achieved and, indicated his happiness of learning a new word from us, i.e., NIMUN. He continued by praising the maturity and wisdom exhibited by the participants and to coordinate an event with such excellency.

As a modest scholar, he sermonized on the recent changes in the world, which is undoubtedly reflected by the pandemic catastrophe. Furthermore, he mentioned that these changes are best reflected in some words we've come across in the past few months. In schools, we have learnt that human beings are social animals; the newest addition to the vocabulary was social distancing. He admitted having never heard of this word before. Another example given by him was WFH, an abbreviation of Work From Home, he commented that these words have become a part and parcel of our lives. Online education and e-medicines are symbols of the dawn of a new generation. Moreover, he proclaimed that we have many options except despondency, the spirit of sacrifice, suffering and determination to conquer the challenges and, therefore innovation, resilience and courage. He said that these are the values, the guideposts which will mobilize us. Furthermore, he expounded on globalization, multilateralism and multipolarity.

Quoting Eleanor Roosevelt's words, he said that the UN is the greater hope for mankind. He introduced the words of the present UN Secretary-General, who was asked to evaluate the UN and said that " the basic achievement is that the UN prevented the scourge of a third world war."He concluded by thanking the school, once again, for the invitation and left some encouraging words of wisdom, saying, "You all are entering what is called a knowledge economy. It will be a competitive world where you will not have the time to rest on your laurels. What you have won is only to be celebrated today, thus you must continue winning to stabilize yourself."



Thank you so much, Bhatia Sir! What a poignant and inspiring address! You raised very pertinent issues and they all were thought-provoking. The explanation you gave of multilateralism and the lighter part of the lingo, all need to be heard by our students.

- Ms. Tejal Amin



Closing Address

Secretary General Sia Shah

These past 4 days, that observed intense diplomatic discourse across seven diverse committees, has been an invigorating and inspiring experience for team NIMUN. This is the first time that NIMUN has been hosted on a virtual platform, as, despite the difficulties that this year brought, we wished to celebrate the beginning of a new decade by providing our delegates with a most memorable and pedagogical experience.

It was heartening to see, tomorrow's leaders immersing themselves into thought-provoking discussions, and constructive debate with spirited camaraderie.

Student delegates engaged in an open dialogue on a range of complex, pertinent issues, ranging from the South China Sea Conflict, The Weaponization of Artificial Intelligence and Big Data and promoting sustainable foreign investment to discussing the Impact of the Iranian Hostage Conflict, the need for universal financial access, and the commercialisation of space resources.

We hope that through these galvanizing agendas, delegates can now think critically about the world around them, and think in new and ambitious ways.

All committee sessions were also energized with the involvement of the International Press Corps that probed inquisitively and skillfully spearheaded diplomatic dialogue.

The proceedings of the 4 days have been exceptionally encapsulated by the NIMUN Press Team and published in our very own newsletter.

The General Assembly which marked the culmination of the conference, provided student delegates with an opportunity to ratify their knowledge acquired over the last 4 days, as they negotiated and cooperated with other delegations in a crisis situation. The economic crises discussed, revolved around the agenda of the Global COVID Meltdown. From deliberating over the Impact of the current American Recession and Retrenchment to finding possible solutions for a Food Crisis in Europe, the delegates responded actively and critically, as they assumed 21st Century leadership roles . The future only promises even more challenges, and with this simulation of the General Assembly, I hope that delegates today will rededicate themselves to the cause of truly universal human rights and remain in "pursuit of a humane world".

I would like to conclude with the words of the former Secretary General Kofi Annan, "To live is to choose. But to choose well, you must know who you are and what you stand for, where you want to go and why you want to get there."

Let these words resonate in our hearts and minds as we leave the precincts of NIMUN.



Until next time!

Students of Navrachana International School Vadodara marked the end of NIMUN 10 with a spectacular closing ceremony that began with a montage of images from the past nine NIMUNs. It was heartwarming to see the conference that began as just a co-curricular activity, grow and mature into an international event, with students participating from Sweden, Pune, Delhi and USA!

Chairperson, Navrachana…. , Tejal Amin then addressed the gathering. The montage made her take a walk down the memory lane and as she reflected on her experience, she shared that this year, NIMUN was more special with its virtual grandeur. Ms. Amin was s in awe of the reaction and participation NIMUN 10 received. She found the silver lining in the fact that numerous schools were able to participate this year only because it was held online. She observed that the varied opinions and perspectives all the delegates brought to the MUN, reflects diversity in its true essence. Although the conference was held under the dark cloud of a pandemic, the computers did bring us together. However, the strengthening of the bond, the friendships, and connections the delegates would have made during the ball and informal sessions was surely missed.

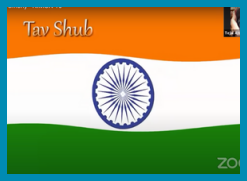
Secretary General, Sia Shah along with the chairs of all seven committees then announced the awardees for each committee with their personal reflections.

The common remark made by all the chairs was that it was a difficult job to pick a few delegates for the awards because each and everyone came prepared to put forward their best foot to have fruitful discussions.
“The line between an actual committee room and a virtual meet was instantly blurred as soon as our young diplomats were given a stage to share their viewpoints.”-said the chair of DISEC, and the others agreed.

Talking about the perfect timing to hold a MUN, the esteemed chief guest of the event, Mr. Rajiv Bhatia from New Delhi shared his views with everyone. He said that there is a special meeting being held by the UN to discuss globalization, and multi-lateralization. Mr. Bhatia quoted- “We swim or sink together” when he shared his perspective on globalization He was amused that such events teach young minds the skills like diplomacy. His wit, humour and honesty left a mark on everyone who bore witness to his speech.

Ms. Amin was completely moved by the thought provoking topics he discussed.To add flavour to the closing ceremony, there was a special dance and song performance prepared by the students on ‘Believers by Imagine Dragons’. This performance was presented as an ode to someone feeling lost, encaged and then taking control of the situation to motivate everyone to take charge of the world.

To end the four day event, Aahna Arora expressed the vote of thanks to the Chief Guest, Principal, the Core team, the chairs, the tech team, the delegates and everyone who was a part of NIMUN 10.



Bidding adieu to NIMUN 10





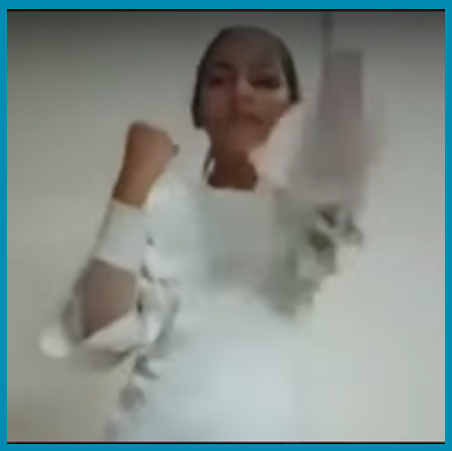






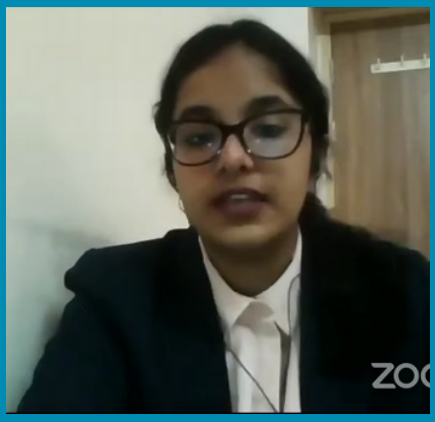






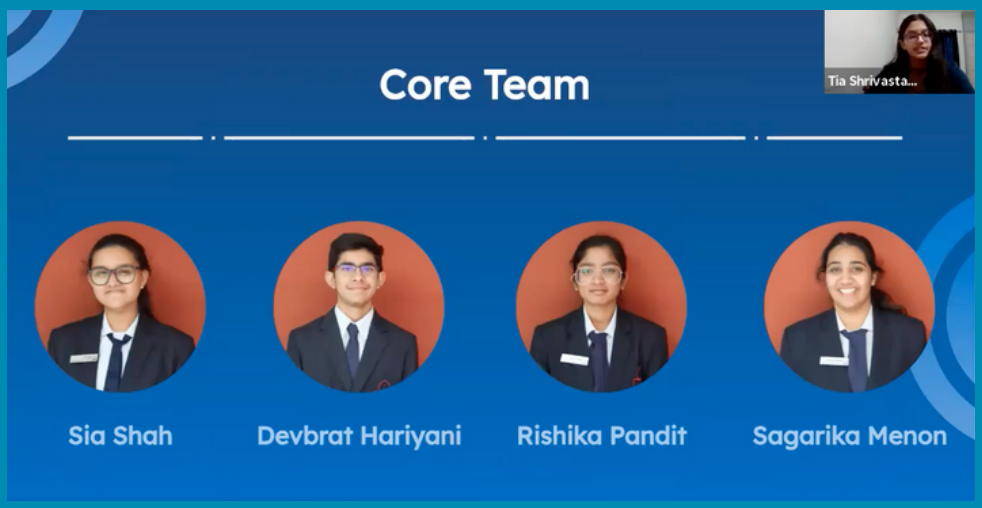








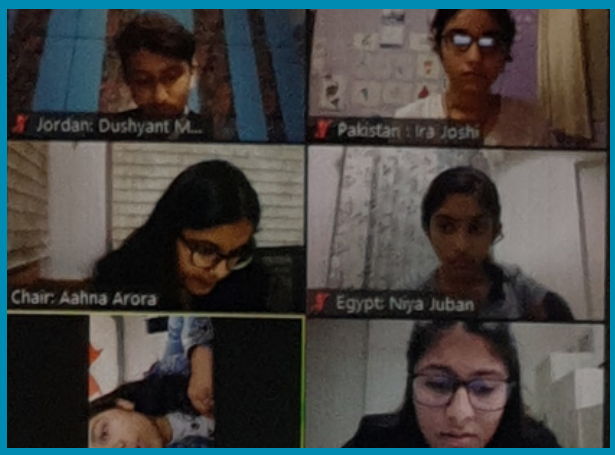
Glimpses of NIMUN 10

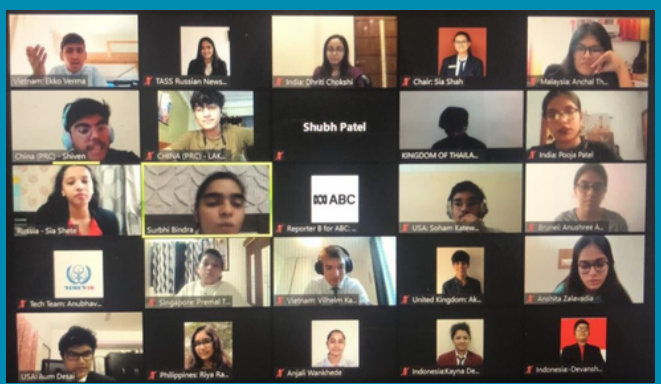


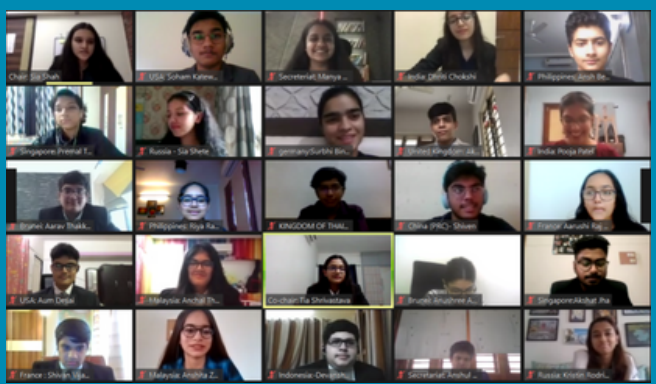


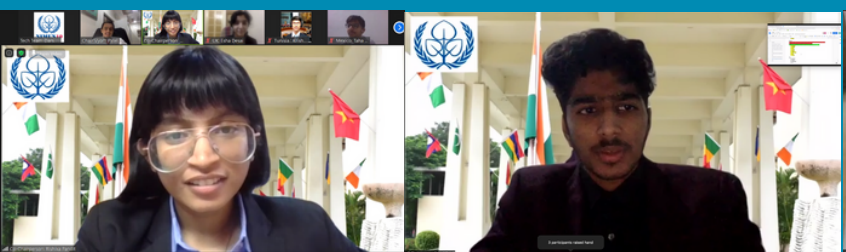












Awards and Commendations

Best school delegation: UWC Mahindra College, Pune

UNSC

Best delegate: Lakshya Sharma and Shiven Chaimbal (Delegate of People's Republic of China)

Best position paper: Ekaksh Verma and Wilhelm Karlberg (Delegate of Vietnam)

Chair's commendation Best delegate: Pooja Patel and Dhriti Chokshi (Delegate of India)

Chair's commendation Best position paper: Anchal Thavrani and Anshita Zalavadia (Delegate of Malaysia)

DISEC

Best delegate: Apremeya Sudarshan (Delegate of Mexico)

Best position paper: Aditya Iyer (Delegate of Germany)

Chair's commendation Best delegate: Sudhanshu Tiwari (Delegate of USA)

ECOFIN

Best delegate: Tanvi Nagar (Delegate of Australia)

Best position paper: Omar Alabou (Delegate of Vietnam)

Chair's commendation Best delegate: Akshat Nishad (Delegate of Germany)

SPECPOL

Best delegate: Arundhati Iyer (Delegate of Norway)

Best position paper: Khush Thakkar (Delegate of Haiti)

Chair's commendation Best delegate: Rubi Vasani (Delegate of Chad)

UNHSC

Best delegate: Kushagra Bansal (Delegate of USA,

Best position paper: Sanshrita Khamesra (Delegate of Saudi Arabia)

Chair's commendation Best delegate: Mishty Thakker (Delegate of Iran)

UNOOSA

Best delegate: Richard Emmanuel (Delegate of Israel)

Best position paper: Innora Dasagupta (Delegate of Sweden)

Chair's commendation Best delegate: Ayan Sinha (Delegate of USA)

IPC

Best delegate: Daksh Arora (Australian Broadcasting Company)

Best position paper: Vrinda Gorripati (Xinhua News Agency-)

Chair's commendation Best position paper: Shanvi Patel (United Press International Reporter)

AN EXPERIENCE TO CHERISH FOREVER!



DISEC

Being a member of the disec was an honour, especially because I was given a P5 country. It helped me understand the need and value of this committee particularly during this time because of the rise in global tensions which poses a threat to world peace. It also brought to light the threats that advancements in technology poses.

-Prabal Khare, Navrachana International School (CBSE)

ECOFIN

My NIMUN experience was amazing. The platform helped me improve my debating skills and helped me gain greater knowledge about MUNs in general. All three days of committee were used to their full potential. Every delegate in the committee participated and debated to bring about a resolution to the agenda. Overall, the committee comprised of its fun and challenging events altogether.

-Anandita Salil, Smt. Sulochanadevi Singhania School

SPECPOL

I found the experience being a SPECPOL delegate at NIMUN to be a very educational and fun one. The committee was always active, and there was never a silent moment, making it a very lively debate. The delegates had clearly all done a lot of research beforehand, and this made moderated caucuses very good learning experiences, as delegates were constantly bringing up new information I had not previously considered or known about.

-Arundhati Iyar, UWC Mahinda College

It was heartening to see, tomorrow's leaders immersing themselves into thought-provoking discussions, and constructive debate with spirited camaraderie. Student delegates engaged in an open dialogue on a range of complex, pertinent issues, ranging from the South China Sea Conflict, The Weaponization of Artificial Intelligence and Big Data and promoting sustainable foreign investment to discussing the Impact of the Iranian Hostage Conflict, the need for universal financial access, and the comercialisation of space resources. All committee sessions were also energised with the involvement of the IPC. **-Sia Shah, Chair (UNSC)**

As the Deputy Secretary General of NIMUN X, I was beyond grateful for the enthusiastic participation from various schools as they challenged themselves to pertain to the policies and beliefs of their countries, evolving into confident, pragmatic global ambassadors. This is been a very endearing experience for me. I enjoyed being a part of the NIMUN10, and to help establish the committee proceeding in the technological department. As of the situation as covid-19, this online meeting experience was very creative..**- Tia Shrivastava, Co-Chair (UNSC)**

Throughout the 3 committee sessions, the enthusiasm of the virtual room has been unparalleled. The disparity of a physical MUN and a virtual MUN has always been extremely clear, specifically having majorly lower expectations. But at NIMUN 10, DISEC may have just blurred that line between the two. Sitting from the comfort of our homes, each one of us was in the NIMUN groove. As a chair, I am extremely honoured to have chaired this committee, especially to have chaired all these ecstatic delegates - **Prinal Patel, Chair (DISEC)**

Having served as the Co-Chairperson of the Disarmament and International Security Committee was a pleasure as well as privilege for me. Although my expectations from the online sessions were pretty low, I can confidently say that the delegates in DISEC made this experience wonderful! The introduction of a crisis in the committee changed its dynamic and delegates showed enthusiasm in the committee. - **Sagarika Menon, Co-Chair (DISEC)**

ECOFIN has had the most eventful three days in NIMUN with the difference of a physical MUN and a virtual MUN being shattered as every delegate gave it their all and made sure the committee had near to no downs and only ups. Not one day of silence was seen, on the contrary delegates had to be told to stop speaking so the committee could move forward. As a chair I couldn't have asked for a better bunch of delegates to moderate and I'm sure the secretariat would agree.

- Karan Patel, Chair (ECOFIN)

From being co- chair for the first time, to knowing the rules of procedure to the tip of my tongue, to finally, the three overwhelming days of committee. I feel honored to have had such enthusiastic delegates, who not only managed to adapt to an online platform, but in fact, made it so entertaining! All in all, a huge shout out to our chair, and to all the secretariat members of ECOFIN, for making this committee such an unforgettable one, and I hope to see the delegates return next year, for NIMUN 11.

- Saloni Karia, Co-Chair (ECOFIN)

In the three days of chairing this committee I gained the experience of advocating as a chair and it showed me the fun and honor behind it. The delegates managed to not only surprise me with their performance but also the secretariat of SPECPOL and this will definitely be a NIMUN to remember. W I wish all the delegates congratulations for all their efforts and making this experience so memorable for me! SPECPOL signing off!-

- **Aahna Arora, Chair (SPECPOL)**

It was an absolute pleasure to co-chair SPECPOL in NIMUN 2020. Each delegate brought something unique to the committee, and the energy that buzzed around this virtual event was unparalleled. Passionate debates on international issues stimulated the committee proceedings and served as food for thought. I hope that everyone in my committee looks back on these four days with fondness and nostalgia, as I am sure to do.

-Saanvi Chawla, Co-Chair (SPECPOL)

UNHSC

Over the past few years of studying history , I've always categorised it as a monotonous subject or a tedious subject that has the pain of memorising dates, So when I first got my committee and country allocation I frowned a little and said to myself " why is god doing this to me" . Having being Iran and with a agenda like the Iranian Hostage Crisis I knew I had to pull up my socks and force myself to love history.

-Mishty Thakker, Navrachana International School (IB)

IF you entered the UNHSC with a mindset stating history is boring, I can assure you that you will leave with a completely different ideology and for that special thanks to the delegates who put have put in all their efforts in research and delivering their points with utmost diplomacy. The committee began with delegates exercising the right to reply right from 3rd speech and then there was no looking back as the virtual committee room was full was thrill, excitement and the eagerness of the delegates to speak. I personally believe that the delegates left no room for complaints considering this was an online MUN and I can now say that these delegates have now become student ambassador. - **Vyom Patel, Chair (UNHSC)**

The experience of Co Chairing the HSC has been an important tutor for me and the transition from the shoes of a delegate to that of a chair has been interesting. Personally, this committee is very close to my heart for I believe it is important to appreciate the role that history plays in the current state of geopolitics in the world. The delegates have surprised us by bringing totally fresh perspectives on issues that shook the world decades ago. - **Rishika Pandit, Co-chair (UNHSC)**

UNOOSA

My fellow peers, delegates and the EB, this being my second MUN I intended to enact as a sponge to absorb the maximum of what I could hold; "Leadership and learning are indispensable to each other." That's the best possible word combination I could come up with in regards to NIMUN. I'm ecstatic to see how well thought and informed people happen to be, be it strictly regarding to one's committee or in general !

- Richard Emmanuel, St. Joseph college, Nainital

It was great to see the intensity of discussions increase day by day and how smoothly everyone adjusted and adapted to the differs motions raised. I was very happy to see the fact that all delegates had some sort of contribution in all aspects of space commercialization. It has been intensive, productive and fruitful four days. We have achieved a lot and and truly learned to behave like diplomats in the world of Model United Nations. **-Rishabh Somani, Chair (UNOOSA)**

UNOOSA, as a committee, surpassed all my expectations. Being a co-chair for the first time, the delegates made it a great time as all the proceedings of the committee went smoothly. The committee was successful as the delegates came to a great consensus due to international cooperation and solidarity on the commercialisation of space. In addition, the diplomacy that the delegates showed was truly in its own class with no derogatory statements passed as well as the sheer amount of advocacy on scientific arguments was in, metaphorically, in a new world. **-Devbrat Hariyani, Co-Chair (UNOOSA)**

IPC

NIMUN was a great learning and fun experience for me. Hoping for NIMUN to continue to inspire young delegates in the years to come. As an IPC delegate it was a whole new experience, witnessed some serious discussion, got an opportunity to interview delegates, had some interesting motions passed and moreover had loads of fun especially in the entertainment session.

-Nakul Singh Bisht

NIMUN this year, has been a testimony to diplomacy and regard for the ever-changing world around us. Since Media, is established as the fourth estate it becomes that much more relevant to be explored, especially since it has a tremendous impact on our lives. Given the circumscribe of a virtual space, delegates flourishingly established a link between the UNO and global citizens via the lens of their respective agencies. The IPC this year had compelling formal discussions on the diverse perspectives media ushers scrutinizing ethics alongside. It has truly been an enriching experience.**-Diya Rajgor, Chair (IPC)**

Hosting IPC online was a challenge. However, the delegates in IPC were very considerate of the current situation and tried their best to listen to our instructions and follow them. Marking the position papers and report was a new experience for me as co-chair. It opened my eyes to the different perceptions a delegate can have to one agenda. **-Hetvi Chaniyara, Co-Chair (IPC)**

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Ms. Anupama Bohtan



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As the Head of Technology at NIMUN 10, it was my responsibility that the technical aspect of this year's MUN Conference goes flawlessly, and it did! Our entire tech team worked constantly to solve all your difficulties, almost in an instant, and ensured that you have a smooth experience. The hard-work and preparation that goes behind such an event is indescribable and I would like to commend the tech team for that. I am extremely grateful to be supervising such tech-savvy brains!

Along with managing the technical aspect of committees, I also got to witness impressive discussions and efforts to form resolutions on the agenda. The tech team and I are delighted to be able to emulate the aspects of a physical MUN and hope the delegates had an immersive experience!

- Manav Dave, Tech team head

Tech team chips in



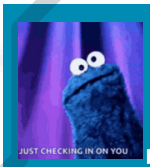
Anubhav Agarwal: Being a technical member has been a pleasure.

I have enjoyed the experience so far, watching participants discuss and come up with resolutions together has been exciting.



Siddharth Ganesh: It was an entirely new experience.

It was quite enjoyable and interesting, especially to see delegates arguing while forming solutions together. I was glad to help all the delegates with their problems and would love doing it again.

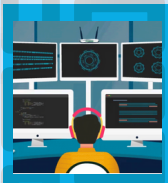


Devansh Panchal: This is been a very endearing experience for me. I enjoyed being a part of the NIMUN10, and to help establish the committee proceeding in the technological department. As of the situation as covid-19, this online meeting experience was very creative.



Soham Santra: It was very amusing to see the delegates discuss their country's stand and create a fruitful conversation in the committee.

These 2 sessions have been very good and it was fun managing the committee from creating the polls to generating breakout rooms which were done without any errors.



Ashir Patel :Being in this team, you need to be abreast with the latest technologies and most specifically zoom.

When I was given this opportunity, I couldn't deny it as I have been working for the school for tasks related to tech and film making and this was a similar opportunity.



Tanay Dedhia: Being a part of the tech team has made me a part of NIMUN as well as helped me connect my responsibilities with my hobby which is technology, being in the NIMUN Tech Team has been really fun and exciting.



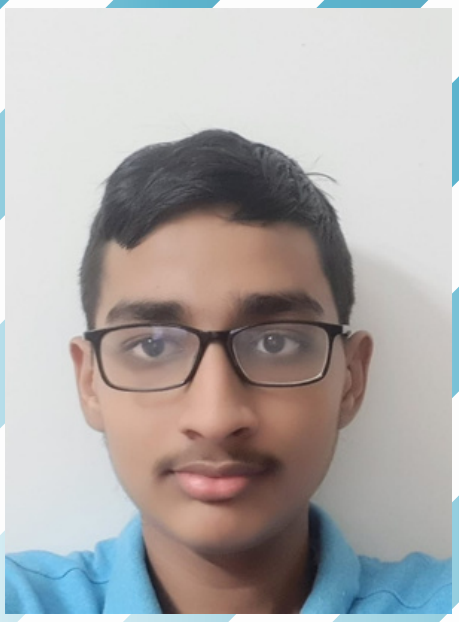
Darsh Choksi

Getting an opportunity to be a part of a group like the Tech Team for NIMUN X was a mind-blowing experience. At first, since I was handpicked by Carlos Sir, I had no say in whether I wanted to be a part of NIMUN X or not, this led me to believe it was a burden placed on me. However, after I enrolled in the activities and the responsibilities that came with being a tech team member, I really began to enjoy my role and learnt lots of new things in the process.

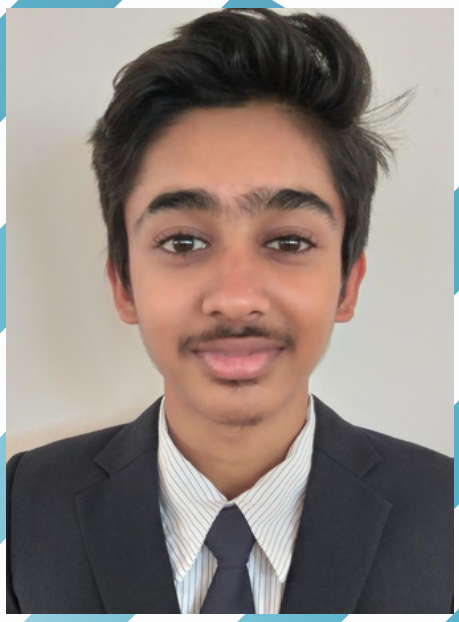
Getting to know the tech team



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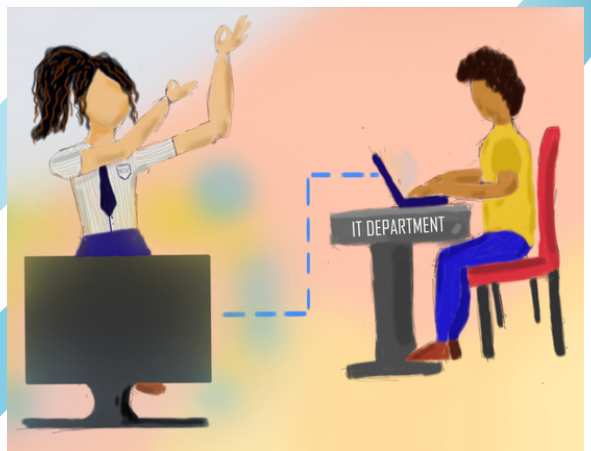
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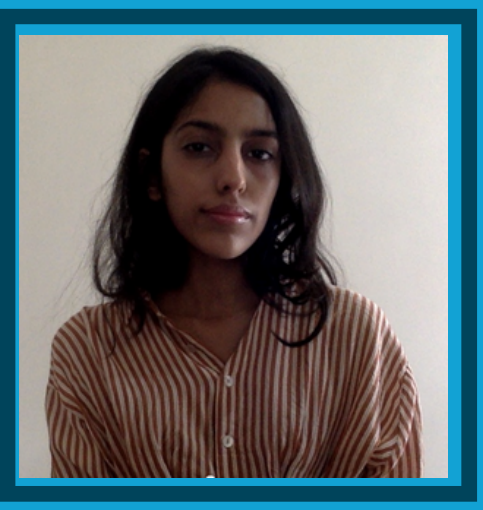
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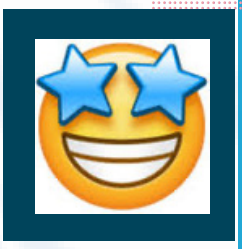
Editor Afterword



Leading an entire team of young talented reporters, writers and cartoonists is as it difficult, let alone the added struggles of managing time, resources and people online without the opportunity to enjoy in-person interactions or teamwork. Penning down our thoughts effectively to be understood by everyone- no matter 8 or 80 was an added hurdle, but nevertheless every little challenge helped in shaping us into more responsible workers. In the midst of constant calls, submissions and Wi-Fi issues, I never realized that the four long days I was dreading, had already ended. This feeling of confidence, authority and gratification is one I would never trade with anyone for which I would like to thank the authorities to give me a chance to prove myself and take back not only new helpful life learnings but also heartfelt memories and experiences!

- **Saksham Trivedi**

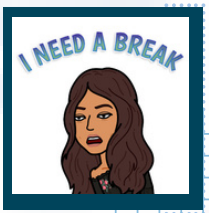
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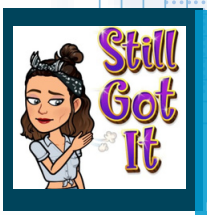


Sarah Vohra- Working for the NIMUN Press Team was exhilarating! It ignited the dormant spark of being a writer and polished my rustic skills. It was a tad bit laborious, sitting in front of a screen and skimming through briefs and articles. But, there's no gain without pain. Also, it was awe-inspiring to interview the chief guest and learn how the UN operates. - Sarah Vahora

Jasmita Shah- This was my second year as a reporter for NIMUN Pulse, also the last, and besides the nostalgia of being in the HQ at school, the entire process of journalism took a different turn in the virtual world! Not being able to interview the chairs and delegates was difficult as I could not up dig up dirt about them, but the Press Team had their spirits high! This experience served as a great challenge because running a newsletter online was a risk we took. It also got me back in touch with my skills as a writer. I will miss being a journalist! So long, NIMUN Pulse!







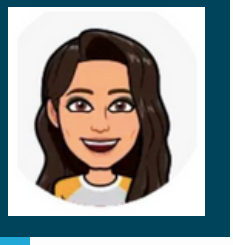
Rinki Gupta- This is my second year as a cartoonist for the press team, and it has always been extremely refreshing to push my artistic abilities out of my comfort boundaries. Combing humor along with critical and meaningful messages in the form of art has been a challenge, but one I am always ready to conquer. I enjoy the buzzing moments as the deadlines for the press team come closer to publish the NIMUN PULSE, but also all the hardwork that goes behind the formation of a newsletter.

Saanika Jadeja- I was thrilled to be a part of the NIMUN press team as a cartoonist. In the starting, the workload felt overwhelming but it helped improve my skills. Each day we were handed out the IPC notes, which were very gripping and engaging as it gave insights upon what had been going on through each day in the conference, relating to those notes we created eye-catching artworks. This experience taught me what all goes into the workings of NIMUN and the pressure that each student goes through.



Heer Patel- This is my first time as a press team member and it is safe to say that my experience was extremely enriching. I got to work on not only one aspect of the school press but instead I worked on both the NIMUN cartoons and was the newsletter layout designer too. I learnt a lot from the process as I developed on many existing skills but most importantly I learnt how to balance my time and work.

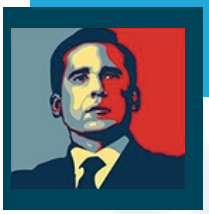
Dhwani Chowatia-Being in the NIMUN Press Team was hectic but a pleasant experience overall. We were set off to work every day, doing the same thing every day. As a cartoonist it was interesting, because while reading the IPC notes, I would learn about all the motions happening in each of the committee which was really interesting. The experience made me understand of how much responsibility one student holds in a NIMUN. I was grateful for being the Press team, and hope to be in the future as well.





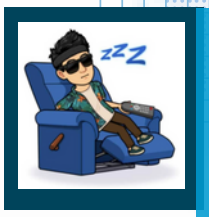
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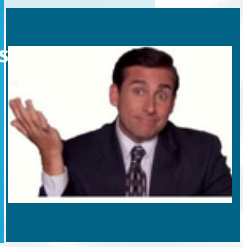


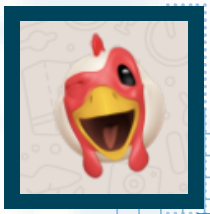
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Yash Rathod- This overall experience has really been great. This has been my debut in working towards NIMUN and even due to the hardness I had expected, the teachers really guided us well to help us overcome our problems. My experience in working for the Press Team was really great. I felt really happy when Mrs. Anupama Bohtan thought that I was the right person for this works.
I am really happy upon working with this team.

Anjali Subramaniam- Working in the school press was an incredible experience. It was a privilege to work alongside such amazing people! I realised the amount of work that goes into putting out each piece of writing, especially given the current complexities of getting the work doing virtually.





Rudranjali Patel- It has been a real pleasure participating in the NIMUN....Press team. It was exciting as always but with a difference, as the experience was rather virtual instead of regular face-to-face interaction. Now in my last year of school I feel delighted to have been able to experience the importance of global solutions from all perspectives. From being an NISV delegate of UNHSC committee to a reporter of the committee has given me the opportunity to stay current with all the happenings around me. Although this may have been a first for all of us.. an online NIMUN! It has been a proud moment for us students of NISV to see our school shine through all obstacles!



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Meet the Press team



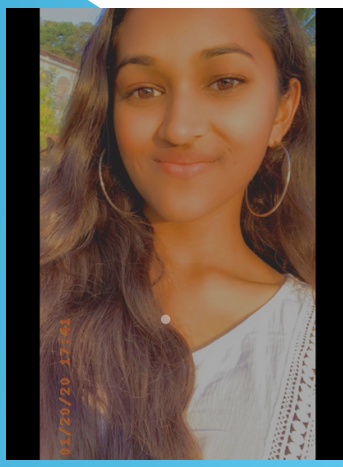
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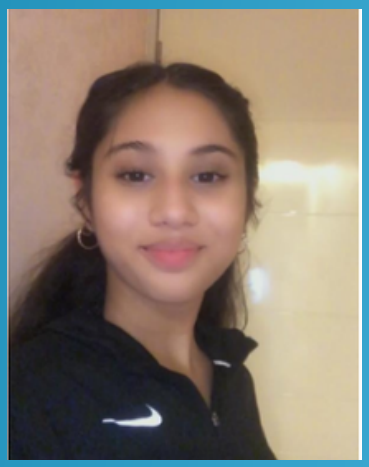
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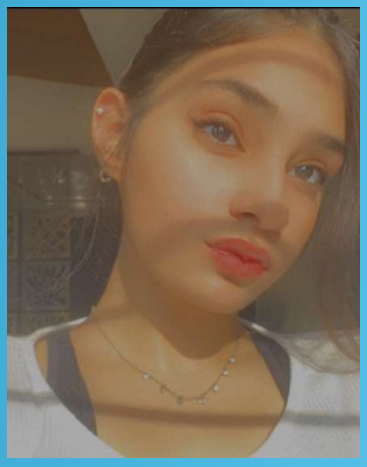
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