



Finance & Investment Cell
ARYABHATTA COLLEGE



Deliberating Ideas, Directing Minds

The Annual Conclave Report

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PAN INDIA EVENT

2021

Message from the Principal

Prof. Manoj Sinha, our Chief Patron, graced the event by his presence.

He thanked **Dr. J. K. Singh**, the convener of the Finance & Investment Cell, and Smt. Meenakshi Lekhi, one of the esteemed speakers of the day for joining the Conclave. He then proceeded to congratulate the whole FIC team, **Dr. Pritika Dua** and the faculty for organising the event and wished them luck for upcoming events.



Prof. Manoj Sinha
PRINCIPAL



Dr. J. K. Singh
CONVENOR



Dr. Pritika Dua
CO-ORDINATOR

About the College

Aryabhatta College came into existence from the academic session 2014-15. It is an institution directly maintained by the University of Delhi. The college was formerly known as Ram Lal Anand College (Evening) and was established in 1973. The college is located adjacent to the South Campus of the University of Delhi in the picturesque surroundings of the South Delhi section of the Aravali ranges.



About FIC

The **Finance & Investment Cell** is a student-driven body initiated in 2017 with a vision to promote knowledge-sharing among students on matters of finance, economics and geopolitics. **FIC Aryabhata** has grown by leaps and bounds and is one of the most popular and sought after societies in the DU circuit. Rigorous research sessions, monthly campaigns, newsletters and speaker sessions define the Cell and its members.

As stated by our tagline, ***"piquing your interest in finance, so that you never leave it alone,"*** we aim to build a community of like-minded people who constantly strive to nurture their skillsets, knowledge and personality as a whole.

We provide a common platform for all finance-enthusiasts to learn through information sharing and provide them with opportunities to undertake research on specific areas of their interest and to keep the enthusiasm of finance-lovers active throughout the year by organising different seminars, competitions and other events related to the subject.



About Finomena

Vision and Mission

The event aims to initiate discussions and deliberations with the industry's most adept personalities to steer young minds in the right direction. It serves as a forum for students to interact with pioneers from diversified fields such as finance, business, politics, journalism, entertainment, etc. We aim to bring together an international community of leaders of today and tomorrow.

The two-day PAN-India conclave comprised of both, highly interactive and informative sessions as well as several network building and recreational activities for the audience.

This event helped the students enhance their knowledge while giving them the golden opportunity to see the world from the eyes of these distinguished personalities.



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Day 1

FINOMENA - The Annual Conclave aims to initiate discussions and deliberations with the industry's most adept personalities to steer young minds in the right direction. We kicked off with our anchor, **Anisha Kalita (General Secretary, Finance and Investment Cell)**, welcoming our beloved Principal sir, conveners and our audience.

Khushboo Bansal (Internships Head, FIC Aryabhata) invited the President of FIC, **Sarthak Malhotra**, whose vision and hard work has helped us become one of the best FICs in the DU circuit. Sarthak's motivational words were exactly what was needed to start this amazing phenomenon. He very rightly said, ***"Our success won't be measured by the number of viewers we are able to garner, but by the number of people we are able to inspire."***

Dr. J. K. Singh (teacher convenor, FIC Aryabhata), congratulated the team for putting together such a grand event at such short notice.

Our respected Principal sir, **Professor Manoj Sinha**, then took over the proceedings to address the gathering. He has been the catalyst that inspired us to do our best and stand as a pillar of power. After welcoming our chief guest, Smt. Meenakshi Lekhi (Nationals spokesperson for BJP and Supreme Court lawyer), he applauded the efforts of team FIC and the teacher convenors.

This was followed by the ceremonial Diya lighting by our principal, Prof. Manoj Sinha and our chief guest Smt. Meenakshi Lekhi to give the virtual conclave an auspicious start.



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Meenakshi Lekhi

Ms. Meenakshi Lekhi began her address by explaining the plethora of responsibilities that she, as an MP, has to fulfil. She then proceeded to tell her experience of the lockdown days. She expressed her desire to write a book about her Covid-19 experience and how it changed her. She told how the Central Government is ultimately responsible to help all the states. Meenakshi Lekhi was responsible to the people of her province as their representative. During the lockdown period, she ensured the availability of food for all the people. People from Bengal were somehow trapped in the area under her judiciary. She ensured the availability of clean cooked food for more than 250 families. She believes that no person in her constituency should sleep hungry. She is very proud of Indian citizens. She believes that although Indians don't get the due credit for what they do, she hasn't seen a community as helpful and giving as the Indian community. She explained the steps taken by her during the lockdown period. Her team sanitized each and every road under her jurisdiction. They also developed an app where doctors were available for consultation at a very nominal cost. Engineers from her team made robots that are available in lakhs for less than Rs. 50,000 to help the doctors in hospitals. At last, she praised Indians by mentioning that they are techno-savvy, very intelligent and have a heart of gold. She closed her speech by asking the students to help each other without discriminating and living together as one community.

Interviewers: Sufiya Salim
Tanya Shrivastava



His Excellency Federico Salas

Mr. Federico Salas is currently the ambassador of Mexico to India. Before this, he was the permanent representative of Mexico to UNESCO. He added a feather in a cap of the event by marking his presence at **FINOMENA**.

Firstly, he talked about the economic relationship between India and Mexico. As India is among the top trading partners of Mexico, he seems to be very optimistic about how India is doing remarkable in the medical sector by providing vaccines to neighbouring countries. He is very influenced by the Indian startup ecosystem and how the Indian government urges the youth talent by launching startup India.

He appreciated the work of India in the space and how we are going to bring enormous investments. He also talked about climate change and the role of developed and developing countries in reversing it. He believes that the solutions of climate change are in the hand of developed countries. His optimistic personality influenced many viewers to think positively and achieve success in life.

Interviewers: Karsh Vashisht
Piyush Pandey



Ashok Vajpeyi

Mr. Ashok Vajpeyi started his address by expressing his excitement to interact with young minds and shared his thoughts about literature and reasons why it should be studied.

He said that we are surrounded by unreality and literature puts us in touch with real-world, gives us a lesson that there is no duality between us and others, teaches us to expand moral imagination and accept others. He emphasised that literature lights up imagination which helps humanity progress, and also sharpens sensitivity by making us pay attention to elements surrounding us. According to him, literature gives dignity to utterly ordinary events, people and things, which enhances their worth.

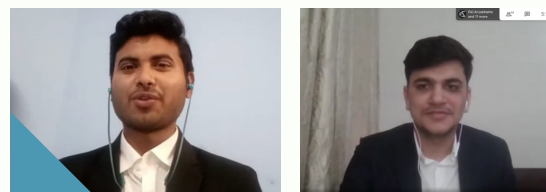
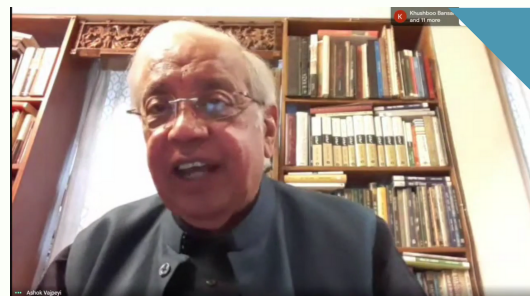
He then enlightened students about how literature gives humans the abilities to imagine, empathise and question - which differentiates human from other species.

In the latter half of his address, he took questions. Answering a question, he said that dissent is everyone's moral duty and constitutional right. He also told students about the ways he finds his inspirations and stressed upon the fact that criticism is necessary for democracy and modernisation.

He then expressed his views on spirituality saying that for centuries spirituality was located firmly in religions but with religions becoming intolerant and aggressive, it's no longer true. He said that according to him spirituality is the fact that we humans are aware that we are a part of the universe and that we know everything is responsible for everything else.

In the end, he shared major life events that shaped him up, which were really insightful, motivating and inspiring for students. His delivery of speech kept the audience engaged and interested till the last minute.

**Interviewers: Madhav Khurana
Sumit Raj**



Harish Iyer

Mr. Harish Iyer, a well-known activist of the LGBTQ community and one of the most vocal proponents of the decriminalization of homosexuality in India, was one of the key speakers of our annual finance conclave, **FINOMENA**. The main topics covered by him during his inspiring session were child abuse, gender pronouns, homophobia, ways in which we can help a child etc. He started his session by telling the things he used to do during the lockdown period. During lockdown he did social work by reaching out to sex workers, helping them and listening to their stories. He was 33 years old when he showed the courage, came to Satyameva Jayate and told the world about how he was sexually abused. Actually, when he was 18, he came out to tell his tale and speak about child sex abuse for the first time. He said most people think that child abuse is gender-specific and only happens with girls but it's not true, many boys are also survivors of sexual abuse in India. It's not about boys versus girls, it's about children who are sexually abused. Every child needs to be protected from being sexually abused. The main battle a survivor survives is not with the world but it is with himself. We need to develop a world where we respect our age. He urged people to be a good listener and believe as they have to find their roots. The greatest thing anyone can offer to a sexually abused person is to just listen rather than offering unsolicited advice. "The best way to ask is tell", he added.

Interviewers: Anisha Kalita
Arunima Marwaha



Day 1 (Conclusion)

Ms. Priya Chaudhary was invited to give a vote of thanks in order to end Day 1 on a positive note. She congratulated the entire team of FIC for conducting a very fruitful session and was very eager to witness an even grander success for Day 2.

On behalf of Aryabhatta College, she thanked all dignitaries, teachers and students who participated in the event on Day 1 and made it a huge success.

She conveyed a heartfelt vote of thanks to Smt. Meenakshi Lekhi for enlightening young minds and showing them new paths of community service with her thoughts.

Later, she thanked the other speakers for adorning the occasion and sharing their opinions on multidisciplinary topics. A special mention to the respectable Principal, **Professor Manoj Sinha**, was given for catalysing inspiration.

Lastly, she praised and expressed gratitude for **Dr. J. K. Singh** and **Dr. Pritika Dua** for their unrelenting efforts which made Day 1 a huge success.

Day 2

The day 2 of **FINOMENA** started with the same vigour and enthusiasm as the first day. **Karsh Vashisht** (Vice President, FIC Aryabhata) delivered an inspiring speech. He very rightly pointed out that FIC Aryabhata, is not just a society but it is a family. A family which has worked extremely hard to organize one of the finest finance conclaves.

Our teacher in charge, **Mr. Sanket Shekhar**, expressed his sincere gratitude and invited Mr. Arvind Mayaram (IAS officer of 1978 batch and ex-Finance Secretary) to start the second day of the conclave and have an informative session with our viewers.



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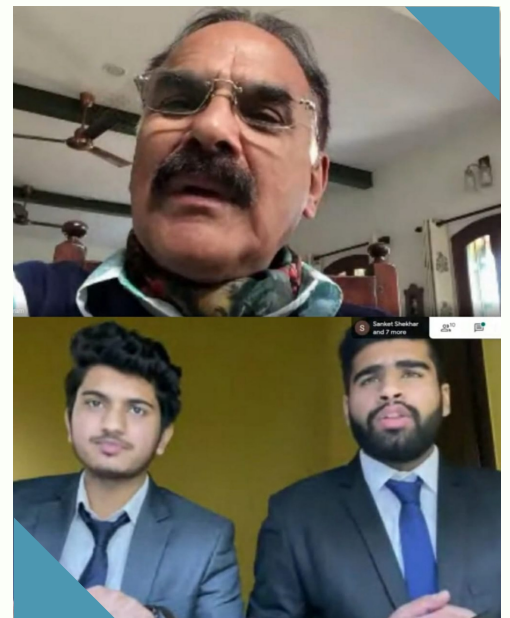
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Arvind Mayaram

Arvind Mayaram, a renowned economist and a pinnacle in the field of finance, had given an appearance in our conclave and made this online session a remarkable one for our viewers. Dr. Arvind Mayaram sir was questioned with several mind-numbing questions by the interviewers as well as the audience and he answered all the answers patiently in detail and made this session more engaging.

At first, he was asked to guide the young minds who are planning to become an IAS officer. He said that the first step should be to self introspect. Secondly, he also told us how the post not only brings power but also several responsibilities with it. He quoted, "Power is like a car, if you drive good it will lead you to a beautiful destination and if you are misusing it the car may crash." He explained the role of IAS officer in such an amazing way that all the viewers were awestruck and were applauding in the comment section. Moreover, he also adorned the meet with his insightful thoughts towards innovation. This remarkable economist said, "Innovation requires Freedom." He told how in Rajasthan, the MSME Act gave complete freedom to the innovators. Now in Rajasthan, MSME requires no prior approval from any government authority. This policy assisted Rajasthan to move a step ahead in the innovation index. Moreover, he also answered several other questions of audience. He told how due to the collaboration of both bureaucrats and politicians, our nation is one of the largest democracies and also one of the widely economically emerging nations. Several questions regarding rise in the price of gold and petroleum were also answered by him professionally. His words of wisdom encouraged the viewers and also assisted them to gain a great insight in Indian Economy.

Interviewers: Karsh Vashisht
Sarthak Malhotra



Mitali Nikore

Ms. Mitali Nikore, the founder of Nikore Associates, started the session with the question of the impact of Covid-19 in our lives, consumer demand and whether we can go back to pre-covid business situations or not. She talked about the way the pandemic has affected our economy through the data she presented. She discussed the economic impact and demand-supply disruptions due to Covid-19. Mitali ma'am also emphasised on more investment in healthcare infrastructure. She talked about India's GDP growth rate projections by different institutions such as the World Bank, OECD etc. The sectoral, households, and MSME impacts were also covered by her in the session.

Later she addressed the questions in a very insightful way. "The economists who advise government and international agencies are like soldiers in the crises", she said. Moreover, she shared her views on the Asian Development Bank and its impact on India as well as China and Japan.

Ms. Mitali Nikore ended the session with a fruitful opportunity to gain experiences and internships offers at Nikore Associates for the audience.

**Interviewers: Sahej Kapoor
Aman Jha**



Sunny Garg

Sunny Garg, the founder of **YourShell**, based in North Delhi, has 600 beds for college students to reside. **YourShell** was acquired by Stanza living.

He is now working on a new venture ae! where he helps students who want to become an entrepreneur by bringing their ideas to life. He provides them with solutions for funding, PR, legal aid, etc.

He was the president of the Entrepreneurship Cell of his college and took 4 years to succeed. He believes the pandemic was a necessary gap for all. He aims to generate Rs 25 crore revenue in 2021. He feels if you have a positive outlook and good intention, some positive energy will always help you. He says students should dedicate their 1st year in internships and societies, in 2nd year they should aim for taking a leadership position in society, in 3rd year they should either plan MBA or work on a startup. He thinks that one should do an MBA only when he is clear that what he wants to achieve and pursue. He believes trusting a business partner is important. Many students asked that they want their journey to start with perfection, but he said that a perfectionist can not be an entrepreneur. The most important thing is to start your journey.

Interviewers: Khushi Joshi
Gautam Chandra



Sharad Vivek Sagar

Sharad Sagar, the founder of Dexterity Global made the event more inspiring and insightful by marking his presence at Finomena.

At first, he told us about the importance of leadership in every job and role we play in life and as the event proceeded he told us about the mission of Dexterity Global.

His mission is to power the next generation of leaders and reduce the gap between education and leadership in our country.

He gave various examples of a great generation of leaders that got us freedom and many big success stories of big corporations.

He is highly influenced by the great Swami Vivekananda and shared many lessons he learnt from him.

He further talked about the importance of journey students have in their college and how it plays an important role in one's life.

He told about the 1000 Internship program by Dexterity Global in which students joined from every state and UT across India, and answered why he didn't join Harvard University. He believes that one should always have a clarity of thought.

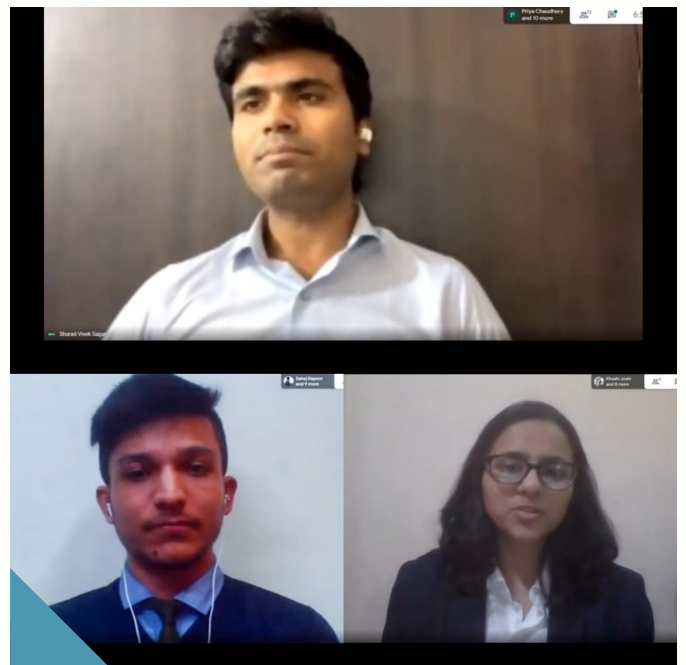
Few of his best lines from the session were:

"There is no calendar of change, change is incremental."

"Don't make enemies, understand why someone did not buy your idea."

At the end of the session, he talked about social entrepreneurship and the importance of leadership and education for India.

**Interviewers: Khushboo Bansal
Parth Jaiswal**



Day 2 (Conclusion)

Our convenor, **Dr. J. K. Singh**, thanked the anchors and the entire team of FIC for organising a wonderful two-day event featuring experts from diversified areas.

He appreciated and applauded the efforts put in by students. He believes that it was the culmination of the efforts of all the students and our honourable Principal sir that made the event a huge success. He wished everyone the best and hoped for such events to be organised in future as well.

Principal sir was cordially invited to conclude the event. He was extremely impressed by the way the event was conducted and the enthusiasm the participants showcased. He talked about how hard it is to be a leader and uphold responsibilities, tying up his words to Smt. Meenakshi Lekhi's speech.

He then initiated an intellectual dialogue on bureaucracy, environment, sustainability, literature, language and spirituality. He emphasised on the need for assuming leadership roles in this day and age and fostering leadership qualities in the young generation.

He also talked about the stock market growth and its near-explosion during the pandemic and how it exhibits people's generally positive outlook on life. He preached about equality and treating other human beings with kindness. These are some of his inspiring words:

"Treat everybody like you would like to be treated."

"Our characters are reflected in how we treat other people."

He thanked our convenor, **Dr. J. K. Singh**, and coordinator, **Dr. Pritika Dua**, for proving to be pillars of growth in the journey of Aryabhata college. He believes that Aryabhata College, being such a young college, is dependent on the hard work of all students. He ultimately thanked students for conducting the event enthusiastically and taking the college to new heights, and the faculty for leading the students through the path to success.

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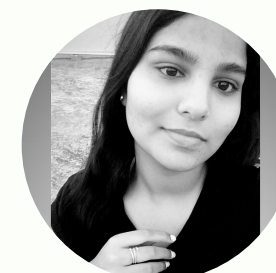
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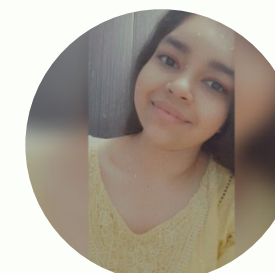
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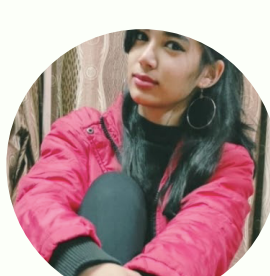
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