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RERF Group of Institutions

"Battle of the Wits": A Debate Competition Rules and Guidelines

1. The "Battle of the Wits" competition is open to all students (UG/PG students from RERF/SVIMS/RIST).
2. The language of the competition will be in English.
3. Two teams will be competing against each other, each team consisting of five members.
4. One team will have to present for the motion, while the other team will be against the motion.
5. Each member of the two teams will have to present their speech, for which a maximum of 2 minutes will be allotted to them. An indicator will be given after 1 minute.
6. The participants will speak one by one; the sequence will be one member from the first team, then one member from the second team, and so on.
7. A screening test will be conducted to shortlist the final participants. The date, time, topic & venue of the screening test will be informed via mail/phone in due course of time.
8. At the end of their presentation, each speaker may face questions from the Judges.
9. The decision of the judges shall be final.
10. The organizers reserve the right to alter or change the competition's rules or procedure.
11. The participants must come with their respective college uniforms only.
12. Offensive, personal or defamatory expressions will not be accepted in any case. The event head may call to order any person using such expressions.
13. Participants can use any source of information during preparatory period.
14. Documents or electronic gadgets will not be allowed to the participant while speaking.
15. The participants will be judged based on the criteria that will include
 - a. Organization and Clarity
 - b. Use of Argument
 - c. Presentation Style
 - d. Fluency and Delivery
 - e. Relevance to the Topic
16. The best speaker from each of the two teams will be declared as the winner.
17. Certificates will be provided to all the final participants and the winners will be awarded.

POST-DEBATE DISCUSSION AND ASSESSMENT:

When the formal debate is finished, members of the audience will be given an opportunity to ask questions and to contribute their own thoughts and opinions on the arguments presented. Members of the debate teams may also wish to reflect on their performance and seek feedback from the audience, including the judges.