

PRESS REPORT



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UNHRC

Agenda: Discussing the protection of minorities against targeted crime, with special emphasis on Middle Eastern and Northern American regions.

Press Members: Aryan T R, Vedant Sivaram

The United Nations Human Rights Council had a great first day with plenty of debates and speeches. The session began with opening speeches in which delegates represented their countries. As the committee proceeded, three formal-informal sessions were conducted which lead to numerous new points being raised. These discussions included a variety of points ranging between the solutions to protecting minorities against targeted crime, actions that should take place in the future, initiatives taken within delegates' countries, and initiatives taken internationally. The delegates were able to present multiple viewpoints with relevant information that adhered to the topic. Most of them were also able to successfully answer questions that were posed by the EB. On Day 2, a successful press conference took place, and delegates were able to answer the questions diligently. Next, through informal-informal sessions, delegates were allowed to discuss their views to reach a consensus for the resolution. The day ended with the committee unanimously voting on the draft resolution, titled "L Yajwin", with everyone wholeheartedly agreeing on it.



WHO

Agenda: Resisting the development of illegal healthcare markets whilst ensuring equitable access to medical resources.

Press Members: Shachi Sahai, Swetha Subramanian, Jovina E Albert

The first day of the World Health Organization's committee session was filled with high-yielding discussions. The formal committee started with all delegates giving their opening speeches to establish their countries' stances on the agenda. As the committee proceeded, some of the topics discussed included organ tracking hotspots, the causes of counterfeiting drugs, and every county's national healthcare system, in which participation from delegates was commendable. All delegates agreed that the root causes for the counterfeiting of medications were the high prices and unavailability of these necessary medications which led to the rise in underground markets. The delegates also agreed that organ trafficking was due to the lack of staffing and infrastructure in countries and the lack of education, leading people to organ trafficking for money. On Day 2, an informal press conference was conducted in which the delegates continued to impress. After resuming formal session, the delegates went through more discussions and plans and finally came up with their resolution called, "# Gavel Lives Matter", which passed with majority votes.



ECOSOC

Agenda: Tackling the rapid rates of inflation seen in global markets through constructive economic policies.

Press Members: Advait M V, Sarthak Grover

The Economics and Social Council had a first day full of fruitful discussions and productive debates throughout its entirety. The delegates addressed various issues ranging from the impacts of global crises on the inflation rates of the present countries to the adverse effects of inflation on the raging unemployment problems across the world. Advancing through such heavy-weighted topics, the delegates displayed the economic policies implemented in their nations and were able to comment on how dependency on other countries may have caused them economic crashes and rise in inflation rates. Later in the session, with the use of an informal-informal consultation, the delegates got together in an attempt to create a bloc between all the countries, as inflation is a universal issue. With the goal of implementing policies in a consensual draft resolution, the delegates all came together with the common aim of creating inflation control policies that suit the needs of all countries. On Day 2, the International Press conducted a successful press conference where they questioned the various potential resolutions that could be implemented to mitigate the impacts of inflation. Finally, the delegates worked together to create one draft resolution from one bloc. The draft resolution was finally called, "L-Eva", in honour of the respected Dais. In conclusion, the committee unanimously reached consensus, and passed a resolution against the agenda.



DISEC

Agenda: Limiting the possibility of nations engaging in cyber warfare and the threat of rapid developments in cyber weapons in the 21st century.

Press Members: Divya Tarak, Pragun Bhatia

The Disarmament and International Security Committee had successful sessions full of fruitful debates and discussions conducted by the delegates. After their opening speeches, the main points of discussion included how nations can improve cyber security, implications of cyber warfare using cyber weapons, strategies to eradicate cyber warfare, and the classification of cyber weapons as weapons of mass destruction. During the informal-informal session, there were two blocks that were formed - a US block and an Iran block. Day 1 ended with a devastating crisis- there appeared to be a human rights violation in Iran where women and girls were forced to wear hijabs and the ones that protested were mysteriously disappearing. When the Japanese President tried to speak up against it, an assassin of Iranian origin kidnapped the President. To deal with this crisis, several delegates gave presidential speeches. On Day 2, the delegates had a successful press conference where they were questioned about their state sponsored cyber attacks.

Once committee session was resumed, they merged blocks into one block. Over the course of multiple informal-informal sessions, they created their draft resolution entitled ‘Sweet Home Alabama’ which unanimously passed in voting. DISEC was successful in drafting a resolution for the agenda.



UNSC

Agenda: Combating the threat of modern-day imperialism and analysing its implications.

Press Members: Aditya Pathak, Siddharth Kethineni

The United Nations Security Council saw its members engaging in a passionate debate, filled to the brim with information regarding the threat of modern-day imperialism. After the delegates had concluded their opening speeches, the UNSC saw multiple discussions

including strategies to counter imperialism, the economic and cultural impacts of imperialism, and how this has shaped even parts of modern history. Delegates questioned other delegates on what they believed imperialism meant and brought up various cultural examples of implications of imperialism, including the Kohinoor diamond's history across the nations of Britain and India. Next, our committee saw the press conference, in which various detailed and gruelling questions were asked of the delegates, who answered them brilliantly. After the press conference though, crisis struck. Afghanistan announced that they released nuclear bombs on DPRK with the full support of the Ukrainian government,

and Russia sided with DPRK. To deal with this crisis, the delegates gave presidential speeches highlighting their stance in the conflict and what they believed was the moral and ethical outcome. On Day 2, a press conference was conducted which was filled with insightful answers by our delegate. The informal meetings between delegates were well organized and always ended with useful insights into the conflict. Unfortunately, the committee failed, however this does not display the performance of the delegates, the committee could not agree to a mutually beneficial solution as each delegate refused to betray their country's foreign policy.



International Press

Mischa Kumar

Head of International Press

Mischa is currently in DP 1 and has attended JMUNs as a delegate multiple times. While she gained exposure and had unique experiences, it did not compare to her experience as a press member. Being a press member was something new altogether and she thoroughly enjoyed the challenge and thrill involved. The unforgettable experience as a press member pushed her to apply for Press Head this year and the experience exceeded her expectations once more. In her free time, she enjoys playing basketball or spending time with her cats.



Krishiv Sharma

Head of International Press

Krishiv is currently in MYP 5. He is an avid MUNer having attended 5 MUN's, including 3 JMUNs, and 1 Harvard MUN. He has been awarded Honourable Mention and Best Position Paper awards. Having seen multiple press conferences as a delegate, he believes that the International Press is a unique and vital entity for a successful MUN. This year, he transitioned to the role of Joint-Head of International Press and looks forward to interact with committees and delegates in a different capacity. He is also a drummer and likes to swim and play chess in his free time.



Core Secretariat

Jia Misra

Secretary General

Having always been fond of public speaking, world politics, and negotiation, MUN gave Jia the opportunity to explore the world of advocacy. She has experiences as a delegate and in the EB, each one teaching her something new. Outside of academics, Jia can be found engaging in conversations about combat sports, global politics or even a punchline from a TV show.



Aagney Gorthi

Director General

Aagney is an experienced MUNer and he loves connecting his passion for debate with that of politics. He has taken part in 5 MUNs, winning best delegate 4 times. Last year, he was co-president for UNSC and the head of the MUN club here at Oakridge. His 10 years of experience in the school and being a part of the student council are a depiction of his connectivity with Oakridge.

Siddharth Satish

Director General

Siddharth has been a zestful delegate, starting his MUN journey when he was in the 6th grade. After 5 years, Siddharth has now been very active in the Bangalore MUN circuit by having 15 MUNs under him, winning many accolades. Outside of MUNs, his interests include software engineering and entrepreneurship.

