

All India Debate Competition:

VJIM All India Debate Competition is organized every year for the purpose of promoting the debate culture across the country. Following are other relevant information about the event.

Eligibility: Only recognized B-Schools, Universities and PG & Degree colleges are allowed to participate in the competition. Each B-School/University/College may nominate maximum of 3 teams. All students should carry their ID cards for spot registration. No registration fee.

Prizes

- First Prize : Rs 20,000
- Second Prize : Rs 15,000
- Third Prize : Rs 10,000

Teams: Each team will consist of two students, belonging to the same institute.

Conduct of the Competition: The competition will be conducted in two rounds as under:

Round 1: Teams selected for the competition will be grouped into four groups. The teams will debate in their own groups and the best team from each group will be selected for the finals. One team will speak for the motion and the other against the motion based on draw. The sequence of participating teams will be decided through a draw. Each team should debate for a minimum of 3 minutes and a maximum of 5 minutes. The topics for the first round are given below, each team can prepare for one topic of their choice.

Topics

1. Are Social Networking sites good for the Indian Society?
2. Is T-20 killing Test Cricket?
3. Is Capitalism better than Socialism?
4. Are woman CEOs better than their male counterparts?
5. International education in Indian Schools- reality or myth?

Topics for the final round will be announced after the first round.

Final Round : There will be four teams, eight speakers in finals. The topics and Rules & Regulations for this round will be disclosed at the end of Round 1.

Debaters' Conduct: All Competitors are expected to adhere to the debate rules and conduct themselves with dignity. A debater who attempts to dominate or be rude to his opponents will lose points. Desperation is not persuasion.

Judging: Two judges shall be present at each debate who will judge each debate in a fair and responsible manner. Decision made by the judges is final.

Evaluation Criteria: Debates will be evaluated on the following criteria:-

- Content
- Logical and orderly presentation of arguments
- Rebutting/Answering question from opposite team

- Delivery