BEST STUDENT TROPHY COMMITTEE

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Challenging our limits in path to achieve goals proves your ability to create new world towards new horizon. Our college 'Best Student Trophy Committee' is committed to make realize the potential and hidden talent, to enhance personality of our students to step in new world with confidence to accept new challenges.

Best student trophy organizes many programs for enrichment of good qualities in students. *Best Student Trophy Contest* is one among them. Every year the best student from junior, senior and post graduate wing on the basis of their performance in personal interview and group discussion.

The best student from **Junior Wing** is awarded by **College Trophy and Late Jyotsna Godbole Cash Prize.** The best student from **Senior Wing** receives **Damodar Shield and Veer Savarkar Cash Prize** and the best student from **Post-Graduate Wing** receives **Late G. M. Bansude Trophy.** All these trophies are rotational. Students have to submit it before the next year award function**.**

Committee trusts on 'value addition'. Every year, our committee introduces and implements the new improvements to enhance the transparency in the selection procedure. This year committee has introduced the following changes by discussion with all committee members and under the noble guidance of honorable principal Dr. R.S.Zunjarrao and vice-Principal Prof. S. R. Chaudhari.

1) From this academic year, the decision is taken to conduct the best student trophy contest in three rounds: first round: Scrutiny Round, Second round: personal interview and group discussion and the third round as 'External Reviewer Round' is newly added. In this round, the eminent personalities in education field will be invited to assess first three shortlisted students from the second round. The winner from each wing will be declared after third round. It is also decided that first three contestants based on scores received in second round will be eligible for third round out of five contestants.

2) The new marking system is introduced:
   a) In the scrutiny round, a certain weight is assigned to each criterion to balance the essential qualities for all rounder candidates as per importance of that criterion. Only first top five activities from each criterion will be considered.
   b) The final score will be weighted average of total score in each round gained by contestants.

   As a chairperson of this committee, I am very grateful to our principal, vice principal and all committee members for their valuable contribution and support in this decision.

   This year the situation aroused due to COVID-19 pandemic, it was very difficult to conduct the best student trophy contest. This activity needs the active participation around 50-60 people (Committee members, three panel of judges

including at least seven judges and 15 contestants) in which every person has the specific role. But all our committee members accepted the challenge to conduct this contest completely on online mode. Being the chairperson of this committee, I proudly say that all coordinators of each wing successfully conducted all three rounds for Junior, Senior and Post Graduate Wing completely online mode.

All important dates and process for registration were communicated to the students through college website and whatsapp groups of each class.

Scrutiny round score for each participant is calculated based on the documents submitted online with the registration form by participants. Total 113 entries of registrations from all wings distributed equally among all committee members to calculate first round score.

Second round of personal interview and group discussion was conducted successfully by all respective coordinators of each wing by arranging three parallel Google meets. The personal interview was conducted one-by-one successfully coordinated through separate whatsapp groups of shortlisted students of each wing. Third round of 'External reviewer' was conducted through one Google meet for all wings.

Honorable Prof. Dr. N. M. Kulkarni, Vice Principal and head of department of Electronic Science, Fegusson College, Pune-4 was invited as the external reviewer for third round.

This year the Best Student Trophy Contest was held on 12th March 2021.

The details of contest for each wing are as follows:

A] Junior Wing:

Online registration for the contest was released on the 11th February 2021. The link of the form was made available on every official whatsapp group of every class of the Junior wing. Subject teachers were to give grades to the applicants.

This year total 35 forms were received for this event from the junior wing. The committee members scrutinized the certificates of the candidates and awarded the grades as per the norms fixed by the committee and thus prepared the score sheet of each candidate for the first round. Based on the scores received in first round, first 5 students scoring highest points are shortlisted for the next round.

 Three coordinators: two for coordination between students and judges and one for technical support were appointed for the smooth functioning of the event.

1) First Round (Screening Round):

Five Students were shortlisted for the Second Round:

Manasi Sanjay Kakade, Priyanka Rajendra Tikole, Sanika Sandip Sapkal, Siddhi Shriwallabh Pophale ,Sonal Mahendra Takalkar

2) Second Round (Personal interview and Group discussion):

For the personal interview and group discussion, the candidates were asked to put their video on. The topic for the group discussion was **'Social Media is boon or bane '**

The judges tested the candidates of the basis of the following traits: Personality and Confidence, Communication Skill, General Knowledge and awareness of current events.

Three Students were shortlisted for the Third Round:

Priyanka Rajendra Tikole , Siddhi Shriwallabh Pophale , Sonal Mahendra Takalkar

3) Third Round (External Reviewer Round):

Prof. N.M. Kulkarni, the Vice Principal of Fergusson College obliged to be the external reviewer for this event. In this round, the candidates were tested on their general skills and the skills mentioned in their competency certificates.

Based on the scores received in all three rounds, the winner of the Best Student Trophy (Junior Wing 2020-21) is :

Siddhi Shriwallabh Pophale (XI Sci.)

No event can be a success without team work and valuable guidance from experts. Same goes true with this event too. Our Honorable Principal Dr. R.S. Zunjarrrao has been a constant source of inspiration without whom this event would not have been successful. Prof. S.R. Chaudhari In- Charge Vice Principal extended his expertise in this field which was positively taken by the committee which also helped the success of this event.

The chairperson of Best Student Trophy Committee, Prof. Pooja Paratne lifted up this event to new horizons with her innovative ideas, appreciative attitude, patience in all kinds of situation and above all her leadership traits.

In this pandemic situation this event was smoothly conducted due to the technical support and space (Digital Library) provided by the library staff who were co-operative in every way.

Coordinators: 1) Prof. Ann Joy 2) Prof. Latika Chaudhari 3) Prof. Asha Sagar

B] Senior Wing:

The entire process of best student trophy was online. For the first round, senior college students from all the streams were invited to fill the forms and upload the certificates and documents. This year total 59 applications were received from the senior wing. The documents of students were screened by best student trophy committee members and were graded. Based on the marks obtained five students were shortlisted for second round.

1) First Round (Screening Round):

   Five students which are shortlisted from senior wing were

   Harshda Makarand Tiloo (S.Y.B.Com), Meenaz Nawab Shaikh (S.Y.B.Com), Nikita Shankar Bahirat (S.Y.Bsc), Rashmi Rajesh Zatale (S.Y.B.A) and Swapnil Ravindra Pawar (T.Y.B.Sc).

2) Second Round (Personal interview and Group discussion):

   For the second round the panel of judges consists of teaching staff members from different streams of the college.

   After personal interview round there was a group discussion. Three topics were suggested to judges for group discussion. Unanimously one topic was selected: **'Google: A new horizon of ideas or killing creativity'**. All the students added their opinion and had a good discussion on the topic.

Based on scores of second round following three students were shortlisted for third and final round.

Harshda Makarand Tiloo (S.Y.B.Com), Meenaz Nawab Shaikh (S.Y.B.Com), Swapnil Ravindra Pawar (T.Y.B.Sc).

3) Third Round (External Reviewer Round):

The external reviewer Dr. N.M.Kulkarni from department of electronics, Fergusson College interviewed students.

Based on the scores received in all three rounds, the winner of the Best Student Trophy (Senior Wing 2020-21) is:

Swapnil RavindraPawar from T.Y.BSc Botany

Coordinators: 1) Dr.Arti Goggi 2) Prof. Kiran Kulkarni   3) Prof. Ashish Sartape

C] Post Graduate Wing

Post graduate students are informed about this contest by their class advisors through their respective class whatsapp group and college website. In response we received **total 19** applications of students from **Post Graduate Wing.** Students have also uploaded their certificates of achievements. Our committee members analyzed and scrutinized all forms on the basis of their previous year percentage of marks, regular attendance and participation in various co-curricular, extra-curricular activities and prepared the final list of shortlisted students. Top 5 students were shortlisted for second round.

1) First Round (Screening Round):

   Five students which are shortlisted from senior wing were:

   Abhishek Manoj Waghmare (M.Sc. Comp. Sc.), Dimple Omnarayan Parate (M.Sc. Micro.), Kartik Kailashkumar Adake (M.Sc. Zoology), Kiran Amitgiri Goswami (M.Sc. Micro.), Shraddha Karansingh Rana (M.Sc. Micro.)

2) Second Round (Personal interview and Group discussion):

   The panel of judges consisting senior faculty members of college from various streams judged students based on their interests, knowledge, leadership qualities and responsibilities towards college and community through personal interview and group discussion.

   The topic, selected out of three for group discussion was: 'Is curriculum satisfying the market needs?

   The three finalists of this round were:

   Abhishek Manoj Waghmare, Dimple Omnarayan Parate,   Shraddha Karansingh Rana

3) Third Round (External Reviewer Round):

   The finalists from the second round were interviewed by the external reviewer Dr. N.M.Kulkarni ,Fergusson College.

Based on the scores received in all three rounds, the winner of the Best Student Trophy (Post Graduate Wing 2020-21) is:

Shraddha Karansingh Rana from M.Sc. (Micro.)   Part II

Coordinators: 1) Dr.Shilpa Dange 2) Prof. P.V.Gadagkar   3) Dr. S. S. Patil

A "*KautukSohala"* was arranged on 25th March 2021 to congratulate winners and other contestants from each wing accompanying their parents through an online platform on Google meet. This function was chaired by Honorable Principal Dr. R. S. Zunjarrao and Vice Principal Prof. S. R. Chaudhari. A report on Best Student Trophy and its working along with new rules and modifications was narrated by chairperson Prof. Pooja Paratane. Prof. S. R. Chaudhari shared experiences and development in his journey with Best Student Trophy committee from its starting. He specially appreciated the contribution and developments introduced by committee from 2016-17 till date under the chairmanship of Prof. Pooja Paratane and also noted that the committee has gained the position at highest level. The trophy winners expressed their experiences and feeling on being selected for The Best student Trophy. Some parents also expressed their gratitude towards college for organizing such challenging event in such a pandemic situation. Honorable Principal Dr. R. S. Zunjarrao congratulated all winners and other contestants and guided them for their future career at this occasion. The entire program was compared by Prof. Dr. Shilpa Dange.

The committee appreciates all coordinators for each wing for conducting the contest online with perfect coordination, without any inconvenience to both judges and contestants.

The Committee is extremely thankful to **Principal Dr. R. S. Zunjarrao, Vice principal and committee in charge Prof. S. R. Chaudhari, Panel of Judges, Librarian Dr. Shantashree Sengupta and library staff, the committee members, coordinators of each wing and the students for their whole hearted support and encouragement given.**