EVENT REPORT

1.Event Overview

Name: Courtroom: The Mock Trials

Date of Event: 7th and 8th February 2025

Venue: VLTC L-104

Organizers: The Debating Club

Coordinators: 3rd year and 2nd year team members and executives of the Debate Club.

2. Introduction

The Debating Club hosted an engaging and intellectually stimulating event, Courtroom: The Mock Trials. This two-day event transformed the traditional courtroom setting into a dynamic arena where logic, reason, and persuasion took center stage. Participants took on the roles of lawyers, challenging each other's arguments through well-crafted cases. The event provided a platform for debaters to showcase their skill in critical thinking, while the audience was treated to a series of thought-provoking and insightful exchanges.

Event Theme**: "Justice for All: A Legal Thriller Experience"** – Inspired by famous court cases, real or fictional.

Objective: The **objective** of a **courtroom moot trial** (or **moot court**) is to simulate appellate court proceedings, allowing participants—typically law students—to practice legal argumentation, critical thinking, and advocacy skills.

Target Audience: Members of the Debate Club, and other college students coming to attend the fest.

3. Event Description

Description: The event consisted of two mindfully selected rounds, each on testing the participants on their debating skills as well as their knowledge on law

Round 1: The participants with their team of 4 were pre given a hypothetical case, with some real-life reference cases, and were asked to present their arguments on these cases as either respondents or petitioners, decided by the jury.

Round 2: There were two teams which qualified to the second or the final round, they were provided with another hypothetical case with reference cases, and a short briefing about the case. After the hearing of both the sides, a rebuttal round was commenced between the two leading teams, which became one of the deciding factors about the winner between the teams.

4. Event Highlights

Activities:

Competitive and logical arguments- Students from BTECH, MTECH and Law School came to competitively present their arguments on the moot cases.

Live judging: Real time evaluation by a jury to ensure fair and unbiased results.

Interactive sessions: Opportunity for students to interact with peers and judges for learning and feedback.

Participation: The event witnessed participation from 4 teams out of which 2 were from different colleges, each team comprising 4 team members; with 3rd year and 2nd year of the debate club managing the event.

Event Duration: The event started at 12:30 PM and concluded successfully by 3 PM on both the days.

5.Feedback And Suggestions

Participant's feedback-

The participants enjoyed the overall structured format of the event and the decor, which made it look like a real courtroom scene.

They also added that there could have been more time given on the discussion of the cases on each round, so as to encourage deep and critical thinking

Audience Feedback-

The audience enjoyed the diversity of cases and the quality of discussion presented.

6. Conclusion

The **Courtroom: Mock Trials** event successfully provided participants with an immersive and educational experience, allowing them to engage in legal proceedings, develop critical thinking skills, and enhance their advocacy abilities. The event fostered teamwork, public speaking, and legal reasoning, offering students a practical understanding of courtroom dynamics.

Through well-prepared arguments, structured debates, and real-time case analysis, participants demonstrated remarkable legal acumen and professionalism. The event concluded on a high note, with commendations for the participants' efforts and a recognition of the importance of legal education through experiential learning.

Winner Team: The Indian Summit

Members: Yashu Mathur, Shree, Rishita, Anwita

Best Memorial Winner: Yashu Mathur

7. Good Quality Photos/ Videos