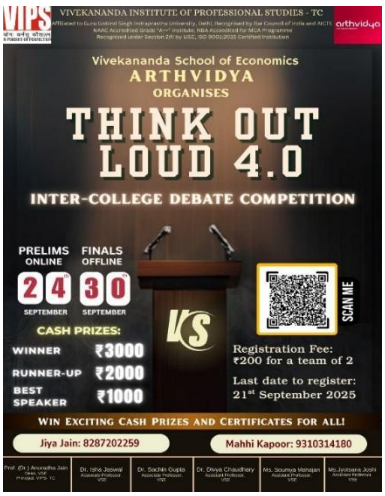
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Event Report

1. **Name of the Organising/Department:** Vivekananda School of Economics
2. **Type of Activity/Event:** Academic
3. **Title of Activity/Event:** Think Out Loud 4.0: Inter-College Debate Competition
4. **Date:** Thursday; 30th September 2025
5. **Venue:** FDP & GDPI Room, Block A, VIPS-TC
6. **Name of the Guest(s)/Speaker(s):** N.A.
7. **Faculty Coordinator(s):** Dr. Isha Jaswal, Dr. Sachin Gupta, Ms. Soumya Mahajan, Dr. Divya Chaudhary and Ms. Jyotsana Joshi
8. **Student Coordinator(s):** Jiya Jain and Mahhi Kapoor

Event Flyer:



Report of the event:

Arthvidya – The VIPS Club of Economists hosted Think Out Loud 4.0, an inter-college debate competition, on the 24th and 30th of September 2025. The event gave young debaters a chance to reflect on some of the most pressing questions shaping our world today.

The preliminary round was conducted on 24th September 2025, virtually via Google Meet. Given the large number of participating teams, the round was held across four separate Google Meet sessions to ensure smooth proceedings. The topic under discussion was "Space Exploration: Essential Investment for Developing Nations or an Unaffordable Luxury?" Teams of two were invited to present their stances, one member speaking for and one member speaking against the motion. With each member allotted 1.5 minutes, making it a crisp yet impactful 3-minute round per team. Over 120 teams from premier institutions such as Vivekananda College, Lady Shri Ram College, Ram Lal Anand College, Hansraj College, and many others participated in the competition. After a highly competitive exchange of ideas, 15 teams secured their place in the final round.

The final round took place on 30th September 2025 at the VIPS-TC campus. The event was brought to life with warmth and enthusiasm by the hosts, Sara Thakur and Simran Handa, as they welcomed the 15 qualified teams. The event was graced by Prof. (Dr.) Anuradha Jain, Principal of VIPS-TC, along with a distinguished judges comprising Dr. Sunil Kumar Mishra (Associate Professor, VSJMC, VIPS-TC) and Dr. Jatin Vaid (Associate Professor, VSBS, VIPS-TC).

The final debate revolved around the provocative question: "Should International Aid be Viewed as a Voluntary Act or a Global Obligation?" To ensure impartiality, the sequence of presentations was determined through a chit system. Each speaker had 2 minutes to deliver their arguments, leading to a series of powerful, engaging, and well-structured presentations. The finalists approached the motion with strikingly diverse perspectives some highlighting the ethical responsibilities of wealthier nations, while others emphasized the autonomy and limitations of voluntary assistance.

After an intense exchange of perspectives, the judges shared their valuable feedback, appreciating the depth of research, confidence, and the ability of the students to approach sensitive global issues with maturity. The judges were felicitated by Prof. Dr. Anuradha Jain as a token of appreciation.

Team Unhinged comprising of Tanvi Grover and Ashutosh Sharma from GVM College and St. Stephen's College, DU, respectively emerged as the winners. The title of 1st Runner-up went to Team Soundstorm comprising Ishita Tiwari and Baani Kaur from Hansraj College, DU. The Best Speaker Award was claimed by Adit Anand from Vivekananda Institute of Professional Studies. The Consolation Prizes were awarded to Rudransh Mahajan and Aarushi Gupta from Sachdeva Public School and Vivekananda School of Economics, respectively.

The day concluded with a heartfelt vote of thanks, acknowledging the efforts of the organizing team, the faculty mentors and the participants whose enthusiasm made the event a success. The competition wrapped up with a group photograph, capturing the energy, camaraderie and the intellectual vibrancy that defined Think Out Loud 4.0.

Photographs:



Judges and participants listening attentively to the arguments presented.



Prof. (Dr.) Anuradha Jain felicitating esteemed judge, Dr. Sunil Kumar Mishra.



Participants presenting their arguments with confidence.