

Programme Report-Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav 2022-23

Chanakya: The Intellectual Society

On 17th April 2023, Chanakya: The Intellectual Society of P.G.D.A.V College (Day) organized Conventional Debate Competition under **Yuva Utsav – India 2047**, a multifaceted Program of Nehru Yuva Kendra Sangathan (NYKS) an autonomous organisation of Department of Youth Affairs. The initiative aims to rekindle the spirit of patriotism and engage the youth in various socio-cultural activities and competitions themed-on the Prime Minister's **Panch Pran**. The competition was held under the guidance of our esteemed Principal Prof. Krishna Sharma Ma'am, Convenor Monika Saini Ma'am and Mentors Jagannath Kashyap Sir and Rishikesh Sir.

The theme of our intra college competition was inspired by the first of the '**Panch Pran of Amrit Kal**' given by our Hon'ble Prime Minister Narendra Modi: **The Big Resolution for a Developed Nation**. G20 presidency has come to us in Amrit Kal which shows how auspicious this time is for our country and the essence of it lay in the theme of the competition and we decided to keep the motion as - "**We need a change in the existing bureaucratic system to transform India into a developed nation.**" The format for the competition was of a Conventional Debate consisting of participants speaking for and against the motions. Each speaker was supposed to speak 2 minutes on their side of the motion and 1 minute for interjections and rebuttals. Despite being an intra college competition, a list of 20 enthusiastic and charismatic speakers from all the three years came up for the debate. Putting forward their arguments, points of differences and confidently backing up with examples and explanations, the well-versed audience of 100 members and the judges saw a different understanding of the topic in every speech. Each speech was so expertly crafted that the audience was astounded by the facts and viewpoints it offered. The benefits and drawbacks of the permanent executive were evidently understood and spoken up in the speeches and raised points like methods to tackle corruption, red-tapeism or contradictorily how a better bureaucratic system can cater our needs of being a developed nation in all terms. Following this, at the end of all the performances, our judge Dr. Duryodhan Nahak sir gave general remarks and feedback to our participants giving them a brief about the bureaucratic system as well an understanding about the theme and motion. After all the spectacular speeches each one of with a unique point of

view, our judges came to the judgement of giving two prizes for the best speaker and one for the best interjector. The winners were felicitated with certificates and cash prizes.

This competition gave us a glance into different stances and viewpoints of different individuals on the same topic, being subjectively crucial. The podium was a medium for budding visions and helped new voices to take over the area of debating and public speaking. The sole purpose of organizing this competition was to inculcate the idea of Panch Pran and emphasise the role of the youth in Nation Building, a Vision of our Honourable Prime Minister Narendra Modi for G20 as well.

