



## A Report on Debate competition

Venue: Auditorium, Vemana IT

Audience: 1<sup>st</sup> year students

Date: 23-03-2024

Time: 11-15 AM to 01-15 PM

Topics for the debate:

1. The Indian Education system should emphasize more on developing life skills and values than just academic education?
2. Does Artificial Intelligence have a positive or negative impact on society?
3. Caste-based Reservations: Affirmative Action or Discrimination?
4. The Political parties offering freebies are road to prosperity or it is a passport to financial disaster?

### **“Power to the voice is Power to the People”**

**Preamble:** The aim of organizing debate competition was to hone the public speaking skills of the students and teach them to be articulate while expressing their thoughts and opinions. The session was the kaleidoscope of opinions, thoughts and perspective that enhanced the knowledge and understanding about the topics among the students.



Department of Basic Science and Humanities in association with Indian Society for Technical Education and Vemana IEEE Student Branch Chapter organized **“Debate Competition”** an inter class event for first year students on 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2024 at Vemana IT auditorium. Prof. Anjali R K and Prof. Hemalatha K coordinated the competition. Initially Ms. Chaitra of II ECE B section introduced the Judges, Prof. C M Ashwathappa

from Mechanical Engineering department and Prof. Sathish G A from Civill Engineering department who were invited to judge the students on different parameters such as clarity in speaking, topic orientation, communication skills, impact of the presentation and conclusion of their topic. Totally 26 teams from all the first year sections participated in the competition and around 500 students of first year witnessed the event.



Points presented were accepted by the spectators with cheers and claps. Some of the points even made us think about the facts. There was so much talent in the room. Arguments were made and roved. The competition was so interesting with the exchange of student's perspective by equally stating the merits and demerits of Artificial Intelligence, freebies, life skills or qualification and reservations.

After going through all the criteria's, judges gave their judgement and announced the 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> prizes for the students.

**1st place:** Puneeth and Shreyas, Computer Science Engineering 'B' section

**2<sup>nd</sup> Place:** Pavan and Mohammad Rayan, Information Science Engineering 'B' section

**3<sup>rd</sup> Place:** Jhanavi and Dhanushree, Computer in Data Sciences





Finally Judges along with Dr. Yogeswara reddy HoD, Basic science and Humanities department distributed the cash prize for the winners.

All the Basic science and Humanities department faculties were present in the competition.

The session was concluded with vote of thanks.

