



## Potpourri

The ultimate test of your creativity and command over the language

### Rules and Regulations

- Register online individually for the preliminary round with the appropriate submissions
- Selected participants would then proceed to the rounds conducted on campus

The event will proceed as follows:

### Preliminary Round:

- There will be an image provided after the registration.
- The Participants will have to submit a caption for the image by 6<sup>th</sup> November 2018 to [literary@iiml-manfestvarchasva.com](mailto:literary@iiml-manfestvarchasva.com).
- The caption should be in English and cannot exceed 150 characters.
- Shortlisted participants would be invited on campus for the subsequent rounds.

### Round 1: Shipwreck

- Every participant gets to pick a chit from a bag containing names of eminent personalities.
- The scenario is such that all the participants are in a ship which is sinking in the next few hours and there is only one seat in the lifeboat which can save them.
- Each participant gets 2 minutes to present why they (the personality they represent) should get the seat.
- Brownie points for humour.
- Participants with the top scores will proceed to the final round.

### Round 2: JAM

- 6 Participants are given a topic and asked to speak about it without hesitation, repetition, or grammatical errors for a minute.
- Non speaking participants need to identify errors/pauses and claim to the moderator if he/she feels the speaker has made an error.
- During the claim the timer will be paused and the moderator has absolute discretion over the acceptance of the claim. If it is then the participant with the successful claim continues the discussion else he/she is penalised.



- Claim can be based on these grounds:
  - a. Stutter, stammer, and generally indulge in “time-wasting tactics”. These include efforts to buy time like interspersing your talk with “uhh”, “aah” etc...
  - b. Unnatural pause
  - c. Early start and late start
  - d. Speaking too fast or too slow
  - e. Grammatical errors
  - f. Undue stress on words, undue emphasis in the sentences
  - g. Repetition of a previously used idea
- Points are given in the following manner:
  - a. Positive points for every second that you speak
  - b. Positive points for every correct claim
  - c. Negative points for every incorrect objection
  - d. Bonus points for being the last speaker

### Round 3: Spin the yarn

- Participants are given 2 plot points in the beginning and given 1 minute to come up with a story that incorporates these 2 plot points.
- Participants will then be given 2 minutes to present the story
- Around the 1 minute mark, 1 additional plot point will be shared that must be a part of the narration. No time will be given to think.
- Judging criteria would be on the basis of creativity, structure, tone, grammar and flexibility.

### General Guidelines

- In case the participant is not able to attend, he/she must intimate the organizing committee 7 days in advance.
- Teams cannot substitute/ change member after the preliminary round.
- The decision of the judges and the organizing committee is final.