# <u>Awaaz – The Debating Society (English)</u>

# Annual Report 2020-21

**Total number of events conducted:** 6

Summarized details of Events/Activities:

Sr. No	Name of Events/ Activity	Date of Event/ Activity	No. of Faculties Attended	No. of Students Attended	Name of Speaker/ Resource Person (Optional)
01	Awaaz Auditions '20	29 November 2020	1	115	N/A
02	Verbatim 2.0	20 February 2021	1	54	N/A
03	Awaaz Auditions '21	02 August 2021	2	36	N/A
04	Elocution	23 August 2021	2	20	N/A
05	'Tryst with Destiny' Extempore	26 August 2021	2	20	N/A
06	Speakasia	31 August 2021	2	20	N/A

## Awaaz Auditions '20

(20 February 2021, 11:00 AM onwards)

## Mode: Online

## Level: Intra-college

**Event Summary:** Auditions were held for newly enrolled students. The auditions were open for all students of the college, from all courses and semesters. The event witnessed a participation of over 100 students, and everyone displayed immense zeal and enthusiasm.

## **Participating Faculty:**

Name of faculty member	RLA/ Non- RLA	Department
Dr. Nidhi Yadav	RLA	Political Science

Feedback: The participants enjoyed the auditions and went back with new learnings.



## Verbatim 2.0

(23 August 2021, 11:00 AM onwards)

## Mode: Online

## Level: Inter-college

**Event Summary:** Given the great reception and feedback that the first edition of Verbatim (held in February 2020) had received, there were always plans to introduce the second edition of the same event in order to cater to the voracious appetite the debating community at the University of Delhi has always held. The mode of the event was seamlessly switched to online for the same, and the results were there to see, with an overwhelming 200 registrations in less than 3 days. Over 50 participants were presented with slots, and the event began at 11 AM, on the Teleconferencing Platform 'ZOOM.' The event was divided into 2 rounds, wherein the preliminary round was modelled around the structure of 'Just a Minute' (JAM) competitions. Participants were each given a unique topic on the spot, and were asked to speak on it for a minute. The second round commenced, with 20 participants proceeding the next round: a conventional debate followed by a round of interjection. The winners were adjudged and presented with cash prizes.

## **Participating Faculty:**

Name of faculty member	RLA/ Non- RLA	Department
Dr. Nidhi Yadav	RLA	Political Science

## Funding Received: 2500

**Awards Given:** Cash prizes were handed out to the winners. The Best Speaker (For) and (Against) received INR 1000 each, and the Best Interjection received INR 500.

Feedback: The participants enjoyed the event and went back with new learnings.



## Awaaz Auditions '21

(02 August 2021, 05:00 PM onwards)

#### Mode: Online

#### Level: Intra-college

**Event Summary:** Auditions were held for both – office bearers and society members. The posts of President, Vice-President, Secretary, Joint Secretary and Treasurer were open for the students who aimed to be an office bearer. The auditions were open for all students of the college, from all courses and semesters. The only exception was for the post of President, to which only those in their third year could apply. The event witnessed a participation of over 35 students, and everyone displayed immense zeal and enthusiasm.

#### **Participating Students:**

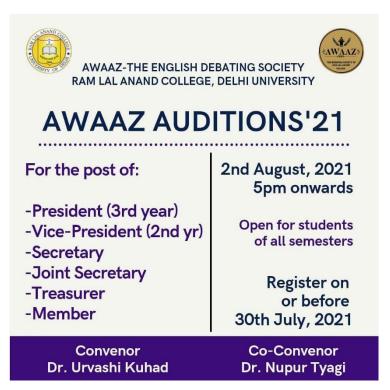
Name of student (RLA)	Programme of study	Year
Vikash Tripathi	BJMC	3rd
Agrim Sharma	Bsc H Mathematics	2nd
Saumya grover	Bsc statistics hons	2nd
Arihanta sharma	B.Sc(H) Microbiology	2nd
Dhananjay Kumar	ВЈМС	3rd
Akshita	BSc. (H) Microbiology	2nd
Kanuj	Bms	3rd
Kashish Bhatia	BMS	3rd
Sandeep Kumar	BMS	2nd
Juliyar munna	B.A.(H)history	2nd
Hitendra Pathak	BSC maths hons	2nd
Monu Tiwari	BA Political Science Hons	2nd
Anchal khandelwal	Ba honours political science	2nd
Mehul Pal	BSC.(H) Mathematics	2nd
Shreya Arora	BMS	3rd
Ghabit Nabi Bhat	B.A.(Hons) English	3rd
Namrata Saini	B.Sc Mathematics Hons.	2nd

Anannya Sharma	BA History Hons	2nd
Samir Ahmad	Bsc Hons mathematics	2nd
SHUBHNATH SHARMA	BA PROGRAM	2nd
Shekhar Sahay	-	3rd
NEERAJ	B. A[Hons] Hindi	3rd
Aditya Yadav	B.A. Hons Political Science	2nd
Pakhi Agarwal	B. Com hons	2nd
Anisha Gupta	B.Sc. Statistics Hons.	2nd
Sidharth singh tomar	Ba hons.political science	3rd
Tanisha	B. A. (h) political science	2nd
Arjun Tyagi	Bsc statistics	3rd
Kingsukh Roy	Ba Political science	2nd
Imran Zafar	BJMC	2nd
MOHD UMAR	BA PROGRAM	2nd
Adhiraj Gupta	B.A. (Hons.) Poli Sci	3rd
Ojasvi	Bcom(p)	3rd
shubh Jain	BMS	3rd
Kriti Garg	B.Sc Maths	3rd

# **Participating Faculty:**

Name of faculty member	RLA/ Non- RLA	Department
Dr. Urvashi Kuhad	RLA	English
Dr. Nupur Tyagi	RLA	-

**Feedback:** The participants enjoyed the auditions and went back with new learnings.



## **Elocution '21**

(23 August 2021, 11:00 AM onwards)

Mode: Offline, Event Hall

## Level: Inter-college

**Event Summary:** India's 75th Year of Independence was celebrated with much pomp and fanfare across the country. Keeping in mind the guidelines set forward by the Ministry of Education as well as the University of Delhi, a three-pronged strategy was adopted, with the commitment to organize three events within a span of two weeks. The first of them was Elocution: A Conventional Debate Competition on 23rd August, 2021. The event was based on the theme "Role of media in the evolution of democracy since independence". It was held via Google Meet. The event witnessed an overwhelming response with over 50 registrations from students of different departments and semesters. Each participant was allotted a topic, based on the given theme, 24 hours prior to the event. The event was judged by the convenors of the society. Each participant turned up with well-prepared speeches and presented with immense confidence. The purpose of organising the event was to provide the students with an opportunity to enhance their public speaking skills and give them exposure within the comfort of their homes. The purpose was met well, with the great response given by the students.

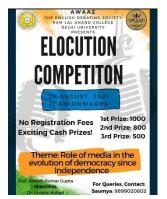
## **Participating Faculty:**

Name of faculty member	RLA/ Non- RLA	Department
Dr. Urvashi Kuhad	RLA	English
Dr. Nupur Tyagi	RLA	-

## Funding Received: 3500

**Awards Given:** Cash prizes were handed out to the winners. The first-prize was INR 1000, second-prize was INR 800 and third-prize was INR 500.

Feedback: The participants enjoyed the event and went back with new learnings.



## 'Tryst with Destiny' Extempore

(26 August 2021, 11:00 AM onwards)

## Mode: Online, Zoom

## Level: Inter-college

**Event Summary:** 'Tryst with destiny' was the timeless speech given by former Prime Minister Nehru on the eve of Independence. Stealing a page from Nehru Ji's book, Awaaz organized an extempore speaking competition where participants were to present a speech on a given topic which was given to them just a minute before. However, to provide the participants with an idea of the purview of the topics, a theme, namely- 'India at 75: World Conflicts; were released prior to the competition. The esteemed judges Dr. Urvashi Kuhad and Dr. Nupur Tyagi time and again kept our participants motivated. The event was organised on Google Meet with the anchors starting the event and subsequently judges stirring up enthusiasm in the participants. Following, the brilliant and surprisingly informative extempore session, Mrs. Urvashi Kuhad congratulated all the participants and Mrs. Nupur Tyagi commented upon the sagacity of the topics. The results of the competition were announced on Awaaz's Instagram handle.

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Dr. Nupur Tyagi	RLA	-

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Feedback: The participants enjoyed the event and went back with new learnings.



## Speakasia – A Multi-level Debate Competition

(31 August 2021, 12:00 PM onwards)

## Mode: Online

Level: Inter-college

**Event Summary:** Speakasia was held on the 31st of August, at 3:00 P.M, with the topics being intimated to the participants with a preparation time of 24 hours. Despite a low turnout, the event still managed to garner a lot of positive feedback due to the quality of the debate that ensued amongst the participants, drawing praise from the judges. The participants were given a choice of three topics, ranging from patriotism to the analysis of historical achievements of the socially repressed classes in India.

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Dr. Nupur Tyagi	RLA	-

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