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LETTER FROM THE TEAM

Dear Delegates,

Welcome to a captivating journey that unfolds through the pages of MUN ki Baat. As we delve into the realms of storytelling, we invite you to be our esteemed companions on this enthralling adventure. We want you to immerse yourself in the vibrant atmosphere that permeated every session. Through meticulous reporting and vivid illustrations, we aim to transport you into the very heart of HFSMUN, capturing the essence of each thought-provoking discussion, every momentous decision, and the collective spirit that defined this event. Together, we shall traverse the narratives, triumphs, and challenges that have shaped HFSMUN 2023.

Regards,
HFSMUN Press Team
Kuhu Bhattacharya & Keara Bardhan



ECOSOC

DONE AND DUSTED

BY ADVIKA MANE AND DISHA ANGADI



"The Final day started off with both sides making resolutions for the agenda. Both were so excited as to persuade one another to agree upon their resolutions; finally coming to a conclusion: "Joint Resolution". Ever imagined Japan and the USA agreeing on the same point? We surely can't forget yesterday's heated debate between them. Today, they embodied the spirit of Jai-Veeru. We can't see their Dosti without tears in our eyes!

Debate on Choice of Resolution: USA vs. Israel, bring it on!

As the conflict and chaos unfolded, the fight between the USA and Israel took the committee by storm.

The USA, giving its last speech for the day, got interrupted for its grammar. "Is grammar more important than passing the resolution? This is why Israel has no support for Palestine!", said the frustrated USA.

Iran then questioned the compensation rate for the USA, stating that trading in the Middle Eastern region can take place in local currencies. The USA was trying to dominate the other countries, forcing them to agree on all its points: truly remaining true to its notorious reputation!

Israel, continuing his controversial speech, accused the USA of encouraging Communism. To win favor with its own bloc, Israel vehemently stated that it would ensure that each country would pay according to its own economic status.

He openly proclaimed that unlike the opposing Bloc, their Bloc has more countries with competitiveness, which makes sure that the countries are fighting for power, encouraging efficiency, and leading to a reduction in tax rates. As soon as Israel finished its stance, USA shot up, questioning the audacity of Israel to justify the unethical invasion of Palestine to suit its own agenda.

The UK, offended by the attack on USA, angrily stated that Israel talks a lot about compensation but then doesn't show concern for the compensation of the loss in Palestine - how ironic. Thunderous applause and thuds were heard. Further accusing Israel of switching its stance according to his own convenience.



Resolution: The Grand Finale Finally Begins!

A joint resolution that was initiated by the USA received support from all the countries. While voting on the resolution, which was absolute mayhem, the resolution in favor of the USA was passed. In a shocking revelation, Israel, with a heavy heart, caved in and was joined by the USA.

The resolution was passed successfully in favor of the USA, and the committee came to a successful conclusion. So, Dollar it is!



The Indian Crisis Cabinet is known for its controversies, action, and awaited thrills, and the final day kicked off in no different fashion. Mohandas Karamchand Gandhi is no longer himself! He converted to... (drumroll, please) Islam! He follows this up by changing his name to Mohammed Kareem Ghazni!

The unexpected turn of events and all previous crises were discussed by the committee in the SSL. This was the perfect setup, and the two opposing sides of the committee finally came to light. The Forward Bloc, including personalities like Mohammed Wavell, Ghazni, Agha Khan III, and others, made their stance clear by arguing that desperate times call for desperate measures and continued to criticise Nehru's stance by calling him an 'autocratic MORON'.

The opposing side, including all representatives of the Hindu Mahasabha, British, and INC were, naturally, against the formation of Pakistan while accepting the formation of Khalistan and granting them semi-autonomy. They considered the Forward Bloc an extremist organisation and declared that they were not going to sit idly by anymore.

Sitting on the sidelines and watching the committee dissolve into total chaos, Ghazni (formerly, Gandhi) could take it no longer and came in, guns blazing, with a riveting argument that shook the whole room. Speaking on the topic, he highlighted his realisation of the superiority of Allah over any other God and the folly of the INC in trying to find a peaceful solution.

The parties continued to go at each other's throats, with Bhimrao Ambedkar saying, "Who will you ask for money? Allah?" to Abdul Ghaffar Khan and Nehru calling the members of the Forward Bloc Quran Khors,", both of which were considered offensive by the respective parties.

Chronicles of the Crisis Cabinet

By Reeva Khandelwal, Advay Vaidya & Anusha Bhide



"This heated argument escalated further when the crisis for the day was introduced to the committee. Backed by Subhash Chandra Bose and the Indian National Army, the Forward Bloc attempted bombings, plotted assassinations, and incited riots against Khalistanis. They claimed land for Pakistan, which declared independence, organised elections, and formed a Central League of Loktantra Gestapo.



The committee resolved the crises presented to them effectively and managed to reach a no-participation resolution.



FREUD FANATICS

BY SHREYA VIJAYANAND & AAROHI DESHPANDE



With the countries' Ids suppressed, delegates presented their final GSL: more assertive, more confident. Afghanistan demanded a seat for the Taliban at the UN. They claimed their nation and the world's prosperity would only proliferate with such a drastic change. Suggesting such control could be interpreted as having gotten enough gratification in their oral stage!

Trying to convince the countries to assume the role of terrorist, Saudi marched on to the spot with a gun in their hand and a powerful rage in their eyes; but their following proclaims raised eyebrows. "Fear? Chaos? Taliban?" According to Saudi, the gun represented moderation and regulation. "A knife in the right hand can be a shield" they claimed. They justified the necessity of such arms and ammunition as a requirement to solve their political cries.

Taliban was called out for their exceptional shooting ability! Their talent seems to have increased intensely due to their heavy practice sessions. ON THE CIVILIANS.

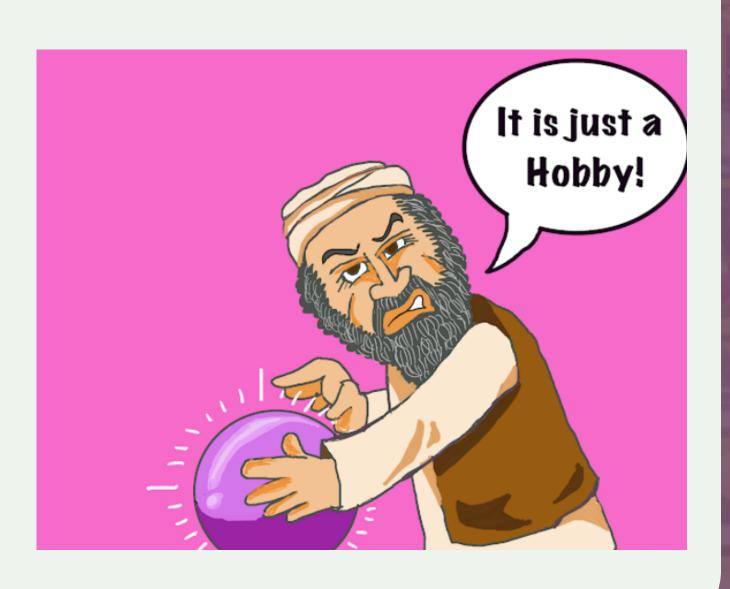
A satirical comment was made highlighting India's ruling party's great love for Islam when they called out the USA to address the same issue. "You might as well be the next North Korea".

On similar hypocritical lines, the USA deteriorated the middle eastern countries for their mass unemployment and economic instability when they in fact were the root cause of the same, disbanding army troops.



"Global Peace? Or America's Peace?"

Coming back to being an ardent devotee of Freud, a Freudian slip was witnessed midsession. The USA called Osama a psychic instead of a psycho. Does that give place to assume the true intentions of the USA towards Osama? The intentions of Osama having a futuristic vision perhaps?





BALLROOM DANCES AND SECOND CHANCES!

BY RIYA NEGANDHI AND SHALVIKAA UDAPURKAR



The third day of HFSMUN consisted of riveting and gripping instances in NATO. To everyone's surprise, Article V was not invoked. *insert surprise-faced emoji* Instead, a directive was passed by the USA, Latvia, and France, consisting of 11 negotiation actions attempting to resolve and establish peace for the betterment of affiliated countries. The crisis was short-lived and ended with the directive being rejected and Latvia being "ashamed" of the delegates for losing an opportunity that could have saved millions of lives.

The crisis did not pan out exactly as the EB or our readers may have wanted but don't worry, "picture abhi baki hai mere dost!". The highlight of the committee was all the impassioned debating under the motion passed by France, Rethinking Article V as a Modern-Day Determinant of Russia's Current and Future Illegal Expansion.

As one would expect, the motion wasn't exactly helping Russia's cause. Some people called it the epitome of human rights abuse, while others called it a Pseudo-Capitalist country.

Latvia, adding fuel to the fire, commented on how Russia, being Russia, had the audacity to quote Mahatma Gandhi, the most well-known peace-loving figure to justify its actions. Furthermore, Latvia boldly declared, "Vladamir Putin is so insecure that he had to kill fourteen thousand Ukrainians just to live the glory days of the Soviet Union. After all, it is not so surprising considering the number of breakups Vladimir Putin has gone through".

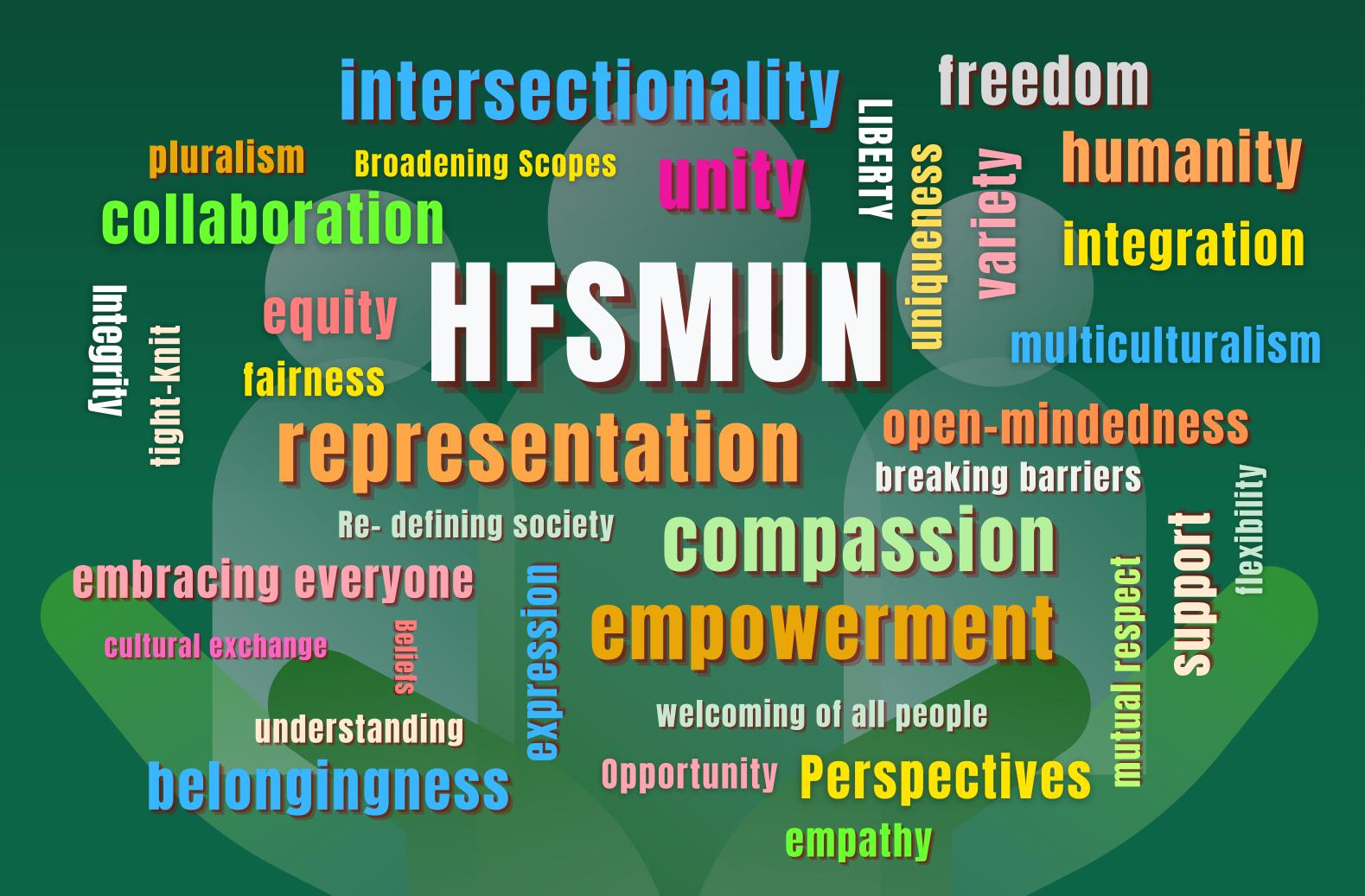
But the real fun began when Russia decided to surrender its complacency and demanded a right to reply (talk about a main character moment). USA and Latvia served their time apologising to Russia by engaging in the intricate art of ballroom dancing!

To conclude the day, a resolution proposed by the USA, Latvia, and France was passed, in which Croatia granted its nemesis Russia a second chance despite its previous hostility towards the nation, giving the committee its happily ever after fairytale ending.





WHAT DOES INCLUSIVITY AND DIVERSITY MEAN TO YOU?





UNSC

SNOW WHITE AND THE SEVEN DRUGS

BY NAUYA JOSHI, KIMAYA DESHPANDE & DHAIRYA PATEL

The committee commenced for the final time with rather eventful speeches made by the delegates, followed by a moderated caucus on the subject of the legalisation of drugs. Countries were targeted and accusations were targeted.

The doors were swung open, the Press team marched in as a united troop into the committee. The delegates of China were put under the spotlight for it was high time that they answered the council for all their actions. If the situation couldn't get even more chaotic, the scene was faced with yet another crisis: The People's Republic of China strongly opposed the legalisation of drugs, yet it was discovered that they were funding the world's biggest drug cartel, the White Snow headed by Snow White. This conglomerate was supplying life-threatening drugs to Central and South America. Under immense pressure to hold together the integrity of their nation, the delegates of China resolved to statements such as "Drugs do not cause terror" and "Uyghur Muslims are terrorists".





After tedious work done by the delegates, the time for the presentation of the communique had arrived. One communique following the legalisation of drugs named 'Cheesecake' was not passed as it lost by one vote! The other communique – 'bo'o'wo'ah' also failed due to a tie between votes from both blocs.

By the Chair's discretion, the permanent members of the esteemed Security Council were dismissed and a poll to elect three new members was conducted. India in the lead, made it the first country to be elected, followed by Mexico. Germany and Russia tied for the third position, creating the new permanent countries of the renewed United Nations Security Council.

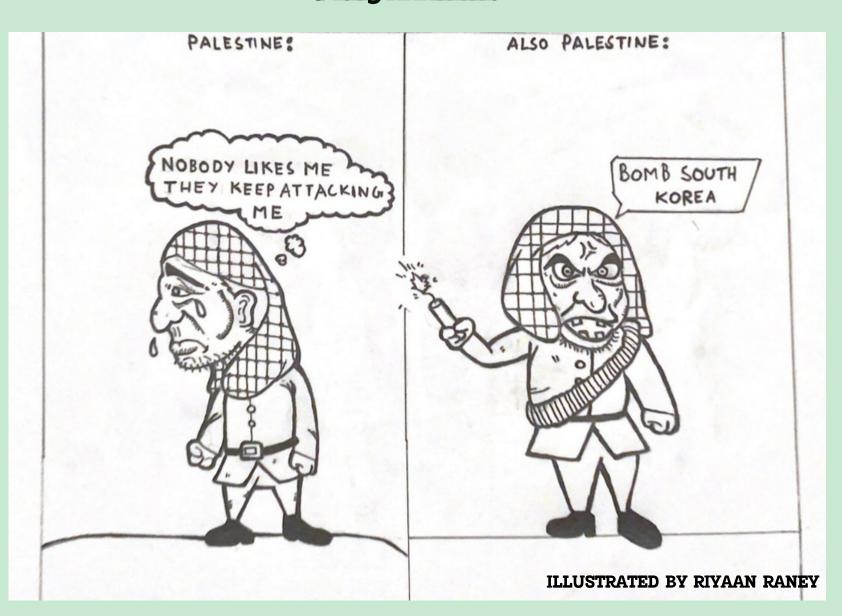
The delegates celebrated the suspension of the committee by having a round of confessions passed by a motion of entertainment. The delegates of the UNSC imparted the committee with a lot more knowledge and experience than what they arrived with and still have a long way to go.





Israel says WHAATI81

BY OINDRILLA GHOSH, VYOMINI NATHWANI & RAJVI BALAR



The day commenced with the motion to start the Special Speakers list (SSL), featuring passionate speeches resonating with patriotism from Palestine and DPRK. Their ideologies stood against forceful impositions of religious beliefs and emphasized the unity of all creeds; all while highlighting the rights of minorities in society, further fuelling the committee's spirit and determination.

The delegates and the EB were caught off guard when Israel compared the terrorists to cockroaches and made a personal remark to the representative of Saudi Arabia for not wearing a Hijab to the committee. Reprimanded, Israel was compelled to recite Hitler's speech in German as a form of apology which they hilariously fumbled, leading to the end of his career in the entertainment industry.

Israel's bold assertion of Jerusalem as its own, triggered aggressive retaliation from Palestine, challenging Israel's right to claim the city. This contentious matter aggravated tensions in the region and remains a significant obstacle in the quest for a peaceful resolution to the Israeli-Palestinian Conflict. Israel's response was no less savage than that of Gina Linetti.

The delegates fell into a pit of distress when the crisis was updated and some Earth-shattering news was revealed. Tensions rose among the delegates as Italy boldly called out the UK for its history of colonization, making it challenging for them to maintain composure.

The conference room was in laughter when the State Head of Libya forgot his own name and claimed to have the same kind of dementia Joe Biden had suffered by falling from the stairs.



It was deeply saddening to hear that the committee had failed in its second agenda in spite of the efforts put in by the delegates.

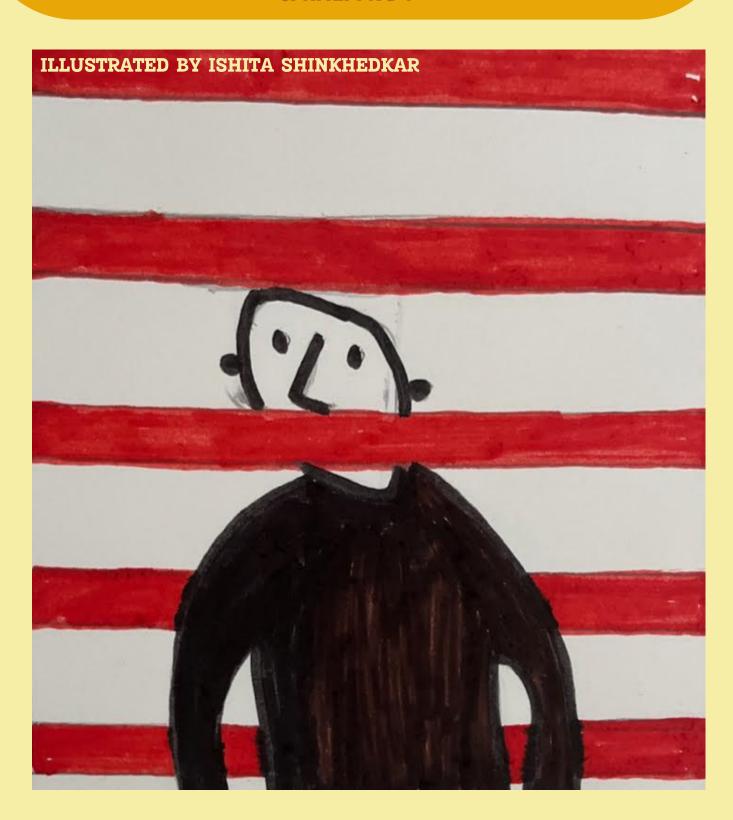
Delegates walked into the conference room as 'anxious first-time MUNers' but left as those who had efficiently honed their skills from the acquisition of newly imparted knowledge and could proudly say that they had valuable experience up their sleeve.



UNHRC

THE BROCCOLI THAT LIVED

BY ANAAMYA PANCHAL ,JAANVI MOHNOT & RHEA ROY

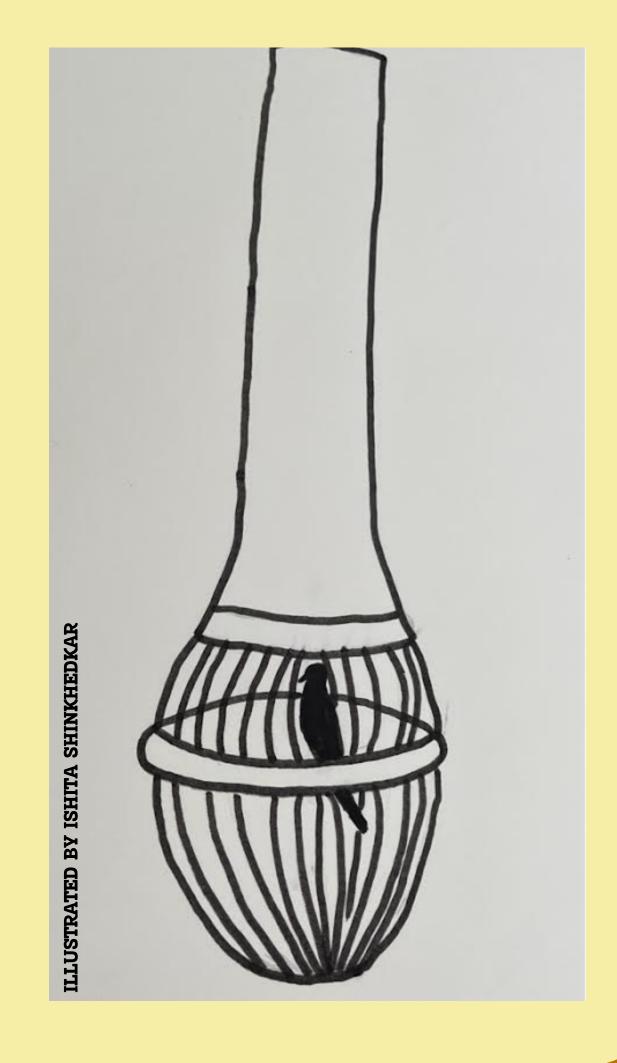


With our lovely delegates both exhausted and experienced, day 3- the final day at HFSMUN'23 took off! The 'United Nations Human Rights Council stood divided as the arguments began. After mindful lobbying, delegates came together and created blocs for their benefit. Pakistan managed to persuade a sizable part of the committee to be a part of their bloc. The other two blocs were Taiwan and Australia; and France, Israel, and Ukraine.

'Right of Expression' echoed the room as different delegates proposed to solve global problems in their GSLs. While Russia and Pakistan aimed to 'create a culture where diversity is celebrated'; countries with stringent laws like Turkmenistan criticized their leniency, accusing them of leading to riots to defend the Sharia Laws.

After some anticipation, the most crucial part of the conference came into the limelight- the Resolutions. Delegates of UNHRC proposed 2 resolutions- 'KILL BROCCOLI' and 'Merci Beaucoup'.

Pakistan, Turkmenistan, and Equatorial Guinea came up with the BROCCOLI' resolution draft, humorous name of which gave a committee a good laugh. The content, however, was elaborate, comprehensive, and well-written. It threw light upon the solutions to be implemented for the betterment of society and the agendas discussed in the committee. The EB, as well as the delegates, questioned the member states to understand their resolution thoroughly.





UNHRC

'Merci Beaucoup' was the draft resolution presented by the superpower of France, Israel, and Ukraine. Meaning 'Thank you very much,' it was put forward on the floor of the committee and received a lot of appreciation. The controversial statements were heavily scrutinised. However, the well-versed draft made an impactful change to the committee.



Despite an excellent presentation given by Merci Beaucoup, the resolution 'Kill Broccoli' was passed with a majority after a jittery, nail-biting voting session. The committee had finally come to an end, that too, on a successful note. The delegates departed with a better conscience and took a step closer to becoming better citizens of an even better world!



CIOSING CEREMONY

The closing ceremony, the last milestone of HFSMUN'23, perfectly encapsulated the essence of the last 36 hours. It was a heartwarming event filled with inspirational speeches, thunderous applause, exuberant cheers, and a contagious sense of motivation that deeply moved everyone present.

The occasion was graced by the presence of Mrs. Prerna Shinde, Director of Shinde Hospital and CEO of Vidya Niketan Group of Schools. Mrs. Shinde shared her inspiring journey, starting from the humble city of Shrirampur, where she established an advanced IVF centre, to becoming a flourishing gynaecologist and a prominent social worker. Her efforts led to the establishment of the Prerna Foundation, a remarkable initiative tirelessly working towards girl child education and empowerment. Having her at this year's conference, which focused on inclusivity and diversity, amplified the importance of the cause and served as an inspiration to everyone.

We were delighted to have Mr. Punish B. Sharma, Vice President of Operations at Meluha the Fern, among us. Mr. Sharma's presence was especially valuable, as he has graciously hosted HFSMUN for 12 years at Meluha and is also the proud parent of an HFS alumnus. He shed light on the significance of setting and pursuing goals in life. Drawing from his vast experience, he emphasised how each individual can take an active role in steering the course of their own life, rejuvenating the zeal for determination and hard work among all present.

Mihir Mahadevan, our Chargé D'affaires, took the podium and reminded us of something we may have inadvertently overlooked amid the turbulence of our international disputes, impassioned debates, and pressing deadlines—the essence of learning and collaboration that colours a MUN experience. Haard Sanghvi, Head of the Organising Committee, provided insight into what went into planning the conference, paying a well-deserved tribute to everyone who made HFSMUN a success.

Then, the most-awaited segment of the closing ceremony commenced—the awards! The executive board made sure to express words of praise for the delegates, offer gracious votes of thanks, and make bold choices in accessories, ensuring that all delegates felt appreciated and enjoyed themselves, regardless of victory.

Our esteemed Head of School, Mrs. Kalyani Patnaik, eloquently traced the momentous journey of HFSMUN, reflecting on its remarkable past while embracing the promise of an even brighter future for the conference. She expressed heartfelt gratitude to Ms. Prerna Shah and the delegation from Vidya Niketan, as well as Mr. Punish Sharma, for opening the doors of Meluha to HFSMUN once again. With that, Ms. Patnaik handed over the mic to Teesta Bhattacharya, our Secretary General, for the closing address.

Teesta ended on a note of fulfilled aspirations and friendship. She traced her journey as a young delegate, looking up to her seniors with admiration and awe, dreaming of the day she would be the one leading discussions and making a difference. Now, as she stood on that very podium she once admired from afar, she took the opportunity to thank those who were by her side throughout the journey.

With that, HFSMUN came to an end, and all the hard work paid off. Now it was time to rest. Until next time, that is.





BEHIND THE SCENES





































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VOTE OF THANKS

As HFSMUN 2023 reaches its grand conclusion, we find ourselves reflecting upon the intricate tapestry of 196 days of tireless work, 4704 hours of endless meetings, and over 28000 minutes of calls over the last seven months. This glorious event, the result of ceaseless dedication and persistent efforts, stands as a dream realized for many, a seminal opportunity for others, and a shared memory for all.

It is with utmost gratitude that we acknowledge the guiding light of our Head of School and Principal, Mrs. Kalyani Patnaik, whose wisdom steered us throughout the planning process. Without the tireless efforts and unwavering dedication of our Secretary General, Teesta Bhattacharya, Director General, Maanya Lal, and the diligent secretariat, this conference would not have seen the light of day.

Our heartfelt appreciation extends to each and every Head of Department that facilitated active participation, nurturing the creation of riveting articles, eye-catching reels, beautiful graphics, aesthetic websites, and seamless management. We owe the success of this conference to our heads of departments - Press, Public Relations, Design, Security, Logistics, IT, Photography, and Delegate Affairs. Each student who worked behind the scenes played a vital role in the smooth orchestration of this event.

A humble nod to our Executive Board Members, Directors, and Assistant Directors, who have been the guiding forces for our delegates throughout this conference. They offered valuable feedback and encouragement, supporting the delegates through first-day jitters and crisis management.

The hustle and bustle of the Press room, with all its dynamic chaos, will permanently be imprinted on our minds. In the past three days, the press team thrived on a powerful team spirit that seamlessly picked up where others left off, provided unwavering motivation during lulls of energy, and maintained a relentless determination to produce exceptional, high-quality work.

Last, but certainly not least, the active participation and dedication of the delegates have been the heartbeat of this MUN. The excitement, thorough research, and passionate involvement of every delegate ensured the vibrancy and life of this HFSMUN.

Together, we have turned HFSMUN into more than just a conference; it's a collective achievement, a shared memory, and a testament to what we can accomplish when we join forces.

Signing off, Kuhu Bhattacharya and Keara Bardhan



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