

# UNIVERSITY LEVEL DEBATE COMPETITION

College of Technology to celebrate Diamond Jubilee Celebrations organized a University Level Debate Competition on 3-4 December 2022 at PCT Conference Hall.

The Branch Chapters

- “SPRINKLER-THE BRANCH CHAPTER OF AGRICULTURAL ENGINEERING”
- “NIRMAAN-THE BRANCH CHAPTER OF CIVIL ENGINEERING”

were assigned the task of coordinating the event. Students from all the colleges in the University participated in the debate competition.

The debate was conducted in both English and Hindi. The topics for the debate were

- Will Genetic Engineering permanently change our society?
- Is UPI beneficial?

Each speaker was allotted time of 4 minutes to present their views and rebuttal round was allotted 1 minute with no cross questioning allowed. The speaker was open to be questioned by all.

The special guests invited for the debate were Dr. Neeraj Bisht, Staff Counselor, Engineering and Technology Society and Dr. Sanjeev Suman, Staff Counselor, NIRMAAN.

The English debate was held on 3 December 2022. The jury panel were Dr. A.K. Pratihari, Department of Mechanical Engineering, Dr. Shikha Goswami, Department of Information Technology, Dr. Sanjeev Suman, Department of Civil Engineering and Dr. Abhishek Yadav, Department of Electrical Engineering. There were 2 rounds held for each topic. 9 students each spoke for the motion and against the motion on the topic “Is UPI really beneficial?” and 8 spoke for the motion and 7 against the motion on the topic “Will Genetic Engineering permanently change our society?”



The jury members appreciated the participants for their debating skills and quality of debate. Quality of questions and answers during rebuttal round were excellent. The participants were applauded for their efforts and debating skills by jury members.



Dr. Sanjeev Suman thanked all the guests and jury members who spared their valuable time to make the debate a successful one.



The Hindi Debate was conducted on 4<sup>th</sup> December 2022 from 10am to 1pm. The judges for the Hindi Debate were Dr. Deepak Kumar, Department of Soil and Water Conservation Engineering, Dr. Shikha Goswami, Department of Information Technology, Dr. A. K. Pratihari, Department of Mechanical Engineering. There were 2 participants speaking for the motion and against the motion on the topic “क्या UPI फायदेमंद है?” and 4 participants speaking for the motion and 2 against the motion on topic “क्या जेनेटिक इंजीनियरिंग स्थायी रूप से हमारे समाज को बदल देगी?” Each participant came up with unique content and the quality of questioning and answering during the rebuttal round was commendable.





They also highlighted on the importance of participation in extracurricular activities and development of skills which directly relate to extracurricular activities such as communication and public speaking skills. The judges applauded the efforts of each speaker who had come up with their brilliant ideas.



Dr. Neeraj Bisht, Staff Counselor, Engineering and Technology Society in his address applauded the participants, the organizers and laid emphasis on participation of students in co-curricular activities and hope to conduct more such activities for students in future.

While closing on the 2-day event held Dr. Pankaj Kumar, Department of Soil and Water Conservation Engineering also the session coordinator for the Hindi Debate emphasized the students to come up with more such extracurricular events which would focus on the overall development of students.

