

Report on the Intra-College Debate Competition Organized by ELLA

The English Language and Literary Association (ELLA) of the Department of English, Shyam Lal College (Evening), successfully organized an Intra-College Debate Competition on **20th February 2025 at 3:00 PM in Room No. 10**. The event, coordinated by **Dr. Vatsal Singh** and **Dr. Megha Jain**, witnessed enthusiastic participation, with 15 students engaging in a stimulating discussion, presenting arguments both in favor and against the



motion.

The competition commenced with a **lamp-lighting ceremony**, symbolizing the pursuit of knowledge and enlightenment. **Principal Nachiketa Singh** addressed the gathering, highlighting the importance of debates in fostering critical thinking, analytical skills, and confident expression among students. He encouraged students to actively participate in

such intellectual exercises to enhance their communication and reasoning abilities, essential for both academic and professional growth.



The competition was judged by esteemed faculty members, **Dr. Roli Raghuvanshi** from the Commerce Department and **Dr. Surbhi Bhadwar** from the Economics, who evaluated participants based on content, articulation, and presentation skills. They commended the participants for their well-researched arguments and eloquent delivery, making the discussion both insightful and engaging.



To further enrich the discussion, **Dr. Kusum Devi**, Senior Faculty Member, shared her valuable insights on the topic. She emphasized the importance of nurturing human

intelligence and remarked that while Artificial Intelligence (AI) can assist humans, it can never surpass human intellect.



The winners of the debate competition were honored with cash prizes and certificates, recognizing their outstanding performances.

- **1st Position:** Aman Kumar Tiwari
- **2nd Position:** A tie between Rajababu Singh and Rahul Jaiswal
- **3rd Position:** A tie between Kanhiya Kumar and Shivansh Chauhan

The event concluded with a vote of thanks delivered by **Dr. Sandeep Kumar Yadav**, who expressed gratitude to all participants, faculty members, and students for making the event a grand success. He also motivated students to take part in such intellectual forums to refine their expressive and analytical skills.



The success of the event was made possible by the commendable efforts of ELLA's student volunteers, **Anwar and Anshul from B.A. Program, 4th Semester, along with their team.** Their diligent work ensured the smooth execution of the event, and their contribution was invaluable in making the event a success.

The competition was further graced by the presence of Dr. Anju Bala from the Hindi Department, Dr. Rekha Kashyap from the Commerce Department, and Dr. Sarika Tyagi from the English Department, adding to the event's academic spirit.



The ELLA team extends heartfelt appreciation to all participants, faculty members, and students for their enthusiastic involvement and support, making the debate competition a truly thought-provoking and enriching experience.

