

JMUN 2021 – JMUN Co-ordinator's Address at the Inaugural Ceremony

On behalf of Seth M.R. Jaipuria School, it is an honour and privilege for me to welcome you, to the 8th session of Jaipuria Model United Nations. Conducting JMUN as a Virtual Conference was a challenge. But it's true, we don't grow when things are easy; we grow when we face challenges. Under the inspiring guidance and unflinching determination, of our dear Vice Chairperson Ma'am Jaipuria, our Principal Ma'am Promini Chopra, the School has emerged as a role model for imparting quality education, amid testing covid situations, to move ahead.

When you face difficult times, know that challenges are not sent to destroy you. They're sent to promote, increase and strengthen you. It's in our school philosophy of creating responsible citizens through conscious transformation. What you will witness in coming three days has sincere inputs from each member of JMUN team, to create an environment of learning so that we can contribute in creating world citizens with the right moral and ethical values, tolerance, discipline, commitment, compassion and sensitivity.

When we started with the concept of beginning with JMUN, there were two things which made it different from other school MUNs-

1. Executive Board comprising of Students from our school where Alumnus also played a major role. Thank you Bhaskar, Pratul, Kushagra, Shimul, Kartikeya, Samarth, Jeevesh, Manya, Shashwat, Bhavya, Vasu Sumeet, Siddharth and Shreshth for your availability always.
2. Introduction of an Indian Committee in JMUN, which is so important. We should understand issues at home and try to contribute to find its solutions before entering in international relations.
3. Another new feature, which is added in this years' conference is Introduction of a committee for the beginners from Grade 7 to 9. JMUN 2021 has WHO this time, enabling our youngest group to share a platform to deliberate, defend & deliver on a relevant issue- 'Devising a sustainable and equitable public health infrastructure with special emphasis on vaccine distribution'.

As Albert Einstein said - You cannot solve a problem with the same mind that created it."

Dear Delegates, Together, you represent the United Nations as it should be -- people from all countries coming together to find solutions to problems through constructive debate and an exchange of ideas. You can be catalysts for change by creating social networks in support of any group with an objective 'To Change-To reform-to educate. And, as leaders of the future, you can come up with innovative approaches to help

confront the challenges facing the global community. Many of you have been asked to represent national agendas or stands that you may personally disagree with. You will do so fairly and forcefully. This open-mindedness is the essence of successful diplomacy -- the ability to understand and analyse all positions, including those that you oppose.

Every member of the Organising Committee of TEAM JMUN 2021, group of teachers, Administrative staff, helping staff, alumni have put their hearts and souls into the first virtual edition and 8th edition of JMUN. I thank all of you for your commitment and wish you all a most stimulating conference.

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