

# PLANNING FORUM AND ECONOMICS ASSOCIATION



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The Planning Forum & Economics Association has always been a forum for creative discussions that spark innovation and curiosity in the minds of students, encouraging them to step beyond their perceived threshold of capabilities. The very first event of the academic year 2022-23, was a Research Workshop, wherein students across all levels from our college joined to understand the process of “Research”, addressed by our Professor, Dr. Vinita Pimple. The Workshop was followed by a presentation of Research Papers, on various topics related to finance and economics. The presenters were given insightful reviews based on their work, by Ms. Nikita Tanksali. The next event was an Online Intra-Collegiate Essay Writing Competition which collected entries from students across various levels in college to test their writing skills and knowledge about current affairs.

They worded their ideas through an essay on one of the following topics:

1. Environmental macroeconomics and sustainable development trend.
2. The philosophy of modern consumerism
3. The use of art in human development.
4. Socio-Economic status and mental health.
5. Culture as a political instrument in the modern world.
6. Economics of complicated healthcare systems - resources and talent.

7. The problem of Corporate tax avoidance.
8. Boycott in the age of consumerism.
9. Culture as a political instrument in the modern world.

The results of the competition were are as follows:

Undergraduate Category:

First Podium: Sia Bhinde

Second Podium: Krithika Das

Third Podium: Rohit Shinde

Postgraduate Category:

First Podium: Anushka Shivhare

Second Podium: Shreyas Shewale

Third Podium: Kaushal Dedhia

All the winning entries are to be published in Podar Pageant 2022.

In collaboration with the English Literary Circle of our College, the Forum organized the second edition of **Quote Unquote - An Open Mic Event** on 6th January, 2023. The theme for the event was 'Pandora's Box' where the performances of Poets, Storytellers and Musicians not just from Podar, but also from Colleges across Mumbai entertained the audience. The event was graced by faculty in-charges of both the forums. The initiative was well appreciated by all and an enthusiastic response was seen for more such events in the future.

Currently the team is gearing up for the most awaited flagship event of the forum, **TEDxRAPodarCollege** which is to be conducted on the 11th of February, 2023. In the spirit of ideas worth spreading, TEDxRAPodarCollege has always aimed at initiating conversations by giving a platform to local ideas and perspectives that have the potential to bring about a change