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Brainstorming Session Report: Chandrayaan 3 and India's Emerging Space Program

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Theme: Science and Emerging Technologies

Topic: Chandrayaan 3 – A New Chapter in India's Space Program

एडिटोरियल क्लब में चंद्रयान-3 पर मंथन



संजौली कालेज में शनिवार को राजनीति विज्ञान विभाग के छात्र-छात्राओं ने चंद्रयान-3 पर परिचर्चा का आयोजन किया। इस परिचर्चा में छात्रों ने चंद्रयान के बारे में विस्तार से चर्चा की। कालेज के राजनीति विज्ञान विभाग में सहायक प्रोफेसर अभिषेक ढाकुर कहा कि यह विभाग की एक अनूढी पहल है जिसके माध्यम से छात्र अपने आसपास की घटनाओं से जागरूक रह सकेंगे। राजनीतिक विज्ञान विभाग में हर शानिवार को एडिटोरियल क्लब का आयोजन किया जाएगा। इसमें हर छात्र हर बार नए विषयों पर परिचर्चा करेंगे। उन्होंने कहा कि इसका मुख्य उद्देश्य छात्रों को शिक्षा के साथ-साथ समाज में हो रहे में महत्वपूर्ण घटनाऋमों से परिचित करवाकर उनका ज्ञान वर्धन करना है। शनिवार को चंद्रयान-3 पर हुई परिचर्चा में क्कुनाल भारद्वाज, हर्षिता, तरुण,सृष्टि और स्पर्श ने अपने विचार व्यक्त किए।

Introduction:

The Editorial Club of the Department of Political Science organized a thought-provoking brainstorming session under the theme of "Science and Emerging Technologies." The focus of the session was on India's space program and, in particular, the Chandrayaan 3 mission. The session aimed to explore the political and strategic implications of this mission on the international stage.

The session started with a introductory speech by the **Chief Advisor of the Editorial Club Mr Abhishek Thakur** (*Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science*).He shared the vision of the club with the audience and explained about the motive and objectives of the creation of this Club.

*Objective of the Editorial Club: Promoting Editorial Reading Among Students**

The primary objective of the Editorial Club is to cultivate a culture of informed and critical reading among students by encouraging them to regularly engage with the editorial sections of newspapers. Through various activities and initiatives, the club aims to achieve the following goals:

- 1. **Enhancing Analytical Skills:** The club seeks to develop students' analytical thinking abilities by exposing them to diverse viewpoints and opinions expressed in editorials. By analyzing and reflecting upon these perspectives, students can sharpen their critical thinking skills.
- 2. **Fostering Civic Engagement:** By reading editorials, students become more aware of current events, societal issues, and government policies. This knowledge empowers them to participate actively in civic discussions, contribute informed opinions, and engage in meaningful debates.
- 3. **Encouraging Informed Citizenship:** The club's objective is to create well-informed citizens who are aware of the political, economic, and social dynamics shaping their society. Regular engagement with editorials equips students with the information needed to make informed decisions and engage constructively in public discourse.
- 4. **Promoting Open-mindedness:** Editorials often present contrasting viewpoints on a single issue. The club aims to foster open-mindedness and tolerance by exposing students to different perspectives, helping them appreciate the complexities of various topics.
- 5. **Building Communication Skills:** Reading and discussing editorials can improve students' communication skills, enabling them to articulate their thoughts, express opinions clearly, and engage in meaningful conversations on a wide range of subjects.

- 6. **Developing Research and Writing Abilities:** The club encourages students to delve deeper into topics discussed in editorials, conducting research to support their opinions. This process helps students improve their research and writing skills, enhancing their ability to construct wellreasoned arguments.
- **Creating Thought Leaders:** Through the exploration of editorials, the club aspires to nurture a cohort of students who can become thought leaders, capable of analyzing complex issues, proposing innovative solutions, and influencing public discourse.
- 8. **Facilitating Interaction with Experts:** The club may organize interactions with journalists, academics, and professionals to provide insights into the world of journalism, editorial writing, and the media industry.

By actively engaging students with editorial content and fostering a deeper understanding of the sociopolitical landscape, the Editorial Club will play a crucial role in shaping informed, responsible, and engaged citizens who can contribute positively to society.

















Key Discussion Points:

1. **India's Moon Mission – Chandrayaan 3:**

The session commenced with an overview of Chandrayaan 3, the third lunar exploration mission planned by the Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO). This ambitious endeavor aims to continue India's exploration of the Moon and build on the success of previous missions.

2. **New Chapter in Indian Space Program:**

Participants highlighted the significance of Chandrayaan 3 as a new chapter in India's space program. The mission reflects India's growing capabilities and ambitions in space exploration, contributing to its status as a key player in the global space community.

3. ** Strategic Implications:**

Students and teachers engaged in a dynamic exchange of ideas regarding the strategic implications of Chandrayaan 3. They discussed how space missions can enhance a nation's soft power, foster international collaboration, and potentially impact diplomatic relations.

4. **Presentation of Student Thoughts:**

Several students of political science --- Kunal Bhardwaj, Harshita, Tarun, Srishti, Sparsh delivered insightful presentations, sharing their perspectives on Chandrayaan 3 and its implications. These presentations covered topics such as the role of space exploration in bolstering a nation's technological and scientific prowess, as well as its potential impact on domestic policy and international alliances.

5. **Participation and Engagement:**

The brainstorming session witnessed a significant turnout, with enthusiastic participation from both students and teachers. The diverse range of viewpoints and interdisciplinary discussions enriched the overall discourse.

During the club's inaugural session, we were honoured to have the esteemed presence of enthusiastic professors , **Dr. Poonam Chandel** (HOD, Department of Political Science),**Mr Sandesh Kalta** AP , (ODepartment of Journalism and Mass Communication), **Mr Shubham Chaudhary** AP (Department of Geology), **Mr Harsh Vardhan Singh Khimta** , AP (Department of English)...Their participation not only enriched the session but also underscored the importance of interdisciplinary engagement and knowledge-sharing within our academic community."

Conclusion:

The Editorial Club's brainstorming session on Chandrayaan 3 and India's emerging space program proved to be a thought-provoking and enlightening event. Participants explored the multidimensional aspects of space exploration, from scientific advancements to political implications. The session underscored the importance of ongoing dialogues on emerging technologies within the academic community.

As a result of this session, students and faculty members are encouraged to continue exploring the intersection of Technology and political science fostering a deeper understanding of the evolving landscape of global affairs.

As the session drew to a close, we were privileged to have the Chief Advisor **Mr Abhishek Thakur** and President of the club **Mr Kunal Bhardwaj** address the gathering. Their closing remarks encapsulated the essence of discussions and highlighted the significance of active engagement with editorial content. The Chief Advisor's words of wisdom and the President's inspiring message left the audience with a renewed sense of purpose and a commitment to continue the journey of informed reading and meaningful discourse through the Editorial Club....





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