



ZABMUN X

RESOLVING DISPUTES | REACHING MILESTONES



JOINT SESSION OF PARLIAMENT

LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT



Honourable participants,

ZABMUN has been the crown jewel of SZABIST since the past ten years, and being the President of ZABMUN X, the honor of meeting the standards falls upon me.

ZABMUN has always been a conference par excellence and within this year's theme: Resolving Disputes | Reaching Milestones, we intend to go further than we ever have.

Our aim is to promote the art of diplomacy and creating dialogue about the important world issues.

This year, ZABMUN not only promises to provide you an exhilarating conference but it even promises you to provide extensive training sessions which would provide you the best quality debate.

It would be an immense pleasure to host your brilliant minds at the 10th conference.

Kind regards,

Syed Ahmer Hussain Qadri,
President
ZABMUN

LETTER FROM THE SECRETARY GENERAL



Greetings everyone!

My name is Syeda Romaiza Ibad and I am currently in my Junior Year, pursuing BSc in International Relations and Political Science. Being an advocate of debate, diplomacy and discourse, I am honoured to welcome the leaders of tomorrow to the 10th Edition of Szabist Model United Nations. ZABMUN is a conference built on proud traditions and a legacy of MUNs at SZABIST. This conference is a timely reminder of the succeeding generations that have dedicated their hard work, blood and sweat in making this conference exceptional.

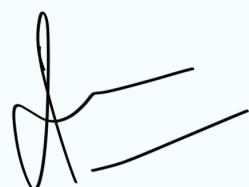
This year, we will be celebrating a Decade of Diplomacy with committees serving as 10 pillars, created with a blend of ambition, comprehensive concepts and internationally diverse topics, affirming high hopes of all. ZABMUN is modelled on open minds and fresh ideas where delegates are challenged and asked to represent national agendas or stands that they may personally disagree with. They will do so fairly and forcefully. This open-mindedness is the essence of successful diplomacy -- the ability to understand and analyse all positions, including those that they oppose.

As the Secretary-General of the conference, I recognize the value of having accomplished Committee Directors on board and how it contributes to making the conference a success and so, I have handpicked for you a mixture of ZABMUN Alumni and renowned Chairpersons from within the debating coterie, who have a profound knowledge and knack for Parliamentary discussions and debates.

I want this acceptance of differing viewpoints to clearly distinguish this conference from the rest. I believe it will prove crucial as delegates assume leadership roles in the twenty-first century. This year, the theme is quite simple: Resolving Disputes & Reaching Milestones. We want to harbour diversity and inculcate in our delegates the art of conflict resolution. I can assure all the delegates that by participating in this simulation and using this platform, these students can surely become better speakers. ZABMUN encourages each individual to trigger their analytical thinking skills, by stepping into the world of daily crisis and policy changes and enable their minds to interpret situations and suggest solutions.

Good luck to all those participating! Can't wait to see you all in December!

Kind regards,



Syeda Romaiza Ibad,
Secretary General
ZABMUN

INTRODUCTION TO THE COMMITTEE:

The Parliament of Pakistan (محلس شوریٰ پاکستان) is the federal and supreme legislative body of Pakistan. It is a bicameral federal legislature that consists of the Senate as the upper house and the National Assembly, as the lower house. According to the constitution of Islamic Republic of Pakistan, the President of Pakistan is also a component of the Parliament. The National Assembly is elected for a five-year term on the basis of adult franchise and one-man one-vote. The tenure of a Member of the National Assembly is for the duration of the house, or sooner, in case the Member dies or resigns. The tenure of the National Assembly also comes to an end if dissolved on the advice of the Prime Minister or by the President in his discretion under the Constitution.

According to the Article 54 of the constitution of Pakistan, "The President may, from time to time, summon either House or both Houses of [محلس شوریٰ پاکستان] in joint sitting to meet at such time and place as he thinks fit and may also prorogue the same."

THE COMMITTEE:

The Parliament will discuss the contemporary issues jointly and individuals put forward what is supposed to be proposed by the consent of their respective political party. Now the debate progresses and both houses compile a bill jointly which shall be voted upon by the members of the both houses respectively. The discussion before this is thorough and should justify each proposal. The bill requires majority vote from each house to pass.

Members of the parliament come up with anything that they think is important enough to be discussed, without the limitation of topic area. This time at ZABMUN, every delegate would be tested to the limits and hence would be required to pass relevant caucuses for discussion as per their party's consent.

Although the Parliament's theme of discussion would remain open during the course of three days, however, the committee has to cover the following different topics under relevant heading:a.
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- b. Establishment of a Social Welfare State
- c. Formulation of a sovereign Foreign Policy
- d. Tackling the impending Water Crisis
- e. Preventing the threats to National Security
- f. Rehabilitating key State Institutions
- g. Considering necessary amendments in the Constitution.
- h. Introducing the Rights of Animals
- i. Devising the rules of Protests and Processions

A minimum of 6 of the above mentioned topics shall be discussed in the committee. The members of the Parliament, may propose to discuss any of these topics by raising titled moderated caucus(es) for formal debate on specified topics. Each delegate would be required to perform as per his/her personality and party.

POSITION PAPERS:

Position Papers are expected from each and every member of the Parliament. Position Paper shall be submitted to the Chairs at the start of sessions, explaining respective stance and the respective direction that any member may wishes for the committee to take on the aforementioned topics.

CRISIS:

The Chairs may also bring the Parliament's attention to a crisis situation, tabling the debate on a certain topic, if necessary. On such situations, the honorable members of both respective houses are expected to pass a Joint Directive to resolve the crisis situation.

