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FROM THE DESK OF THE IP CHIEF

Dear Reader,

I hope this newsletter finds you well!

As it has year and again, Oakridge PMUN has pulled off yet another successful conference. While the 4th and 5th grade delegates deliberated upon serious global issues, our International Press team captured the wonderful debates and discussions through photographs and articles.

Our team of journalists and photographers have attended committee sessions and kept track of and photographed the happenings. Their determination is reflected in the finest articles and photographs you will come across in this newsletter. I hope you enjoy reading this newsletter as much as we enjoyed making it!

Happy reading!

Regards,

Janaki R Nair

Chief of the International Press



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The Beginning

The opening ceremony of OakridgePMUN 2022 began with speeches by the chief guest, Mr. Rohan Krishna Ravi, a Public Policy professional at the National Institute of Urban Management and by the principal of Oakridge International School Gachibowli, Ms. Hema Chennupaty. Following the introduction of the Executive Board and the opening of the conference by Ms. Hema Chennupaty, the delegates dispersed to their first committee session.

As the committee session began, the Executive Board of the committee discussed the Rules of Procedure and the agenda. The delegates then proceeded to pass a motion to set the agenda 'combating worldwide religious extremism and terrorism,' as well as to establish the General Speakers List.

Post lunch, the delegates had an unmoderated caucus in which they discussed possible moderated caucus topics and what they wanted to discuss further through formal debate. This was followed by a press conference where the delegates were asked questions by the International Press. The press conference gave the delegates an opportunity to clarify the statements they made in their earlier speeches as well as to elaborate on the points and ideas they had previously spoken about.



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Following the press conference, the delegates raised a motion to move into a moderated caucus on the topic ‘the origins of terrorism,’ where they elaborated on how each country was affected by terrorism. The delegates also discussed a few possible solutions to prevent or curb the rise and growth of terrorism. They then moved into an unmoderated caucus where they discussed more moderated caucus topics relating to the problems pertaining to the agenda. The delegates then entered a moderated caucus on the topic “nuclear weapons’ effect on terrorists” where the delegates discussed their countries stances on nuclear weapons.

In conclusion, the delegates spent the first day of the conference understanding the agenda, the stances of the delegates and the important issues that need to be focused upon in the following committee sessions.

Ananya Buddhavarapu, IP Reporter (DISEC)

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I saw a beautiful sight today. The sun through the gaps in the fence where my friends stood, except they weren't moving. They stood there, looking beyond me, staring at the emptiness behind me. They were covered in Chutni Murch, maybe they had a food fight... A tall woman covered my eyes and squeezed me. Why? Was this a sorry sight? Of course, it wasn't!

I want to stay with my friends. The woman dragged me away as I felt a water droplet on my head. The sky didn't look like it was weeping, it might have been the leaky pipes. As I walked, I saw people in fear, but in fear of what? It didn't look like the world was ending, was it because of the bigger fireworks in the city?

Those crackers continued for a week. "Boom!" the city roared as deathly silence draped the streets. The tall woman hadn't left my side, who was she? Why didn't she let me go out? I want to go see the illuminations. As we hid the woman kept saying things like, "it's going to be okay" and "I will protect you to death." Protection? From what? The empty streets?

As the sky changed shades that evening, the woman stuffed me in the closet as she whimpered and told me sternly to stay put. I then heard angry footsteps and frantic screaming. Is the woman okay? I wanted to go check on her, but she would have shouted at me if I did, so I stayed in the cramped closet and waited. Once the footsteps seemed far away, I ran outside as fast as I could and stumbled upon the woman, laying on the floor. She looked sad, her eyes looked lifeless somehow. I tried waking her up but she wouldn't, she didn't even shrug me off like she usually did.

She lay there a few days, appreciating the beauty of the void. I left the shed to take a



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stroll outside. While I took in the breath of fresh air, I bumped into a man with a huge gun. Fascinated, I tugged on his shoulder and asked him to show me the weapon. His gun flung at me and stabbed me in the forehead.

As doom crept up, I saw ways to survive, things to do. Sure, I'm hungry and I can't go to school anymore, but I can eat grass. Grass is also food. I bet cavemen ate grass and I'm pretty sure they didn't go to school either. Living this way won't be that hard, I just need to remember what our ancestors did three million years ago, easy to do. I wanted the woman to wake up. No, I needed the woman to wake up. My throat hurt as I heard a screeching scream pierce my ears. That was me, I was the one screaming.

Samhita Mukherjee, IP Reporter (UNHRC)

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It cannot be justified.

Aditi Earla, reporting from the CSW committee that is currently addressing the topic of promoting the role of women in governmental bodies.

As of 2021, a woman earns 82 cents for every dollar a man makes, and this is just in developed countries. In developing and underdeveloped countries, women can not even fathom earning even half of what a man does. This global issue of unfair wages due to gender discrimination is ongoing and has been seen in society for ages.



Back in the olden days, when there were no technological innovations, everyone relied on strength, skill, and capability to accomplish simple or difficult tasks. During these times, women were often portrayed as weak or unable to do the sorts of feats that men would do, and due to this, women remained second and subordinate to men. They were obedient to men and would abide by the rules. These ideologies slowly started to seep into society as generations passed and created gender inequality as we know it today.

However, in the last 100 years, the world has been evolving greatly and rapidly with all sorts of innovations, to make things easier and faster. For instance, the reason developed countries such as the USA are ahead in the game as opposed to developing and underdeveloped countries is because they are adapting to these new innovations every day. Today, many jobs in the world do not require certain physical traits like strength as there are thousands of innovations that have changed this idea. Therefore every educated woman has the right to do the job they want and there is no reason for them to be denied it. So why is unfair wage discrimination against female workers still persistent to this day? The world as a whole must adopt these innovations to create a better tomorrow for women and for the greater society.

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Preserving Marine Ecosystems



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UNEP- 28TH AND 29TH JULY

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| <p>The US claims they can "save nature" just by protecting 30% of US oceans</p> | <p>Japans 400 year old culture of whaling resumed after it left International Whaling Commission in July of 2019</p> |
|  <p>Floating on the surface of the Pacific ocean, is approximately 180 times more plastic than marine life.</p> | <p>Many countries like the US, UK, Malaysia, India and so on have taken initiatives to stop the use of single use plastics</p> |

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Leaders of Tomorrow

At the start of the conference,
The delegates were frazzled.
But soon they found their footing,
And began to dazzle!

The well prepared delegates,
Quick on their feet.
As swift as lighting,
As they learn to lead.

Whilst discussing topics of gore,
They remained calm as could be.
Never once were they a bore,
Trying their hand at solving world problems.

Guided and motivated by their Executive Board,
The delegates reach new heights of learning.
Gaining a global perspective,
By listening and understanding.

Points and plans galore,
The delegates gave wonderful speeches.
Getting closer to the solutions,
They gain all that an MUN teaches...

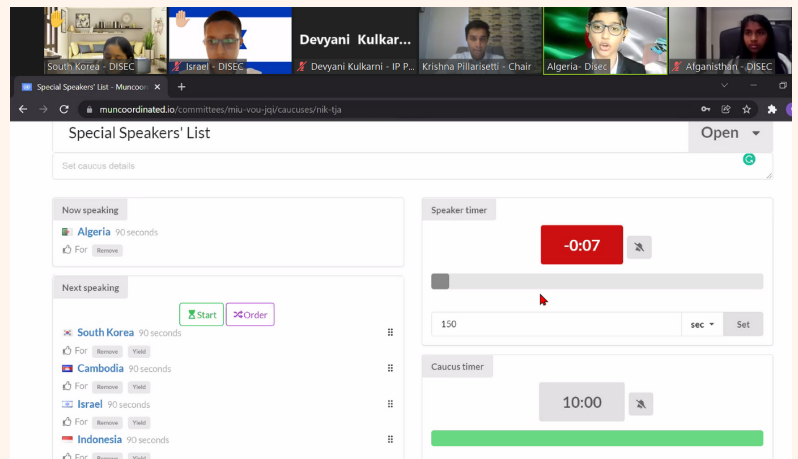
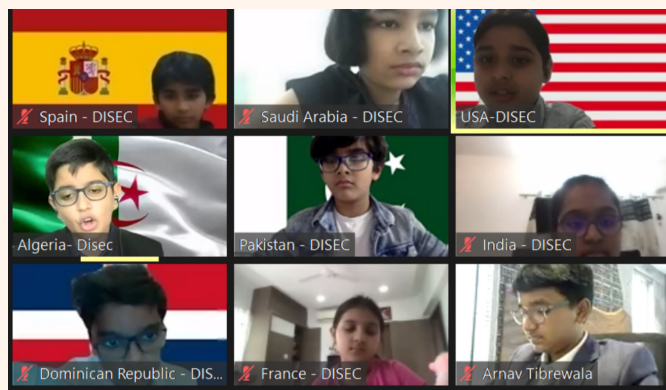
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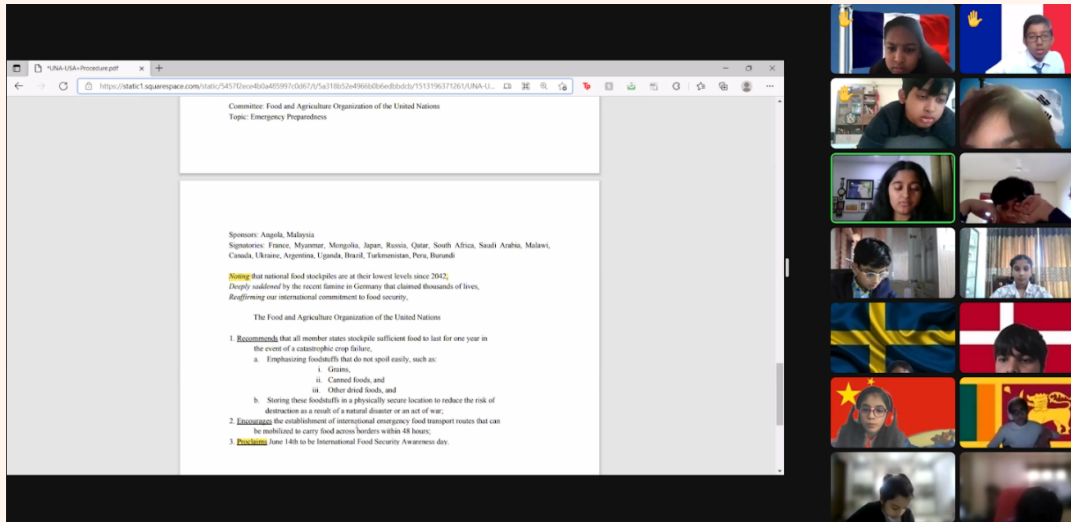
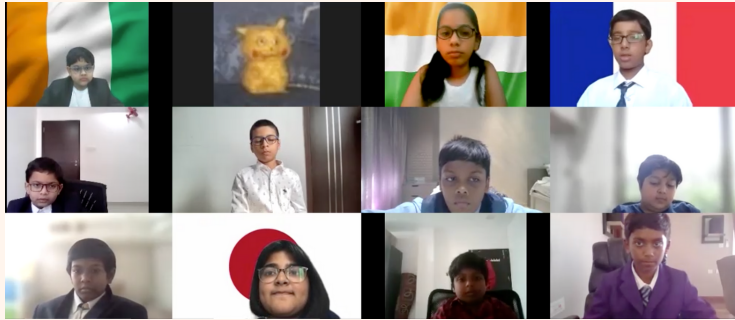


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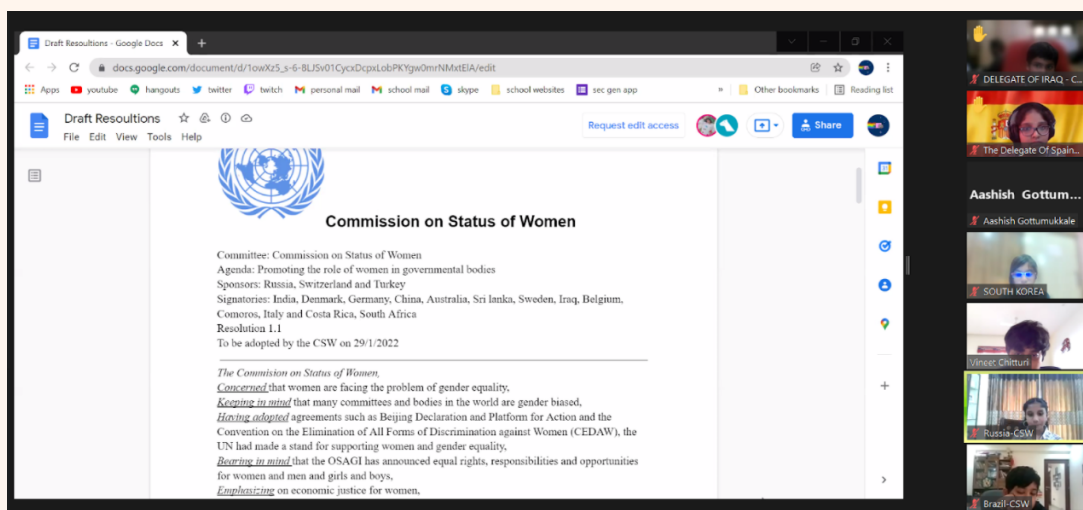
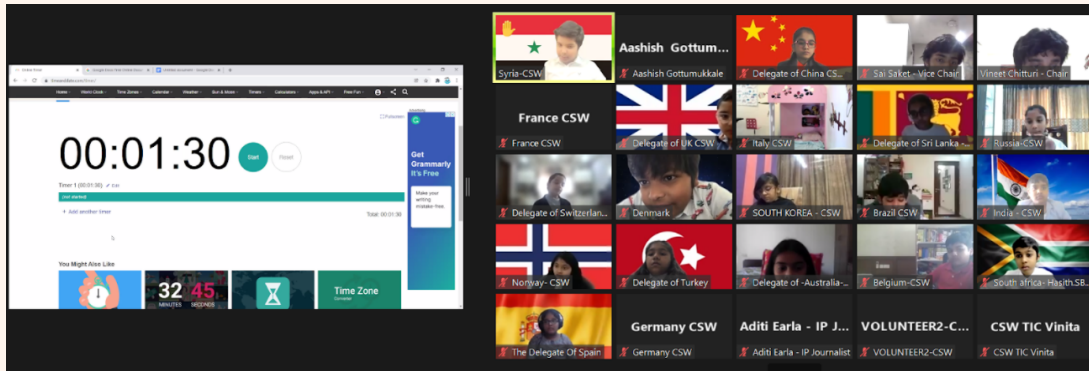


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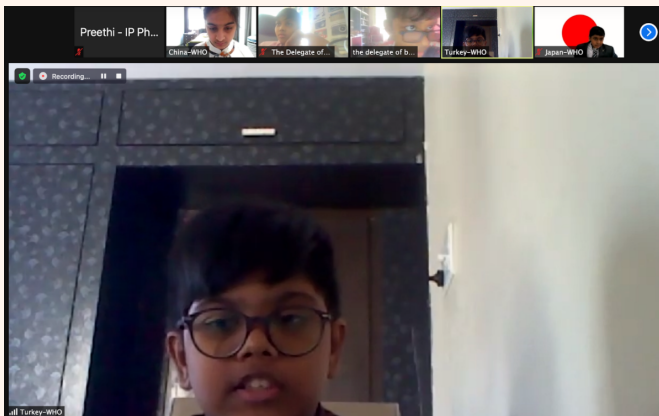
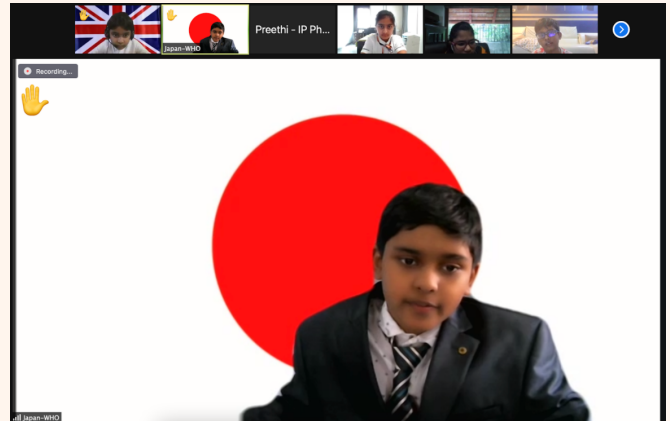
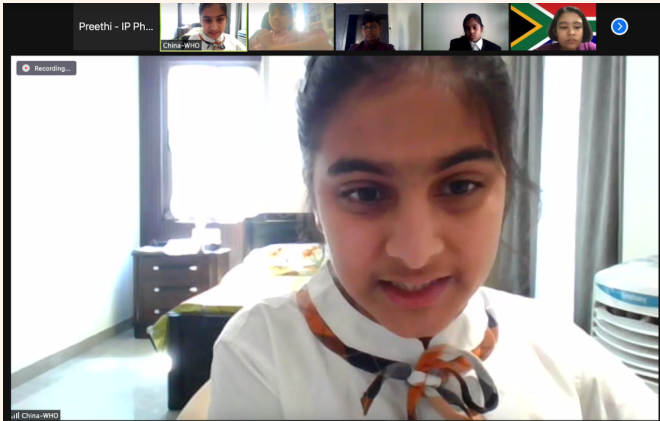
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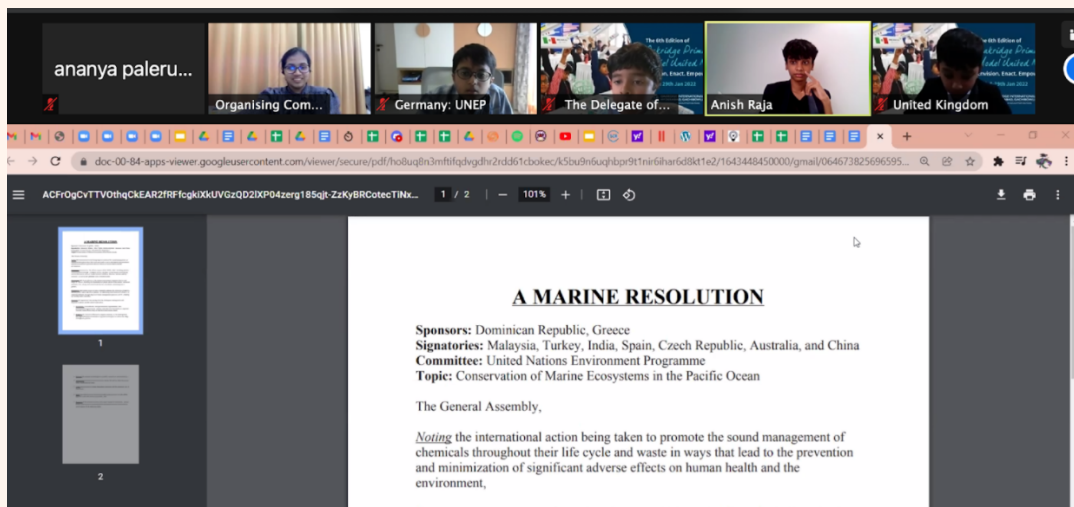
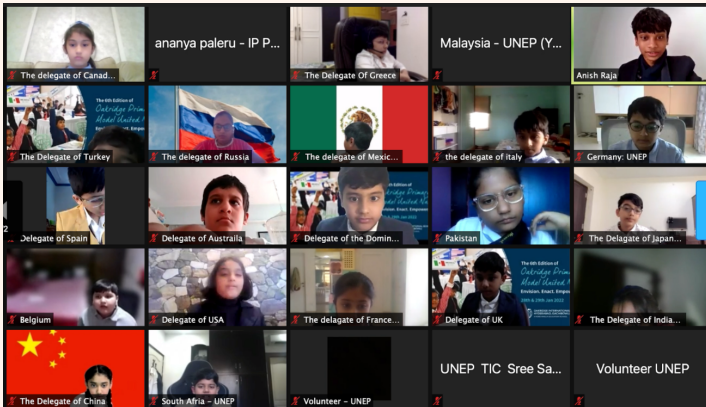
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