

Youth Parliament '16

Rules and Guidelines

1. All participants must don a formal attire.
2. Participants must be well acquainted with the umbrella agenda for Youth Parliament '16, a guide/handbook to which shall shortly be made available at the Rostra website in the Youth Parliament tab.
3. The participants should scrupulously avoid any mention of the existing political parties and personalities in the country. They should give imaginary or fictitious names to their party or personality.
4. The participants should show utmost respect to the Chair and abide by his decisions.
5. The participants must maintain a proper parliamentary code of conduct.
6. When a member wants to speak he should raise his hand to attract the attention of the Chair.

Day 1: 13th February, 2016

Question Hour:

1. The ministers, ministers of state, committee chairmen, committee deputy chairmen, and leader of the house shall be required to answer the questions raised to them. The questions will be provided at most 3 days before the event.
2. The answers must be short and succinct. Focus will be on content and ability to answer questions as creatively as possible.
3. Further rules will be explained at the venue.

PS: Those members who are not allotted a ministry or committee will sit in the House as MPs. It will be made sure that they get equal opportunity of participation in the other rounds of Youth Parliament.

Short Duration Discussion:

1. Being an impromptu speaking category, the topics will be displayed on the spot. The topics will be based on a general understanding on

the umbrella agenda, which will soon be put up on the website.

2. Participants are not to question another MP's opinions, but only voice theirs.
3. Not more than 2 minutes will be given to a participant.
4. Further rules will be explained at the venue.

Day 1: 14th February, 2016

Parliamentary Debate:

1. The nominated members from the Government and Ministry will participate in the debate.
2. All the general norms and tenets of a parliamentary debate will be followed.
3. The topics will be given on the spot, but sufficient time will be given for preparation.
4. Further rules will be explained at the venue.

Bill Readings:

1. There will be three readings of the tabled bill.
2. Further rules will be explained at the venue.

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