

Cenmun 2019: Debates help students learn, evolve

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NAGPUR: Winning should not be the motive as learning to present yourself is important in life. Debates give students an opportunity to learn from each other and therefore should be looked at with optimism, said Ajit Nimbalkar, on Friday.

He was speaking as the chief guest at the inauguration of Cenmun 2019, the grand event being hosted by Centre Point School, Wardhaman Nagar. The Times of India is the print partner. Nearly 1,000 participants from different schools from Nagpur and other places will take part in the mega event.

Shabbir Shakir, district governor and a Rotarian, was the guest of honour.

Nimbalkar said debate is a skill development programme where students should raise the bar and speak their mind out on global issues. It is a platform where qualities of a speaker are reflected. Such competitions help remove the fear of speaking from a podium and instils confidence. This generation has many resources available to know the current global issues and act on them, he added.

Shakir congratulated the delegates and wished them all the luck to give their best in the MUN activity. Introduction to the secretariat team was given by the anchors. Hiten Muniyal, secretary general of Cenmun, hoped the delegates learn something positive from Cenmun.

MUN is a debate platform where students are given certain global issues to talk on. CPS students have put in their best efforts to make this programme as one of the biggest MUNs in Central India.

Earlier, the programme began with the introduction of guests by anchors Priyank Shah and Ishika Kalra, both students. The school choir welcomed the delegates and guests with a welcome song. A welcome dance was presented by school students.

Principal of CPSWN Sumati Venugopallan congratulated them for being part of Cenmun 2019. She said, “It is a privilege to have such talented and enthusiastic students. The proud moment for CPS is to see increase in number of participants and also welcome international delegates who are here as part of student exchange programme of Rotary Club.”

School directors Radhika and Jaisingh Rajwade motivated the delegates to perform without fear and show what they have read and learned on various burning issues.

This being the third edition of Cenmun, previous achievements were displayed.

The opening ceremony concluded on an energetic note and the delegates were charged up for the upcoming two days to give presentations.