

## VERBATTLE INTERNATIONAL ONLINE DEBATE COMPETITION

### **TERMS AND CONDITIONS:**

1. Entry is for students 12-18 years of age. The relaxation is upto a maximum of 30 days on either limit of age.
2. A team would consist of two participants only.
3. A team is identified by their names.( For eg: Anika and Suraj team)
4. The declaration of results shall be final and binding on all participants and no dispute shall be entertained subsequently under any circumstance.
5. Registration/Entry fee per team is INR 2000 for Indian candidates, and 35 USD/30 Euros for foreign candidates. Fee is payable by online transfer in favour of Verbattle Foundation, payable at Bengaluru.
6. All decisions with regard to the content, scope and structure of the competition, platform and event shall vest with the organisers only. And, all such decisions shall be final and binding on all participants.
7. In case of non-participation by the participants in the team, the team would be disentitled to claim any other opportunity or chance and the entry fee paid by such individual or team shall stand forfeited.
8. The facts and information submitted in the participation registration as also information furnished by the participants shall be self attested by the participants. It shall be presumed that the participants have obtained permission from their parents / guardians to participate in the competition and have understood the inherent terms and risks of participating in the competition.
9. Rules of the participation in the various rounds of the competition shall be provided along with the format of the qualifying rounds up to the finals, from time to time. This will be based on the format already announced and available as part of the competition and shall be in use in the event of any minor modification or generic adjustment that may have to be made to adapt to technology or the limitations of it. Every related information is available on the website. If there is any confusion, the same may be clarified by writing to the office of Verbattle.
10. All payments have to be made vide online transfer. DD / cheque/ Cash can be accepted on a case to case basis with validity and clearance dates being assured well before the commencement of the competition. DD/Cheque to be drawn in favour of Verbattle Foundation, payable at Bengaluru. Any cash payment without receipt is at the risk of the payer.

11. Should any information be discovered to be incorrect, the organisers reserve the right to disqualify such team and to deny or withhold participation and the entry fee will be forfeited. The decision of the organisers in this regard would be final and binding.

12. Any unacceptable or indecent behaviour by the participants will invite immediate disqualification for the team.

13. Entry fee once paid will not be paid back under any circumstance and is not transferable.

14. In case of the results of the debate, the decision of the judges will be final in consultation with the chief moderator/nominated representative. No dispute and disagreement will be entertained thereafter.

15. The participant should be prepared to endure criticism, defeat or unpleasant comments by any person during the competition. Any injury or other bodily distress inflicted by any participant upon himself/herself shall be deemed to have arisen from a failure of either the participants or the parents or of the institution (or all) by not ascertaining the risks the attendant faces in such competitions/tournaments, online or otherwise. All participants, their parents or guardians and the concerned institution hereby agree to hold the organizers of the competition / event / tournament as well as the sponsors, judges and other persons involved with the competition / event / tournament immune from any claim that may be brought in respect of any emotional or physical injury or distress suffered by any participant.

16. Filming/recording of the event and also showing some participants or debate is entirely the discretion of the producer in charge of producing the video post the online activity irrespective of its streaming and availability on any platform. No participant can claim the right to be or not to be recorded, filmed, streamed, visually documented to be shown on TV or any other medium. Verbattle reserves the right to use any recorded visuals from the event or the event location for its own purpose.

17. All participants will be issued a digital / online certificate for their highest level of participation. A hard/physical copy may be obtained by any participant through a special request by bearing the postal/courier charges.

18. No other prizes will be given. Each member of the winning team will be given a unique plaque.