

# Proposals for the post of General Secretary Social and Cultural, Technology Students' Gymkhana, Indian Institute of Technology Kharagpur

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# **Proposal 1**

# Open IIT Scrabble: Unleash Your Words

Unleash creativity, strategic thinking, and camaraderie in a Scrabble competition fostering intellectual growth and friendly competition

### **Aim of the Program:**

The word games section of the Literary Cup standings in the Inter IIT Social and Cultural events has shown a decline in participation and enthusiasm in recent times. This decline may be attributed to a lack of activities and traditions surrounding these competitions. To address this issue, we propose revitalizing interest and engagement in word games to enhance our standing in the Inter IIT Social and Cultural arena.

# **Objective:**

- 1. Foster a community among students interested in word games.
- 2. Improve our ranking in the Inter IIT 7.0 by enhancing performance in word game competitions.

### **Workshop Details:**

Event Description (Cryptic Crossword):

- 1. Number of Participants per Team: 1-2
- 2. Time Limit: 1-hour prelims + 2.5 hours finals
- 3. Abstract: Join us in a cerebral quest where every square holds a secret waiting to be revealed. Decipher clues to uncover hidden answers in this cryptic crossword challenge. Prelims involve solving a standard cryptic crossword grid within a stipulated time. The top 8 teams proceed to the finals, featuring a bounce/pounce + written format.

### Rules:

- 1. Prelims consist of solving a grid within a stipulated time.
- 2. The top 4 teams advance to the finals,
- 3. The exact format is at the discretion of the judge.
- 4. Pounce and Bounce rules are in place to determine scoring patterns, with the setter's word being final in case of disputes.

# **Judging Criteria:**

The scoring format will be as per the set guidelines, with starred clues used to break ties during prelims if multiple teams have the same points.

### **Benefits:**

- Encourages participation and engagement in word games.
- Builds a sense of community among students with shared interests.
- Enhances the overall performance and standing of our institution in the Inter IIT Cultural events.

# **Proposal 2**

# Literary Odyssey: Explore, Enrich, Empower

Journey through the Pages, Ignite Your Imagination and Immerse yourself in a world of literary wonders at our campus book fair

### Aim of the Program:

The Book Fair aims to promote enthusiasm for literature, celebrate authors, and engage the community by creating a vibrant literary culture within our community. By bringing together authors, readers, and book enthusiasts, we aim to foster a love for reading and build connections within our community.

## **Current Scenario:**

In our community, there is a growing need to promote literacy and cultivate a culture of reading. While there are sporadic book-related events, there is an opportunity to create a dedicated platform that celebrates the written word and encourages reading as a lifelong habit.

### Workflow:

- Introduction: Open the event with welcoming remarks, emphasizing the importance of literacy and reading.
- Book Exhibits: Offer a diverse selection of books across genres and age groups, providing attendees with ample choices to explore and discover new titles.
- Author Spotlights: Showcase the work of national, international, and regional authors through book signings, author talks, and panel discussions. This provides authors with a platform to connect with readers and share their creative journey.
- Community Engagement: Host interactive sessions, book clubs, storytelling sessions for children, and literary-themed activities to engage attendees of all ages and backgrounds.
- Closing Ceremony: Wrap up the event with gratitude to participants, authors, sponsors, and volunteers, highlighting the impact of the Book Fair on promoting literacy and building community connections.

### **Benefits:**

- Promote Literacy: By offering a diverse selection of books and promoting reading as a lifelong habit, the Book Fair empowers individuals with knowledge and imagination.
- Celebrate Authors: The Book Fair provides authors with a platform to showcase their work, connect with readers, and celebrate their creative contributions to the literary world.
- Engage the Community: By bringing together people of all ages and backgrounds, the Book Fair strengthens community ties, fosters friendships, and promotes a sense of belonging and inclusion.

# **Proposal 3**

# Rap Mania: A Celebration of Rap Culture and Artistry

Fostering Talent, Community, and Creativity in the Ultimate Rap Showdown

### Aim of the Program:

The aim of the proposed event, "RAP mania," is to provide a platform for aspiring lyrical artists to showcase their talent and passion for rap music. By organising this event, we aim to celebrate the essence of hip-hop culture while fostering a vibrant community of wordsmiths and rhyme enthusiasts.

### **Current Scenario:**

In the contemporary landscape of musical events, there is a burgeoning interest in rap and hip-hop culture. However, there exists a gap in platforms specifically dedicated to nurturing and showcasing emerging rap talent. RAP mania seeks to address this gap by offering a dedicated space for individuals to express themselves through rap music and engage with like-minded enthusiasts.

### Workflow:

**Event Structure:** 

- 1. <u>Showcase Round:</u> In the first round, all participants will have a 5-minute performance slot, inclusive of setup time. Judges will select the top 8 participants to proceed to the next round based on their lyrical prowess and stage presence.
- 2. <u>Preparation Round:</u> The top 8 participants will be given a theme or topic and 30 minutes to prepare a write-up before their performance.
- 3. <u>Performance Round:</u> Participants will perform their prepared rap piece using a common beat provided by the organizers.
- 4. <u>Final Round (Roast Battle):</u> The top 2 participants from the previous round will engage in a roast battle, with rules and criteria decided by the judges on the spot.

### **Benefits:**

- 1. <u>Platform for Expression:</u> RAP mania provides a stage for aspiring rappers to express themselves creatively and share their unique perspectives through rap music.
- 2. <u>Community Building:</u> By bringing together enthusiasts of rap and hip-hop culture, the event cultivates a sense of camaraderie and mutual appreciation among participants and audience members.
- 3. <u>Skill Development:</u> Participants have the opportunity to hone their lyricism, delivery, and stage presence through constructive feedback from judges and peers.

In conclusion, RAP mania promises to be an exhilarating and inclusive event that celebrates the artistry and diversity of rap music. Through its structured format and emphasis on talent and creativity, the event aims to inspire and empower the next generation of rap artists.