

# THE HPS NEWSLETTER

***The HPS FAIRGAZE MUN Publication***

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EDITION OF  
HPS  
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MUN*

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Model United Nations is an academic simulation of the United Nations where students play the role of delegates from different countries and attempt to solve real world issues with the policies and perspectives of their assigned country. Model United Nations is the most popular extracurricular academic activities among students across the world, in fact, it is a very powerful experiential learning tool. It helps to groom young ignited minds as leaders with an independent thought process.

HPS FAIRGAZE MUN' 21 was organized by FairGaze, on 11'th December, 2021. The event was a grand success and was an illuminating experience for every delegate.

## *FROM THE EDITOR-IN-CHIEF'S DESK*

“Journalism can never be silent: that is its greatest virtue and its greatest fault. It must speak, and speak immediately, while the echoes of wonder, the claims of triumph and the signs of horror are still in the air.”

– Henry Grunwald

With immense pleasure, I present before you the newsletter for HPS FairGaze MUN, 2021. This newsletter is a epitome of free press and ethical journalism. The happenings of different committees have been covered by the hard-working journalists. International Press is not just a committee in a conference. It is a bridge, between the diplomats and the people around the world. The fourth pillar of democracy is responsible for illuminating the masses about the events around the world. The journalists have invested a lot of time, hearing deliberations from different committees, discovering the truth and presenting it before you in articles that are interesting to read. These efforts have been the driving force behind this newsletter. We hope that this newsletter is an interesting read for you.

Parth Bhasin,  
Editor-in-Chief



# **IN CONVERSATION WITH THE SECRETARY-GENERAL**

Parth Bhasin, the Editor-in-Chief, had an opportunity to interact with the Secretary-General of HPS FAIRGAZE MUN Ms. S. Sandhya. Here are the edited excerpts.

Parth Bhasin: Firstly, how does it feel like being chosen as the Secretary-General of this MUN?

S. Sandhya: It's a huge pleasure to take up such an honorable post. I am feeling very happy to lead this MUN and helping others.

Parth Bhasin: Every dynamic event faces some problems. What were the challenges you and your team encountered while organizing this MUN and how did you overcome them?

S. Sandhya: There were some trivial challenges, however we overcame them as a team. We cleared the delegate's doubts and supported them.

Parth Bhasin: In your opinion, what are some essential skills, a MUNner must have?

S. Sandhya: Leadership qualities, researching, public speaking, problem-solving skills and many more. Coming up with solutions that are acceptable to a majority of the representatives also inculcate skills of negotiation and conflict resolution.

Parth Bhasin: What are your expectations from the next edition of HPS FAIRGAZE MUN?

S. Sandhya: I expect the next edition to encourage more and more delegates to participate. Students from all over the world must engage in MUN, since everybody needs to acknowledge the issues all over the world. I hope the next edition will see much more participation than ever before.

# TALIBAN, A RELIGIOUS UPRISING OR TERRORISM

Vipul Mittal, Reuters, reporting ground zero from United Nations Security Council, brings you a gist of debates about the Issue of Taliban violence in Afghanistan.

The committee started with an in depth analysis of “The issue of Taliban Violence in Afghanistan” supported by various fact and figures. Delegates from around the globe, highlighted the steps taken for evacuation and rescuing of refugees from Afghanistan under the rule of Taliban by the nations they are representing, supported by official statistics. The Delegate of France strongly emphasized on the fact, that France refuses to recognize the Taliban, and has no plans in the foreseeable to future to establish any diplomatic relationship.

The committee further discussed about how Social Media has impacted the current situation regarding the Taliban. Delegates emphasized that Social Media, in the modern connected world, has the power to reach anyone, anywhere. Delegates then proceeded to discuss various steps taken by major Social Media companies like Facebook, who operate influential platforms like Instagram and Facebook, to counter propaganda, false news and offensive opinions/imagery regarding the Taliban. The committee also noted how the Taliban had “tamed” Social Media in Afghanistan, to manipulate public opinion.

The committee was then brought to a sudden standstill, moving into unmoderated caucus, when delegates representing countries internationally, were not able to participate due to various reasons such as connectivity issues. The delegates during the period, discussed various options for the next moderated caucus.

The committee then moved onto the discussion of “The condition of women under the Taliban regime”, arguably one of the most crucial aspects of the crisis. The discussion started with the delegation of United Kingdom, emphasizing how journalists and activists were threatened. The Committee then noted the harsh and suppressive treatments towards women under the regime by emphasizing the various atrocities committed by the Taliban. In a Point of Inquiry session, The delegate of Italy raised a harsh question to the delegation of France, regarding the killing of 3 civilians by French soldiers. The committee sought to provide solutions for many complex issues related to Afghanistan.



# ROLE OF WOMEN IN COMBATTING THE PANDEMIC

UNSTOPPABLE  
WOMEN



Siddhi Samlal; The Guardian reporting from United Nations Commission on the Status of women (UNCSW), brings you the core of the debates about promoting the role of women and youth in government with special emphasis on pandemic.

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Delegates from around the globe questioned firmly and conveyed grave interest over the fact that women and youth, has the role in government on the fight in opposition to pandemic.

Delegate of India explained about the gender based violence and also told about the women getting verified information regarding diseases and vaccination. The delegate also explained that in their program giving education and giving guidance on gender base violence by digital and distance learning.

Equality  
FOR WOMEN



# SHATTERED DREAMS!

**Vipul Mittal, Reuters, writes about a girl's journey in the economic crisis in Iran, caused by the sanctions imposed by USA.**

Dear diary,

A week ago, everything around me started changing. The day when everything went wrong, I was sitting on my desk, writing a poem for my class homework, when my dad, an economist, gasped. I was very surprised at this, as he is usually a very strong and confident man. I went to him to ask what happened, but he didn't respond to me, instead he dialed the number of his colleagues, and in a terrified voice, informed them of the news.

I couldn't really understand any of the things he was saying, as I am myself afraid of mathematics. But at that moment, I was panicking a lot, I thought something very bad had happened, so I called my mom through the home landline, and asked her to come back home quickly. When my mom reached the door of our house, I hugged her tightly and tears slid out of my eye. My dad was still too busy to talk with her. So I switched on the TV and showed her the news.

After watching the news, my mom chose to remain silent for a while and then rushed to my father's room and closed the door. I could hear them crying in the room. I quickly ran to their room, and begged them to explain everything to me. I regretted my decision.

They told me that, soon they were going to lose their jobs and possibly even our home because our loans would get defaulted. I asked them, why, and they responded because the America imposed sanctions against us. I had the most horrible mix of feelings, I was sad, I was shocked and I was scared. My dream was to be an astronaut and go to America and reach Mars one day, and I couldn't believe how they could do this to us. My own dream country attacking our home?! I asked them why would the America do this to us? We are a small country. They had no response, silence spread through the room.

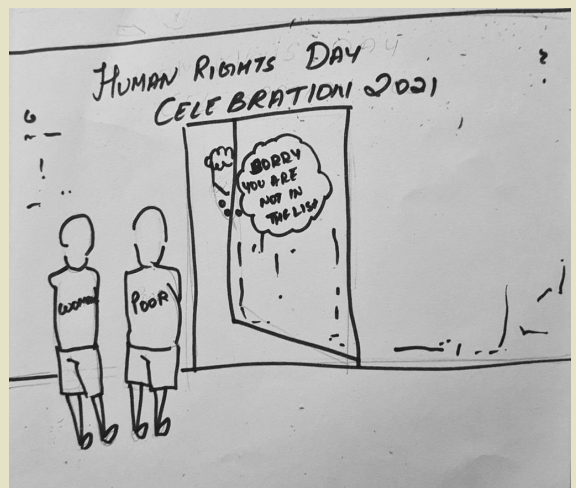
Now it was the time for them to take action, the first thing they did, was secure food from our nearby market, and they had to fight off our neighbors to get the last of the ration. We had to turn off all our non-essential electric items like the geyser, our room heater and even the lights! They told me that we would not be able to afford electricity and I was just not able to understand that. How could I even study without lights! They gave me a traditional oil-lamp, and it was very troublesome to use it, as I had to readjust it every an hour or so.

Soon, we received a call from my school teacher. My parents rushed to the landline, and they had a talk with the teacher for over half an hour. My parents, who were almost ready to cry, informed me that I had to no longer attend school. I, initially was very happy and had a small smile that I wasn't able to hide very well, but for some reason, my parents, were not.

I asked them about what really happened, but they told me that I cannot know what happened since I am not mature yet. I called a friend of mine on landline, happy to inform her that tomorrow would be a holiday, but she didn't receive my call at all. I was feeling very ominous that time. Somehow, the truth came to me, and I just stood there for a while, staring at the wall of our house. I had realized, that maybe our school was permanently closed, and I wouldn't be able to meet my friends and teachers again. I cried, but there was no one to comfort me, because everyone was busy with their own problems.

More calls came to our landline, and I covered my ears with the two pillows in my bedroom. While sobbing, I fell asleep. The next day that I woke up, my parents sat with me and explained me that I needed to be strong. I needed some time to adapt to my new life. I had to be strong.

Good Night Diary.



# ***The International Press***

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