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SOLYMPICS

Sports Squad, Mumbai, Aug. 27- The first day of Solympics was ripe with the energy and enthusiasm of all the batches. Scheduled were Basketball, Football, Cricket, Relay, Sprint and Tug of War matches...



IMCC

MCC, Mumbai, Aug. 06 – The teams continued to demonstrate their skills in mooting as they rose through the levels of the competition on the second day of the event.

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FITOOR



Fitoor, JJ Hall, Aug. 13 - The 75th Independence Day celebration kicked off with a speech by the Head of KPMSOL Cultural Committee, Chinmay Mhatre, which was then followed by a speech by Prof. Vrinda Mohan.



STUDENT COUNCIL



*Kanishka Bubna, Student Council Interviews
Interviewed by Shriya Srikant
Student Council Chairperson*

INTERVIEWER

What are new things you would like to incorporate in the student council for this academic year?

KANISHKA BUBNA

I want to introduce a better process or mechanism to get budgets passed and events conducted. I would also want to increase the involvement of committee heads in the working of the student council, as they are not only heads of their respective committees but also de facto members of the student council. We are also planning on reintroducing the buddy system this year, which is a mentor-mentee program aimed at helping juniors with academics, internships, and other queries they may have. Due to the difference in sizes of the batches, it will take some time to figure out the logistics, but we hope to implement it soon. I would also like to organise more workshops and counselling sessions by professionals in the legal field.

INTERVIEWER

How different will your approach be from what it was last year, especially regarding the online to offline transition?

KANISHKA BUBNA

Most of the announcements were made online last year. We will be continuing with that this year as well due to the varied timings of all the batches. However, the student council members will be hosting more offline meetings to increase in-person interaction.

INTERVIEWER

What is the one thing that you hope to achieve for the committee by the end of the academic year?

KANISHKA BUBNA

By the end of the year, I hope to have implemented the buddy system so that it runs smoothly. I would also like to ensure that everyone is involved in organising events. I have also noticed that many students are unaware of how things work. So, by the end of the year, I am looking to train a set of students so that they can spread awareness and provide clarification on such matters.

*Ojaswi Bhagat, Student Council Interviews
Interviewed by Shriya Srikant
Student Council Vice-Chairperson*

INTERVIEWER

What are new things you would like to incorporate in the student council for this academic year?

OJASWI BHAGAT

Firstly, inclusivity. I feel like it is very important. There have been incidents where students who come from different states and have different accents face a lot of abuse. Since we have a larger batch this year, I would like to ensure that we maintain an inclusive environment. That is where the new committees come into play – the Equity Committee, the Anti-ragging Committee, the Gender Sensitization Committee – and I feel like this is a very positive change. We also plan on increasing publicity for important notifications like the Constitution. To be more approachable, we are planning on circulating anonymous forms to address the grievances of the students.

INTERVIEWER

How different will your approach be from what it was last year, especially regarding the online to offline transition?

OJASWI BHAGAT

The major change from online to offline college is accommodation. We will be looking to assist students with that. We would also like to ensure that more opportunities are given to students regarding internships in particular. In terms of discipline, we plan on enforcing a stringent policy for daily decorum. Students engaging in misconduct on college premises shall be liable to strict punishments. We will be a lot more vigilant in this area.

INTERVIEWER

What is the one thing that you hope to achieve for the committee by the end of the academic year?

OJASWI BHAGAT

By the end of the year, I hope we have a more inclusive atmosphere in the law school. We hope to have a prolific year with a lot of events, with a lot of student activities, but our main focus is to create a system wherein everyone's voice is heard.





*Jai Nakra, Student Council Interviews
Interviewed by Shriya Srikant
Student Council Public Relations Head*

INTERVIEWER

What are new things you would like to incorporate in the student council for this academic year?

JAI NAKRA

I would like to create a better system overall. We are planning to incorporate the buddy system this year. The purpose of Public Relations is to facilitate clear communication between the committees and the students. This becomes difficult when there are long and multiple messages. So, my job would be to make these messages more concise in order to convey them clearly and reduce ambiguity.

INTERVIEWER

How different will your approach be from what it was last year, especially regarding the online to offline transition?

JAI NAKRA

Things were more chaotic last year, because everything had to be dealt with on social media. From what I have discussed with my predecessor Naman, I would like to continue the old policies while incorporating my own. I am not just trying to create a system which is stable, I want to create one that grows.

INTERVIEWER

What is the one thing that you hope to achieve for the committee by the end of the academic year?

JAI NAKRA

I hope to have created or at least set down the stepping stones to the buddy system. I do feel like that would help the students quite a bit. That is my role as a member of the student council and not necessarily as the Public Relations head. As the Public Relations head, I'd like to do my job properly, which would include, the timely flow of messages, clear communication and conflict resolution, and of course come up with ways to better the system for everyone.

*Akriti Kanodia, Student Council Interview
Interviewed by Chahat Kanchan
Editor-In-Chief Publication Committee*

INTERVIEWER

What do you think about the Gender Sensitization Committee that has been started this year and how would you go about building it?

AKRITI KANODIA

The Gender Sensitization Committee, in my opinion, was necessary. The time has come to establish a secure environment where people can freely express themselves as the world changes and as people's awareness of gender expression grows. Chinmay and I would make sure that there is openness and education about various gender identities when developing it. We'll strive to provide lectures, discussions, and distribute informational pamphlets to raise awareness of gender issues. That gives a general summary of how we intend to improve the environment and create a space where people may express themselves without fear.

INTERVIEWER

How different will your approach be from what it was last year, especially regarding the online to offline transition? What is the one thing you hope to achieve for your committee by the end of the academic year?

AKRITI KANODIA

The Publications Committee has always been a team that has focused on providing beautiful and refined content but has had issues with promoting it as well as delivering it to the mass. I look forward to showcasing the art we come up with and curate to as many people as possible through various methods including a regular newsletter.



*Rushank Kumar, Student Council Interviews
Interviewed by Arya Naga
Pehchaan Chairperson*

INTERVIEWER

What do you think about the equity committee that has been started this year and how do you go about building it?

RUSHANK KUMAR

Talking about equity committee, I think it is a great initiative. Being from a BBA background, I believe it is very important for us to inculcate, as students with both gender sensitive issues and in reducing gender disparity. Being in a co-ed institute, it is also important for us to teach both the genders how to respect and treat one another.

INTERVIEWER

How different will your approach be from last year specially regarding the online to offline transition? What is the one thing you hope to achieve for your committee by the end of the year?

RUSHANK KUMAR

Coming to the equity committee, I have stated that how is it important for us to take up gender sensitive issues and increase gender awareness and reduce gender disparity. The second issue that we tackle about is the needs of the differently abled people, it is very hard for them to travel from one place to another. Comparing online to offline, online mode were very convenient for both, the institution as well as the students who are suffering from some of the disabilities. As compared to offline classes, they must physically come to the 9th floor which requires a lot of effort. Therefore, I would like to inspect how facilities are working for the differently abled children in our college, and how they are able to commute from one place to another. Thereby, improve on the same so that we can have a better place for all the people studying in this institute. We hope to make this place a better place for everyone to commute and study by the end of this year.

*Shruti Samdaria, Student Council Interviews
Interviewed by Shaurya Pratap Singh Yadav
Student Head Quizrit*

INTERVIEWER

What do you think about the Anti-discrimination Committee that has been started this year and how would you go about building it?

SHRUTI SAMDARIA

For the new committee started this year, I am heading the Anti-Discrimination cell. So, I really feel this committee is the need of the hour and will be very helpful for the college students. I would like to help all the students who face any difficulties and hope that they are not discriminated against.

INTERVIEWER

How different will your approach be from what it was last year, especially regarding the online to offline transition? What is the one thing you hope to achieve for your committee by the end of the academic year?

SHRUTI SAMDARIA

Last year, since everything was online, I am really looking forward to taking my committee, that is Quizrit, to a different level by introducing many new approaches which is only possible through an offline mode and also it will engage a large audience for Quizrit.



*Urjaswal Bhatt, Student Council Interview
Interviewed by Chahat Kanchan
MUNSOC Chairperson*

INTERVIEWER

What do you think about the Equity Committee that has been started this year and how would you go about building it?

URJASWAL BHATT

I believe that the Equity Committee plays a crucial role in helping to close potential future gender gaps that could arise on campus and facilitating access for disabled people as our college currently lacks ramps. Even if we look at Gate No. 1, long distances need to be covered on foot, and the ramp's accessibility or convenience is lower than expected. Making the campus better for everyone is what we must look at. Starting a new cell is like nourishing an infant. It takes a long time and everything to build up. So, you need to put in a lot of time, that is what I believe.

INTERVIEWER

How different will your approach be from what it was last year, especially regarding the online to offline transition? What is the one thing you hope to achieve for your committee by the end of the academic year?

URJASWAL BHATT

I believe that in the transition from online to offline mode, we are trying to phase out all online methods as they are not as efficient. Not everyone was able to put their best foot forward as there was a lack of communication. When you are in charge of an offline event, it gives you an edge as communication is more direct. According to me, a committee should work like a tight ship. That is what I believe needs to be done to bring out HoDs' and members' efficiency. You need to establish yourself as a leader while addressing the committee so that all the work is done in an effective and efficient way.



*Mugdha Narkar, Student Council Interviews
Interviewed by Akriti Kanodia
ADRC Chairperson*

Interviewer

What do you think about the new committee that has been started this year and how would you go about it?

Akanksha Mishra

I am a part of the equity committee, which caters to disabled people as well as anyone who goes through the discrimination that happens, we try to give possible help. I would like to make the committee more approachable; I would like to maintain enormity by us and spread a little bit of awareness about the committee. So that people are aware of this committee and can report any of their issues related to the same. Also for disabled people I would like to look into the reports of the college structure specially designed for the disabled people for example, there are a lot of places where steps are included instead of crabs and etc. The infrastructure in some places is not suited for disabled people so I would also like to change that.

Interviewer

How different is your approach that from last year?

Mugdha Narkar

First of all I am very excited the committee's change from online to offline. Although there is a lot more workload in the offline mode. The new offline format of the event would only create a more memorable event, and as this year's new Core we wish to make it bigger and take the committee's flagship event International. However, at the same time, we believe in maintaining sensitivity to the ecological impact that the transition from an online to offline setting will create and will adhere to whatever measures we can take to reduce waste.





*Chinmay Mhatre, Student Council Interview
Interviewed by Chahat Kanchan
Cultural Committee Chairperson*

INTERVIEWER

What do you think about the Gender Sensitization Committee that has been started this year and how would you go about building it?

CHINMAY MHATRE

I think that the Gender Sensitization Committee was required. As the world is evolving and people are becoming more aware of gender expression, it is time that we create a safe environment for people so that they are freely able to express themselves. About building it, Akriti and I would ensure that there is transparency and education about various gender identities. Even now, there is a lot of ignorance and stigma surrounding the idea of gender being binary. We will try to have seminars, sessions and float around information brochures that could educate people more on the grounds of gender. That is an overview of how we plan to make the environment more inclusive and create a safe space for people to express themselves.

INTERVIEWER

How different will your approach be from what it was last year, especially regarding the online to offline transition? What is the one thing you hope to achieve for your committee by the end of the academic year?

CHINMAY MHATRE

Last year, I was the Marketing head of Meraki, a fest which turned hybrid at the very last moment. We had planned for everything online but then it shifted offline. I think this year would be smoother because we have a great head start with respect to the events that would be happening during the end of the year. One thing I would like to achieve by the end of the year would be getting a big movie promotion and having a really great event for everyone, here at Meraki. That is my goal for the end of the year.

*Nishika Tandon, Student Council Interviews
Interviewed by Shaurya Pratap Singh Yadav
Student Head Centre for Excellence*

Interviewer

What do you think about the Gender Sensitization Committee that has been started this year and how would you go about building it?

Nishika Tandon

All the initiatives are nice and as we are going offline this was really needed, so that the students facing these issues have somewhere to turn to in their time of need. A lot of support would be needed to make this initiative something that the students can turn to in their time of need.

Interviewer

How different will your approach be from what it was last year, especially regarding the online to offline transition? What is the one thing you hope to achieve for your committee by the end of the academic year?

Nishika Tandon

This is a very research-based cell so offline will help us more in getting research data and all the needed material both from primary and secondary sources as well as making research and resources more accessible to them. By the end of this year, we really wish Center for Excellence is well known in the college and what it does. We are aiming at more publication and research from the college.



*Sushmita Das, Student Council Interviews
Interviewed by Arya Naga
Legal Aid and Support Centre Chairperson*

INTERVIEWER

What do you think about the Anti-Discrimination Committee and what is your approach towards it?

SUSHMITA DAS

See firstly it is very necessary to have an anti-discrimination committee in our college and I am very happy that I will be a part of it. If they face discrimination, it might leave a scar in their mind, and we would like to any manner possible. Shruti and I have thought of having an open forum for everyone who can reach out to us at any time, keeping it very inclusive.

INTERVIEWER

How different would your approach be from last year regarding the online to offline transition for the committee, legal aid? What is the one thing you hope to achieve for your committee by the end of the year?

SUSHMITA DAS

In the transition from online to offline, we have doubled our case load. There are 2 ongoing projects: one for child rights and another one for gender sensitization and legal awareness throughout a village. Handling all these things at once is a task, but we have a great team on our hands that is working round the clock as time is of the essence. The main goal of legal aid is to make people aware of their legal right and provide these services to marginalized sections of society.



Aayushi Udani, Student Council Interviews
Interviewed by Shaurya Pratap Singh Yadav
Student Head Sports Committee

INTERVIEWER

What do you think about the anti-ragging Committee that has been started this year and how would you go about building it?

AAYUSHI UDANI

I believe that the anti-ragging Committee is a great initiative and I hope that I do not receive any complaints regarding the ragging. This initiative is great but awareness also needs to be increased so the students have the support they need.

INTERVIEWER

How different will your approach be from what it was last year, especially regarding the online to offline transition? What is the one thing you hope to achieve for your committee by the end of the academic year?

AAYUSHI UDANI

Being in a sports committee, having a bigger event and a better management is what we are going to look at primarily. By the end of this year the sports committee hopes that we are able to create more awareness about the committee and last thing we really want is lots of inclusivity in the committee.



Akanksha Mishra, Student Council Interviews
Interviewed by Arya Naga
Cyber Cell Chairperson

INTERVIEWER

How different is your approach that from last year?

AKANKSHA MISHRA

So last year the responses from the HODs were very passive, so now we are looking forward to becoming more active. We are looking forward to having more engagement which includes social media engagement. We have our events coming up next month, where we plan on collaborating with more legal advisories.

INTERVIEWER

How difficult is the online to offline transition for your committee?

AKANKSHA MISHRA

It is not very difficult for us, because most of the events we have conducted, and are going to conduct will be online. It is much easier to stay in touch with members and ensure that the work is done on time.

Amruta Gijare, Student Council Interview
Interviewed by Chahat Kanchan
Moot Court Committee Chairperson

INTERVIEWER

What do you think about the Anti-Ragging Committee that has been started this year and how would you go about building it?

AMRUTA GIJARE

I believe an anti-ragging committee is important in college but KPMSOL has always had an extremely healthy senior-junior relationship, where everyone has equal footing. I remember from my very first year, I could easily approach any fifth years, easily talk to them. I remember being able to approach fifth years in my first year and have a conversation. They facilitated this environment by asking them to address us with their names to establish equality. My main focus as a member of the anti-ragging committee would be to continue with the culture we have. It is incumbent upon us to take it forward, to ensure it is spread and remains the way it is- seniors and juniors remain on an equal footing.

INTERVIEWER

How different will your approach be from what it was last year, especially regarding the online to offline transition? What is the one thing you hope to achieve for your committee by the end of the academic year?

AMRUTA GIJARE

I will be focusing on establishing a better moot culture in the college because I believe that moot is vital for every law college and currently there is a lot of room for the moot culture to grow. Students are allotted moots and end up skipping because they do not have the support system needed. They need mentors and seminars, and our goal is to provide them access. We are refining the allotment system to make it more accessible to newcomers.

Further, as far as the International Moot Court Competition is concerned, we will try to reach out to more international teams and judges. As far as the moot problems are concerned, we will try to tap into pressing issues. For instance, last year with IMCC, we tapped into the Russia-Ukraine issue, which is why we had a criminal base for the problem. The moot issue is one place where we can really express the contemporaneous concerns, and our moot problems will be reflective of that. In addition, while we create our moot problem, we will make sure it is equitable to students of all years.

Earlier, it was a hybrid system and now we are completely transitioning into offline. So, our focus would be on becoming more digitally evolved and being environment-friendly, as these two things go hand in hand. Digitization will reduce paperwork and we can associate ourselves with brands that are more nature friendly.

