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**POLITICAL SCIENCE SOCIETY  
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is organising a

# **DEBATE**

On

**ONE NATION ONE ELECTION**

**FAVOUR :**

**(TEAM -BA-1ST)**



**DIVYANSH**



**BHUMIKA**



**YASHASVI**



**CHESHTA**



**AESHITA**



**AGAINST :**

**(TEAM - BA-2ND.)**



**AYUSH**



**SNEHA**



**AASTHA**



**MANJEET**



**MOHIT**



venue :

**2:40 PM**

**3rd October, 2024**

**Room 10**



# INTRODUCTION

The debate on "One Nation One Election" was held on the 3rd of October at 2:40 PM in Room No. 10. The event sparked a lively discussion on the implications of holding simultaneous elections across the nation.

Judges Panel: Dr. Shivani Khatri, Associate Professor, English , Dr. Khyal chand, Assistant Professor, Geography .

Respected Teachers Present: Dr. Poonam Chandel, HOD Political Science Mr. Abhishek Thakur, Assistant Professor, Political Science Mrs. Kreety Thakur, Assistant Professor, Economics.

Moderator: Alumnus Tarun Sharma

Teams and Positions: Team A (In Favour): BA 1st Year students argued for the benefits of conducting simultaneous elections across the country, highlighting efficiency, cost-saving, and governance stability.

Team B (Against): BA 2nd Year students opposed the concept, emphasizing the potential risks to regional autonomy, the challenges of implementation, and possible disruption to the democratic process. The debate witnessed well-researched points from both sides, fostering critical thinking and engagement from the audience.



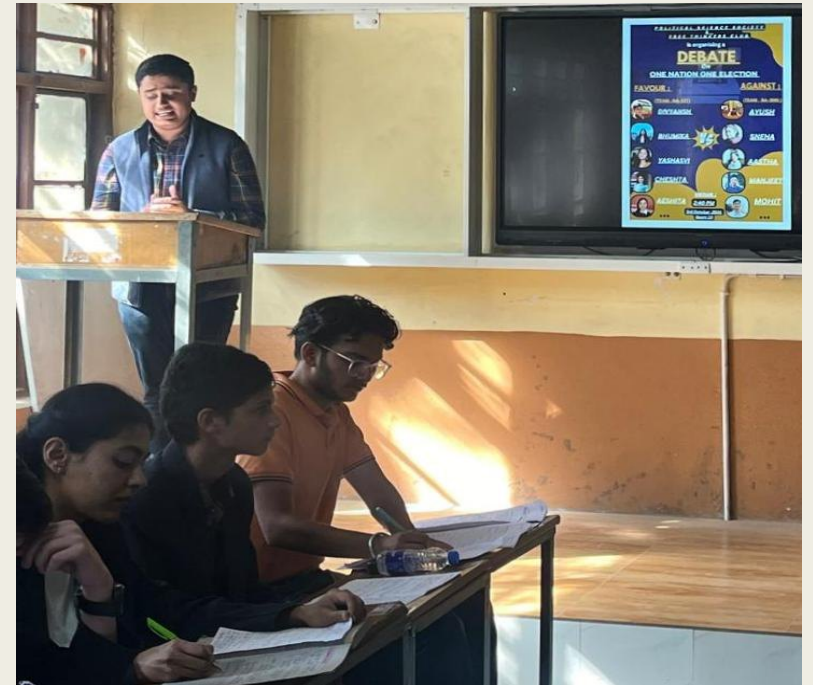
# An Overview Of One Nation One Election :

- "One Nation, One Election" proposes synchronizing elections for the Lok Sabha (Parliament) and state assemblies across India. A recent report highlights the potential benefits of this system, including reduced electoral costs, minimized political disruptions, and improved governance efficiency by eliminating the constant cycle of elections. However, challenges such as the constitutional amendments required, logistical issues, and the possibility of undermining state-level autonomy are significant hurdles. The report emphasizes the need for extensive consultations and careful planning to ensure smooth implementation without affecting the federal structure.



## POSITIVE ASPECTS:

- Cost Efficiency
- Minimizing Disruption
- Increased Governance Stability
- Reduced Administrative Burden
- Better Voter Turnout
- Stronger National Focus
- Curbing Election Related Corruption
- Unified Voter Engagement



## NEGATIVE ASPECTS:

- Undermining Federalism
- Diverse Election Issues
- Risk of Political Instability
- Impact On Regional Parties
- Voter Confusion
- Monopoly of Larger Parties
- Impediments To Democratic Expressions



# Overview Of The Debate :

A lively debate on the topic of "One Nation, One Election" was held between the 1st-year and 2nd-year students. Both teams presented strong arguments, with the 1st-year students focusing on the benefits of reduced electoral costs, governance stability, and minimizing political disruptions. On the other hand, the 2nd-year students emphasized the challenges of constitutional amendments, regional autonomy, and logistical complexities. After two intense rounds of thought-provoking arguments, the 1st-year students were declared the winners of the debate, showcasing a clearer and more compelling case. In addition, Mr. Divyansh Shyam from the 1st-year team was awarded the title of Best Debater .



# CONCLUSION -

The debate on One Nation, One Election presents compelling arguments on both sides. Proponents highlight the potential for cost savings, greater governance stability, and streamlined electoral processes. However, critics raise concerns about the complexities of implementation, risks to the federal structure, and potential marginalization of regional issues. While the concept promises efficiency, its success hinges on addressing logistical, legal, and constitutional challenges. A careful, phased approach, with broad political consensus, will be essential to balance national unity with the preservation of India's diverse democratic framework.





# END OF THE REPORT -

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