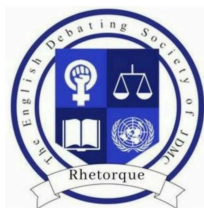


Proforma for the Compulsory and Cultural Societies/Sports Department/Student Council Report Year 2024-25

(Information should be compiled for the period starting from 1 st July 2024 to 30 th June 2025)



1.Name of the Society - Rhetorque - The English Debating Society

[Website Link](#), [Facebook Link](#), [Instagram Link](#), [LinkedIn Link](#)

Brief Profile -

2.Name of the Teacher Convenor and other members -

Convenor – Dr. Namita Sethi (English), Ruchi Kalita (English),

Co-Convenor – -

No of Convenor – 2

No of Faculty Members – 0

No of Student Members : 0

Details of Student Members:

S.No	Roll no	Name	Department/Programme(drop-down)	Semester
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Details of Faculty Advisors:

S.No	Name	Department
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3.No. of students enrolled in the Society - 7

4.Names of Student President/Vice-President and other Office Bearers

Eshika Gupta - Sponsorship Head - B.COM. (HONS.) - 169

Utkarshini Tiwari - Media and Content Head - B.A. (PROGRAMME) - 283

Sohani Malhotra - Liasion Officer - B.COM. - 1703

Meenakshi Negi - Treasurer - B.COM. - 106

Tanvi Mastal - General Secretary - B.COM. (HONS.) - 1812

Shivani Thapliyal - Vice President - B.A. (PROGRAMME) - 1571

Anushka Srivastava - President - B.A.(HONS.) POLITICAL SCIENCE - 734

5.Events /Talks by eminent personnel/ organized/ attended in the academic year (in the chronological order with date, time, reports, number of participants with signatures)

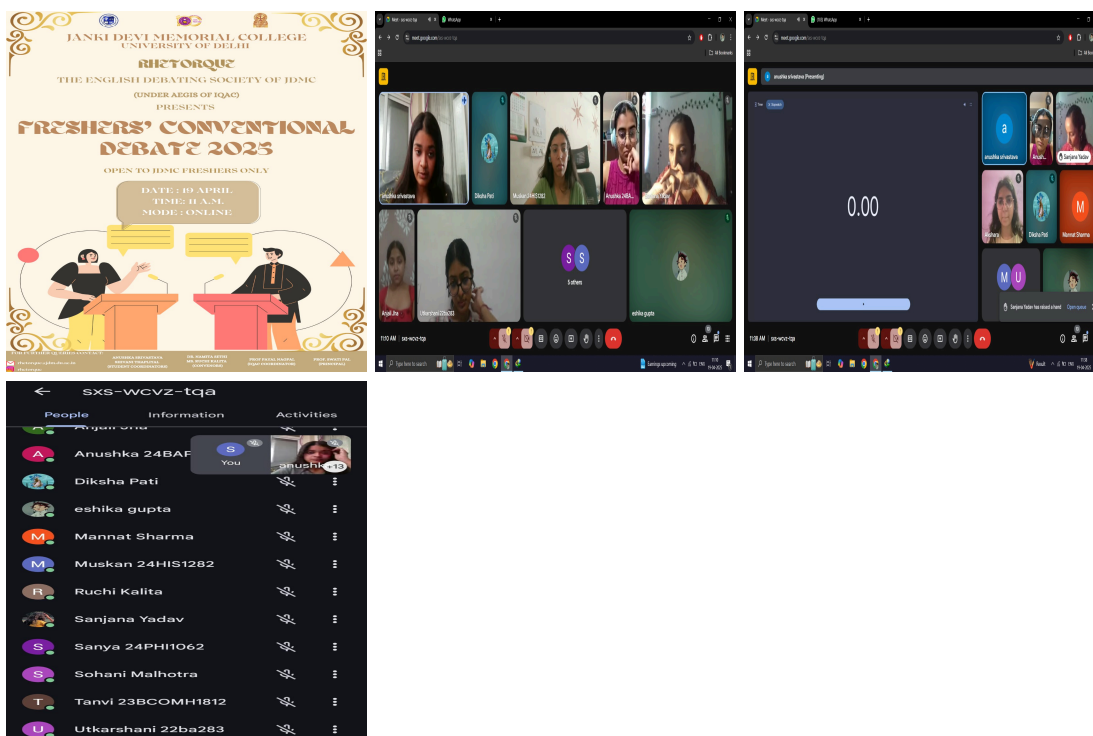
Name of the Event: Freshers' Intra-College Conventional Debate Competition 2025

Date of the Event : 19-04-2025

No. of Participants from JDMC : 9

The Freshers' Conventional Debate was successfully organized by Rhetorque, the English Debating Society of JDMC, on 19th April, 2025 in online mode from 11am onwards. The debate provided an opportunity for all

the enthusiastic freshers to showcase their debating skills. The competition was open for JDMC students only. A total of 9 students registered in the debate. Each participant was allotted 3 minutes to present their arguments, followed by 1 minute for interjections from the audience, encouraging active engagement. The motions for the debate were assigned a day prior to the competition. The participants debated on motions like the trend of the posthumous completion and/or release of deceased artists works (e.g. films, albums, etc.) , whether religion is incompatible with social development and the premium placed on post-graduate degrees (e.g. MBA, PhD, JD, etc.). The event was judged by Sanjana Yadav, a distinguished alumni, who has been a pillar of support in our debating community. Prizes were awarded as follows: Best Speaker: Diksha Pati 2nd Best Speaker: Akshara Gargas 3rd Best Speaker: Muskan Lather Best Interjector: Diksha Pati The event concluded on a positive note with all the participants displaying exceptional arguments and getting to learn the very insights of a debating arena.



Name of the Event:

Axiom 2025

Date of the Event :

01-03-2025 - 03-03-2025

No. of Participants from JDMC :

126

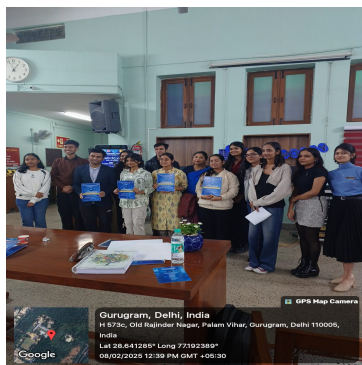
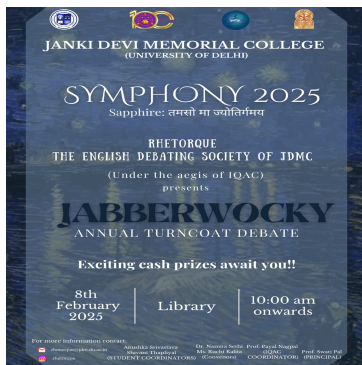
RHETORQUE: The English Debating Society of JDMC hosted its 13th Annual Asian Parliamentary Debate Tournament 'AXIOM'25' from 1st to 3rd of March, 2025. There were 23 teams along with 28 competing adjudicators, 11 Invited Adjudicators and 9 Subsidized Adjudicators. The first day of the tournament consisted of 3 rounds, continued by 2 rounds on the second day which was followed by breaks announcement. The final day was concluded by quarter-finals, semi-finals and grand-finals. The Core Adjudication Panel (CAP) consisted of Kaushiki Ishwar, Krishaang Kohli and Abdul Bari who provided the competitors with interesting motions enhancing the thrill of the tournament. Team Chindi Shades Aur Fanne Khan composed of Sehaj, K Dhruv Singh (SBS graduates) and Pragyansh Nayak (SBS College) were the winners of the tournament, while Holy Goose Crushes A Wallflower composed of Pratha (Sri Venkateswara College), Divyansh (St. Stephen's College) and Yuvraj (Hindu College) were the runners- up. The Best adjudicator of the tournament was Nandinaey Dara, best Invited Adjudicator was Heeral (Dayal Singh College) and Second Best Adjudicator was Manas (St. Stephen's College). The Best speaker was Sehaj Reen

(SBS graduates). The tournament provided students with the opportunity to enhance their critical thinking and structured argumentations. It served as a platform for intellectual eloquence.



Name of the Event:	Jabberwocky 2025
Date of the Event :	08-02-2025
No. of Participants from JDMC :	43

The annual turncoat debate, Jabberwocky'25, organized by Rhetorque, the English Debating Society of Janki Devi Memorial College (JDMC), took place on February 8, 2025, as part of Symphony '25, in the library. The common theme across all the motions was "Think About It". Each motion debates the balance between personal choices and external influences—whether from society, culture, technology, or legal systems. The discussions explore how individuals navigate their values, ambitions, identities, and creative freedoms in a world shaped by traditions, norms, and evolving digital landscapes. The judges for the event were Ashustosh Bahuguna, who served as the Joint Treasurer of Sahitya: The literary and debating society of DTU for the session 2022 -23, and Sanjana Yadav, a distinguished alumni of Rhetorque, JDMC. Prizes were awarded as follows: - 1st Best Speaker: Riya - 2nd Best Speaker: Manjari Mishra - 3rd Best Speaker: Rashi Jain - Best Interjector: Vansh Agrawal Special mention was given to Sarthak Sharma & Pratima for outstanding contributions. The event marked engaging discussions on critical issues.



Name of the Event:

Intra-College Conventional Debate Competition on the occasion of Republic Day

Date of the Event :

24-01-2025

No. of Participants from JDMC : 16

An Intra-College Conventional Debate Competition was held on the occasion of Republic Day on 24th January 2025 organized by RhetorquE, the English Debating Society of JDMC, in Room No. 48 of JDMC, commencing at 12 noon. The event was held to commemorate Republic Day. The competition aimed to provide a platform for undergraduate students to exchange perspectives and ideas on critical issues concerning our nation. The motions for the debate, assigned a day before the event, were closely aligned with the theme of Republic Day. The topics included: Constitutional Amendments, Republic Day Celebrations, Nostalgia in Politics, National Identity vs. Ethnic Identity and Nationalism and Foreign Diplomacy. The event was judged by Mr. Ahirrao Dinesh Bharat, Assistant Professor of Political Science at Janki Devi Memorial College, University of Delhi. The first prize was won by Riya Shukla, Anupriya received the second prize, and the third prize winner was Drishti Bhatia. Additionally, the Best Interjector prize went to Vishishti. The debate concluded on a positive note, with all participants delivering exceptional performances. The event served as an effective platform for intellectual exchange on significant issues related to Republic Day, including constitutional amendments, national identity, and the role of foreign diplomacy. Through these discussions, students gained a deeper understanding of the significance of Republic Day, its historical context, and its relevance, while also broadening their knowledge about the nation's governance, democratic values, and socio-political framework. This left both participants and the audience with meaningful insights to reflect upon



Name of the Event:

Bhaavarth

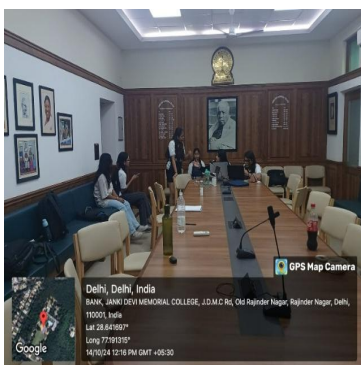
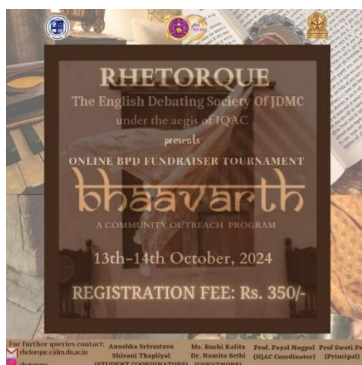
Date of the Event :

13-10-2024 - 14-10-2024

No. of Participants from JDMC :

232

From the 13th to the 14th of October 2024, RHETORQUE: The English debating society of JDMC hosted its online British Parliamentary Debate tournament, Bhaavarth. The first day of the tournament consisted of 4 rounds of debates. The tournament was concluded on the second day with the 5th round, the announcement of breaks followed by quarter-finals, semi-finals and the finals. The competition provided a platform for students to discuss their thoughts on the given motions and explore the topic thoroughly, it served as a platform for showcasing the competitors' eloquence and intellectual prowess. Team "Srinivasa Likes Lasagna" composed of Srinivas and Shaunak were the novice winners, while team "Emotional Baggage" composed of Anisha Agarwal and Priyanshu were the runner-up. Trisha Mann Parvataneni won the Novice best speaker title while Srinivas Iyer was given the title of the Novice finals best speaker. Afreen and Snehal won the best open speaker title. Pratha Jamwal won third the best open speaker title, Keshav Rai Bramhabhatt won the fourth best open speaker title, Shashwat won the fifth best open speaker title, Riyan won the sixth best open speaker title, Aadit Baxi, Ansuman Pattnayak and Yatharth Surana won the seventh best open speaker title followed by Albert Melodia won the tenth best open speaker title. The tournament was a fundraising tournament where all the registration fees were collected and a Rs. 70,700/- contribution was made to the Usha Foundation.



Name of the Event: Viksit Bharat Intra-College Conventional Debate
Date of the Event : 11-11-2024
No. of Participants from JDMC : 27

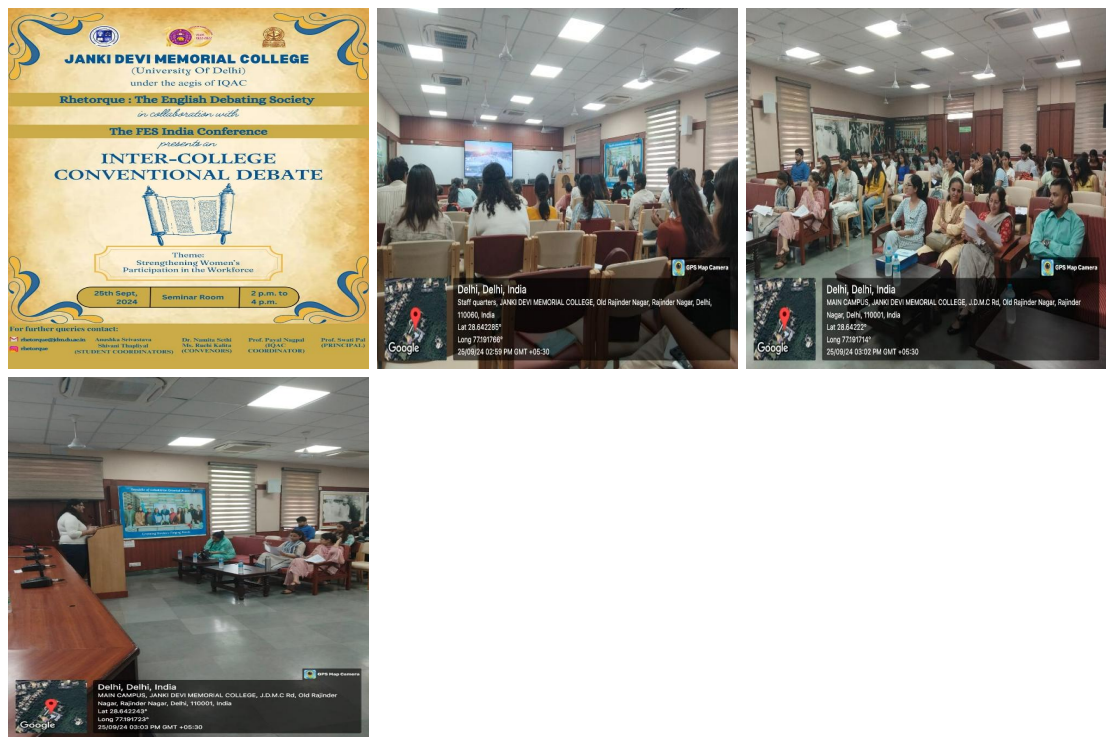
The Viksit Bharat Intra-College Conventional Debate was successfully conducted on 11th November 2024 in the Committee Room of JDMC, commencing at 12 noon. The event was organized by Rhetorque, the English Debating Society of JDMC, in collaboration with the Viksit Bharat Club of the college. The debates were adjudicated by Ms. Samriddhi, an esteemed alumna of our college. Ms. Samriddhi served as the Vice President of Rhetorque, the Debating Society, for the 2019-20 session and was subsequently elected as its President for the 2020-21 session. Joining her on the panel was Mr. Dinesh Ahirrao, Assistant Professor of Political Science at Janki Devi Memorial College, University of Delhi. The first prize was awarded to Yashika Chandravanshi, B.A.Hons. Sociology, the second prize was conferred upon Iffat Aurooj, B.A. Hons. Political Science and the third prize was presented to Riya Shukla, B.A. Hons. History. Additionally, the title of Best Interjector went to Diksha Pati, B.A. Prog. The debate concluded on a highly positive note, with all participants delivering exceptional performances. The event proved to be an enriching experience, successfully encouraging the youth to engage in thoughtful discourse on the vision of a Viksit Bharat and its pathway to realization by 2047.



Name of the Event: Inter-College Conventional Debate in collaboration with the Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung (FES) India Conference
Date of the Event : 25-09-2024
No. of Participants from JDMC : 31

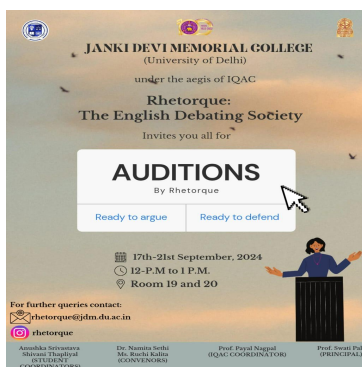
The Inter-College Conventional Debate, in collaboration with the Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung (FES) India Conference for 2024, was held on 25th September 2024 in the Seminar Room of JDMC from 2pm to 4pm. The event was organized by Rhetorque, the English Debating Society of JDMC, with the theme "Strengthening Women's Participation in the Workforce." The debate aimed to provide a platform for undergraduates to engage with critical issues related to women's roles in the workplace. The motions for the debate, assigned a day before the event, were closely aligned with the theme of strengthening

women’s workforce participation. The topics included: “Paternity leave should be mandatory,” “Restrictions on working late at night benefit women,” “Menstrual leave will prove enabling for working women,” and “Women and men are equally vulnerable to harassment in the workplace gender-neutral laws are needed in India. These motions allowed the participants to explore various aspects of gender equity in the professional sphere. The competition was judged by Ms. Meenakshi Yadav, Assistant Professor, Dept. of English, JDMC, and Kaushiki Ishwar, Training and Tournament Lead at Indian Debating League, the biggest debating organization in India. The first prize was won by Ayushman from Motilal Nehru College, the second prize winner was Riya from Aditi Mahavidyalaya College and the third prize was won by Anmol Singh from Jamia Milia Islamia. Additionally, the Best Interjector was Shikhar Amlani from Motilal Nehru College.



Name of the Event:	Auditions
Date of the Event :	17-09-2024 - 19-09-2024
No. of Participants from JDMC :	68

The auditions for Rhetorque, the English Debating Society of JDMC, were conducted from September 17th to September 21st, 2024, in Rooms 19 and 20. The selection process adhered to a structured format, entailing a 20-minute Group Discussion. A diverse array of topics was carefully curated for the recruitment process. Each session consisted of groups of five students, who were tasked with presenting arguments either in favour of or against a designated motion. Participants were allocated 10 minutes of preparation time before delivering their respective speeches. Upon the conclusion of all five speeches, the core members of Rhetorque conducted a cross-examination of the participants, posing questions designed to assess the depth of their arguments. Additionally, the participants were encouraged to engage in cross-questioning amongst themselves, which further enabled the evaluators to gauge their critical thinking, analytical abilities, and debating skills. The auditions were conducted over a span of five days, with two batches auditioning on each day. The audition process provided a valuable platform for participants to demonstrate their public speaking, analytical, and debating skills. The selected candidates will now be inducted as members of Rhetorque, contributing to the society’s future activities and initiatives.



Name of the Event:

Orientation

Date of the Event :

07-09-2024

No. of Participants from JDMC :

20

The Orientation Session for the year 2024-25, organized by Rhetorque, the English Debating Society of JDMC, was held on 7th September 2024 in Room No. 16. The session primarily focused on introducing freshers to the workings of the society. The attendees were acquainted with the existing members and union members of Rhetorque and a detailed discussion on the different formats of debating ensued, with a particular emphasis on Asian Parliamentary Debate, which is the society's primary debating format. The number of attendees were 20, which was a great turnout. Following the introductions of all the attendees, the floor was opened for a Q&A session, allowing students to clarify their doubts about how the debating society functions.



*** Attendance Register with student's signature to be maintained.**

6. Attach Minutes of the meetings held during the year :

7. Record of attendance of participation by students during the year:- 0

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