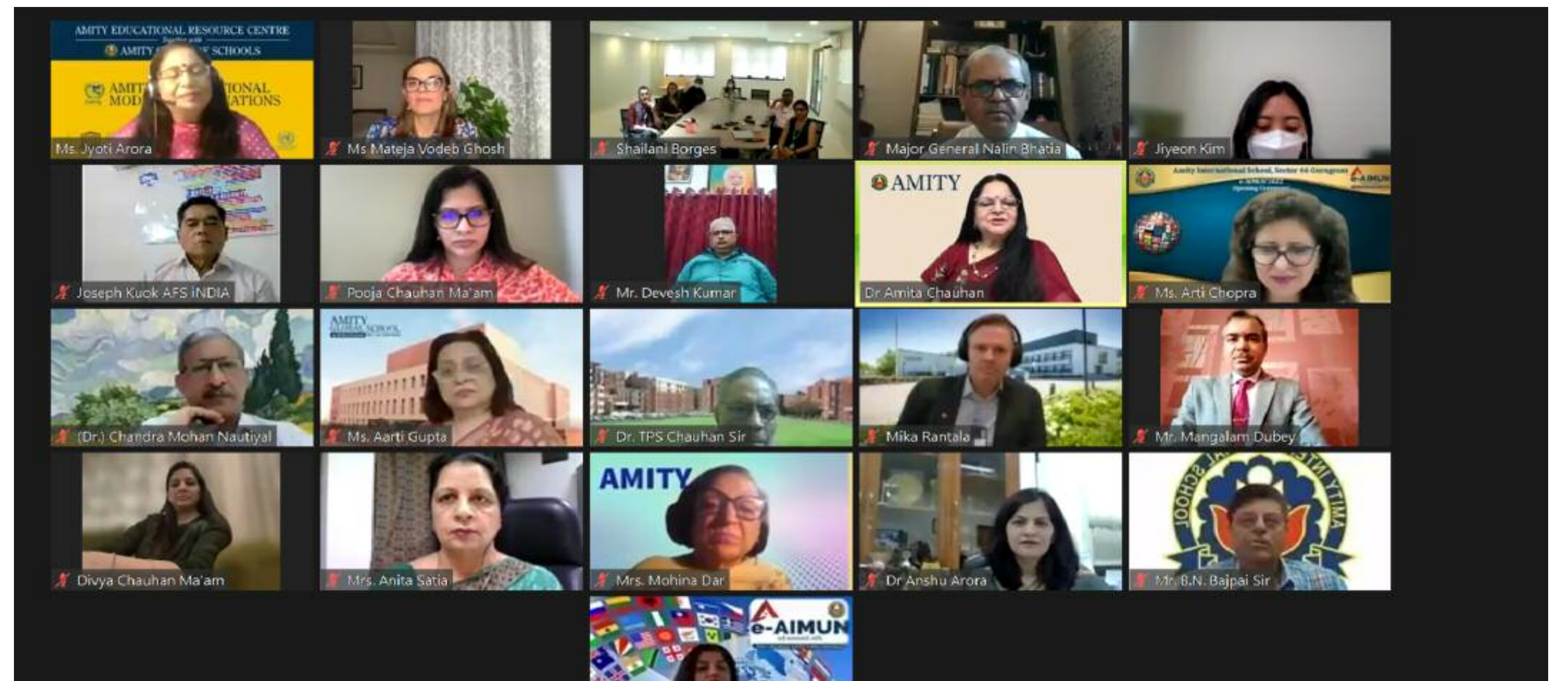




HE Mateja Vodeb Ghosh



Address by Chairperson



Esteemed guests and Chairperson at the ceremony

Aarushi Anand, Global Press

Opening Ceremony

Amity opened the gates for its 15th edition of AIMUN and 3rd e-AIMUN in the endeavour to illuminate the world, one step at a time. A congregation of bright minds from across the globe, their hearts filled with glimmer; the opening ceremony was a magical ride towards world peace. Hosted by Amity International School, Gurugram 46, we bring you the finer moments of the event.

The dawn of a new light

The warmth of the light on the opening of AIMUN could be felt even in the virtual event as Arti Chopra, Principal, AIS Gur 46 extended her heartfelt welcome to all those present. The ceremony moved forward with the lighting of the lamp to seek the Almighty's blessings accompanied by the chanting of Gayatri Mantra.

You light my heart

A mesmerising video by students of Amitasha, Amity's wing for the less privileged girl



To Enlighten The Future Influencers

child, lit up hearts. The young girls with their melodious voice left everyone with the message to make the world a better place. This was followed by the talented young students of AIS Gur 46 who performed a scintillating classical dance, reflecting Indian culture.

The Lighthouse

As Amity's very own lighthouse Dr (Mrs) Amita Chauhan, Chairperson, Amity Group of Schools took centre stage, a smile could be seen on every face. Addressing the gathering, she elucidated on AIMUN's tagline 'You can make everything possible'. She asked the students to show "the courage

and to overcome challenges." Her words – "Think big and your deeds will glow, think small and you will fall behind, think that and you will. It is all in the state of mind" continue to reverberate in our minds.

En'light'ening indeed

Lauding the spirit of AIMUN, Chief Guest H.E. Mateja Vodeb Ghosh, Ambassador of the Republic of Slovenia, said, "The job of a diplomat requires certain skill sets which are engrained by Amity in young minds at a very early stage. I think Amity diplomats will work more efficiently with such skills to become better leaders of the future."

Speaking on the occasion, Jyoti Arora, Director, AERC, highlighted AIMUN's role in fostering diplomacy said, "AIMUN is our flagship program. In this year's AIMUN we have 222 students participating from 7 countries, and 5 expert speakers to enlighten us about various areas of expertise."

And Light Prevails...

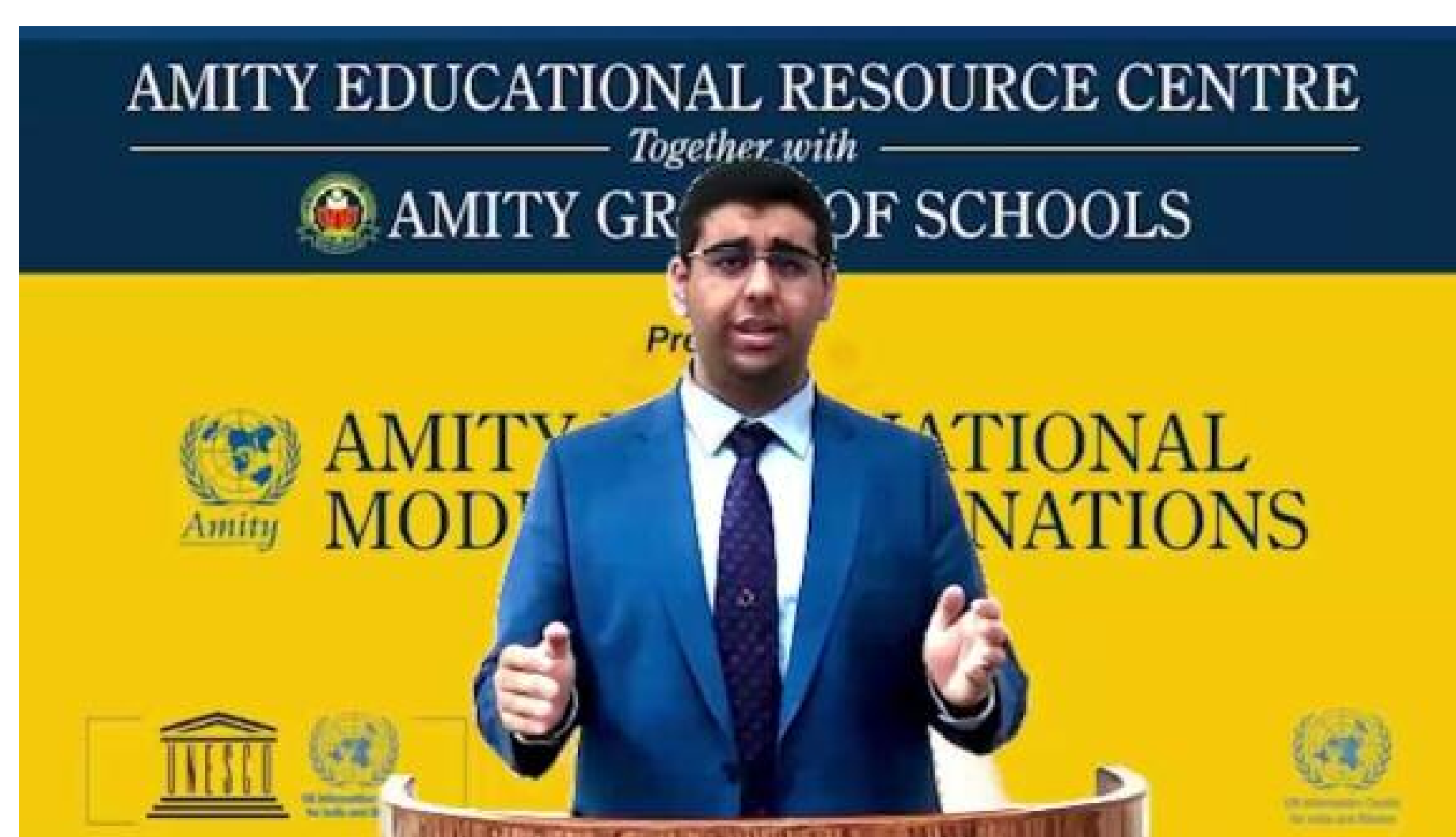
Light prevailed as the Secretary-General, Hridyanshu, opened the conference with a bang of the gavel. Delegates proceeded to their respective committee, all set to immerse in perhaps what will be the best three days of their life. As they say, let there be light. **GP**



Jyoti Arora



Ms Aerok Hwang



Sec-Gen opening the conference



Dance performance by AIS Gur 46

Ladoo-ing around: Throughout this edition are hidden 7 mouth-watering ladoos, one on each page. Let's see how many of you Sherlocks can spot all!

The Notable Dignitaries In Attendance at e-AIMUN 2022 Has Inspired Us With Their...

...Illuminating words

Nurturing leaders



“I am happy that the Chairperson has given me this opportunity to address the young minds at AIMUN. My association with Amity began 7 years ago, and since then it has grown leaps and bounds, with the strength of 175 thousand students, in 25 schools and 11 universities all over the world. Congratulations! Amity for not only giving education but also building nations, and nurturing human beings. I am glad that at Amity, much emphasis is given on research, innovation and entrepreneurship and this reflects in the excellence its students exhibit at various global platforms. To the delegates of AIMUN I have to say that you’ve the ability and responsibility to address the existential issues like climate change and gender equality, so take a lead in these issues and make a better world.”

HE Ambassador Darja Bavdaz Kuret on being a part of AIMUN

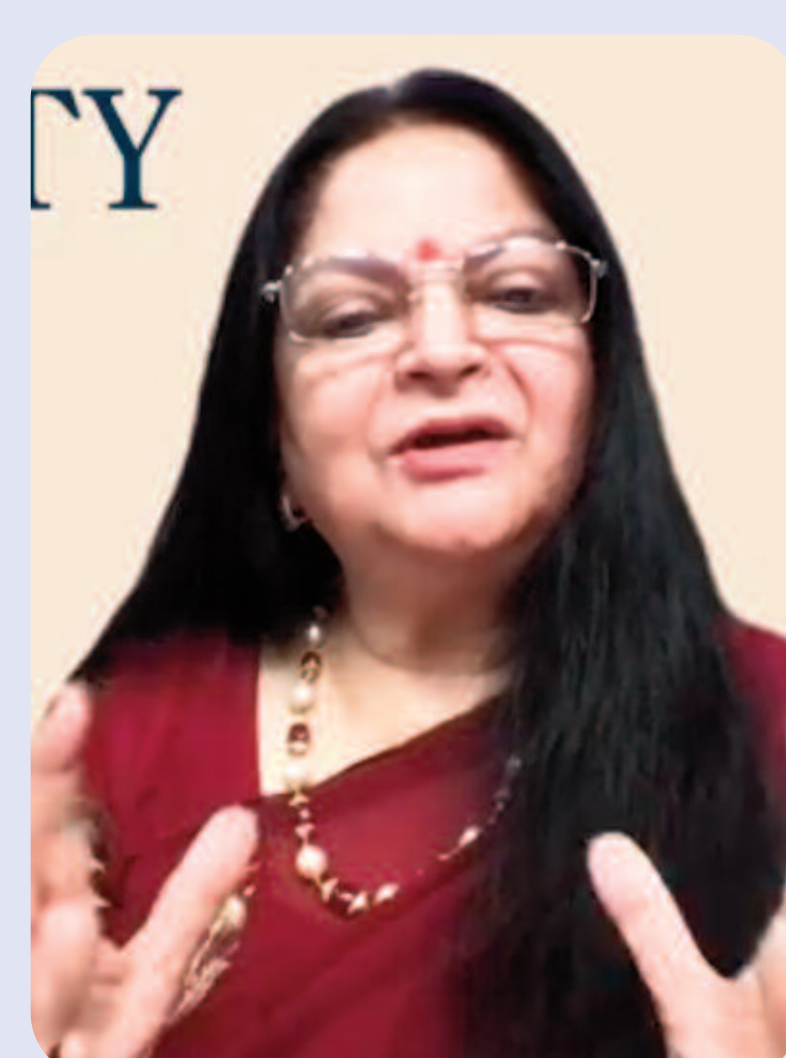
Diplomacy first



“Initially, I found diplomacy as an opportunity to travel and explore different cultures. But with time I realised what all it takes to be a diplomat. The responsibility of a diplomat is to serve their country and interests. The job remains sacred as it keeps them rooted in their own country. From writing reports to analysing how things will influence at a global level, the task of a diplomat includes a well-versed knowledge of technology, operating social media, organising visits, and delivering speeches, emphasising innovation, research, and technology.”

HE Mateja Vodeb Ghosh, ambassador, Republic of Slovenia on role of a diplomat

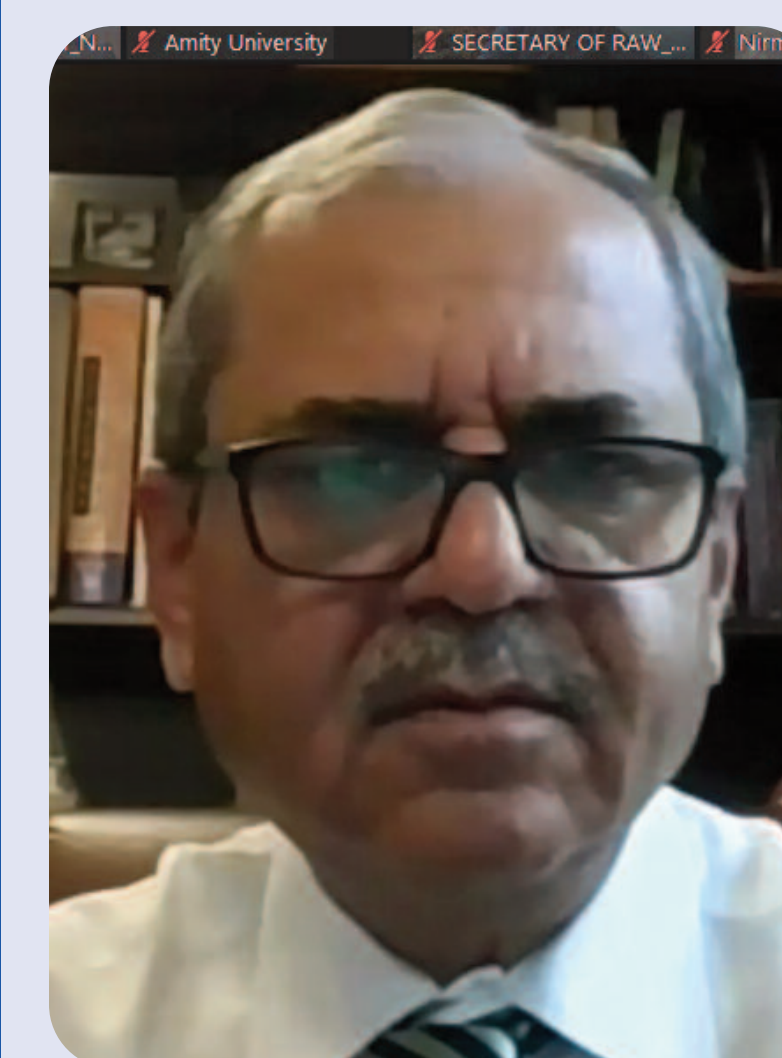
The future ambassadors



“All the students participating in AIMUN today are in the process of becoming future ambassadors. In 15-20 years, we will see the same students making the world a better place, which is why this platform today is so important. Because of AIMUN, these students are able to interact with distinguished guests who are inspiring them. Our tagline “सर्वं सम्भाव्यते त्वया”, means that one can make everything possible – highlights the importance of human will. Such a message is very important for the students because if they dream to make a better country, they can make it a possibility.”

Dr Amita Chauhan, Chairperson, Amity Group of Schools on AIMUN

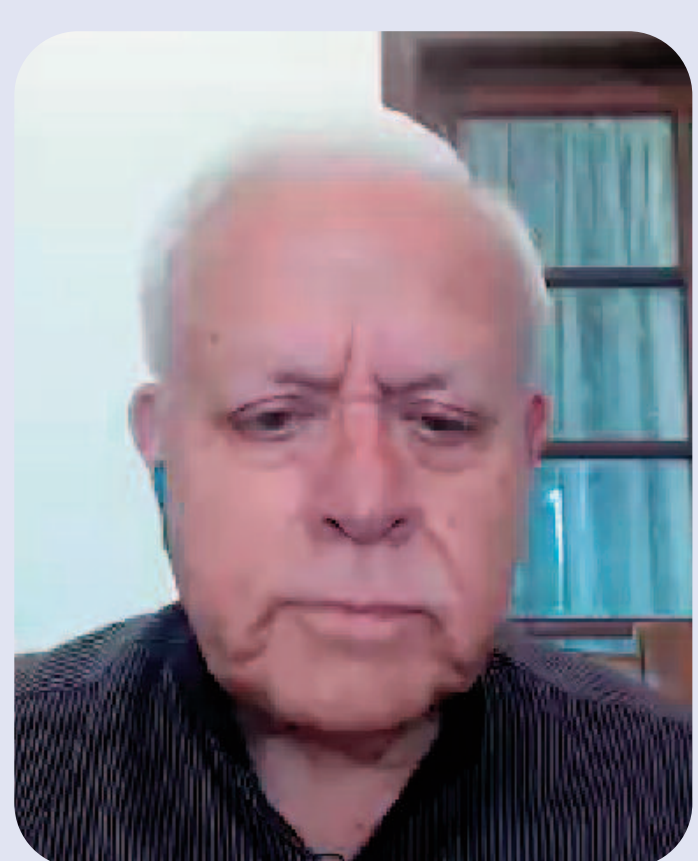
Intelligent information



“In governance of India, there are two things: Information and Intelligence. Information is what you get from various sources, and Intelligence is what is done by experts in various intelligence agencies. An assessment of any situation is made on the basis of the collation of these two. Today, jingoism or unsubstantial allegations are not accepted as media has also been able to put things in correct perspective, which is their actual job. I wish you all the best for having a fruitful discussion which shall widen your perspective and give you more insights into the matter.”

Major General (Retd) Nalin Kumar Bhatia, Indian Army on the need for unbiased information

One against them all



“The Quadrilateral Security Dialogue between Australia, India, Japan, US started in 2004 to provide relief to the ones affected by a natural disaster. It was at the 2017 East Asia Summit

that the QUAD was revived to serve the globe, however China was of the view that the QUAD member nations were ganging up against it. As a result, China indulged in a belligerence against the four nations and claimed South China Sea as their own. I am thus glad that UNSC has taken up this issue for discussion.”

Ambassador Ashok Sajjanhar, president, Institute of Global Studies on Chinese conflict with QUAD

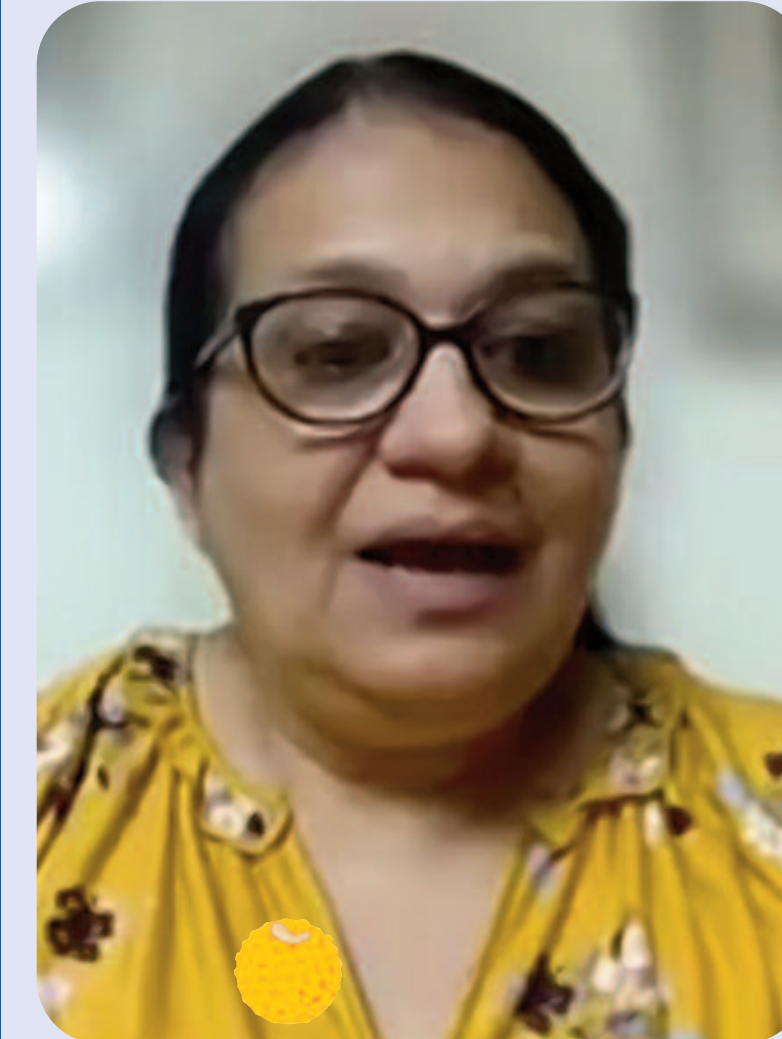
Education for democracy



“The electoral reforms need to hit these four Cs - cash-flow, criminalisation, caste, and lack of consciousness. It is only when we successfully address these issues, can we have a truly transparent, participative, and representative democracy. Furthermore, to achieve this level, we need to have more and more educated youth like you who can come forward and join the process to have an evolved democracy.”

Devesh Kumar, MLC on creating a stronger democracy

The holistic SDGs



“I am a fan of SDGs, because the more I understand them, the more I realise that they are set to transform the world. All of us, as individuals, walk on different paths, but we need a common goal. That is where the beauty of SDGs come in because they aim to cover the whole world. SDGs are important because they will create a world that has equality for all in it, and that is the world we need to work on achieving.”

Radhika Suri, director, WWF on the importance of SDGs

Education ka **patakha**

For Little Knowledge, Like A Firelit Cracker, Can Be Risky

AIPPM

Ananya Mittal & Arnav Goel
Global Press

Cracker to burst: Electoral Reforms

The celebrations: Expectations of an explosion were doused from the get go as the committee never really began the actual debate. The EB as such was visibly done with the slow committee they had accepted. Fortunately though, the ceremonial *phuljhadi* was lit by the guest speaker, Devesh Kumar, Member of the Bihar Legislative Council, and a spark began to fly. He gave a concise history of

India's electoral system and current proceedings, highlighting the major problems that currently plague elections, and how the focus of electoral reforms should be on them. His keynote speech got the delegates all pumped, especially the moderator whose questions eventually got as interesting as they were practical.

An uneventful session followed, with the quality of the inquiries unfortunately dropping faster than Bitcoin. As the tiresome questions overpowered the occasional bomb, the committee quickly fizzled out. With a yawn-inducing explanation of the rules of procedure, and delegates' lack of knowledge, the committee's rocket never lit up and coloured the sky. In its stead however, a somewhat explosive unmoderated session, the first of many, began, totally filled with arguments, controversial opinions, and well, incorrect reasonings.



Guest Speaker
Devesh Kumar

The roll call and procedural votes ended this committee not with a bang but with a whimper, leaving us with our fingers crossed that the committee picks up pace and gets explosive on the second day at least.

A treat to remember: The best quote of today's session was

from the moderator - "The EB believes in Article 19, even if the government does not."

Sparks flown: Extremely low, with no solutions in sight. **GP**

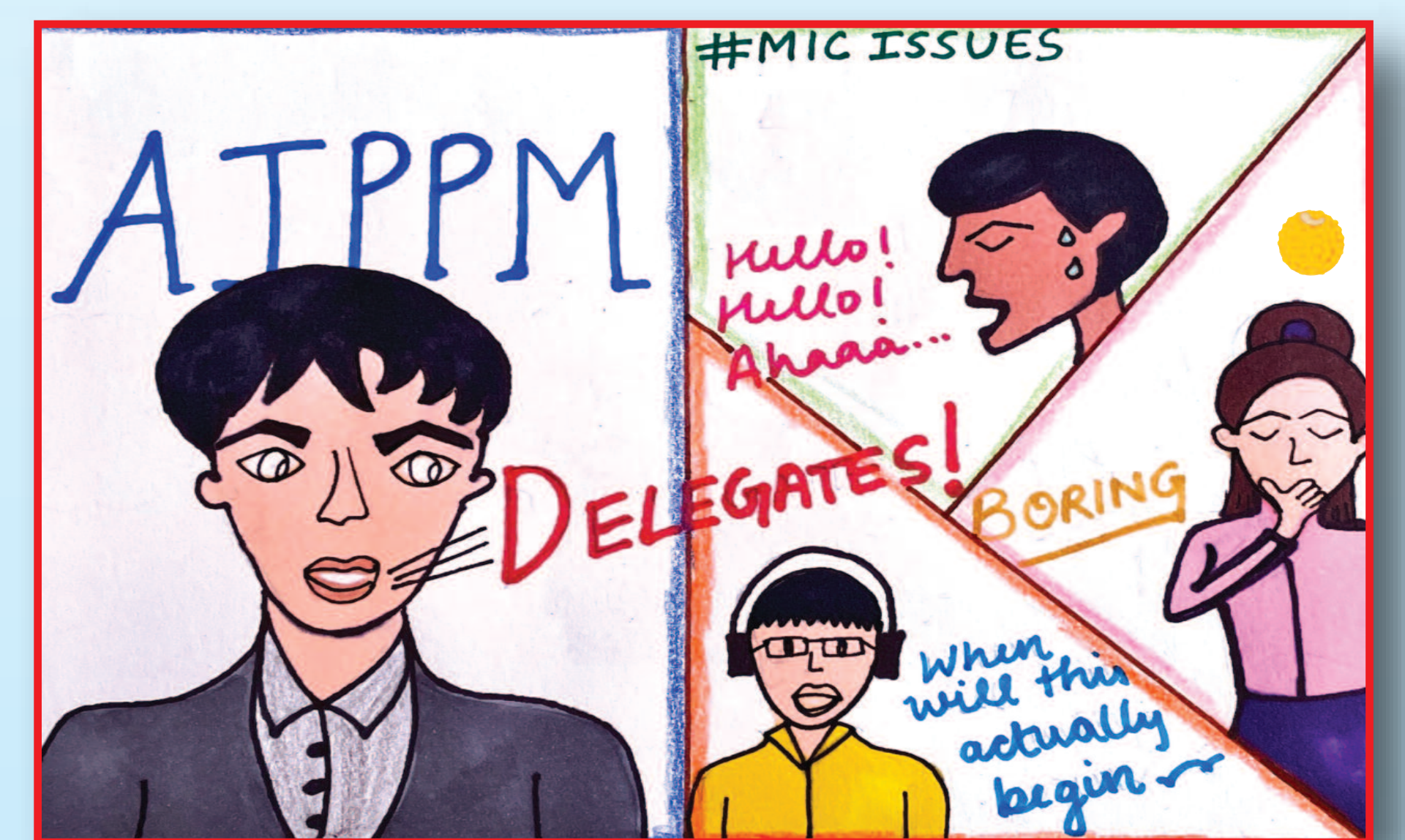
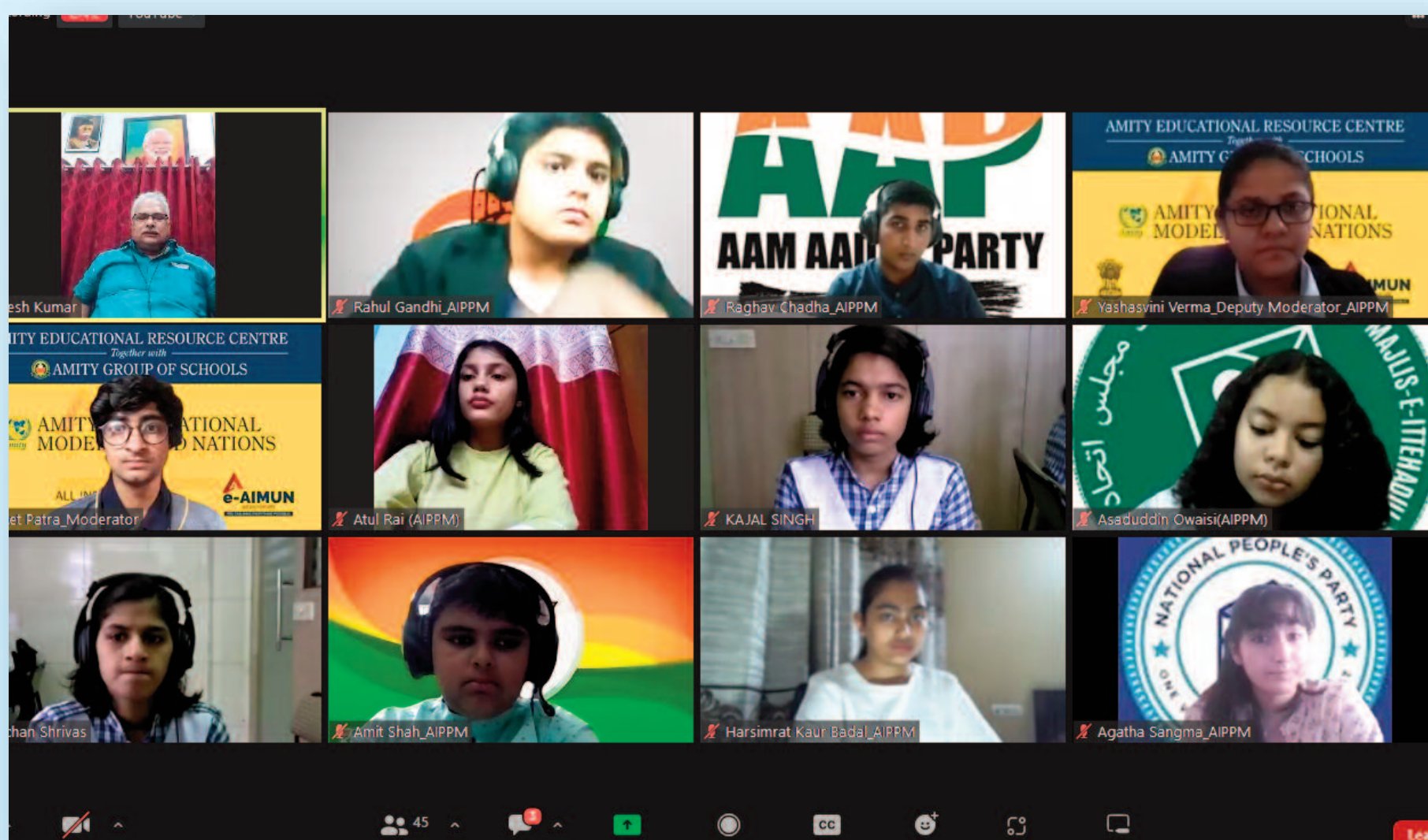


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Fireworks for equality

Dealing With Gender Inequality, One Agenda At A Time

UNW

Mansimran Kaur, Shikhar Srivastava & Aadvik Bhargava, Global Press

Cracker to burst: The Impact of COVID-19 on Gender Equality and the Rise of Domestic Violence

The celebrations: The meet began with Mateja Vodeb Ghosh, Ambassador of Slovenia, joining right away and speaking about the problem of gender inequality that plagues the world at large. She briefly touched on the pandemic's impact

on the subject and observed that the outbreak has caused many problems, including the rise of domestic violence. She then told the committee of some of the measures adopted by Slovenia in order to mitigate these issues. She also answered the questions the delegates had for her.

The deliberation got off to an explosive start with a fiery speech by the Delegate of UK, who lost no time in calling out the misconduct of her rivals. This was (unfortunately) followed by a dry spell, broken by the Delegate of Angola, who put forward a speech that blended self-appraisal with an intense offensive. This was followed by a moderated caucus on the socioeconomic impact of COVID-19, with special emphasis on domestic violence opened yet again by a fiery speech by the Delegate of Russia, whose passionate speech ended

with her sweetly saying "thank you!" to the EB. The Mod Cauc was far, far better than the initial GSL, with nearly all of the speeches being cohesive, thought-provoking, and well-structured. One of the best speeches of this round was by the Delegate of Sweden, who calmly and easily illustrated the problems of the system and proposed solutions to them while weaving in self-appraisal.

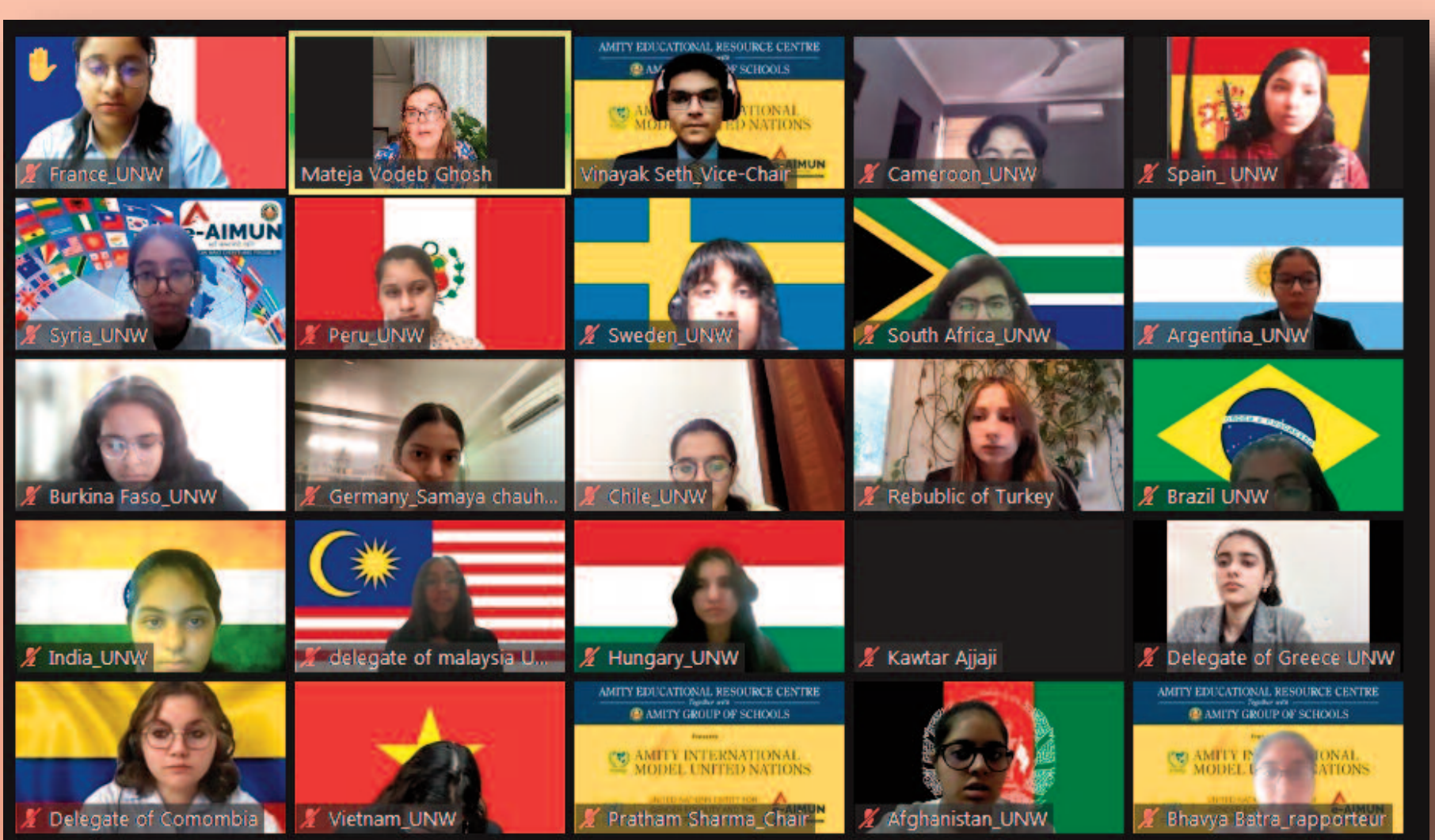
A treat to remember: Despite being unwell, the committee's chairperson was the light of the meeting. His words of encouragement were incredibly inspiring and persuaded the delegates to push themselves to their limits for AIMUN this year! Not only did he offer reassurances to first-timers, he also went out of



Guest Speaker
Mateja Vodeb Ghosh

his way to explain how MUN functions to help all the first-time delegates.

Sparks flown: Well, a medium at best. **GP**



Calm as a mishti doi

Deliberating War Yet Cool As A Cucumber. Irony Much?

NSC

Varada Kachroo & Gouri Srivastava
Global Press

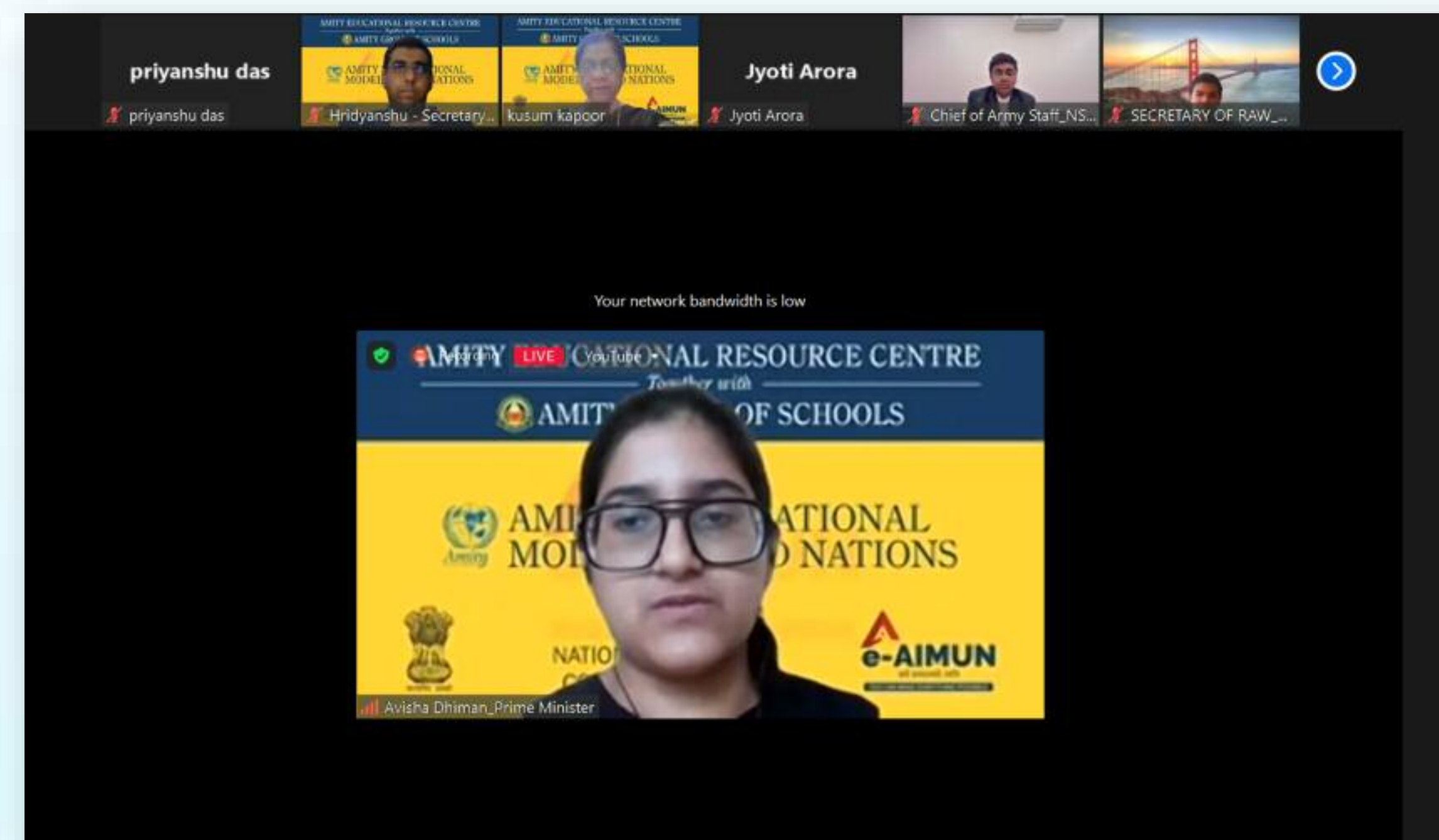
Cracker to burst: Analysing the Events of September 2016 Taking Place at Uri and to Decide India's Response on it

The celebrations: A delicate issue concerning national security is not a simple topic to discuss, but the NSC lives up to its name and handles it with the ultimate ease. The festivities began with the guest speaker Maj Gen Nalin Bhatia informing the young diplomats about the agenda at hand. He highlighted the night of the horrifying attack on our soldiers in Uri and India's prompt response in the form of a surgical strike 10 days later.

Lethargic as we are after a massive Diwali feast, the delegates were also a bit slow in their response early on, but then



Guest Speaker Maj Gen Nalin Bhatia



burst up like firecrackers, proposing ideas and plan of actions to avenge our protectors via their opening speeches. In line with the agenda of the day, the National Security Advisor, Chief of Army Staff, and Director of IB pitched in their views and unanimously agreed to capture the fifth terrorist and block terrorist funding by Pakistan in Kashmir. The Secretary of RAW revealed alarming details about the presence of terrorists of Jaish-e-Muhammad and their plan to

launch an even bigger attack on October 4, 2016, as per classified sources. Next came in the Chief of Naval staff providing strategic submarine locations for Maritime Security. The council was quite united on the fact that they wanted to change India's global perception as a peaceful country and retali-

ate aggressively. An interesting happening was when the Finance Minister refused to give a speech two times in a row! With network issues galore in the committee, only five members were actively participating and luckily, they agreed on a plan of action. Many hydrobombs were thrown from each side, but fortunately, no casualty was recorded, and the committee carried on with its pre-decided timeline.

A treat to remember: The Chief of Air Staff and his non-cooperative mic

Sparks flown: Definitely low **GP**

A Diwali family meet

Where Different Opinions Submerge Into Chaos

UNEP

Agamya Doharey, Gursimran Kaur, & Saara Mathur, Global Press

Cracker to burst: Deliberation on the Environmental Impact of the EU Energy Crisis with Special Emphasis on Sustainable Alternatives in the Region

The celebrations: Guest speaker, Radhika Suri, director, WWF, enlightened the delegates like the elders of the family often do on auspicious occasions. She reminisced her life story and passion towards

children and learning. She also emphasised on how education is the key to achieving and accomplishing the SDGs. Post this, our cool cousin, Delegate of Jamaica started the debate by passing the motion with the said agenda. The motion was passed with around 24 votes. To add on to that, China and Burkina Faso passed the motion with each speaker's time being 90 seconds. This move was met with great cheer around the dinner table. Delegate of Finland, the *fufaji*, with all the knowledge in the world, came in next. He talked about how their country has been an early adopter of solar and nuclear energy alternatives as crude oil prices reached an all-time



Illustration: Chahat Garg, GP

high. However, the rest of the family members were not having it; credits matter after all. As a result, there was cross-questioning

across the table. Delegate of USA also got into a fight with the Delegate of Finland. Amidst the heated battle, Delegate of Russia and Indonesia, came to a calm conclusion. All the members eventually decided to keep aside their differences and have their favourite delicacies to keep up the festive

spirit as the break came!

A treat to remember: The banter between USA and Finland where Finland said, "USA, do not get hyper!"

Sparks Flown: High **GP**



Guest Speaker Radhika Suri



The lull after the party

With Endless Queries, GA Was Off To A Low Start

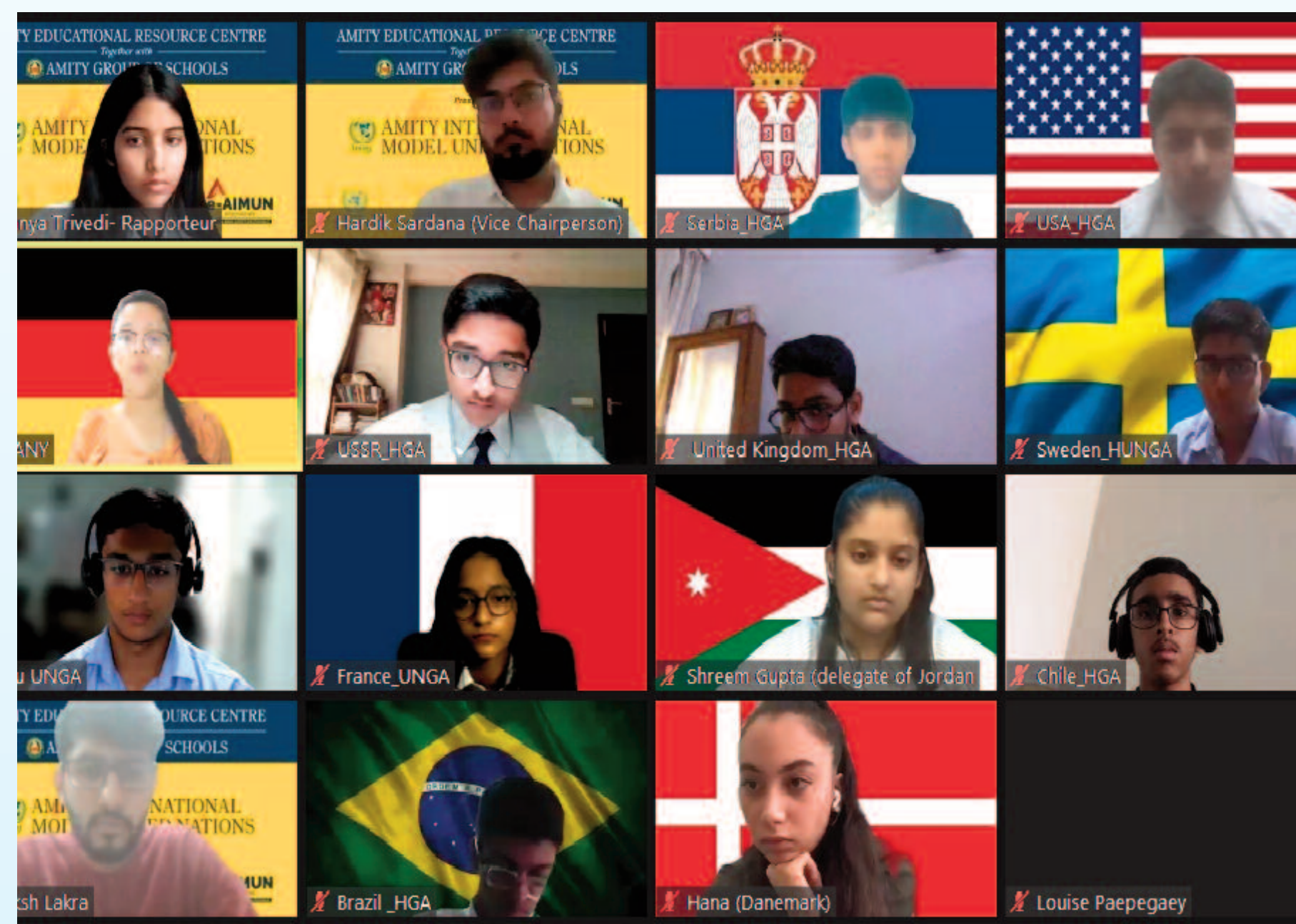
Historic GA

Aarushi Anand, Chaitanya Roy & Jasmine Kaur, Global Press

Cracker to burst: Deliberation on Resolution 181

The celebrations: Even though this was day one of the three day extravaganza, UNGA on its first day looked more like an after party. The mood was similar to post Diwali, just what one feels in the lull after firecrackers.

The General Assembly is the main deliberative, policymaking, and representative organ of the United Nations. The mandate of the General Assembly allows it to make recommendations to States on international issues within its competence. And thus, the committee was presented with the complex agenda that focused on deliberating on resolution 181 which was the very first attempt of the newly formed United



Nations Organisation to tackle the issue of Palestine.

The year is 1947, and the delegates are facing technical issues; the patient EB was busy giving Zoom tutorials and answering queries pertaining to basic MUN rules and proceedings. The committee started with the Chairperson briefing the delegates on the ROPs of the conference. Since the delegates had so many inquiries about the proceedings, the debate took a while to begin. The debate finally began with the Delegate of Sweden establishing the GSL after the

attendance. The committee zipped up a little, with delegates deliberating upon the United Nations Partition Plan for Palestine, which was a proposal by the United Nations that recommended a partition of Mandatory Palestine at the end of the British Mandate. The committee accepted a lot of points of information and order.

One could almost see sparks flying in the air, as delegates started to deliver their speeches, revealing their stand vis-à-vis various stakeholders. Majority of the Arab states along with the Arab Higher Committee taking a similar stand, and the Western powers along with the Jewish Agency for Palestine doing the same. Here's hoping the committee shines brighter on day two.

A treat to remember: "Delegate, we're in 1947, and the division of Germany has not yet happened." The delegate of Germany replied when asked about her representation.

Sparks Flown: Low **GP**

Diyas of discussion

Illuminating New Ideas While Dispelling Darkness

WTO

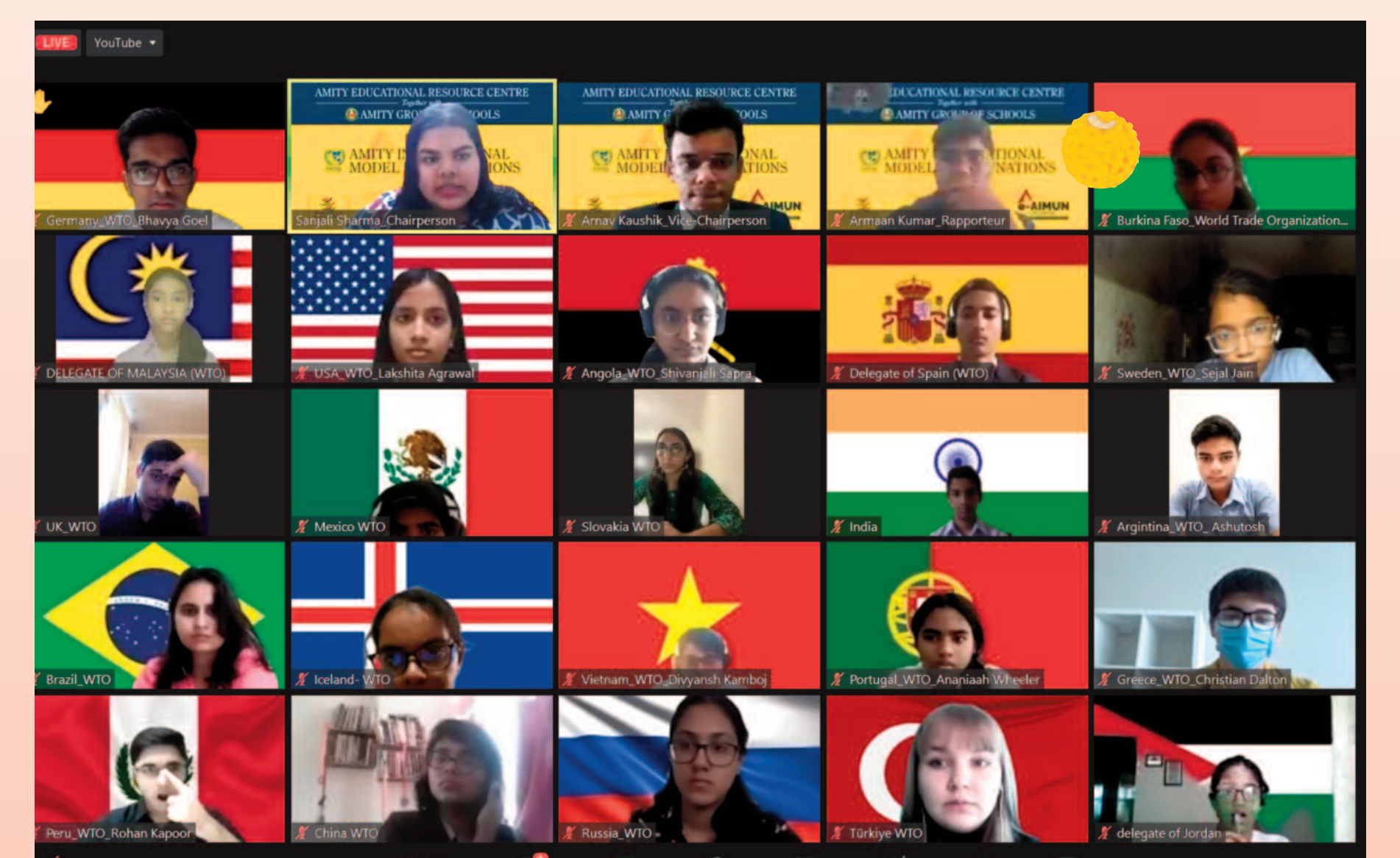
Mansi Garg, Saamya Arora & Avikshit Upadhyay, Global Press

Cracker to burst: Revitalising International Trade Recovery Post-COVID-19 World

The celebrations: WTO stood witness to its delegates taking a strong stance from the very first day. The COVID-19 pandemic had devastating health and economic consequences, and unprecedented disruption to people's lives, the global economy, and world trade. In such a case, the committee's agenda was vital in drawing attention and fetching solutions for every country's development.

The committee started with the traditional formalities of changing one's name to the proper nomenclature, having the proper background etc., and were followed by the EB kindly inviting questions. The

motion for the agenda was established and the general speakers list paved the way for speakers to express their opinions, especially with Russia, USA, UK, and Angola being the fiery *laddi* (garland) that has a lasting presence. The UK questioned Russia on whether it was actually able to recuperate from the decline in trade, to which Russia responded with a fiery comeback. The discussions also featured countries boasting of their comeback after the pandemic and considering policies for the advantage of both developed and underdeveloped countries. Delegates were so engrossed in the discussion that most exceeded their time limits (we've all been there). After proceeding smoothly, the GSL was suspended and was followed by the moderated caucus that truly proved to be the card party of the season as delegates got serious with proposals and speeches focused on win-worthy solutions.



The EB, while being true to the customs of the committee, was welcoming of the new participants. There was a yearning for new arguments and solutions on the table rather than mere passage of the same from one delegate to another (transfer of *soan papdi* is always disliked!). The ever-kind EB closed the day with their encouraging words.

A treat to remember: Russia's questions to delegates putting them all in a rather tough spot.

Sparks flown: A satisfying medium! **GP**

A SC-intillating rangoli

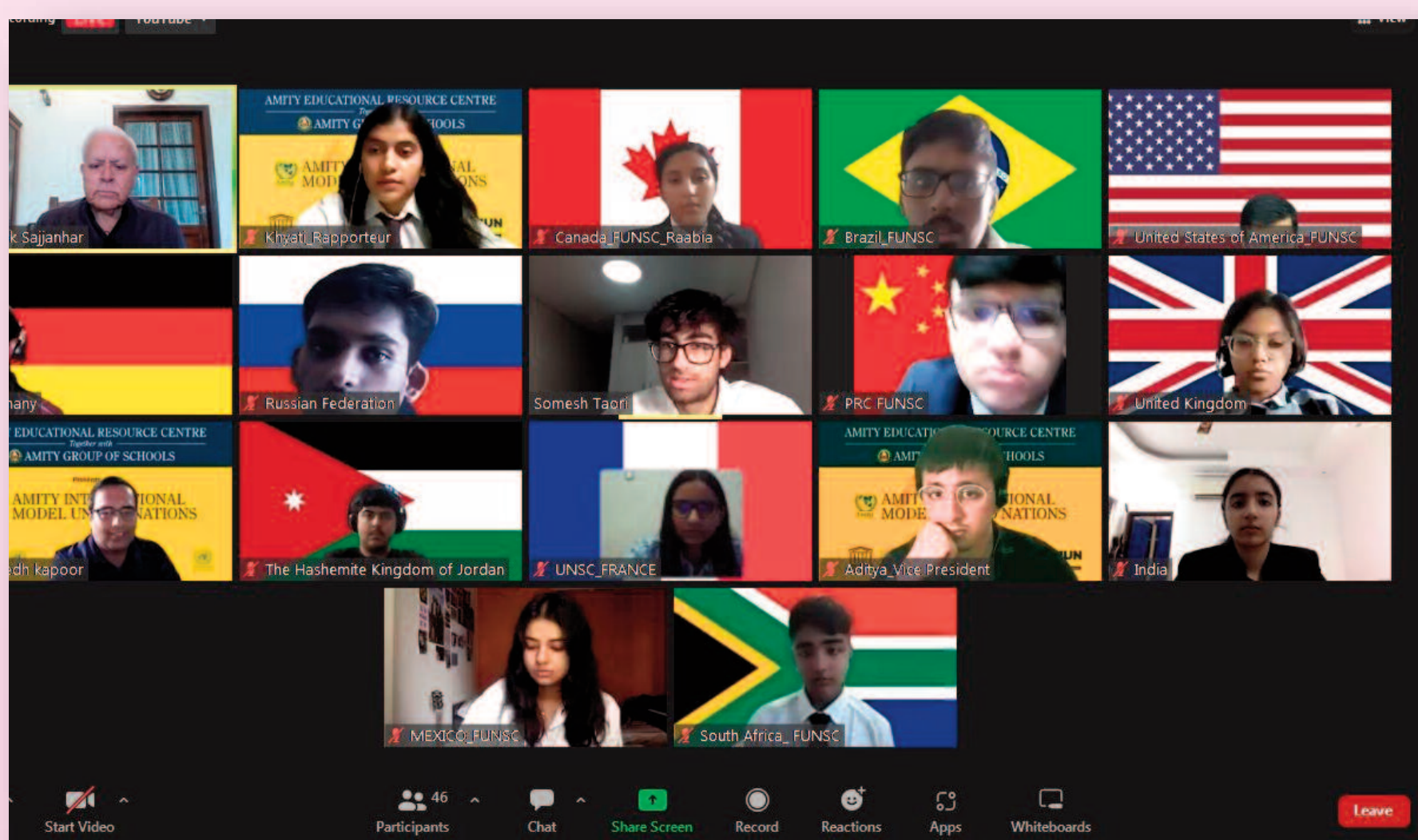
Adding Sparks And Hues To The Otherwise Bleak World

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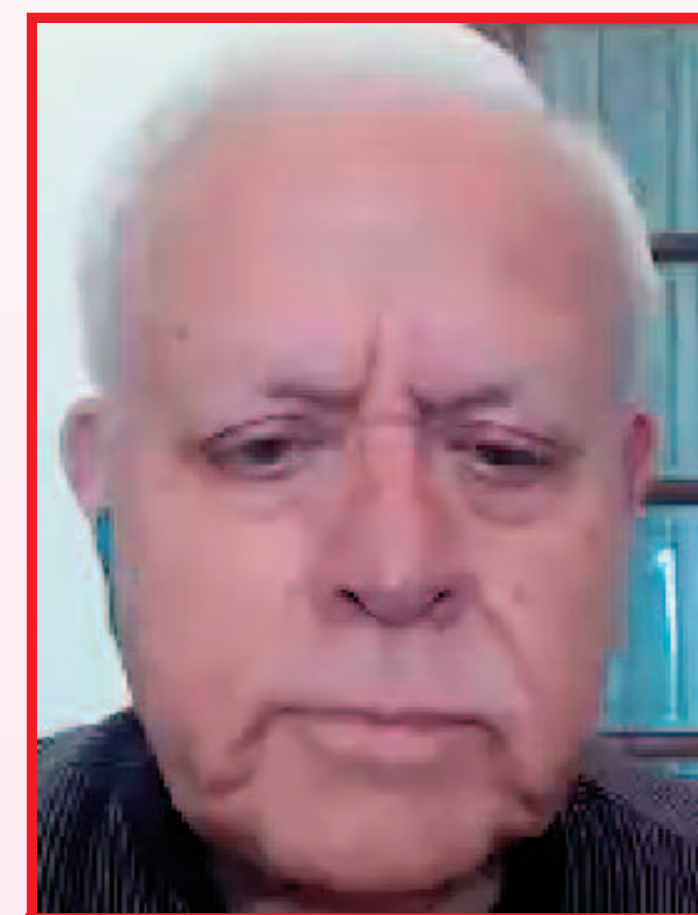
Diti Sharma, Twisha Prasad
& Moksh Gauri, Global Press

Cracker to burst: Chinese invasion of Taiwan and its conflict with QUAD

The celebrations: Just like a rangoli that is replete with colours, the futuristic UNSC came with a myriad hues. From the fiery red of a strong opinion to the green envy of a well-researched delegate, this committee had it all. The festivities began with an insightful speech by the respected Ambassador Ashok Sajjanhar, an inspiring personality who enriched delegates with all the agenda-related



information. He narrated an exhilarating tale about the antiquity of the Quadrilateral Security Dialogue that had all delegates on the edge of their seats. He discussed events from the early 2000s to the present, in addition to the general framework of the Indo-Pacific. As a result, day one commenced blithely, with unique faces raising their hands to accumulate opinions from all over the world. All delegates meticulously expressed their opinions, chiseling the mighty petals of a large and beautiful Rangoli one by one. Brazil made a motion to increase the GSL time from 90 seconds to 120 seconds, which failed. The Delegate of UK spoke in the GSL like a chain of crackers, with clarity and facts. Ethiopia appeared to have a counter-argument to almost every point raised by the other delegates. The fact that almost every delegate was open to questions from others demonstrates that they have devoted many nights of sleep to research,



Guest Speaker
Ashok Sajjanhar

and could all write a political encyclopedia if need be. But among the serious debates, there was a moment of giggles, too, when it was revealed that the delegates of Colombia and Mexico have joined the wrong committee. Well, they weren't the only ones who were lost!

A treat to remember: Ethiopia asked Russia for repetition, for which Russia asked Ethiopia for repetition of repetition. This made some delegates turn off their cameras to laugh and also justifiably frustrated the EB.

Sparks flown: Medium [GP](#)



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MUN-ify your playlist

Varada Kachroo, Global Press

Songs for every moment, songs for every phase, songs for parties, and songs for heartbreak. How can we then restrict ourselves from curating songs exclusive to the dramatic moments at AIMUN? Amidst the endless debates and the esteemed delegates, we present you the specially curated MUN playlist for the special MUN flashes we encounter.

Scenario: For the times when you await AIMUN for one long year, we can't have a lo-fi song, can we now?

Song: Swag se karenge sabka swagat!

Scenario: For the times when you are trying to hide the 20th consecutive yawn and just thinking of switching off the camera for a while, but your name gets called to the floor...

Song: Ye kya hua?
Kaise hua? Kab hua?
Kyu hua?

Scenario: For the

times when the only escape to all your disagreements is to be in agreement with the delay-gates...

Song: Jee hume manzoor hai,
aapka ye faisla!

Scenario: For the times when the aflatoon session

of looking for signatories and sponsors for resolution makes you all run here and there...

Song: Oh oh jaane jana,
dhunde tujhe deewana!

Scenario: For the times when you finally reap your mehnat ka phal by winning the Best Delegate Award...

Song: Papa kehte hai bada naam karega, beta humara aisa kaam karega!

Scenario: For the times when you realise that the committee has reached a conclusion and all the hustle and bustle comes to an end...

Song: Hum rahein ya na rahein kal, kal yaad ayenge ye pal!



International sparks

Meet The Foreign Delegation As They Add Glitz To AIMUN Celebration

Hei, AIMUN, we are the students of Schildt High School, Finland.

Signing to light up AIMUN: It is always interesting to discuss diplomacy with other nationalities, which is why we think e-AIMUN is interesting as it gives us the opportunity to contact worldwide.

Savoury expectations: We hope this AIMUN will bring a lot of discussions and that everyone will propose interesting ideas. We would love to come out with good resolutions and alliances with different countries.

FOMO: We really think that real discussions and debates in a physical assembly are the best, but it is still nice that we can interact virtually.

Dodging firecrackers: Writing resolutions where you are trying to negotiate together even



Delegates of Finland

when you don't have the same interest is always a challenge.

USP: AIMUN has great committees and delegations as well as lobbyists and organised debates.



Best seat in the house: It is definitely being a delegate at AIMUN.

Tackling time-zones: No matter what, the delegation of Turkey will be present and will be voting on time for all the debates.

Save me a piece: We don't know any Indian sweets, but we would be glad to taste them all.

Hallo, AIMUN, we are students of Providence Champion Ecole Secondaire a Namur-Accueil, Belgium.

Signing to light up AIMUN: We were recently introduced to the idea of participating in e-AIMUN and found it very thought provoking.

Savoury expectations: We aim to have fun and do our best to work as seriously as possible.

FOMO: Not being able to attend AIMUN in person does mean we are missing out a little, and it will be tough, dealing with different languages and accents, we aim to get the work done.

Dodging firecrackers: Communication issues and different points of view are sure to be there.

USP: Only one of us has been able to attend another MUN in the past, but to say AIMUN



Delegates of Belgium

definitely seems more formal and grander.

Best seat in the house: The Chair of a committee or even Secretary General.



Tackling time-zones: Since it is only three and a half hours of difference, it isn't much. By the time

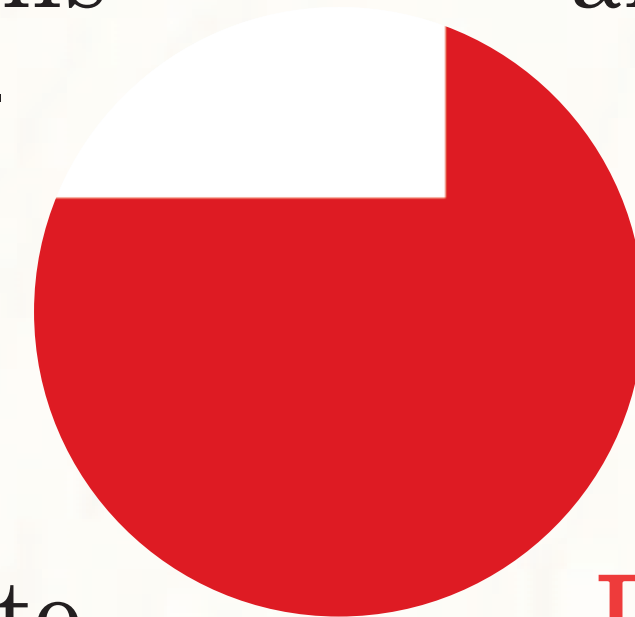
AIMUN starts, we'll be in school, done with our classes, all set to enjoy the event.

Save me a piece: We don't particularly know Indian specialties, but we would love to try your recommendations with utmost pleasure.

Ahlan, AIMUN, we are students of Amity International School, Abu Dhabi.

Signing to light up AIMUN: This event is sure to give us a deeper understanding of the global political atmosphere and an experience so we can grow into future leaders.

Savoury expectations: We expect to work with a close-knit community around the globe and to face friendly competition that will drive us to change.



FOMO: It would definitely have been fantastic if we could meet other students and widen our horizons by interacting with them in real life, but a virtual format is just as beneficial as it will allow more leading academics to tune in.

Dodging firecrackers: Hours of research, public speaking, and hard work – these will be the foremost challenges of AIMUN but we are motivated to over-

come them and integrate ourselves into the AIMUN community.

USP: We believe AIMUN is one of the best opportunities to put our skills to use, and to experience such a global platform.

Best seat in the house: The delegates!
Tackling time-zones: We're ready to adapt to the circumstances regardless of the situation.

Save me a piece: We would love to try halwa or some gulab jamun.



안녕하세요, AIMUN, I'm Aerok Hwang, Principal, Myeongji Middle School, South Korea. Namaste and good day to the Chairperson, Dr Amita Chauhan, and to all the faculties and students of Amity. 반갑습니다; I still remember the meaningful and successful ex-

change that we had online last August with Amity. And just like that event, I believe we can create further opportunities to broaden our lives and build connections. Congratulations once again on AIMUN, and I'm sending warm hearts from South Korea.



안녕하세요, AIMUN, I'm Mira Park, Vice Principal, Myeongji Middle School, South Korea. I'm sending lots of love from Korea and hoping to meet in person soon.

안녕하세요, we the students hope that we'll have an amazing time during AIMUN.

