



SHRI RAM COLLEGE OF COMMERCE

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NOTICE

3rd Edition of “Shri Arun Jaitley Memorial Debate” (SAJMD)

In memory of Padma Vibhushan **Late Shri Arun Jaitley** (1952-2019), former Union Minister of Finance and Minister of Corporate Affairs, Government of India, the most eminent alumnus of SRCC and one of India’s most respected lawmakers, Shri Ram College of Commerce commenced the “**Shri Arun Jaitley Memorial Debate**” in 2023. The prestigious multi-stage National Event envisaged as a Debating Tradition honours the legacy of Late Shri Arun Jaitley, one of India’s finest orator and debater, and offers a unique debating platform to showcase the best talent of debaters and budding thought leaders at national level engaging in valuable exchange of ideas and showcases debating at its best.

The 3rd Edition of the Shri Arun Jaitley Memorial Debate (SAJMD) is being organised by Shri Ram College of Commerce with Debating Society, SRCC and Hindi Sahitya Sabha, SRCC in **September 2026**. The 3rd Edition of SAJMD assumes a novel significance as it is an integral event of the Centenary Celebrations of Shri Ram College of Commerce. The total prize pool of the SAJMD is **Rs. 2,50,000/-** (Rupees Two Lakhs and Fifty Thousand)

Applications are invited from interested teams across India to participate in the 3rd Edition of SAJMD. The details of the SAJMD, including registration, format and timelines amongst other details, are attached herewith. Registering Teams must read the same prior to registration.

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Organising Committee, 3rd SAJMD
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S.no.	Particular	Detail
1	Overall Theme	<i>"From Legacy to Leadership: Debating India's Next Century"</i> The debates in the SAJMD will further delve into sub-themes congruent to the Overall Theme of the Debate. It is expected that the perspectives in the rounds of the SAJMD will produce policy pathways for India in its journey towards 100th Year and Beyond.
2	Language	The debate is bilingual i.e. both English and Hindi.
3	Format	Conventional/Parliamentary. The same format would run parallelly for Hindi and English.
4	Eligibility	The participation to the SAJMD is open for students pursuing Undergraduate degree in Academic Year 2026-27 from Indian Higher Education Institutions (HEIs) only.
5	Team Rules	• Participation will only be permitted at team level with each team having exactly two members from the same college. Individual participation is not permitted. • No cross-college teams are permitted. • No limit on the number of teams from the same college. • A Team can participate in either Hindi or English version of the Debate.
6	Rounds and Dates (<i>tentative</i>)	The 3rd Edition of the Shri Arun Jaitley Memorial Debate (SAJMD) is envisaged as a multi-stage event comprising online and offline rounds*: • Registration comprising video submission preliminary round • Elimination Rounds • Quarters • Semi Finals • Finals All rounds are expected to take between 14-21 September 2026*. Semi-Finals and Finals will be held in SRCC campus. <i>*subject to number of teams participating and institutional factors, the number of rounds may be changed.</i>
7	Registration Link and Fee	https://forms.gle/GTrRDLUY7mv7gHy47 Additional information is provided in the Registration Form itself. There is absolutely no Fee for Registration in SAJMD .
8	Registration Closes	11:59PM, Sunday, September 13, 2026. No extension under any condition.

Prize Pool

The total prize pool of the SAJMD is **Rs. 2,50,000/- (Rupees Two Lakhs and Fifty Thousand)** as below:

Particulars	Prize Pool (Equal division between English & Hindi Winners)
Winners (Best Team-English)	Rs. 75,000/-
Winners (Best Team-Hindi)	Rs. 75,000/-
Runner-Ups (2nd Best Team for English)	Rs. 40,000/-
Runner-Ups (2nd Best Team for Hindi)	Rs. 40,000/-
Best Speaker English	Rs. 7,500/-
Best Speaker Hindi	Rs. 7,500/-
Best Interjector in the Final Round (English)	Rs. 2,500/-
Best Interjector in the Final Round (Hindi)	Rs. 2,500/-

Note:

1. All awardees i.e. Winners, Runner-Ups, Best Interjector and 2nd Best Interjector will be awarded Certificate of respective Award.
2. All Team reaching the Final Round will receive Certificate of Recognition.
3. All other teams will receive Certificate of Participation in digital format.

Other Terms and Conditions

1. Teams qualifying the preliminary round would be sent separate instructions/guidelines for subsequent rounds.
2. Dates are tentative on factors such as participation, resources and the availability of the eminent personalities invited as judges for the Debate amongst others.
3. Travelling/boarding may not be provided by the College.
4. In case of any dispute/interpretation, the decision of the Organising Committee shall be final and binding.
