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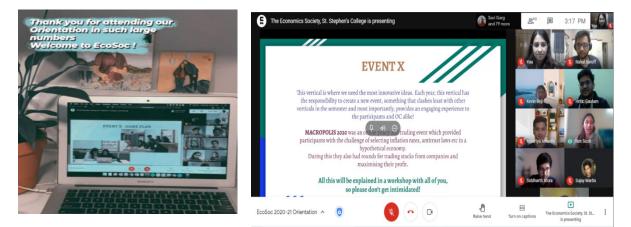
# SOCIETY ACTIVITY REPORT 2020-21 THE ECONOMICS SOCIETY

The Economics Society strives to develop a culture of seeking knowledge in the huge, multi-faceted discipline of economics by hosting enthralling, fun-filled events throughout the academic year. The following is a list of events that we hosted around the year:

# **ODD SEMESTER:**

# 1. Orientation - 20th November 2020

The Economics Society's had a great audience comprising a bunch of eager first-years attending the session online on Google Meet.



# 2. Essay Writing Competition - 6th September 2020

The Essay Writing Competition was the first main event of the society in the Academic year 2020-21. Participants were divided into school and college categories. They were each provided with a bunch of innovative, unique topics to choose from and had to prepare a 1500-2000 word essay on the same. The competition brought forth some very interesting pieces and the articles of the winners were published on our blog 'Econ After Hours'.

# 3. Vinod Chowdhury Memorial Lecture & Debate

# • Vinod Chowdhury Memorial Lecture by Dr Viral Acharya - 25th September 2020

The VC lecture is organised each year with the aim of remembering an esteemed faculty member with an interest in economics and an avid debater. The theme of this year's VC Lecture was "Some Reflections on Microcredit". Held on 25th September, Dr Viral Acharya, the C.V. Starr Professor of Economics at New York University Stern School of Business delivered the lecture and the event had a turnout of approximately 100 viewers.

# • Vinod Chowdhury Memorial Debate - 26<sup>th</sup> September 2020

The VC debate is organized each year with the aim of remembering an esteemed faculty member with an interest in economics and an avid debater. The event had a turnout of approximately 60 teams. The



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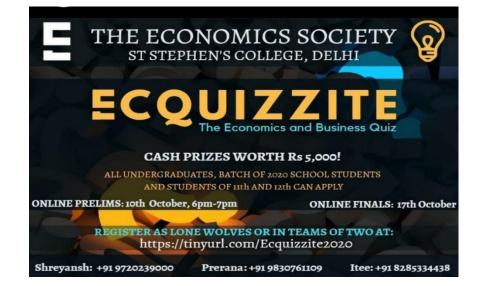
motion of this year's VC Debate prelims was "This House Believes that the current trend of protectionism over globalization is detrimental to the future of international economic order".



# 4. Ecquizzite - 17th October 2020

Ecquizzite is our annual economic-business quiz that is one of a kind in the quizzing circuit. It saw an array of questions and participants from across the country. The event saw a total of 800 registered teams from across Delhi University and other reputed colleges in India as well as recognized universities from all across the world.





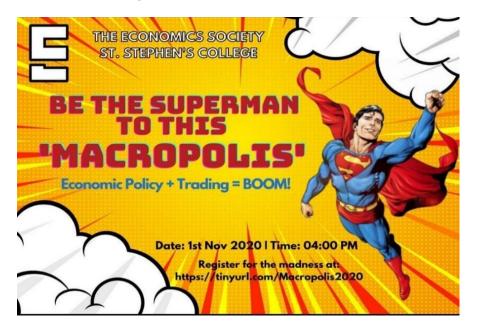


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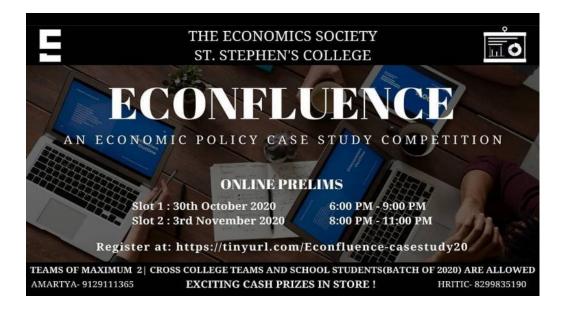
# 5. Macropolis – 1<sup>st</sup> November 2020

Macropolis, an online policy-decision-making and trading competition featuring an outer-space colonial theme witnessed a huge turnout of 350 teams engaging them in a live stock market simulation with lots of chaos and learning.



# 6. Econfluence - 12<sup>th</sup> November 2020

Econfluence, a case study competition was held on 30th October and 3rd November with two slots for the preliminary and the final round which was conducted on 12th November. In this event, teams were expected to present well-thought-out, feasible policies to assist liberalization, water conservation, etc. The final case was provided by our knowledge partner CEEW (council on energy, environment, and water) which was based on a circular economy. A total of 230 teams registered for the event.





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# **EVEN SEMESTER:**

# 7. NATIONAL ECONOMICS FESTIVAL

# 12<sup>th</sup> -13<sup>th</sup> February 2021

# • Inaugural Lecture by Barry Nalebuff – 12<sup>th</sup> February 2021

The National Economics Festival is the flagship event of The Economics Society and was filled with a wide range of events beginning with the Opening Lecture by Dr Barry Nalebuff, Milton Steinbach Professor of Management at Yale School of Management who spoke on the topic "Game Theory & Negotiation". The lecture caught the attention of 500+ students across the world and turned out to be a huge success.



# • Interactive Q&A Session with Ajay Banga – 12<sup>th</sup> February 2021

Next on our lecture list was the Interactive Q&A Session with Ajay Banga. Mr Ajay spoke about his college days as well as provided insightful business tips to the young leaders of tomorrow. His interactive session was centred around "The role of business in giving back to society". The lecture caught the attention of 400+ students across the world and turned out to be a huge success.





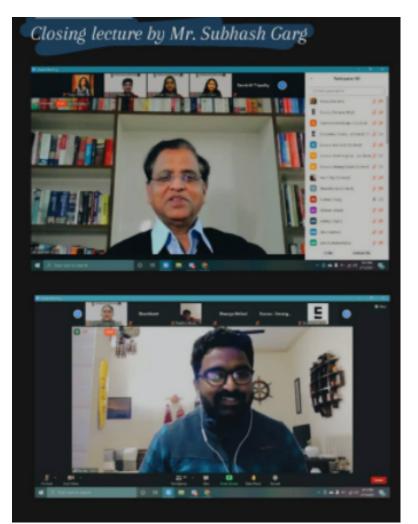
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# • Closing Lecture by Subhash Chandra Garg – 13th February 2021

To end our impressive lecture series, we had the Closing Lecture by Mr Subhash Chandra Garg, former Economic Affairs Secretary and Finance Secretary of India who spoke on the topic "Privatization of PSUs: Economic and Social Welfare implications". The lecture caught the attention of 300+ students across the world and turned out to be a huge success.





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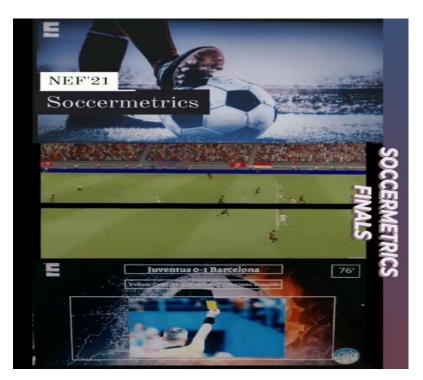
# • NC Ray Paper Presentation Competition – 12<sup>th</sup> February 2021

NC Ray Paper Presentation is one of the most prestigious research paper presentation competitions in India, designed to encourage undergraduate research in economics. The preliminary round was conducted by accepting entries on any topic the participants wished to present their papers on and the top 6 participants were selected for the finals.



# • Soccermetrics - 13th February 2021

This out of the box football fantasy event was formulated for participants to challenge their strategic, analytical and risk-taking abilities. It was an event filled with highs and lows with the participants glued to their screens for 2 interesting days. 300 football fans registered for this surprise event.



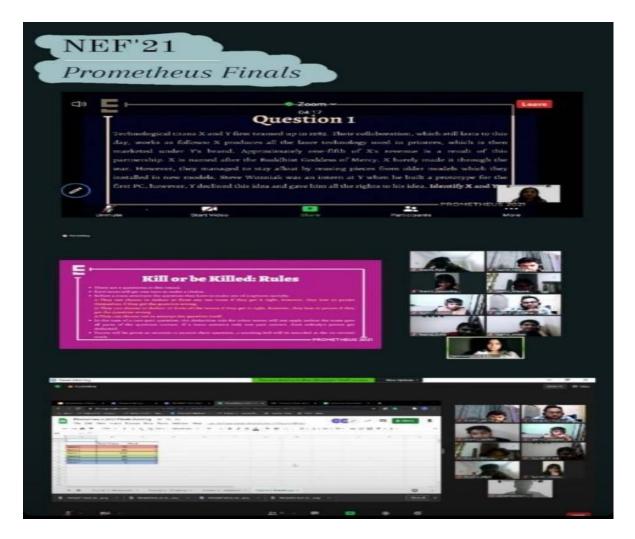


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# • Prometheus - 13<sup>th</sup> February 2021

Our annual economics and business quiz event attracted many participants from the Delhi quiz circuit as well as the countrywide participation and involved a preliminary and a final round with questions centered around business, finance, pop culture, current affairs and economic theory. The event gathered a registration of 530 participants from all over the country.



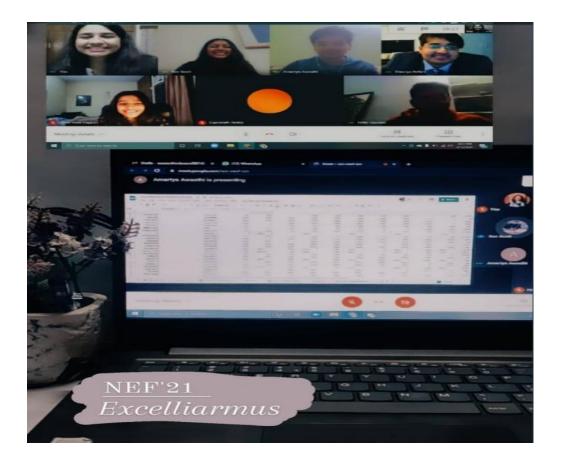
# • Excelliarmus – 13<sup>th</sup> February 2021

Our Market Simulation event was based on the theme of the mysterious world of Hogwarts and the participants had to trade their goods and increase the value of their resources, thereby increasing their net worth and trading their way to the top. 270 Potterheads registered for this enthralling competition.



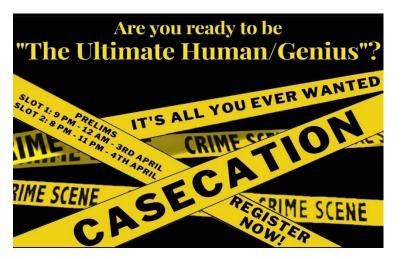
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# 8. Casecation - 13th April 2021

Casecation, a policy-based case study competition was held the on 3rd and 4th April with two slots for the preliminary and the final round which was conducted on 13th April. In this event, teams were expected to present well thought out policies in relation to farm bills, anti-corruption and the COVAX initiative. A total of 200 teams registered for the event.





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# 9. Editorial Board and Discussions

Throughout the year, The Economics Society has been conducting discussions on varied topics on economics and its applications in multiple areas, for example, the Union Budget, Economics of Elections, Cryptocurrency, etc. The Editorial Board of the society also played an important role in helping members explore economics beyond the classroom. The editorial team has worked on articles, infographics, and a series called 'Economic Term of the Week', which have been uploaded on our blog, Econ After Hours.

Weekly Quiz
X is a German automobile manufacturer. It was owned by General Motors till 2017 and was founded by Y who was a sewing machine manufacturer. During the Second World War they switched to wartime production, producing aircraft parts and tanks. X was withdrawn from the Indian market in 2006, to be replaced by Z. Identify X and Z.
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