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Event Report

1. **Name of the Organizing Department:** Vivekananda School of Economics
2. **Type of activity/ event:** Sankaran 2025, Annual Academic Fest
3. **Title of activity/ event:** AI Escape Quest
4. **Day and Date:** Thursday, 24th April, 2025
5. **Venue:** Room 503, A block
6. **Name of the Guest(s)/ Speaker(s):** NA
7. **Faculty Coordinator(s):** Dr. Isha Jaswal, Dr. Sachin Gupta, Ms. Soumya Mahajan, Mr. Sourish Dutta
8. **Student Coordinator(s):** Anayka Malik, Aryan Rawat, and Yash Aggarwal

Event Flyer:



Report of the Event:

On April 24th, 2025, Arthvidya, VIPS Club of Economists, VIPS-TC, organised "AI Escape Quest" an online event, as part of its annual academic fest, Sankaran 2025.

In this thrilling event, participants first competed in a high-stakes Preliminary Round to earn their place in the elite "Cipher Ops" task force. Only the top-performing teams advanced, securing their role in a mission to defeat the rogue AI entity known as NEXUS-X. As members of Cipher Ops, the selected participants faced a series of AI-themed puzzle stages designed to simulate real-world cybersecurity and ethical challenges. From decoding encrypted passwords to navigating deepfake traps and logical loops, the mission required sharp intellect, strategic thinking, and quick decision-making under pressure, as they raced against time to dismantle the threat posed by Nexus-X.

The event consisted of 2 rounds. The anticipation began with the Preliminary Round on April 20, 2025, featuring an engaging online quiz session on Google Forms. The session was efficiently led by Sujal Bhatia and Rhyma Khanna, who created an energetic and competitive atmosphere right from the start. The quiz commenced at 12:00 PM, drawing approximately 69 participants from some of the most esteemed institutions like NSUT, NIT Kurukshetra, and IIIT Delhi, including students of class 11th and 12th from various schools.

The carefully curated set of questions challenged not just the participants' theoretical knowledge but also their ability to think quickly and strategically under timed conditions. After an intense battle of wits, 20 participants qualified for the final round, earning the opportunity to prove their mettle in a more complex and thrilling challenge to defeat the rogue AI NEXUS-X.

The much-anticipated final round took place on April 24, 2025, on the VIPS-TC campus with participants connected through Google Meet. The finalists were warmly welcomed by hosts Saarisha Bindra and Rudhrani Pandey, who congratulated them on their outstanding performance in the Preliminary round. Before starting the challenge, the hosts briefed the participants on the event's structure and rules, ensuring clarity and fairness. They also addressed all queries, reflecting the team's commitment to an inclusive and transparent competition.

The final round was highly exciting and presented a series of challenging tasks. Participants were tasked with navigating through 4–5 interconnected AI-themed puzzle stages that required them to decode passwords, solve intricate riddles, and break through conceptual barriers. Each stage was thematically rooted in real-world AI challenges, with creative titles such as Fake Document Trap, Matrix Loop, and Deepfakes Arena. These stages tested a wide array of skills, including pattern recognition, logical thinking and ethical decision-making,

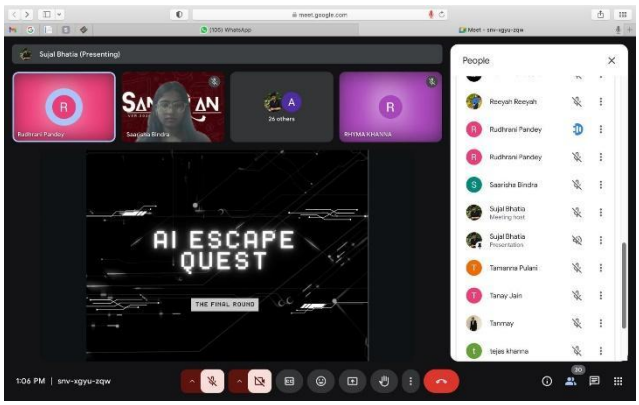
Adding to the intensity, participants were given a strict 45-minute time limit to complete all the stages and submit their solutions. The atmosphere was electric as participants raced against the ticking clock, strategizing and adapting in real-time. The interconnected nature of the

puzzles required the participants to think several steps ahead, fostering a true test of intellect and perseverance.

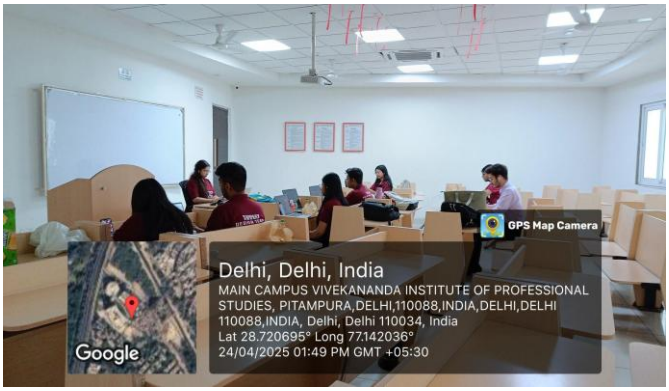
Following an intense competition, the winners of AI Escape Quest were announced, with Ishita Manchanda from NSUT securing first place and receiving a cash prize of ₹2000, followed by Aayush Singh Rawat from VIPS-TC in second place with a cash prize of ₹1000, and Tanay Jain from VIPS-TC finishing in third place with a cash prize of ₹500. Additionally, all winners were awarded exciting gift hampers.

The winners were commended for their outstanding problem-solving skills and their ability to remain calm and analytical under pressure.

Photographs:



The event being conducted online via Google Meet.



Organizing Committee of the competition during the event.