



Rules for *The Joust*

- Teams of 2 to register online for the preliminary round out of which 16 proceed to the next round
- There will be 16 teams competing in a knockout tournament to decide the winners on campus
- The competition will proceed as follows:

Preliminary Round:

Participants have to write a 350-400 words position paper to be submitted by 10th November 2016 to literary@iiml-manfestvarchasva.com. Teams will be evaluated on their understanding of the topic, their explanation of the topic, articulation of their ideas and consistency and strength of points supplementing the position.

Topics for position paper:

1. Should there be strict regulations to limit scientific exploration into artificial intelligence?
2. Should minority communities be encouraged to create special schools for their children?
3. Should individual privacy be sacrificed in the interest of national security?
4. Should colleges fund wellness programs instead of sports?

Round 1 & 2: Pre-Quarter-finals and Quarter-finals

- Each team gets 2.5 minutes to speak on the motion given to them in advance
- Teams must decide internally on the length and timing of each member's speech/
- Each team's stance on the motion will be given by the organizers.
- Following each team's speech, the opposing team may present a rebuttal of the speech. The rebuttal must not exceed 1.5 minutes.
- Following the pre-quarter debates, 8 teams will qualify for the quarter-finals.
- Four teams will qualify for the semi-finals

Round 3: Semi-Finals

- Each team gets 2.5 minutes to speak on the motion given to them on the spot.
- Each team's stance on the motion will be given by the organizers.
- The debate will follow the format of the previous two rounds

Round 4: Finals

- Each team will be given the motion and their stance on the spot
- The order of the speakers will be as follows:
 - 1st speaker for the proposition
 - Rebuttal made by the opposition
 - 2nd speaker for the proposition
 - 1st speaker for the opposition
 - Rebuttal made by the proposition
 - 2nd speaker for the opposition
- Each speech should be for 2.5 minutes, and the rebuttal for 1.5 minutes





General Guidelines

1. In case the teams are not able to attend, they must intimate the organizing committee 7 days in advance.
2. Teams cannot substitute/ change member after the preliminary round.
3. The dress code for the event is formal wear
4. The decision of the judges and the organizing committee is final.

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