## Portal Report

## 4<sup>th</sup> Edition of International Utopia Model United Nations Conference 2019 (IUMUN) Closing Ceremony

The 4<sup>th</sup> edition of International Utopia Model United Nations Conference 2019 (IUMUN), organised by Delhi Public School Gurgaon, concluded on 16<sup>th</sup> October'19. The three day enriching conference was in tandem with the belief of Mahatma Gandhi 'Be the change that you wish to see'.

The Director Principal, Ms. Aditi Misra, extended a warm welcome to the Chief Guest, Mr Rajiv Chandran, National Information Officer, The United Nations Information Centre for India and Bhutan and Mr Karthik Hariharan, an alumnus of the school. She congratulated the delegates on the successful and enriching three days of active participation and advised them to be the change that they wish to see. She concluded her speech by reiterating that on the occasion of World Food Day, each student should pledge not to waste food.

The cultural presentation on the occasion was a dance performance, 'Mohan se Mahatma'- a tribute to Mahatma Gandhi on his 150<sup>th</sup> birth anniversary, portraying the story of his struggle for 'Poorna Swaraj'. This was followed by sharing of experiences by the Deputy Secretary General, Mudit Hans, and members of the Executive Board. The e-newsletter, 'The Utopian Communique' was released by the Chief Guest and the Director Principal.

The glimpses of IUMUN 2019 were showcased through a visual presentation that gave the delegates and audience a sneak peek into the happenings of the three eventful days.

Mr. Rajiv Chandran applauded the school authorities for the successful culmination of IUMUN, which according to him, is the crux of change. He shared UN Secretary-General's remarks at the Eighth ECOSOC Youth Forum, that the youth must be engaged fully for more peaceful, just and prosperous world. Through a power point presentation, he highlighted India's involvement in the UN.

The Chief Guest and the Director Principal felicitated the members of the Executive Board and the Organising Committees. This was followed by the award ceremony wherein delegates were given certificates of merit and trophies in the categories of Best Position Paper, Special Mention, High Commendation and Best Delegate. Mr. Karthik Hariharan officially declared IUMUN 2019 Conference closed. The vote of thanks proposed by the Director General, Mr Abhimanyu Pathania, marked the culmination of the ceremony.