



CULTURAL COUNCIL

STUDENTS' GYMKHANA | IIT KANPUR



Pre-Term Report

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MAJOR INITIATIVES

Infrastructure & Development

- The New council Website to include the following heads:
 - Information regarding the Clubs
 - Updating the ongoing and upcoming events of all the clubs for better access for the junta
 - A subsection specific to Galaxy to be made available on the website
- New wings and stands to be constructed for the Dramatics Clubs

Workshops and Sessions

- Sessions will be organized by Alumni of different clubs of the council
- During Semester professional workshops will be organized for various clubs of the council
- Literati Weekdays to be organized during the semester to provide a platform to clubs to promote participation

Competitions and Participation

- In session competitions will be organised to promote various clubs of the council
- Attempts will be made to participate in various inter-collegiate festivals and competitions

Inter-Council Collaborative Projects

- A short Web series will be produced in association with Film Club
- Film Galas will be organized in association with Students' Film Society to promote a more productive culture of Film watching
- Original and Innovative Designs will be promoted via association with Design Club

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MAJOR EVENTS

Fresher's Nite'16

Fresher's Night will be conducted in the second week of August to welcome the incoming batch of Y16 and provide them exposure to various clubs that exist under Cultural Council.

Events

- Musicals
- Dance
- Fine Arts
- Dramatics
- Literary Events
- Fashion Show in association with Films and Media Council

Impressions

Impressions, the annual PG cultural festival will be organized to promote more active PG participation in the Council.

Events

- Music Performances
- Dance
- Fashion
- Fine Arts
- Dramatics

Competitions

- Photography competition
- Creative Writing
- Prem Patra Lekhan
- T-shirt painting
- Pencil Sketching
- General Quiz

Galaxy'17

The major change from this year's Galaxy shall be to incorporate the events within four days by planning out one event in Advance as well as trying to reduce the number of events in order to increase the quality of participation.

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CLUBS AND HOBBY GROUPS

Dramatics Club

Summer workshop

Stage play and Mime workshops will be organised during summer for Campus people.

Orientation' 16

Two productions will be staged during Orientation Programme to aware incoming batch about the Dramatics Club as follows-

- Mime (Auditorium)
- Nukkad Natak (Audi Grounds).

Dram Eve 1

We will showcasing two Street Plays (Nukkad Natak) during the first dram eve.

Workshops

Workshop for Nukkad Natak will be organised during the semester.

Antaragni '16 & Mood I'16

Relevant Workshops will be organised accordingly for preparation of Antaragni'16 and other institute competitions such as Mood I'16 and various other.

Dram Eve 2

This time since Cult-X has been dissolved we will be independently performing 2 stage plays, 1 short play and one Nukkad Natak during second dram eve.

Music Club

Summer Workshops

Three weeks long guitar, piano and Indian classical vocals workshops to be held during the summer break for the campus residents. Guitar and piano workshops would be taken by the club members while we plan to contact a professional for the vocals workshop.

Orientation

There will be a stage performance for the incoming batch of Y16 of two songs to get them acquainted with the club.

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Workshops

A professional vocals workshop to be organized for the campus community just after the mid-semester examination.

Musical Extravaganza & Acoustic Night'17

We are planning to organize two Musical Extravaganza and Acoustic Night throughout the complete tenure, One Musical Extravaganza to be organised each semester and Acoustic night to be organized during the start of the even semester.

Hindi Sahitya Sabha

Summer Workshop

- Workshop on subjects like poetry films, poetry appreciation and poetry recitation & recording will be organized.
- Interaction Session by a journalist- Reporting, editorial, opinion formation.
- Session on contemporary trends in Hindi literature by an invited writer/poet.

Orientation

- Poetry recitation session and literary quiz will be organized for incoming batch.

Workshops, Discussions and Competitions

- Creative Writing Competition for Fresher's poem and article writing competitions.
 - Would include short story, poem and article writing competitions
- Treasure Hunt
 - In association with QC and ELS
- Hindi learning Classes are to be organized for non-Hindi speaking community of the campus, in coordination with the Counselling Service.
- Weekly discussions on literary works will be organized throughout the tenure

Kavyanjali

- It will be organized with help of the Hindi Cell, IITK
- A poetic symposium on the eve of Independence Day, wherein established names and aspiring poets would share stage
- Events to familiarize students with competitions held in Antaragni and other Institute level competitions.

Hindi Pakhwara

- This will be organized with help of Hindi Cell, IITK. Would include competitions like extempore, poetry recitation etc.

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Prem-patra Lekhan

- Love letter writing competition during the Valentine week.

Publications

- Nirvaak: Two editions of the views paper are intended to be published this academic year
- Antas: Helping Hindi Cell, IITK in preparing the Campus Hindi Literary Magazine.
- Newspaper Articles and Editorial-
 - Sorting relevant and educative articles throughout the week and staging discussion during the weekend and publishing the poster in campus

Radio Events

- The major focus this year would be reviving 'Kirdaar', 'Bikhre Moti' and introducing a new radio show, i.e. kathya

Fine Arts Club

Summer Projects

- Various projects will be planned under the Fine Arts Club like Paper Sculpture, Installations and paintings during the summers

Orientation

- A performance of Speed Art and Sand Art will be performed during the Orientation for the incoming batch.

Workshops & Competitions

- A Professional workshop will be organized during the semester for the campus to learn new art forms.
- Various Workshops by the seniors will be conducted in PG halls and in the Club room for the whole campus community.
- A workshop by the club members will be organized for the Prayas
- Workshops will be organized for competitions of Antaragni and various Institute level Competitions
- Competitions will be organized within the semester to attract more people to the club

Exhibitions

- The entire club work will be exhibited via exhibitions throughout the year.

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Antaragni

- Exhibition in the Fine Arts Room will be exhibited
- New Wall Paintings in OAT have been planned

Art Fest

- We are planning to have some of our projects installed within the campus
- Various Performances will be organised.

Initiatives

- We are planning to decorate the DOSA office in our tenure.

English Literary Society

Event

Summer Creative Writing
Online Fresher's Creative Writing
Treasure Hunt
Hall level workshops (1 day)
Fresher's Frolica (4 events)

Run up to Antaragni (4 events)
Winter Creative Writing Competition

Events to be conducted

N.A.
N.A.
N.A.
JAM, Word Games
Fresher's JAM, Fresher's Creative writing, Fresher's Dumb Charades, Fresher's Word Games
JAM, Creative writing, Dumb Charades,, Word Games
N.A

Run up to Galaxy (3 events)
Galaxy (4 events)
Litfest (3 events)
Independent Events

JAM, Dumb Charades,, Word Games
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Lit Quiz, Creative Writing, Poetry Slam
Poetry Slam, Word on the Street, Literary Discussion, etc.

Event summaries

Word Games: A collection of puzzles to be solved using basic vocabulary and language skills.

JAM: A test of verbal skill in which participants must speak for long intervals and spot errors in the speech of other participants.

Creative writing: A test of creativity in storytelling and other forms of writing.

Lit Quiz: A quiz based entirely on literature knowledge with creative rounds

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Dumb Charades: A test of knowledge and teamwork. Participants must coordinate with each other in order to guess the object revealed to one teammate who cannot speak, but must get ideas conveyed through gestures.

Poetry Slam: An event where people compete in writing and reciting poetry, adjudicated by random members of the audience.

Debate and Discussion Society

Event

Summer debate
Opiniate
Institute level workshops

Fresher's Debating League
Pre-Hyderabad Training
6th NALSAR British PD

Run up to Antaragni
1st IITK Asian PD
Antaragni Events
Independent Discussions

Events to be conducted

Turncoat
Online discussion forum
Fallacy Workshop
Causal-Links Workshop
Asian Parliamentary Debate
British PD training
British PD

Asian PD, Turncoat, Workshop and Practice
Asian PD, Adjudicator Competition
Turncoat, and other to be decided
Discussions

Event summaries:

Opiniate: Online critical writing competition on given relevant issues

Fresher's Debating League: Introduction of Parliamentary Debate to Y16. Mentoring each team individually

NALSAR debate and preparation: Largest British Parliamentary Debate competition

Discussions: Open discussion sessions on prime topics, will be distributed throughout the semester

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Dance Club

Workshops

- **Summer Hip Hop Workshop:** The workshop will be conducted by the professionals. Workshops will be in two phases, one for the IITK junta and the other for the Dance club members. First phase will focus on basic styles and the second part would comprise the choreography that we use in various competitions.
- **Bollywood Salsa Workshop:** Basics of Bollywood salsa will be in practice by professionals.

We'll be looking forward to the Flash mobs organised in collaboration with Antaragni core team, for their marketing purposes.

Dandiya Night

We'll be organizing DANDIYA NIGHT on the occasion of Navaratri. DJ and Food Stalls would be the made available for the Navaratri Celebration.

Dance Extravaganza

The annual flagship event of the Dance Club would be organized in the even semester as every year.

Rang Jama De:

To celebrate the spirit of Holi, we will organizing a get together to celebrate Holi. Last year this event was a great success, we'll looking forward to maintain its legacy.

DPC/Any New event:

Either a revamped version of DPC will be conducted building over the merits or demerits of the former event or a new event will be introduced on the lines of "Dandiya Night" or "Rang Jama De" to commemorate some occasion.

Quiz Club

- Summer Quiz meets will be conducted by the secretaries staying back (will be conducted weekly or fortnightly)
- Fresher's Quizzes comprising of 3 quizzes- General, MELA (Music, entertainment, literature, arts), and India Quiz for the incoming 1st year batch will be organized during the start of the Odd semester
- Fresher's Sci-Tech quiz will be organized as part of Takneek 2016
- Fresher's Sports Quiz will be organized as part of Fresher's Inferno 2016
- Quiz Fest (conducted as run-up to Antaragni) comprising of all 5 normal quiz genres(General, MELA, Tech, India, Sports) plus junta quizzes on popular topics(GoT, IMDb Top250, Anime, Bollywood, etc.) will be organized
- This year the club will try Proctoring/conducting the KQA(Karnataka Quiz Association) Mahaquizzer at IITK as the venue for Kanpur city

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- Quiz Fest (General, MELA, Sports, India, Tech, plus Junta quizzes on popular topics) will be organized as a part of literati weekdays
- Also Two HELM quizzes (History, Etymology, Literature and Mythology) will be conducted in collaboration with the English Literary Society throughout the year
- Other quizzes on different topics will be conducted randomly throughout the year (such as art, world politics, world history, etc)

Participation

- Antaragni'16
- Mood Indigo IITB
- Nihilanth (Inter IIT-IIM Quiz meet)
- Apart from these we will participate in the cultural fests of IIM-A (Chaos), IIM-L, IIM-C and other national quizzes, whose dates haven't been decided yet depending on the availability of dates

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