



Sub: Invitation to Participate in Debate Competition at IITM Srinagar.

Dear Sir/Madam,

Greetings from the Iqbal Institute of Technology and Management (IITM) Srinagar.

We are pleased to inform you that IITM Srinagar is organizing a debate competition in the first week of November 2024. The theme of the debate is "Should the Reservation System in Education and Jobs in India be Abolished?" This competition is open to both graduate and postgraduate students from various universities, colleges, and institutions across the region.

The event aims to provide a platform for students to engage in thought-provoking discussions on a topic of significant relevance in today's educational and social context. We believe this competition will offer an excellent opportunity for students to showcase their research, critical thinking, and public speaking skills.

We warmly invite your institution to participate in this event and encourage your students to engage in this important discussion. The details of the competition, including the format, rules, and application process, are outlined in the annexure attached with this letter. Kindly circulate the information among your students and guide interested participants to submit their applications by 2nd November 2024.

We look forward to your institution's active participation in making this event a grand success. Should you have any questions or require further information, please do not hesitate to contact us at contact@iitm.edu.in | +91-9906500862 Ms. Ambreena (PRO-IITM)

Thank you for your kind attention and support.

Sincerely,


16/10/24

Dr. R. A. Thakur
Director IITM
Srinagar, J&K.



REGISTRATION FORM

1. NAME OF DEBATER SPEAKING FOR THE MOTION

Full Name in Block Letters

WHATSAPP NO:

DATE OF BIRTH

COURSE

SEMESTER

Signature of Debater

2. NAME OF DEBATER SPEAKING AGAINST THE MOTION

Full Name in Block Letters

WHATSAPP NO:

DATE OF BIRTH

COURSE

SEMESTER

Signature of Debater

Name of Participation College/Department/University

e-mail ID of College/Department

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Recommendation of Head/Director

Signature with Designation Stamp

IITM ANNUAL DEBATE – 2024**RULES AND REGULATIONS**

1. The debate will be conducted in the English language only.
2. Participants must be bonafide students of the participating institution, enrolled in undergraduate or postgraduate courses of study.
3. Each participating University/Campus/College/Department/Institute is entitled to send only one team of two speakers: one speaking FOR and another speaking AGAINST the motion.
4. The IITM Rolling Trophy will be awarded to the best team based on the combined scores of both participants.
5. All participants will receive a certificate of participation.
6. Each speaker will be allowed to speak for 5+1 minutes only (minimum time limit 5 minutes, maximum time limit 6 minutes). Negative marks will be given to those who exceed or fall below the time limit.
7. A jury consisting of three judges will evaluate the speaker's performance based on the following criteria:

a	Matter / Content	Logical reasoning and content presented by the speaker	50 marks
b	Manner /Style	Voice modulation (including suitable use of accents), presentation delivery and style	50 marks
c	Method/ Strategy	Structure and organization of speeches	50 marks

8. The verdict of the judges will be final and binding upon all, No protests or objections regarding the decision or the procedure will be entertained.
9. Admission to the debate will be subject to the presentation of a letter of credentials from the head of the institution certifying the bonafide status of the participants. Identity cards with photographs signed by the appropriate authorities of the respective Institutions/Departments/Colleges should also be carried by the participants.
10. The speaking order of the participating teams shall be decided based on a draw of lots.
11. Participants may be accompanied by a teacher-in-charge and 4 to 5 students to support their team during the debate.
12. Paper reading will not be entertained in any case.
13. Registration IS on first-come, first-serve basis, subject to the availability of seats.
14. Participants are required to focus their arguments on specific policies or decisions rather than criticizing the government or engaging in any discourse that may be perceived as opposing national interests. Any violation of this rule, such as statements undermining national interests, could lead to disqualification.
15. Please email the scanned copy of the filled-in registration form to the email address provided below with "IITM Debate 2024" in the subject line by or before 25nd October, 2024, You can also send hard copies of the registration form to the Public Relations Officer. IITM, by or before the last date. Email: swo@iitm.edu.in.

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