

Report -Online e-Indiation and Enlighten MUN Training Programme

Delhi Public School Gurgaon achieved yet another milestone by successfully organising an online training session of MUN and e-Indiation programme between Friday, 4th June and Thursday, 10th June, 2021. Skillsphere Education, a pan India educational enterprise, conducted various skillset development programmes which helped students enhance their communication skills, leadership qualities and general awareness among others. Five sessions of three hours each were conducted for the students.

The focus of the **e-Indiation programme** was on the development of essential public speaking skills, team work, problem solving and analytical thinking with national awareness and responsibility for the students of grades VI and VII.

Students participated in a range of activity oriented fun sessions focusing on the development of the above mentioned skills. Some of the activities were – ‘The I in India and India Shining’, ‘Amazing Indian Race’ and ‘Utopian Parliament’. These activities focussed on developing essential 21st century skills while introducing students to a range of facets related to India.

The modules involved experiences and games touching upon different features related to the country. The programme also gave the students an opportunity to step into the shoes of India’s policy makers through a modified parliamentary format called the ‘Utopian Parliament’. The students and the resource person discussed about various problems faced by our country like poverty, deforestation, pollution, overpopulation and corruption. They also came up with solutions to tackle these issues.

The **MUN programme** for students of grades VIII to XII focused on essential soft skills development while training them for participation in Model UN conferences. A range of skills such as public speaking, debating, opinion development, group discussions etc. were the focus of the sessions.

Students were taught how to master their first impressions, ‘Elevator Pitches’ and ace their basic interpersonal skills, as they are essential for excelling as delegates in MUN conferences as well as for long term success in life. They were also taught the correct method of debating, approaching a motion, developing offensive and defensive argumentative strategies among other tips and tricks. Students were oriented about the basic pointers to be kept in mind to ensure improvisation and spontaneity. They were acquainted with the nuances of MUN procedures such as UNA/USA procedure. All aspects of procedure such as points, motions and caucuses were comprehensively explained. They were taught the art of research, debating strategies such as defensive approach, assertive approach, etc. Students were also given an insight into the basic functioning of the United Nations. Thereafter, they were allocated committees, countries, background guides and all participated enthusiastically in a full-fledged MUN simulation on the final day.

The sessions were interactive and enriching and a great learning experience for all.



