ARYABHATTA COLLEGE

Finance and Investment Cell July 2022- June 2023

The activities undertaken by the Finance and Investment Cell of Aryabhatta College in the year 2022-23 were as following:

1. ABSOLUTE ADVANTAGE 2.0-:

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2. Annual Magazine featured by Government of Mexico

The students of Finance and Investment cell, Aryabhatta college were beyond elated when their magazine was featured on the official account of Foreign Affairs Ministry, Government of Mexico. The second edition of the annual magazine "Absolute Advantage" was launched on 28th of July, 2022. The event was graced by the presence of His Excellency, the Ambassador of Mexico to India, Mr. Federico Salas. Mr. Salas shared his college experience from back when he was in Harvard, reminiscing about when he was the editor-in-chief for the Harvard Political Review magazine at Harvard in one of the years.





He congratulated the team for the great work on the magazine while giving his remarks on how the youth can bring the two nations closer than ever! Mr. Frederico also talked about the upcoming anniversary of commencement of Indo Mexican relations and invited the students to visit the Mexican embassy for the cross cultural events that would be held in future. On 1st August, 2022, the official twitter handle of Foreign Affairs Ministry, Government of Mexico, recognized our work and shared glimpses from the launch event through a tweet that read "On the occasion of the second edition of Aryabhatta College's Absolute Advantage magazine, Ambassador Federico Salas from the Embassy of Mexico in India held a meeting with the principal of Aryabhatta College, Mr. Manoj Sinha, and spoke with students about Mexico's achievements."

3. EUPHONY'22:

Euphony is the annual festival of the Finance and investment Cell, Aryabhatta College. It incorporates a wide range of dynamic events.

Euphony aims to ignite the competitive spirit among young minds. It provides them with a plethora of competitions and activities to

perform and sharpen up their skills. Euphony helps the students in enhancing their knowledge, aptitude and problem-solving ability.

Opening Ceremony: The ceremony started with a grand welcome of the Chief Guest, the faculty and the participants. Mr. Rajat Verma graced the event as our Chief Guest. He is an associate fellow at Centre for Social and Economic Progress and also the ex-chairperson of the School of Economics at NMIMS, Bangalore.

Dr. Pritika Dua presented the Chief Guest with a token of gratitude.



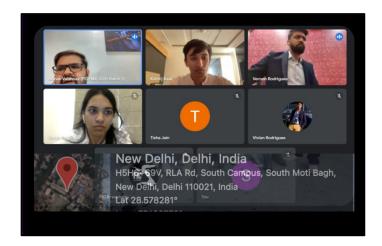
Competitions:

• <u>Cas De Sorcier</u> was a two tier case competition, having elements from the popular literature masterpiece - Harry Potter. The two exceptional mind-taxing rounds required innovative ideas to solve a simulation game, and a case study presentation. The event saw a participation of 1073 participants from across India, with participants having a varied background ranging from science and engineering, to finance and arts. The first preliminary round consisted of a simulation game, where the participants had to put on their thinking caps to solve and escape from a simulation of the 'Forbidden Forest', the infamous dark forest from Harry Potter. The top 20 teams who took the minimum time and had the most optimum use of resources proceeded to the next case study round.





Zeitgeist: The inaugural event that virtually set things in motion for EUPHONY, was ZEITGEIST- Case Connect, a week long case study competition that was held from the 10th of September to the 18th of September. It was a valuation based case study that sought to test the financial acumen and sagacity of dealing with core finance based dilemmas that perpetuate radical upheavals in the business world on a routine basis. More than 2500 participants Pan-India registered for this event which was structured in three rounds. The First round consisted of a quiz that assessed the principles of quantitative and qualitative finance as well as economic history that were harboured by the participants. It was based on the rationale of finding the best from the best.



• <u>Dugout 4.0</u> was the fourth instalment of FIC Aryabhatta's annual extravaganza for all the cricket fanatics out there. Dugout was a blend of auctioning, trading, fantasy league cricket and most importantly, it was a simulation of the IPL 2022 mega-auction. Dugout 4.0 started off with a playoffs round in which the participants had to go through a quiz with questions ranging from international to league/domestic cricket from the worlds of both men's and women's cricket. Receiving almost 1600 registrations, the playoffs round was a huge success and the pinnacle of competition among the cricket enthusiasts as only the top 10 teams from this round made it through to the auction round. After a cut-throat competition in the playoffs, Dugout was ready to move towards its main round, i.e, the auction round which had the top 10 teams from the playoffs, representing some of the most premier institutes of the Delhi University as well as other significant institutions from all over Delhi-NCR.





• Marverse: The event received 2000+ registrations for the prelims round from all across the country and featured three main rounds as part of its complete structure to test the participants on the same. The first one consisted of a preliminary quiz which tested the participants' knowledge and wisdom pertaining to the Marvel Cinematic Universe. They were presented with questions that were related to marvel and 5 mins were given for the same . 8 teams qualified and progressed to the second round which consisted of bidding and auction that tested the trading and analytical skills of the participants. The last round was divided into two parts-: auction and bidding section and the news section. The bidding and auction for main characters, side characters and weapons took place first and then 5 news were presented one by one which affected the price of the characters. The teams had to synergy which did 1.5x their value. Then news were presented which may or may not affect The price of The characters.



 <u>Total takeover 2.0</u> was a pure mergers & acquisitions event, a unique creative idea to simulate how mergers and acquisitions occur in the real world. The event witnessed more than 2000 registrations after which the preliminary round was held from where 14 teams were selected for the final round which consisted of 26 participants. All participants were to act as investors while the OC acted as an investment bank. The aim of all teams was to maximize the value of the equity they owned. There would be 2 phases which would be continuously conducted alternately at 20-minute intervals Auction Phase- Companies would be auctioned one by one. They can belong to any of the three sectors- Tech, Healthcare, or Oil. The bids will start at \$10 million. Mergers Phase- Under this phase, teams can buy and sell equity as well as conduct mergers to form an entirely new entity. Doing so in certain patterns laid down by the OC will multiply the value of the equity owned by teams who take part in the merger. Since the aim of this event was to simulate a free market, there were minimal restrictions put on strategies by the OC. This allowed the usage of strategies like trading companies through equity, and alliances to keep on making multiple mergers, bid bluffs, and a lot more ingenious strategies that used the freedom given by the rules to the fullest extent.



Market Your Bid: The Finance and Investment Cell, Aryabhatta College, University of Delhi, successfully organised Market Your Bid, a bidding competition under its annual event EUPHONY'22.In the first round, the teams had to bid for a primary product for which they had to create production and marketing strategies, keeping in mind the basic condition attached with each product. This was followed by a bid for the secondary products, which was used in the process of marketing and advertising the primary product. The second round was a marketing round, which was held in the presence of distinguished judges, namely: Mr Abhinav Jerath, Managing Director of ANJ Creations pvt LTD and Ms. Aayushi Dudani, Founding Team, Investment Products; Centricity wealthtech. In this round, teams were supposed to create a start-up of their primary product. The teams were evaluated on their presentation style, research, and the marketing strategies they used. The participants took part with great enthusiasm and hailed from the top colleges of the country. In the third and final round, the teams had to solve a case study to attract investments from the judges. On the basis of the solutions of the teams, the judges had to invest a certain amount of money in the teams. After this, the net worth of all the teams was calculated. The top 2 teams with the highest net worths were declared the winners. Edit with WPS Office

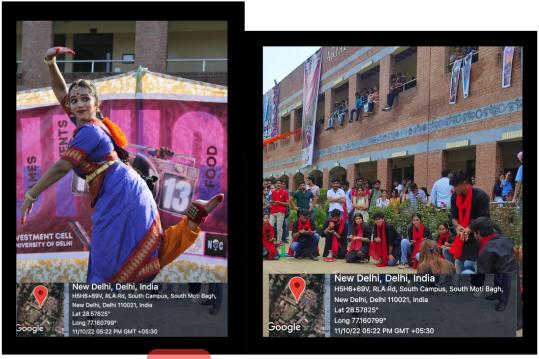


Tempest: The event witnessed more than 2000 registrations from all over Delhi University college's and also had rolling participation on ground. In the first round, Faultitude, participants had to get a ticket to the cruise ship. Their task in this preliminary round was to find faults in the questionnaire that was presented to them. After clearing this first round, around 10 teams qualified for Finwreck, where participants had to pitch their points so as to prove that they were worthy of staying on the ship. Those who qualified this round were presented their life jackets for the finale. The final stage was a cruise deck simulation which took place on the campus of Aryabhatta College. Participants had the task to find a mystery book which would finally lead them to the deck of the ship as they saved themselves from drowning in the high seas. The participants for the competition hailed from diverse backgrounds and colleges from across the country. The top three teams to complete the simulation in the shortest time were finally chosen as the winners.



<u>CULTURAL EVENT</u>: The cultural event of Euphony was indeed the jewel of the crown this spectacular extravaganza was. Not only was it synonymous with the typical taxonomy of a University of Delhi fest but was a notch higher. If the competitive spirit rife for the first two days belonged to some extraordinary gentlemen and ladies, the last day manifesting this breathtaking cultural event belonged solely to the remarkable budding artists who raised the prestige and the quotient of the whole event with their skills and delectable mastery over their respective crafts. The day began with students of the Finance and Investment Cell itself organising a riveting flashmob setting the stage in the process and inviting others to demonstrate their artistry as the day progressed.

This was followed by a heartwarming and nuanced stand up comedy performance which indeed pacified spirits and left the audience in splits. Next up, there was a phenomenal dance competition 'MALANG' on both western and classical themes in which participants displayed their amazing degree of talent and dexterity as they drenched themselves in the ecstasy of body rhythms. This was eventually succeeded by an impeccable music performance featuring our very own music society Virtuoso and a splendid display of dramatic art by our dramatics and theatre society, Rangmanch. The several mini game stalls fascinated the attendees and captivated their hearts in substantial measure. Also several engagement kiosks were set up for all those gathered to relish in the state of being together and in perfect camaraderie. The serene event ended with an unforgettable mic drop by our very own President Piyush Pandey, who with this act accentuated how close the show was to each and everyone's heart who made it possible despite all circumstances and overcoming all the odds.







4. **GROUP DISCUSSION**

The Finance and Investment cell organized its inaugural GROUP DISCUSSION SESSION on the topic BUDGET 2023-24, ANALYSIS, IMPACT AND THE WAY

FORWARD. The hour-long event consisted of the team discussing the fiscal, sectoral, financial and monetary implications of the budgetary characteristics and the impact of the proposed policies within the framework. The event ended with a closing statement from each end and unique solutions being posited by the participants. Saanvi Bansal and Kshitiz Aggarwal were

the best speakers.

5. SEMINAR - Manay Rachna University

A seminar on "The World of Data Analytics" was organized by the Finance and Investment Cell of Aryabhatta College on 9th Feb 2023 in N9, Taregana Block. The program started at 11:30 AM with welcome address by Dr. J.K Singh Sir. The focus of the seminar revolved around the world of Data Analytics. The seminar was organized in collaboration with Manav Rachna University for spreading information about IOA (Institute of Analytics). It witnessed more than 65 students as the audience.

Opening remarks and introduction about the program were given by Mr. Vikas Khosla. He gave an introduction about the analytics and data world and about the increasing demand and great opportunity in the very same field. He also gave information about IOA (Institute of Analytics) and how one can use the course for their benefit.

Mr. Siddhant Chandel then described the various benefits of learning about data and analytical word. They even informed about various subjects offered by IOA (Manav Rachna University)

Overall, the seminar was a great learning experience. Students gained a lot of knowledge about the world of data and analytics. A doubt clearing session was held at the end where the guest speakers cleared the students' doubts. The seminar was informative and helpful for the students.





6. FINOMENA'23

The third edition of the Finance and Investment Cell annual flagship event- Finomena 3.0 was organized on the 27th-28th of March. It was graced by notable figures from various domains such as finance, business, journalism, economics, education and politics. The event was inaugurated in the eminent presence of Principal Prof. Manoj Kumar Sinha and Chief Guest Mr. Abhishek Singh, IAS. On the first day, there was a lamp lighting ceremony and performance on Ganesh Vandana from the students of Natraj, the classical dance society of PGDAV college.

On the second day, there was a Kaavya Sammelan, a kiosk was set up in collaboration with a female hygiene and health awareness NGO, Kamakhya Delhi



7. Project Samarth 2023

Project Samarth, an initiative by Aryabhatta College's Finance and Investment Cell, empowers the underprivileged with financial awareness. Bridging gaps and fostering upward mobility, it provides knowledge and tools for informed decisions. Inclusive workshops and accessible resources nurture financial independence. Transformative and holistic, it instills resilience and prudent money management. Creating a ripple effect, it uplifts families and communities. Project Samarth champions equitable financial literacy, a right for all. Education and compassion drive lasting change. Project Samarth has successfully collaborated with The Rehabilitation Society of the Visually Impaired (RSVI). This collaboration further strengthened our efforts to make a positive impact in the lives of visually impaired individuals. Project Samarth collaborated with "Pehchaan Street School" where members conduct multiple visits teaching underprivileged children the importance of finance, teaching them about money, debit, credit, and the importance of the banking system. The impact of our visit was clear to see, and the positive feedback from the community members was a testament to the effectiveness of

the visit.





10. Workshop on Stand up Against street Harassment by Ms, Navya Naveli Nanda

Aryabhatta College's Finance and Investment Cell orchestrated a transformative workshop against street harassment, partnering with Navya Naveli Nanda, Yuvaa, and L'Oréal. With Ms. Nanda's inspiring advocacy, Yuvaa's passionate discussions, and L'Oréal's commitment to empowerment, the event ignited hope and unity. Together, they strive to create a safer, more inclusive society, where every individual walks the streets with pride and dignity, free from fear.



