

THE BISHOP'S SCHOOL, CAMP

REPORT ON THE HARVARD MODEL UNITED NATIONS

On the 12th of August 2022, nine students represented the school in the Harvard Model United Nations one of the most prestigious MUN's held in Hyderabad. It was an exceptional learning experience and a dream come true for the enthusiastic Munnors of the school.

Harvard Model United Nations 2022 was an incredible challenging conference with over 1400 delegates from all over India and many other countries.



The conference spread over four days wherein our boys forged strong bonds of friendships, learned new things and thoroughly relished the delectable cuisine especially the famed Hyderabadi biryani.

The journey was extremely rewarding.

The Bishop's School delegation included Ishaan Sonawane, Kautilya Mavinkurve, Bezun Daver, Jayaditya Singh, Mustafa Ginwala, Zayn Kothavala, Parth Dangat, Deepansh Chopra and Aaditya Khopade.

The delegation arrived a day early as the next four days would be busy with hard work, stress and a whole lot of late nights.

After a good night's rest it was the day of reckoning- the first day of The HMUN 2022.

The venue was the HICC (Hyderabad International Convention Centre) for a thrilling opening ceremony. It started with a truly enlightening speech by the United Nations Assistant Secretary General and Deputy Executive Secretary of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change Mr. Ovais Sarmad. The speech stressed on the issue of climate change. There was profound insight on how the UNFCCC works, how all the conventions were put in motion such as The Paris Agreement, The Aarhus Convention. The importance of preserving our environment was also an important reminder.

After the opening ceremony the first committee session began. Each delegation was led to their respective committee rooms. On day 1 most of the time was spent in debate, lobbying, extensive deliberation, reading, writing and most meeting new people.

Most of the delegates from the school were representing Hungary in their respective committees apart from Zyfn Kothavala who represented Ana Livia Cordero in the Tricontinental Conference.

Then dinner followed which was titled 'Davat- e- khas' the authentic Hyderabadi food which indeed was one of the best moments of this trip.



After day one the boys returned to their hotel for a warm and cozy night of sleep.

Day 2 was the main day where students could debate and actually spend time with other delegates in order to make their working papers.

Day 2 went in normal committee procedures such as the GSL, moderated caucuses, unmoderated caucuses. After a tiring day 2 the students were led to the main conference room for another wonderful speech by India's Ambassador to Conference on Disarmament in Geneva, to the Kingdom of Spain and to the Russian Federation until October 2021 Mr. D.B. Venkatesh Varma. He explained what were the advantages of being a diplomat are after which the Secretary General and Director General interviewed him on the Russia and Ukraine war.

The session filled us with knowledge and a ton of experience.

Then the boys witnessed the HMUN's Got Talent which was an exceptional show of talent. HMUN's Got Talent was an amazing experience indeed.

Day 3 was devoted to drafting resolutions discussions and ratifying documents.

On day 3, Mr. Ajay Arora, the Vice President at Hero spoke on the importance of running marathons as it helps in keeping fit. After this was the delegate dance which was loads of fun with loud music and amazing food- an experience to be remembered.

Everybody who gave a talk in HMUN taught a valuable lesson which will help in daily life.

Day 4 was the day of reckoning - the closing ceremony and the day of the declaration of results.

Aaditya Khopade, Zyfn Kothavala and Ishaan Sonawane won The Honourable Mention award in their respective committees. It was a proud moment for us.



The rest of the day was spent in touring the lovely city of Hyderabad

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