



TAPMI TOASTMASTERS CLUB

REPORT ON OPEN SPEECH COMPETITION BY TAPMI TOASTMASTERS HELD ON INDEPENDENCE DAY, AUGUST 2017

The meet started with the Club President Ashwath Narayana welcoming the participants and audience of around 180 students. He then spoke about the relevance of celebrating Independence Day.

The first round commenced with 9 teams of two from the 9 sections of PGP-1 participating for Round 1 (Extempore). The teams were asked to pick from a variety of topics- Are Indians Racist, Backward Classes Reservation- still needed? One person had to speak for the topic and the other against the topic. For this the participants were given two minutes each. After this, the audience was given the chance to question the participants on their views for their minutes. The candidates were judged on various parameters like Speech Development, Effectiveness, Body Language, Voice Appropriateness and correctness.

While the judging process was in process, the audience were asked questions on a variety of topics. Students who gave correct answers were rewarded with chocolates.

From the 9 participating teams, two teams were selected for the finals which was a debate on the topic **#HasIndiaBecomeTrulyIndependent**

Runner-Up Team “**No Name**”: Aravind S & Nayan Sharma

Winner Team “**Revolvers**”: Pulkit Tibrewala & Vivek

Each team was given two minutes each to present their view and then the stage was set for an open debate of eight minutes. The two teams fought closely and were judged on parameters like organization and clarity, use of arguments, use of examples, use of rebuttal and presentation style.

Team Revolver was declared Winner and Team No-Name was declared the Runner-Up.

The winners were selected by a judging panel comprising of the Director, Prof. Madhu VeeraRaghavan and Professors Seena Biju, Shyam Ranjan Shetty and Vishwanathan Iyer. The professors also gave exhilarating speeches on the relevance of celebrating Independence Day. The meeting closed with the winners and Runners Up being given Trophies and Certificates. Furthermore, the other participants were given Certificates.