

Rhapsody'14

VERBOSITY

1). THIS HOUSE DEBATES

Asian Style Parliamentary Debate (English):

Being primary to the debating circuits across the country, the Asian Style Parliamentary Debate has gained widespread popularity, across the country, for its well devised and easier structure.

Each participating team should comprise three members and the duration of the tournament shall be determined by the participation itself.

THE FORMAT OF THE DEBATE

Each Debate will consist of two teams:

One **Proposing a motion**, i.e., **The Proposition/Government/The Affirmative**

The other **Opposing the motion**, i.e., **The Opposition/The Negative**.

Teams have been designated as the proposition or the opposition for each round of the competition through a toss of coin.

The Government will consist of:

- a. Prime Minister or First Affirmative (PM)
- b. Deputy Prime Minister or Second Affirmative (DPM)
- c. Proposition/Government Whip

The Opposition will consist of:

- a. Leader of Opposition (LoOP)
- b. Deputy Leader of Opposition (DLoOP)
- c. Opposition Whip

The Debaters will speak in the following Order:

1st Prime Minister
2nd Leader of Opposition
3rd Deputy Prime Minister
4th Deputy Leader of Opposition
5th Proposition Whip
6th Opposition Whip
7th Reply Speech by the Opposition
8th Reply Speech by the Government

MOTIONS:

Each round will have three close- ended motions.

Both teams must prepare without external contact. In other words, there should be no contact between speakers and anyone else apart from their teammates (friends, etc.).

The use of any sort of electronic media, electronic storage or retrieval devices is strictly prohibited during a debate (starting from the preparation time, till the results are declared to the teams and the oral adjudication concluded) for any purpose.

For Preliminary Rounds, Quarter-Finals, and Semi-Finals, each constructive speech will be of 6+1 minutes.

For The Finals, each constructive speech will be of 7+1 minutes.

Reply Speeches for all the rounds will be of 3+1 minutes except in the final which will be of 4+1 minutes.

During the speeches, the POIs i.e. Points of Information and POCs i.e. Points of clarification can be raised by the opposing team with a maximum of 2 allowed during each speech but for the first and last minute. Substantial weightage shall be given to the POIs answered satisfactorily.

2). Omniscience

“The Rhapsody General Quiz”

Are you the one who observes those catchy and peculiar visuals and have a penchant for all the interesting trivia in the world? Show up your skills at the mother of all quizzes, Omniscience- The Rhapsody General Quiz. With workable questions relating to anything under the sun but at the same time something very common and observable in daily life, Omniscience promises to keep you glued to your buzzers till the end. Come, show your quizzing genius and take away the crowning glory.

General Rules

1. Participation in the quizzes is restricted to teams of 2 or a single player. Cross-college teams are allowed.
2. The Quiz consists of a written elimination round followed by onstage finals for 6 qualifying teams.
3. Use of any unfair means is prohibited and shall lead to immediate disqualification.
4. The decision of the Quizmasters/Organizers shall be final and binding.
5. Loads of audience prizes up for grabs so don't just leave after the prelims if you don't qualify.

3. "The Rambler Stands Alone"

JAM (jUST-A-MiNUtE)

- Considered one of the cheesiest competitions, JAM or jUST-A-MinUtE tests your speaking and listening skills like no other thing does. JAM is held in groups of 6 participants with one JAM master who acts like the master of puppets.
- At the beginning of each session, the JAM master declares a random topic which could relate to anything in the universe.
- As soon as the topic is disclosed, the first speaker starts speaking on the same but there are three rules:-
 - i) No hesitation
 - ii) No repetition
 - iii) No deviation
- The member of the group who points out the error is then required to speak instantaneously after the call from the JAM master.
- It makes you speak, gabble and jabber but that's the stairway to the bounties at stake. Discover the Rap god within.

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