

A report on Narsee Monjee Model United Nation, 10th Edition (NMMUN X) held on 6th & 7th October 2018

MPSTME, SVKM's NMIMS have Model United Nations (MUN) as an extra-curricular activity in which students typically role play delegates to the United Nations and simulate UN committees. Students give speeches detailing their country's position on the topic and offering possible solutions, focussing revolutionary measures for world peace and betterment of the beings of the earth.

The core team of organising committee with various portfolios constituting primarily eight students, Anirudh Singh Rathore as Director General, Sannidhya Sandheer as Charge D'Affaires, Prayas Gupta as Deputy Secretary General, Ekshu Singh, Siddhanth Bhattacharya and Divyanshi Jindal as Deputy Director Generals. Jayesh Agarwal and Priyam Pandya had been in charge of Planning & Strategies. Prof. Upendra Verma with his last year experience of NMMUN extended help time to time. The relentless working of the entire team for several months for 10th edition of the illustrious event has been on the foundation of nine tremendous years of growth.

The main event started with commencement of the opening ceremony with the welcoming of dignitaries Dr. Nikhlesh Sharma, Director (Engineering Program), Dr. Payal Dande and introducing the Secretary General Mr. Abhinav Anand by Director General Anirudh Singh Rathore. Opening speech was delivered by Prof. Sanjib Roy, Chairperson (NMMUN-X) highlighting the need of NMMUN in the society and how our concern is important by mentioning various global issues around the world. The details of each session are given below:

Social Humanitarian and Cultural Committee:

The session began with the Executive Board (EB)'s greeting the delegates and introducing them to the procedural rules to be followed. This was followed by an active participation by the delegates in the opening General Speakers List (GSL). The delegate of Canada assisted the UN to bring up a proper framework for protection of women and children rights. The delegate of Germany highlighted itself to be the 2nd largest donor in UNHRC sector. Later an unmoderated caucus began where delegates of France and USA empowered the committee while some countries including Germany and Nepal put forward valid points.

Lok Sabha:

The EB greeted the parliamentarians and started with a small introduction followed by the gist of rules of procedure (ROP)'s, after the roll call, started by the speech of Hon'ble Prime Minister of India stating many facts and data about the rise in GDP in the last two years and increase in digital marketing followed by many speeches of the ruling party which included Minister of Corporate Affairs, Minister of Home Affairs, Minister of External Affairs and so on. The session saw various aspects which provided many statistical data covering topics like rise in GDP and digitalization. End of the session came with a heated up "Zero Hour" where the topics for the next day discussion were rebutted and argued upon.

United Nations Security Council:

After a small greet and meet session between the EB and delegates, the agenda chosen to be discussed upon was "Stabilization of the Middle east". The debate in the council was full of allegations and counter allegations.

Continuous Crisis Committee:

The delegates settled down and the EB started with a small explanation of rules of procedure (ROP). The topic to be discussed was chosen as “Yemen Civil war” where the GSL was opened by Canada, Iran, Saudi Arabia and People’s Republic of China and Ansar Allah. Delegates started stating the ongoing situation in Yemen where the spread of cholera and reduction in availability of water and emigration of citizens were keenly observed.

Many delegates tried to prove themselves to be helping Yemen during the crisis but no conclusion was given to resolve the crisis. The Republic of China clearly stated that to shut the drone company in Saudi government would not clear the Yemeni blockades. On this many delegates supported The Republic of China onto which the delegate of Saudi Arabia replied that these blockades are there for a reason which was not mentioned. During the further speeches many delegates stated that this war is to prove the power of individual countries in which the Yemen common people are suffering. The first day came to an end where the delegates hoped to get a conclusion for the next council.

African Union:

The EB acknowledged all the delegates and elaborated the ROP’s of the session. The committee had many controversial statements yet most of them were moving towards the betterment of their countries and in overall the world. While South Sudan stated that it has become “a drug free country and the production and consumption is strictly prohibited” to which the delegate of Ethiopia said it is still allowed and practiced in private places which was a real eye opener. Many delegates such as of Mozambique and CAR (Central African Republic) used the term literacy rate. The delegate of Mozambique mentioned about how less literacy rate results into children selling drugs and arms trafficking.

Almost 18 speakers gave a detailed descriptive study on child soldiers. One of the point stated by Central African Republic was as how children are being brainwashed by other countries due to their vulnerability. Later during the last session many wide topics came out like drug trafficking, arms trade, light weapon trade and many more. With this session ended on a positive note and energy with delegates looking forward to come on Day 2.

Disarmament and International Security:

Session-1 was dominated by the Electoral Board where all the ROP and methodologies of the council proceedings henceforth were been laid out. After the roll call the motion was raised to start GSL on the agenda he impacts and impending role of Non State actors in achieving non-proliferation. The delegate of USA boldly stated the biological threats and was completely against it, whereas the delegate of Japan stated not to play the blame game and start working on human peace. The delegate of Republic of Korea mentioned the complete loss of usable materials due to nuclear weapon. The later session was mainly descriptive with facts and data as the topics were mainly focused on treaties in the un-moderated caucus. Singapore supported the international peace and security stance. South Africa stated that manufacturing and selling of nuclear weapon is channelized by the same country. The last session where the delegate of Lebanon giving a justification about how it is a non-nuclear country and hence prohibits the usage of nuclear weapons. Delegate of Iran confidently stated that the country uses nuclear arms just for “Clean and Green purposes only”. Allegation were also been raised against Iran demanding the usage of

infrastructure of Nuclear arms. USA further asked delegate of Iran to nation's perspective on Iran-Iraq war. Answer to which was given in terms of meaningful development of potential resources. Republic of Korea laid the pen on Globalization and its impact on existence of nuclear weapons. The delegate of France covered all the points on non-state actors and proliferation of weapons and also discussed the treaties abiding in it. The discussion came out to be fruitful where the delegates seemed satisfied and waited for the next day for better reformations and conclusion.

Social Humanitarian and Cultural Committee:

The second day of the conference mainly focused on how the various countries implemented ways to form policies keeping in mind the motive of women and children protection. The delegate of ROK stated their efforts taken regarding rapes and how freedom of speech is necessary. The delegate of Cuba stated the undeniable after effects of war and what cultural issues it redeems post war. Many delegates spoke about the insecurities with sums up in women and children post war, the recent Syrian conflict where the young population residing nearby was misused and ill-treated. This discussion led to the requirement of a new framework in UN which was followed by drafting the resolution where USA, France and UK took a firm stand and ten amendments were drafted which received support of smaller nations and hence the agenda successfully gave a fruitful result, later continued by a press conference.

Disarmament and International Security:

Day-2 was held in with powerful points and remarkable speeches. The delegate of France drafted a resolution which was passed with majority duly in the committee.

Closing Ceremony

The ceremony started by Prof. Sanjib Roy with warm wishes to the delegates for participating in NMMUN'18 and explaining them the importance of it. The Executive Board members of each committee started giving the prizes to the delegates and also appreciated the hospitality and logistics team for such a remarkable work. The Director General, Mr. Anirudh Singh Rathore gave a glimpse on how much work was shown by each and every member and gave all the credits to TEAM NEXUS and thanked the management of NMIMS Shirpur for the support they have been providing and then the event was officially declared closed. The vote of thanks to all delegates, dignitaries and participants was given by Dy. Secretary General, Prayas Gupta.

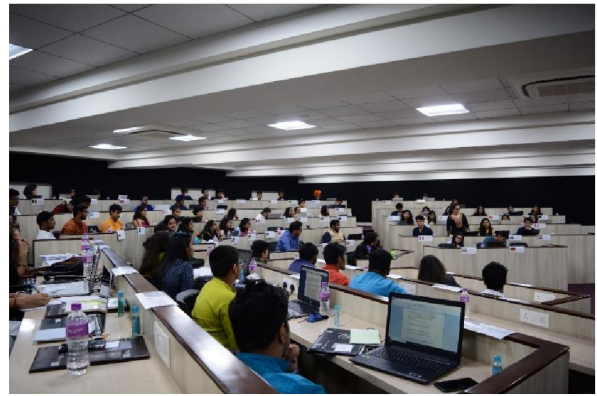
Glimpses of NMMUN X 2018

A section of Delegates and Team Members





Sessions in progress



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