

GRADUATE SCHOOL OF MANAGEMENT STUDIES, GTU ORGANIZED DEBATE MASTERS 2021 (Online Debate Competition)

On 12th June, 2021

"DEBATE MASTERS" — An Online Debate Competition was organized by GSMS-GTU to celebrate the Environment Week. World Environment Day is observed on 5th June every year — a day which reminds us of our moral duty to protect and conserve the beautiful nature. It's quite simple as when we conserve the Environment today, the future generations will be able to lead a healthier life. World Environment day is the perfect opportunity to make people aware of the issue we are facing and how one can contribute to saving it.

Due to the prevailing COVID-19 pandemic situation, "DEBATE MASTERS" was scheduled in an online mode to encourage students to share their perspectives towards preserving the environment. Student community at present represents the youth of our country and is full of fresh and reviving thoughts. The youth these days is passionate and more aware of the duties and responsibilities they have towards the country may it be preserving the environment, following social distancing norms, getting vaccinated to stop the chain of Covid-19 and alike.

"It is better to debate a question without settling it than to settle a question without debating it" - Joseph Joubert.

The Cultural Committee of Graduate School of Management Studies (GSMS) of Gujarat Technological University (GTU) had come up with an intra college debate competition "Debate Master" on the theme of "Environment". With the high efforts of organizers and volunteers, around 43 participants took part in the competition. The competition was distributed in three different rounds as follows: The First Round was the Talent Show wherein more than 43 students from various colleges participated who were asked to make videos individually on the importance of environment with different topics and to submit those videos virtually to the celebrant group of the event. Their performance in different aspects was observed based on which they were selected for the second round which was a group discussion among the candidates.

The Second Round was a Group Discussion wherein 18 students who cleared the First Round were asked to give their opinion on the different aspects of environment. They discussed different types of problems raised in the environment and suggested solution to those problems. Out of the 18 participants in the round two, 6 most skilled participants were selected by the jury members for the Final Round based on the following evaluation parameters - vocabulary, confidence, body language and communication skills.

In the third and the final round, 6 semi-finalists who were in three different groups discussed a predecided topic "Bio-Medical Waste: A Threat or An Opportunity". Mr. Mandar Waghmare and Mr. Dharam chavda who teamed up together were declared as Winners of the competition by the Jury Members. Dr. Pankajray Patel (Director, GSMS) and the Chief Patron of the event congratulated both the winners as well as all the participants with encouraging words. Faculty Coordinators as well as student coordinators also greeted each other for the success of the event.

Few glimpses of Debate Competition - 2021

















































Dr. Pankajray Patel







