## Speakers' Academy



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The Orientation Programme of the forum was held on 20<sup>th</sup> August, 2018. It was the first event of the forum and was attended by many students from degree as well as junior college. The students were introduced to public speaking through mock elocution and a round of mock debate which peaked their interest for the same. Mr. Zoheb Khan (an eminent speaker who has won many prestigious public speaking competitions) was invited as the Chief Guest for the event.

Eliminations for S. V. Kulkarni Elocution Competition were held in college to select a representative. Ms. Radhika Joshi from FYBCom. was selected to represent college at this intercollegiate competition organised by Dyansadhana College.

Intra-collegiate eliminations for selecting college representative for the prestigious A. D. Shroff Memorial Elocution Competition organized by Forum of Free Enterprise were conducted by the forum. Among the participants, Eshan Vaidya from SYBCom. was selected to represent the college at this competition. Eshan also bagged the 1<sup>st</sup> place in this competition.

Bullfights are debates conducted for degree college as well as junior college students. This event took place from 8<sup>th</sup> January, 2019 to 11<sup>th</sup> January, 2019. Topic for junior college was 'SSC vs. IB Board' and for degree college it was 'Compulsory Voting – Boon or Bane'.

The flagship event of Speakers' Academy and Group Discussion Cell – Rostrum Spectrum took place on 31<sup>st</sup> January, 2019. This is an intercollegiate debate and group discussion competition organized by the forum. The theme for this year was 'Pioneering Tomorrow', bringing attention to youth empowerment in our country.

Apart from organizing events, Speakers' Academy members have participated in many intercollegiate debates and elocution competitions.

- Smruti Shantanu Samant from SYBCom. secured 1<sup>st</sup> place in Elocution as well as Storytelling in the final round of Mumbai University's 51st Youth Festival
- Renuka Barsila and Deeya Chhabra secured 1<sup>st</sup> place in Debate in the Zonal Round of Mumbai University's 51<sup>st</sup> Youth Festival
- Tanvi Dombe from FYBCom. participated in Communathon, an intercollegiate competition organized by Bedekar College
- Alka Joseph from TYBCom. and Eshan Vaidya from SYBCom. won the 1<sup>st</sup> place as well as Best College award in 15<sup>th</sup> Madhu Limaye Memorial Elocution Competition organized by Kirti College
- Bhupen Lalwani from SYBCom. and Yukta More from FYBCom. secured 2<sup>nd</sup> place in Sawfe Debate Competition organized by Maharshi Dayanand College
- Krisha Gohil and Yukta More from FYBCom. participated in debate in Off-D-Cup competition organized by H. R. College
- Eshan Vaidya from SYBCom. and Renuka Barsila from TYBCom. secured 2<sup>nd</sup> rank in Intercollegiate Debate Competition organized SIES College of Commerce and Economics. Renuka Barsila was also awarded the Best Speaker title in the competition
- Sneha Semaleesan from FYBCom. secured 1<sup>st</sup> place in Arthmanthan Debate Competition organized by N. G. Acharya and D. K. Marathe College
- Shivam Agarwal from SYBMS secured 2<sup>nd</sup> rank in Arthmanthan Elocution Competition organized by N. G. Acharya and D. K. Marathe College