



Department of Students Welfare
University of Kashmir, Srinagar
(NAAC Accredited Grade A⁺)

No:KU2024/DSW/2024 _____

Dated: 04/11/2024

To

All Heads / Directors / Coordinators / University Teaching Departments / Satellite Campuses,
Principals of Affiliated / Constituent Colleges

Subject: Invitation to Participate in Debate Competition on National Education Day

Dear Sir/Madam,

In commemoration of the birth anniversary of Maulana Abul Kalam Azad, the first Education Minister of independent India, the Division of Youth Affairs, under the aegis of the Department of Students' Welfare, University of Kashmir, is organizing an inter-college and inter-university debate competition. This event is scheduled for **11th November 2024** at the **Ibn-e-Khaldoun Auditorium**, with the debate commencing at **10:30 a.m.**

The theme for the debate, "The Current Education System is Outdated and Fails to Equip Students for Real-World Challenges," invites students to critically assess the relevance of the education system in today's globalized world. This platform offers students the opportunity to develop essential skills in public speaking, critical thinking, and analysis, while also encouraging a deeper understanding of potential educational reforms. The best three speakers will be awarded with cash prizes and Merit Certificates.

We warmly invite and encourage your students to participate actively in this meaningful event. For further details, please feel free to contact Dr. Shahid Ali Khan, Cultural Officer, University of Kashmir, at **7006284229**. The rules and regulations for the competition are enclosed in **Annexure-A**.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Warm regards,

Sd/-

Dean, Students' Welfare

Copy to:

- Chief Librarian with the request to provide us with the venue (Ibn-e-Khaldoun Auditorium) for the smooth conduct of the event.
- Media Advisor with the request to cover the event for local electronic and print media.
- Chief Proctor for his kind information.
- Special Secretary to the HVC for the kind information of the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor.
- P.S to Registrar for the kind information of the worthy Registrar.

Annexure-A

Rules and Regulations for the Debate Competition Event: National Education Day Debate Competition

Topic:

"The Current Education System is Outdated and Fails to Equip Students for Real-World Challenges"

General Guidelines

Eligibility: The competition is open to all students from University Teaching Departments / Satalite Campuses colleges affiliated with the University of Kashmir and other sister universities of Kashmir Division

Registration: Participants must register by 7th November 2024. No entries will be accepted after the deadline.

Team Composition: Each college/university can nominate two participants, with one speaking for the motion and the other against it.

Time Allocation: Each speaker will have 5 minutes to present their arguments. An additional 2 minutes will be allotted for rebuttals and conclusion. Time limits will be strictly enforced, and exceeding the time limit will result in a deduction of points.

Language: The debate will be conducted in English only.

Judging Criteria

- 1. Content and Argumentation (40%): (Depth of understanding, clarity of arguments, and relevance to the topic.)*
- 2. Delivery and Presentation (30%): (Clarity of speech, confidence, and overall impact of the presentation.)*
- 3. Rebuttal (20%): (Ability to respond to opposing arguments effectively and respectfully.)*

Time Management (10%): (Adherence to allotted time and effective use of time for arguments and rebuttals.)

Prizes and Certificates

First Prize: INR 2,000, Second Prize: INR 1,500, Third Prize: INR 1,000

Certificates: All participants will receive certificates of participation, and winners will receive additional merit certificates.

Dress Code: Participants are advised to dress formally.

Arrival: All participants are required to report at least 30 minutes before the event for registration and orientation.

For any further inquiries, please contact Dr. Shahid Ali Khan, Cultural Officer, University of Kashmir, at 7006284229.

We look forward to a spirited and enlightening debate!