

## **D.A.V. PUBLIC SCHOOL, THANE**

### **REPORT ON DAV THANE MODEL UNITED NATIONS 2019**

#### **MAKING GLOBAL LEADERS**

Education for holistic development of its students has been the watchword of the educational endeavours of DAV Public School, Thane. The school continues its upward trajectory by providing ample opportunities to the young leaders to dream about a better tomorrow by developing negotiation, diplomacy and leadership skills in them.

The students of DAV Thane felt privileged when the school conducted the second DAV Thane Model United Nations 2019 (DAVT MUN 2019) for the students of Std V to X on October 12, 2019 in its school premises.

The day began with a vibrant inauguration ceremony wherein the members of the Parent Teacher Association were special invitees. Shri. Neelesh Shinde, Advisor, PTA appreciating the initiatives of the school, urged the students to avail such opportunities for enhancing their knowledge and personal skills. Shri. Umesh Kulkarni, Vice President, PTA appreciated the earnest efforts of the school in moulding youngsters into caring and confident individuals who will uphold moral and spiritual values and eventually earn their place as productive, responsible members of the society.

The Principal, Ms. Simmi Juneja in her inaugural address, highlighted that participation in Model United Nations is meant to foster negotiation, communication skills, critical thinking, teamwork and leadership abilities in students. Declaring the DTMUN open, the Principal reaffirmed her faith in the power of the youth to find solutions for pressing global challenges.

More than 1200 delegates from Std VII to X, were placed in different committees and assigned countries to represent, or occasionally other organisations or political figures, where they represented members of that body. These delegates of more than 50 countries conducted researches and formulated positions that they discussed and debated with their fellow delegates in the committee. In GSL – General Speaker List, the delegates addressed the issues ranging from Cybersecurity, Measures for Sustainable Urban Development, Pollution of Maritime Water Resources to Disaster Management and Prevention, Education Rehabilitation and Medical Requirement of children in conflict regions and the Iran-US issue.

On one hand, the students of Std VII to X were geared up to voice their views on the various world issues in the Model United Nations [MUN], and on the other, there was palpable excitement among the students of Std V and VI to take part in different activities. The Elocution competition saw students urging their counterparts against the use of plastics and firecrackers. They reiterated the fact that the environment is being harmed with the use of plastics and firecrackers. They also highlighted the need of conserving our fast depleting natural resources like water and trees. The students of Std V and VI spoke convincingly on the following topics: Plastic is a Menace to Society, Save the Greens for a Better Future, Save Water, Save Life, and Celebrating a safe and Green Diwali.

The Crisis Time -wherein complex geopolitical situations were taken up for discussions enhanced the problem solving skills of the delegates and took them one step closer to being a true diplomat and arrive at the consensus.

From the inauguration ceremony, the day was a witness to an amazing spectacle of tireless enthusiasm of the students. The parents were so happy that the delegates used all their diplomacy and ingenious methods of reasoning and argument to defend their policies.

In the Valedictory Function, Mast. Parth Badve - Director General, Mast. Ishan Mahajan-Secretary General and Mast. Varun Kamat-Charge D'Affaires of DTMUN 2019-expressed their gratitude to the Principal and the staff for their guidance and encouragement in making this DTMUN a reality. The school appreciated the hardwork and timeless efforts of the Directors, Assistant Directors, members of Press Team, Photography Team, Graphics and Logistics Team and the Best delegates. In her valedictory note, Ms. Simmi Juneja, the Principal opined, " We believe that this conference enhanced the students' self-confidence and showed them the right path to build tolerance, accountability, adaptability and strength as young leaders of tomorrow".

Reiterating Swami Dayanand Saraswati's words, "The greatest instrument given to a human being is his voice", the school encouraged the students to engage in dialogues, foster tolerance and build a peaceful world to live in.

