

# Department of English

## Film Review Competition

### Report

All of us do not have equal talent. But, all of us have an equal opportunity to develop our talent, a wonderful quote by Dr A P J Kalam. The saying/statement fits correctly to the students who are freshers for pursuing their postgraduation in English. In order to develop their (critical) and creative skills, the department of English organizes various competitions and activities on Saturdays.

On 26<sup>th</sup> August 2023, a film review competition was organized on the theme 'Portrayal of Festivals in Indian Cinema' to celebrate Raksha Bandhan, Janmashtami, Durga Puja and Onam. The students of MA Sem I, Sem III, BA Sem I, III (Literature) and BA Part III (Literature) participated enthusiastically. There were nine participants who presented their film reviews on films Kahani, Raksha Bandhan, Beimaan, Marjaavan and Anjana.

The reviews presented by the students were very interesting and explicated how our films mirrors our society. The subjects, stories, scripts, actors, all represent different cultural, social, traditional, religious aspects woven around multiple themes like depiction of goodness vs evil, family traditions, brother-sister bonding (love and care), family values etc. The participants were applauded by the audience and faculty members.

Akash Soni secured 1<sup>st</sup> position Diya 2<sup>nd</sup> and Riya Patel secured 3<sup>rd</sup> position narrated and presented wonderfully. Shruti, Shivali, Khilesh, Prakhar, Rahul also presented their reviews on Raksha Bandhan.

Dr. Qamar Talat, head of the department appreciated the efforts put up by the students. Dr. Somali Gupta, Dr. Suchitra Gupta, Dr. Mercy George, Dr. Tarlochan Kaur, Dr. Meena Maan, Dr. Nigar Ahmad, Dr. Monika Sharma and Ms. Kusumita supported well in making the event successful.

Outcome: It was found that the students were very quite enthusiastic. They presented their reviews very confidently and were successful to overcome stage fear and speaking English.



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