Group Discussion Cell



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About the forum:

The Group Discussion Cell (GDC) conducts seminars, workshops, and intra-college group discussions (GDs) for degree colleges and junior colleges. Topics range from socio-eco-political and abstract to corporate. It also organizes and hosts 'Spectrum', one of the flagship events of the inter-collegiate literary extravaganza 'Rostrum Spectrum'.

Event 1: Orientation Session

Day and Date: Saturday, August 26th, 2023 **Time and Venue:** 10 a.m., F2 Classroom **No. of Attendees:** 65 male, 55 female

Description:

The Group Discussion Cell and Speaker's Academy held their orientation session for the academic year 2023–24 on August 26th, 2023. It marks the continuation of a long-lived tradition of guiding and helping junior college and undergraduate students understand the importance of public speaking and communication skills. Mr. Pranav Advani graced the session as the guest of honor. The orientation session saw an amazing response from more than 100 students. It was very interactive and informative, where students from the audience got a chance to come up and participate in the mock debate, group discussion, and elocution.

Event 2: The GD Week 2023-24

Day and Date: 14th, 15th, 16th, 25th, 26th, 27th September 2023 Time and Venue: 11 a.m.–12.30 p.m., G6 Classroom. No. of Participants: 41 male, 41 female

Description:

Understanding the importance of speech and public speaking, we, the Group Discussion Cell of R.A. Podar College of Commerce & Economics (Autonomous), organized the GD Week from September 14th to September 16th, 2023, and from September 25th to September 27th, 2023. The theme of GD week was 'Technology: The Driver of Society!' The topics emphasized technological advancements, technology bringing about change in different fields, technology as a threat, etc. The participants not only understood how different people have different perspectives on a topic but also gained an in-depth analysis of the topic.

Event 3: Rostrum Spectrum 2023–24

Day and Date: Saturday, January 6, 2024 **Time and Venue:** 9 a.m. to 5 p.m, G1, G4, G5, G6, G7 Classrooms **No. of participants:** 46 male, 26 female

Description:

The 6th of January 2024 marked the joyous commemoration of the flagship literary inter-collegiate extravaganza at R.A. Podar College of Commerce and Economics (Autonomous), i.e., Rostrum Spectrum 2023–24. The theme for the year was 'Spectrum of Change'. A successful public speaking event is a stage for expressing ideas branching from facts to build powerful speakers. A collaborative effort by the Group Discussion Cell and the Speaker's Academy at the college to present an opportunity through several events that emulated eloquence.