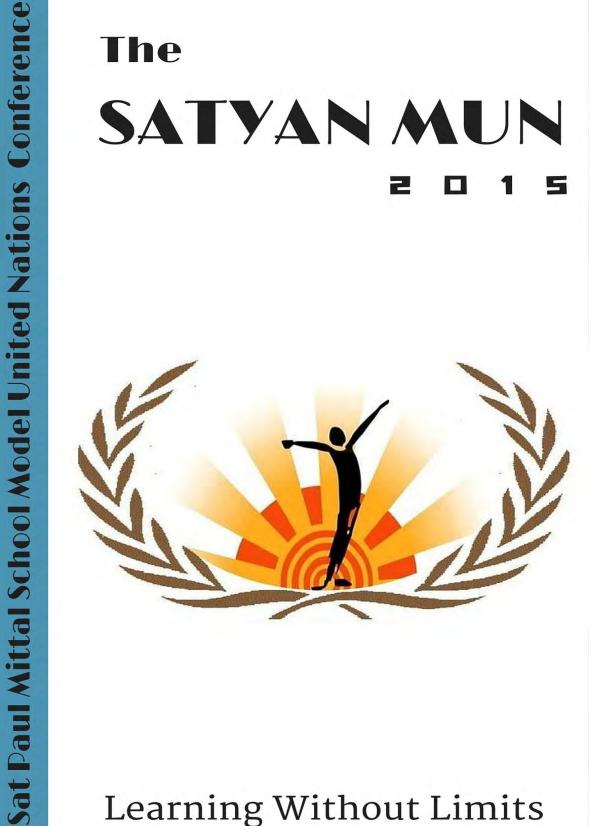
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The SATYAN MUN



Learning Without Limits

### Message from the Director

"More than ever before in human history, we share a common destiny. We can master it only if we face it together. And that, my friends, is why we have the United Nations."

#### - Kofi Annan

Dear students,

I, on behalf of the Satyan family, welcome the delegates to the first ever SPMMUN'15. Sat Paul Mittal Model United Nations is an attempt to broaden the horizons of the students and to inculcate diplomacy skills in them. I hope this conference brings together an amazing assortment of young minds to engage in cultural exchange and gain first-hand experience of negotiating processes by playing the role of diplomats for a period of three days. I hope that this MUN will sensitize students to several sensitive global issues and help them to understand the perspectives of several countries on a range of topics. I also hope that it will polish their leadership skills and build in them the confidence to voice themselves with assertion and clarity.

**Best Wishes!** 

Dr. D. B. Sharma

Director

Sat Paul Mittal School

#### Message from the Principal

It gives me immense pleasure to welcome you to the 1<sup>st</sup> Sat Paul Mittal Model United Nations (SPMMUN'15). I am glad that by organizing SPMMUN '15, the students have decided to embark a journey defined by courage and confidence. I am sure it will turn out to be a venture that will make them a medium of progress. The organizing committee comes with a promise to leave you awestruck, posing new challenges at every step, forcing you to enter a world of unprecedented possibilities.



It is because of this that the young minds need to come forward and discuss these agendas and also come up with possible solutions for the same. I firmly believe that these young minds, if nurtured properly, can both initiate and implement the changes required in today's world.

The major reason for organizing SPMMUN'15 is to train future diplomats and representatives full of knowledge and confidence to shape a better world. With our dynamic and highly motivated team, we hope to make the event an enriching experience for all and look ahead to some intense discussions and creative solutions.

Best Wishes!
Mrs. Bhupinder Gogia
Principal
Sat Paul Mittal School,
Ludhiana

#### The MUN Coordinator: Ms. Neha Sehgal

Dear delegates,

This world is a scarred one. It is not perfect, it wasn't meant to be. It was all a part of the great plan, a plan which involved the Homo sapiens. But we, human beings, got carried away. The Greek mythology blames it on Pandora, the other on Eve. The truth is it was all a missing link, the most crucial link to solve the puzzle of life. When the inner light shines in mankind, only then it becomes a part of the process to perfect the world. And at SPMMUN'15, we wish to ignite that light of change, revolution and transformation in young minds to become



a part of the process to make this world a better one. We wish to make the youth of the country as the wheels of change to heal this world and make it a better place for you, for me and the entire human race. With this mission in mind, SPMMUN promises to be an exhilarating journey of knowledge, diplomacy and change. I welcome you all to the maiden edition of SPMMUN'15.

Happy debating!! Neha Sehgal MUN-Coordinator

# Meet the Secretariat ...







Secretary General- Tushar Gupta

USG- Delegate Affairs- Vaibhavi Arora

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USG- Transportation- Jashandeep

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USG- Cultural Events- Garv Luthra

USG- Hospitality- Rubani Singh

#### Importance of Committees and Agendas

It is the aim of MUNs to provide a platform for the youth to not only understand crucial global issues but also actively participate in deliberations to chalk out solutions for these problems. So the SPMMUN with its three committees endeavors to initiate great academic debates on extremely relevant issues.

The agenda that the **Disarmament and International Security Committee** has taken up is "International cooperation in peaceful uses of outer space". From 1950, Space became a dramatic arena for competition as each side, i.e. the USSR and the USA, try to prove their superiority in technology and military firepower. Fuelled by growing arms race and the threat of nuclear weapons, wide-ranging espionage and counter-espionage between countries, war in Korea, Cuban Missile Crisis and outbreak of war in Southeast Asia, these tensions exacerbated the space race. To counteract these devastating effects, "The Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space (COPUOS)" was tasked with reviewing international cooperation in peaceful uses of outer space, studying space-related activities that could be undertaken by the United Nations, encouraging space research programmes, and studying legal problems arising from the exploration of outer space.

The agenda for SPMMUN' 15 **United Nation Security Council (UNSC)** is the rise of Islamic fundamentalist organizations and the threat they pose to the concept of states and democracy and how can this issue be curbed. Today the linkages of various terror groups like Boko Haram, ISIS, DAESH, Al Qaeda etc. has resulted in their realization of their dream of a Caliphate and now threaten international peace and security rather than just being mere domestic actors in their area of operations. Boko Haram is an ideal example as it shows how a mere youth group protesting against western civilization can emerge as a major terror organization. Thus this issue needs the global platform that UNSC has provided. The need for international coordination in checking cross border terrorist movements, countering illicit movement of arms and aiding the humanitarian causes to eradicate this threat cannot be stressed enough.

Due to modernization and technological advancements the very nature of armed conflict has revolutionized; war has become more lethal, with greater casualties and gross violations of human rights. In the midst of such terror and fear the **United Nations Human Rights Council (UNHRC)** stands as a beacon of hope to come up with solutions to deal with this situation. Acts of gender based violence prevailing in modern day armed conflicts and assaults on women are now a major corner voiced out in global platforms. Women become major victims as systematic rapes with the intent of ethnic cleansing through deliberate impregnation are becoming a growing problem. What is also alarming that in today's world the lines between lawful and unlawful warfare are phenomenally blurred thus civilians and combatants that inevitably drawn to the same field of violence and assault. Thus the UNHRC's role in ensuring that the International humanitarian law is adhered and relief is given to civilians is crucial.

# Behind the Scenes...



#### How to Survive an MUN...

The first MUN is always a struggle, and so is its research and debates! So, here are a few tips on how to leave the Delegates open-mouthed during Committee meetings, get away with the Best Delegate trophy and impress some ladies for the Delegate Dance...

- 1. **Do not panic first timers.** The golden rule of MUNs is 'If you don't have confidence then fake it.' If someone asks you about previous MUN experience look them in eye confidently, smirk and say this is your fifth or sixth MUN.
- 2. **Stretch your vocal cords.** Impress fellow MUNners with your bold booming voice even if your knees won't stop shaking so they proclaim you as the 'wise-one' and oblige all your demands.
- 3. **Get a good date early on for the Delegate Dance.** This is a crucial step. Don't hesitate (you will, probably, not meet them again) and ask them before someone else does, thus ruining your chance to boast later to your friends, juniors and on social media.
- 4. **Sit back and read the Satyan MUN.** So even if you didn't do so great in the committee you can at least laugh at the embarrassing pictures of your friends, smirk at the groovy chit confessions and admire how animated your Executive Board's cartoons look.
- 5. **ENJOY!** It is not an MUN experience until you let it all go and have a blast! Discuss, dance, dress-up, click pictures and upload them on every social-media website you are on!