

## **SMUN Inter 2018**

**April 25-27**

With the dawn of April 25th came the promise of four intellectually stimulating, albeit challenging days. 9 committees were simulated at Sanskriti MUN 2018-19, including the United Nations Correspondents Association, the Security Council, the Disarmament and International Security Committee, the Social, Humanitarian and Cultural Committee, the Special Committee on Palestine set in 1947, the League of Arab States, the All Indian Political Parties Meet, and the Joint Crisis Committee. We hosted 18 schools for the 7th edition of this renowned conference, from all over the country, as well as from Dubai.

Now no longer school students, the participants were international diplomats; people of considerable stature and responsibility, whose words and opinions mattered. They engaged themselves not only in the issues plaguing the international community today, but also got the opportunity to retrace their steps and make amends in past decisions that have had a detrimental impact on today's society. There is something highly empowering about being part of an environment that appreciates one's passion for international affairs and the intricacies of the intriguing world around us; an environment conducive to learning, and this conference aimed to do just that.

Over the course of the conference, the students learnt both about international affairs as well as the virtues of diplomacy, integrity, persuasiveness, collaboration and camaraderie, whilst confronting the multitudinous moral, ethical, political and legal quandaries at the diplomatic parlays unfolding within the committee rooms. Each one of them exited the premises of the conference with a feeling of accomplishment—which, surprisingly, had nothing to do with the certificates they held or did not hold in their hands. Rather, it came from the fact that, in their own little ways, each one of them felt as though they had somehow managed to leave their mark in the pages of history. At SMUN 2018-19, sky was not the limit.

This conference would most certainly not have been possible without the efforts of the Organising Committee and the Directors of Technical Operations.







