

Intellectica – "A Discussion Based on the MUN Framework"

The first edition of **Intellectica**, SIDTM's inter-college event organized by the Research and Publication Committee, brought together some of the brightest minds from various institutions. The event served as a dynamic platform for strategic discussions on country policies, regulations and thought-provoking debates on pressing global issues. Held at the Lavale Hilltop campus, it revolved around diplomacy and innovation, emphasizing the role of strategic thinking in addressing contemporary challenges.

The theme for Intellectica 2024 was "**Digital Inclusion and the Global Divide in Access to Technology.**" The event unfolded in several phases, designed to assess participants' knowledge and thinking on global issues. It began with a quiz round, followed by the submission of MUN-style draft resolution on the given theme, showcasing their policy perspectives and proposed solutions based on policies discussed. The final round featured both structured and unstructured discussions, where delegates representing different countries engaged in a Moderated Caucus, presenting their country's stance on digital inclusion and debating critical issues such as infrastructure gaps, literacy empowerment, and public-private collaborations. This was followed by an Unmoderated Caucus, where participants collaborated informally to draft innovative resolutions, culminating in final policy proposals evaluated by industry experts.

More than just a competition, Intellectica 2024 provided students with a platform to engage with real-world challenges, refine their strategic thinking, and propose impactful solutions. The event's immense success sets the stage for an even bigger and more influential edition in the future, continuing its legacy as a beacon of academic excellence and thought leadership.

