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Letter From AISC Head of School

Dear Chennai Model United Nations Delegates,

It is with great excitement and pride that I extend my warmest greetings to each of you as we welcome you to American International School Chennai.

We are honored to host you for this year's Model United Nations summit, an event that represents a unique opportunity for learning, dialogue, and collaboration among some of the brightest young minds.

The theme of CHEMUN XVIII, "Global Partnerships and Inclusivity," resonates deeply with the pressing challenges of our time. In today's interconnected world, we face issues of unprecedented complexity that do not recognize borders—whether it be climate change, global health crises, international security, or sustainable development. The solutions to these challenges demand cooperation that transcends national boundaries, involving not only countries but also organizations and individuals. No single nation can address these issues alone, and this is where the power of partnership and inclusivity becomes paramount.

At the heart of this year's conference is the belief that genuine collaboration requires inclusivity. This means listening to all voices, especially those that are often marginalized or underrepresented. It means recognizing the unique perspectives of indigenous groups and minority communities and integrating these viewpoints into our search for equitable solutions. As young leaders, you have the opportunity to set an example in promoting a culture of inclusivity and partnership, reflecting the ideals of the United Nations while challenging its limitations.

Over the coming days, you will engage in debates, discussions, and negotiations that will test your understanding, empathy, and diplomatic skills. We hope that these experiences will encourage you to reflect on how global partnerships are formed and how diverse perspectives are considered.

I encourage you to embrace this opportunity with an open mind and a commitment to meaningful discourse. Together, we can help drive positive change and inspire others to see the immense potential of global cooperation.

Once again, welcome to CHEMUN XVIII and to AISC. I wish you all a memorable and rewarding experience in the coming days.

Warm Regards,

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Leigh Fitzgerald Head of School, AISC

Letter From AISC High School Principal

Greetings from the American International School Chennai.

As you know, CHEMUN XVIII's focus is partnership and inclusivity. How might partnership and inclusivity be the ways forward as we face our current challenges?

As we consider the twenty-eight pressing global issues for CHEMUN XVIII (not including Historical Security Council and the ICJ issues), one may become overwhelmed. From the ongoing devastation of war in Sudan, Israel/Palestine/Lebanon and West Asia, Ukraine, and Myanmar, to the weaponization of the Arctic, space and AI; to the vast international arms trade, and flows of illegal goods, wildlife and funds; the issues of climate change, desertification, use of nuclear power, generation of waste; and the life-threatening discrimination faced by women, indigenous and rural citizens, and those with disabilities; malnutrition, and the question of the protection of our digital privacy—how do we make progress? How do we bend the arc of history toward justice? Are we capable of addressing these issues?

One might put the CHEMUN XVIII provocation as: Might we need to think and act differently in order to effectively address the challenges we face? Might we need to act in support of, in addition to and beyond the UN? Maybe. CHEMUN XVIII's focus - partnership and inclusivity, is a model for individual, team, group, local, regional, national and international action, and may be the way forward in our time of overwhelm. Partnership and inclusivity may be the way forward that is already underway, thanks to you.

Katherine Dee, a US cultural commentator and internet archaeologist shares: "Culture isn't stagnating; it's evolving in ways that we're [older folks] struggling to recognize and appreciate."

One way to think about your role is as socio-cultural experimenters. An experiment is, "a test that is done in order to get proof of something or new knowledge." How might we address the clear and present issues confronting us? It may be by focusing on partnership and inclusion in ways that make sense to you. With what appear to be intractable and worsening challenges, you are experimenting to find new ways forward, creating new cultural pathways to positive change, justice and sustainability.

AISC's mission seeks to equip our students with the tools needed to create these new paths: With courage, creativity and compassion, you can create the new solution paths for us: for our families, our schools, our societies and our world. We need you to.

We welcome you to CHEMUN XVIII, and thank you.

Mike Malone

AISC HS Principal

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Letter From AISC MUN Advisors

Dear Delegates and Advisors,

It is with great pleasure that we welcome you to CHEMUN XVIII. This is one of the largest and most diverse conferences to be hosted at AISC. With more than 700 students representing 43 schools from India and around the world, CHEMUN XVIII promises to be dynamic and inclusive. The Chennai Model United Nations (CHEMUN) conference began in 2006 with the aim of creating an educational simulation of the United Nations that inspires young minds to "dedicate themselves to the service of the community and to the service of humanity." CHEMUN is a THIMUN-affiliated conference and thus follows all the THIMUN rules and procedures.

The theme of this year's conference is Global Partnership and Inclusivity. This unique theme encompasses many issues present in our globalized world and connects with a range of the United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). "Global Partnership and Inclusivity" focuses on bringing all voices to the table in order to create a more equitable and just world. It includes topics such as sustainability, cooperation, equity, and inclusivity. If we, as a planet, wish to meet the Sustainable Development Goals, we must join together and realize Goal 17.

Kofi Annan, former UN Secretary-General, once said, "We need to create a world that is equitable, that is stable and a world where we bear in mind the needs of others, and not only what we need immediately. We are all in the same boat." My challenge to you today is to work together, to think of creative solutions, to forge new relationships through diplomacy, and to work toward a more just and peaceful world.

Thank you all for your participation. It is our hope that CHEMUN XVIII ignites within each of you a passion for MUN and the desire to work together to change our world for the better.

Kind regards,

Ms. Pepper McFarland

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MUN Director

Letter From CHEMUN Secretary General

Esteemed Delegates, Chairs, Advisors, and Guests of CHEMUN XVIII,

It is with immense joy that we welcome you to CHEMUN XVIII. Our names are Maya Raghuraman and Luke Merletti, and we are pleased to serve you as the Co-Secretary Generals for this year's CHEMUN session. As long-standing members of the AISC Model United Nations program, we are honored with this opportunity to continue this great tradition. Our journey in Model UN began at CHEMUN where we both served as Admin Staff for the conference. Over the years we have served as delegates, chairs, and finally Co-Secretary Generals for CHEMUN. Model UN has challenged our abilities and fostered growth both academically and personally. Our participation has allowed us to see beyond our communities to global struggles and crises and consider all perspectives equitably.

We hope that CHEMUN XVIII will continue to foster an environment for growth for every participant, from Admin Staff to the Secretariat. Model UN provides an opportunity to become well-rounded individuals and to use CHEMUN as an opportunity to challenge yourself. The Secretariat hopes that CHEMUN allows you to flourish into a well-rounded individual and encourages you to make a meaningful contribution. The very concept of the UN stresses collaboration between member nations. We can't inspire genuine change without mutual understanding and commitment to the effort. Furthermore, we encourage you to apply the skills you have learned in real life and reflect on how you can make a difference in the world.

CHEMUN XVIII centers on the theme of "Global Partnership and Inclusivity." In a world where divisions between nations seem more pronounced than ever, we must ask: How can we ensure all voices are heard and countries are included in shaping global change, despite our differences? This theme prompts us to look beyond individual national concerns and consider how we, as a world, can work together to solve shared problems. While treaties, organizations, and alliances like NATO and the UN exist, ensuring their effectiveness in driving change is a uniquely modern challenge in our globalized world.

Over the next few days, we encourage you to be proactive about new policies and challenge pre-existing opinions. We also want to encourage you to build relationships with other delegates during the conference, and ask the question "How can I, as an individual, make a difference?" If you have one takeaway from this conference, let it be a passion to make a difference, a new approach to a problem that could have some impact or a change in your worldview.

On behalf of the entire Secretariat team, we thank you for choosing to participate in CHEMUN. We wish you success throughout the conference. As a final note, we hope that in these three brief days, you will challenge yourself and your beliefs, and above all, enjoy the experience.

Sincerely,

Luke Merletti & Maya Raghuraman

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Conference Schedule

Day 1 (Friday, November 8th)

Chair Briefing
Join Opening Ceremony
Opening Ceremony
Go To Committees
Directors' Meeting And Approval Panel Workshop
Opening Speeches, Lobbying
Lunch - SC, HRC, ECOSOC, SPC
Lunch - GA4, HSC, EC1, ICJ, UN4MUN
Lunch - GA3, DISEC, EC2, APQ
Approval Panel In Session
Return To Committees
Committee Ends, Delegates Dismissed
Chair Debriefing

Day 2 (Saturday, November 9th)

9:00 - 9:15	Chair Briefing
9:15 - 9:30	Go To Committees
9:30 - 1:00	Approval Panel In Session
9:30 - Lunch	Committees In Session
12:00 - 12:55	Lunch - GA3, DISEC, EC2, APQ
12:30 - 1:25	Lunch - SC, HRC, ECOSOC, SPC
1:00 - 1:55	Lunch - GA4, HSC, EC1, ICJ, UN4MUN
After lunch - 4:30	Committees In Session
4:30	Committee Ends, Delegates Dismissed
4:35 - 4:50	Chair Debriefing
5:30 - 8:00	Social Night

Day 3 (Sunday, November 10th)

9:00 - 9:15	Chair Briefing
9:15 - 9:30	Go To Committees
9:30 - Lunch	Committees In Session
12:00 - 12:55	Lunch - GA4, HSC, EC1, ICJ, UN4MUN
12:30 - 1:25	Lunch - GA3, DISEC, EC2, APQ
1:00 - 1:55	Lunch - SC, HRC, ECOSOC, SPC
After lunch - 3:00	Committees In Session
3:00 - 3:10	Go To Closing Ceremony
3:10 - 4:00	Closing Ceremony

Global Partnership and Inclusivity

In today's interconnected world, we confront challenges of increasing complexity that transcend national boundaries, ranging from climate change to global health crises, and international security to sustainable development. Addressing these issues has become imperative. Global partnership and inclusivity have emerged as the cornerstones of cooperation between nations, as no one nation can resolve these problems alone. Thus, the significance of partnerships, particularly inclusivity on a global scale, cannot be overstated. By fostering collaboration not only among nations but also among organizations and individuals, we can achieve far greater goals than any nation, organization, or individual could hope to achieve.

At the center of these efforts and alliances lies a commitment to partnership and inclusivity. The diverse issues affecting communities worldwide require collaboration among nations. Governments must prioritize collective action over individual efforts to address these challenges effectively. As the climate crisis escalates, governments must continue to engage in joint efforts to make a meaningful impact. Through global partnership and coordination, we have taken incremental steps to mitigate CO2 emissions, reduce plastic consumption, combat biodiversity loss, and more.

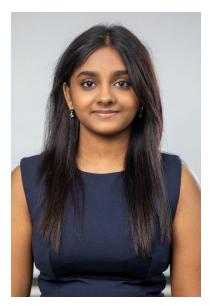
Genuine partnership requires inclusivity—a commitment to listening to all voices and considering all perspectives. Marginalized communities, underrepresented populations, and indigenous groups often bear the brunt of global challenges, yet their viewpoints are frequently overlooked. Commitment to inclusivity requires that we actively seek out these voices, acknowledging their unique perspectives, and integrating their alternative viewpoints to ensure that equitable solutions are reached.

The United Nations functions as an organization that promotes the ideals of multiculturalism, multilateralism, connection and serves as an international forum for collaboration that allows for such partnerships between nations. Despite the fact that hundreds of nations are represented in each organ and body of the UN, with exclusive blocs being formed in committees, committees such as the Security Council unequally giving some countries power over others, and few ways to truly enforce resolutions represent a lead to not all voices being heard. Can we truly say that true global inclusivity has been achieved in the United Nations?

As we move forward, it is critical that we reflect on how global partnerships are established, and even more important that we consider the different perspectives on each issue at hand. For instance, respecting and taking into account the ideas of minorities and indigenous groups whose opinions are rarely heard will become increasingly critical as the world becomes more connected, if we want to ensure inclusivity.

Ultimately, we hope that CHEMUN XVIII will serve as grounds for delegates and student officers to engage in meaningful debates and discourse, with a larger perspective on emphasizing collaborative action as well as partnership, in order to shape positive changes in the world.

CHEMUN XVIII Secretariat



Co-Secretary General: Maya Raghuraman

Maya Raghuraman, a senior at the American International School of Chennai is honored to serve as Co-Secretary General of CHEMUN XVIII. Maya joined the Model United Nation Program in 6th grade and for the past six years, and it has developed her love for debate and grown her passion for international affairs. She has participated in fifteen conferences and is grateful for the leadership and communication skills that she has developed. Model UN is an avenue that allows students to get passionate about world issues and work collaboratively. This year she aims to continue to foster an environment with engaging debate and productive and fruitful solutions. Maya is honored to be part of CHEMUN XVIII's secretariat and hopes that the 18th session of CHEMUN will offer every delegate and student officer an opportunity for growth and development



Co-Secretary General: Luke Merletti

Luke Merletti is a senior at the American International School of Chennai and is serving as the Co-Secretary General for CHEMUN XVIII, alongside Maya Raghuraman. Throughout his 7 years in MUN, Luke has participated in 17 conferences and has had the privilege to serve as chair 6 times, in addition to holding positions such as the president of the Advanced Middle School MUN Program at AISC. Throughout his MUN journey, Luke has developed a deep interest in understanding and learning about global problems, and more specifically, how we can work to resolve them as a society. This year, during CHEMUN XVIII, Luke hopes to inspire the same critical thought among the participants and push them to create change.



Director General: Jihwan Kim

Jihwan Kim is a senior at American International School Chennai and is honored to serve as a Director General for the CHEMUN XVIII conference. Joining the Model United Nations in 7th grade, he started out his MUN journey as a shy person who faced a significant challenge of public speaking. Despite such challenges, participation in 10 global conferences and Model United Nations implemented valuable opportunities to debate, form connections with other delegates and chairs, and ultimately allowed himself to cooperate with the committee's members to draft diplomatic and effective solutions. From CHEMUN XVIII, Jihwan truly wishes to give similar opportunities that he had from the past 5 years of participation in MUN by sharing his leadership skills and experiences to guide delegates towards a constructive debate for a change.



Deputy Secretary General: Yewon Choi

Yewon Choi is a senior at the American International School Chennai who will be serving as a Deputy Secretary General for the CHEMUM XVIII conference. Having been in MUN since 7th grade, she has had 10 experiences of attending various conferences from different schools, serving both as a delegate and a chair. With her involvement in extracurricular activities in different leadership positions and having a wide-range interest in global issues, she is dedicated to fostering a positive environment conducive to learning and growth, ensuring that all participants have a meaningful and memorable conference. As a whole, Yewon hopes that CHEMUN XVIII enables and motivates all to become impactful contributors to the MUN community and beyond.



Deputy Secretary General: Adarsh Marinedrive

Adarsh Marinedrive is a senior at the American International School Chennai and will be serving as a Deputy Secretary General at CHEMUN XVIII. Starting his journey in the United States before moving to India, he is a passionate debater who has pursued MUN since his freshman year. Over the course of this time, he has had the opportunity to attend various global conferences including THIMUN, BEIMUN, and of course, CHEMUN. Adarsh believes that MUN serves as a platform by which students can open crucial discussions about both local and global issues alike. Beyond Model United Nations, he is an avid badminton player and swimmer who enjoys learning about biotechnology, politics, and human psychology. This year, Adarsh looks forward to seeing productive debates fueled by novel ideas as delegates come together to solve some of the most pressing problems in today's society.



Deputy Secretary General: Jiwoo Kwon

Jiwoo Kwon is a senior at the American International School Chennai and is honored to serve as a Deputy Secretary General for CHEMUN XVIII. He joined Model United Nations in 7th grade as the fact that MUN provides an opportunity to examine global issues through a critical lens motivated him. Having participated in 10 global conferences during five years of experience in MUN, he has not only developed analytical skills but also collaborative skills to integrate with diverse groups. He believes that the true joy of MUN comes from a conference where delegates with different backgrounds cooperate towards a united goal. From CHEMUN XVIII, Jiwoo hopes to provide delegates with an experience where they can discover the delight of a conference and share those memorable moments.



Deputy Secretary General: Aanya Ebrahim

Aanya Ebrahim, a senior at the American International School Chennai is honored to serve as a Deputy Secretary General for CHEMUN XVIII. Despite being involved in Model United Nations for four years, Aanya has been competitively debating for eight years, attended seven conferences, and chaired The Historical Security Council at CHEMUN XVIII. Aanya has a zest for public speaking and expresses deep-rooted interest in a range of disciplines from Philosophy, Linguistics, and English Literature to Biochemistry and Music. She finds that any aspect of life, professional and personal, requires a certain degree of worldliness and diplomacy, MUN has helped her hone in on and acquire those skills. Aanya regards Model United Nations as much more than an extracurricular, but a commitment to excellence and intellect. Hence, she is elated to have the opportunity to make this conference as memorable and dynamic as possible.

Security Council

Student Officers



Shania Penker
Head Chair



Rakesh Rajmohan

Deputy Chair



Aditi Razdan

Deputy Chair

The Security Council is the smallest and most powerful committee in the United Nations. The Security Council has 15 members - five permanent members and ten non-permanent members. The five permanent members - China, France, Russia, the UK, and the USA - all have veto power. The other ten members are dependent upon what 22 global issues are occurring around the world and would rotate every two years. The Security Council is the only committee that has the power to "demand" or "require" an action to be taken by a sovereign nation. The Security Council focuses on immediate action, so topics usually regard the events occurring around the world.

- Addressing the impact of foreign intervention and global security in the Syrian civil war
- 2. Measures to mitigate and address the Israel-Palestine armed conflict
- 3. The issue of the Sudanese Civil War

Historical Security Council (1987)

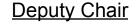
Student Officers



Thomas Benson

Head Chair

Devika Sheeju





Adhulan Rajkamal

Deputy Chair

The Historical Security Council (HSC) is a unique committee at CHEMUN XVIII that offers delegates the opportunity to step back in time and grapple with the security challenges of the past. Unlike other committees that focus on contemporary issues, the HSC immerses participants in historical contexts, enabling them to reenact pivotal moments in global security.

- 1. The Palestinian Uprising / The First Intifada (1987)
- 2. State-Sponsored Terrorism and the US Bombing of Libya (1986)
- 3. Iran-Contra Affair (1986)

Advisory Panel Student Officers



Jiyun Yang
Head Chair



Gahye Lee

Deputy Chair



Pranav Ilango

Deputy Chair

The Advisory panel is a special committee that consists of a panelist of experts: individuals who are knowledgeable in the foreign policy of their representation. The committee aims to reach consensus for both individual clauses and to adopt a joint communique, which is the final outcome of the committee. The rules and regulations are akin to those of the Security Council; however, apart from voting on each clause, the panelists must seek consensus.

- 1. The question of the militarization of the Arctic
- 2. The question of the protection of digital privacy rights
- The question of regulating emerging technologies to ensure their responsible use

UN4MUN

Student Officers



Chanwoo Kim

Head Chair



Ju Yeon Bae

Deputy Chair



Airi Otani

Deputy Chair



Zara Pereira

Deputy Chair

UN4MUN introduces a new, more realistic debate style to MUN. Bringing a form of 'debate' that emphasizes collaboration, cooperation, and consensus between delegates. The focus of UN4MUN at CHEMUN will be on international cooperation regarding the use of nuclear power and its waste products.

Topic

 International cooperation regarding the use of nuclear power and its waste products

Disarmament and Security Council

Student Officers



Hyeonseok Woo

Head Chair



Wonhee Cho

Deputy Chair



Alfredo Wolfe

Deputy Chair



Rhia Sakthivel

Deputy Chair

The Disarmament and Security Council focuses on worldwide security, proliferation, and arms. This might include cyber warfare, nuclear arms, and weapons of mass destruction. This includes sovereign relations among nations and how the international community operates under the implications of different countries.

- 1. Prevention of weaponization of artificial intelligence
- 2. Controlling and regulating the illicit arms trade
- 3. Preventing attacks on civilian infrastructure

Human Rights Committee

Student Officers





Head Chair



Sangwoo Park

Deputy Chair



Armaan Batra

Deputy Chair



Medha Nambi

Deputy Chair

The Human Rights Committee focuses on bringing justice to minorities discriminated against in the past. The topics will regard those that promote the welfare of humans and creating sustainable solutions. The Human Rights Committee may focus on those in a specific country as they believe that their welfare will benefit the whole world. The committee attempts to address the issue on hand and develop a resolution, in which the rights of the minorities are sustained in a longitudinal period.

- 1. Measures to protect the human rights of civilians in regions of conflict
- 2. Measures to protect disabled individuals in the workplace
- 3. Addressing the issue of malnutrition in sub-Saharan Africa

Environmental Committee 1

Student Officers



Junyoung Koo

Head Chair



Jaewoo Jung

Deputy Chair



Samikssha Jothilingam

Deputy Chair

The Environmental Committee focuses on topics such as natural resources, animal rights, global warming, and how to create an environmentally sustainable world. The Environment Council considers what natural events or problems are occurring in our world today. This committee ensures there is a collaboration between environmentalists and manufacturing industries to develop and fabricate things that are aligned with the committee's mission.

- 1. Promoting sustainable measures to prevent desertification globally
- 2. Approaching the problems of wildlife trafficking
- Promoting urgent strategies to combat climate change caused by fossil fuel emissions

Environmental Committee 2

Student Officers



Gio Namkoong
Head Chair



Kairav Roberson

Deputy Chair



Saswin

Deputy Chair

The Environmental Committee focuses on topics such as natural resources, animal rights, global warming, and how to create an environmentally sustainable world. The Environment Council considers what natural events or problems are occurring in our world today. This committee ensures there is a collaboration between environmentalists and manufacturing industries to develop and fabricate things that are aligned with the committee's mission.

- 1. Promoting sustainable measures to prevent desertification globally
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Economic and Social Council

Student Officers



Chaitanya Vel

Head Chair



Siwoo Baek

Deputy Chair



Baltazar Torres

Deputy Chair



Pranavaa Giri

Deputy Chair

The Economic and Social Committee focuses on creating economic and social solutions. The main focus of the Economic and Social Committee is sustainable development and how to execute that successfully. The Millennium Development Goals of 2015 closely tie into the essence of ECOSOC.

- 1. Improving the accessibility of quality education for marginalized communities
- 2. Enhancing healthcare frameworks in developing countries
- 3. Promoting inclusive and sustainable industrialization in developing countries

Special Conference

Student Officers









Jasim Mukthar

Head Chair

Soomin Kim

Deputy Chair

Prathana Lukad

Deputy Chair

Pari Joshi

Deputy Chair

The Special Conference is the committee that focuses on the theme of the conference: global partnership and inclusivity. As the world grapples with the challenges of an ever-changing world, the committee delves into the intricacies of global partnerships and inclusivity and their impact on a multitude of critical concerns. This committee is focused on finding innovative and equitable solutions to address some of the world's most pressing issues.

- 1. Addressing the issue of waste management
- 2. Promoting the economic empowerment of rural women
- 3. Enhancement of international cooperation to combat illicit financial flows and corruption

General Assembly 3: SOCHUM

Student Officers









Jamil Mukthar

Seungwon Kwak

Maya Krishnan

Krishnaraj Saravanan

Head Chair

Deputy Chair

Deputy Chair

Deputy Chair

The General Assembly allocates to the Third Committee, agenda items relating to a range of social, humanitarian affairs, and human rights issues that affect people all over the world. The Third Committee is expected to consider a similar number of draft resolutions during the present session of the General Assembly.

- 1. Combating the stigma and discrimination against rights of persons with intellectual and developmental disabilities to promote rights and inclusion
- 2. Discussing the challenges of humanitarian intervention in Central Africa
- 3. Addressing the increasing civil unrest in sub-Saharan Africa

General Assembly 4: SPECPOL

Student Officers







Sihyeon Bae



Harsrith Nayani



Sivabalan Manjunath

Head Chair

Deputy Chair

Deputy Chair

Deputy Chair

The General Assembly allocates to the Fourth Committee, agenda items relating to Special Political and Decolonization issues as international peace and security. Other matters are decided by a simple majority. Many decisions are reached by consensus without a formal vote.

- Addressing the decolonization and sovereignty disputes of Non-Self-Governing Territories
- 2. Measures to minimize the amount of space debris around the Earth's orbit
- Facilitating dialogue and cooperation to promote lasting peace in the Middle East

International Court of Justice Student Officers



Lilliana Johnson

President



Kikiha Takeda

Vice-President



Yash Bilagi
Advocate



Dheeban Kumar Advocate

To

Nicole Oeltjen

<u>Advocate</u>



John Henry

Advocate

Cases

1. Georgia vs. Russian Federation: Application of the international convention of the elimination of all forms of racial discrimination (Case 140) (2008)

SDGs In Action At CHEMUN



MUN Impact Zone

The MUN Impact programme for CHEMUN XVIII has created a MUN Impact zone in order to bring delegates together to create an art installation made from recycled material. Not only will the piece be a collaborative effort and support inclusivity, it will increase awareness of the UN Sustainable Development Goals. The project was created with this year's theme of "Global Partnerships and Inclusivity" in mind and the work itself will highlight Goal 17: Partnership for the Goals.



Speaker: Prabha Vasuki

Prabha is part of United Lives, an NGO dedicated to protecting the rights of Gypsy people, securing their legal rights, and fostering equality within India. They work tirelessly to advocate for the rights of Gypsy, Roma, and Traveller communities and provide legal support, education initiatives, and community outreach programs. United Lives dreams big for a better future and inclusion of these people in the greater Indian community.

Prabha is a social worker, particularly trained to support vulnerable people, groups, and communities. She works tirelessly to help provide assistance to the children, pregnant, elderly, and the community as a whole. She has made it her life's purpose to support those in need.



MUN Impact: MUN Training Class

Our MUN Impact group works with Teach for India to offer MUN training programs at local government secondary schools. We teach them how to research, write resolutions, debate, and speak in front of groups. Our ultimate goal is to help these schools build MUN programs and offer them a platform to participate. Additionally, the MUN Impact team works with the Hope Foundation and other orphanages to help them learn English and encourage collaboration. Our goal for these sessions is to promote a love of learning and encourage participation.

Greater Chennai Corporation: We have also partnered with GCC to provide teacher training for local government school teachers to implement MUN in their schools.









Local Partnerships:

We work with local vendors for all purchases and prints of CHEMUN merchandise. We believe that purchasing locally helps our community and creates important relationships and employment opportunities.

Virtual Platform:

Airmeet is an Indian company located out of Bangalore. We chose Airmeet as a viable alternative due to its location in India and what it had to offer. This year, as we are offering a hybrid mode during the conference, Airmeet will be used once again.

CHEMUN Director Gifts:

1. Bags: Mahila Arthik Vikas Mahamandal.

Promoted by the Ministry of Women & Child Empowerment, Government of Maharashtra. The mission is "To bring about gender justice and equality for women, investing in human capital and the capacity building of women, thus making them economically and socially empowered and enabling them to access sustainable livelihoods."

The main objectives are: "Organization of women through Self Help Groups, Build the overall capacities of women, Enhance self-confidence amongst women, Entrepreneurial development of women, Synchronize employment opportunities & market linkages, Promote women's initiative for equal opportunities, prosperity & participation in governance, and Build grassroots institutions over SHGs as a way forward to sustainable development."

2. Notebooks: Flukebook from Tara Books

One-of-a-kind notebook made from recycled misprint material from Tara Books' screen printing workshop. Perfect reuse of waste material and a wonderful example of responsible production.





CHEMUN Banners:

- All banners are printed with soy-based ink on biodegradable canvas
- Committee room standees are reused each year.
- CHEMUN XVI banners will be repurposed into bags by the SPEED Trust Foundation.

SPEED Trust Foundation:

SPEED Trust believes in a modern India, freed from the evils of exclusion and poverty. They believe in an India where everyone can succeed, irrespective of one's religion, social background, or community.

Their mission is to support families from the Chennai slums, particularly widowed or deserted mothers, and to help them improve their living conditions and get out of the deepest poverty, so they can focus on the education of their children.





CHEMUN Cookies: Writer's Cafe

Writer's Cafe is a cafe operated by women who have been victims of domestic violence and/or are burn survivors. These women have been rescued by the International Foundation for Crime Prevention and Victim Care (PCVC), trained in cooking, baking, and confections, and are then given an opportunity to be independent income earners. The goal of the cafe is to give financial independence to women who would otherwise find it difficult to gain social acceptance. These products are an expression of a burn survivor's journey of resilience and power.



Well-Being at AISC:

- AISC has a focus on student and staff wellbeing. Our campus classrooms have lists of healthy habits, self-management, positive relationships and self-awareness as areas we focus on.
- AISC invests in spaces and equipment for play areas, athletic spaces, and fitness areas.



The AISC Campus:

- Derives 22% of the peak energy output from on-site solar panels.
- Replaced air chiller units resulting in a 35% reduction in power consumption.
- LED lighting is used for indoor and outdoor lighting reducing energy consumption by 15%.



The AISC Campus:

- Has switched most fixtures to utilize LED lighting which reduces electronic waste by up to a factor of 10 over fluorescent bulbs.
- Do not use single-use plastics for products from the iHub, Madras Cafe or cafeterias.
- Installed water faucet aerators which reduces water consumption by up to 40% for those fixtures.
- Treats wastewater which is reused in toilets and watering the plants on campus.

List of Participating Schools

American International School of Chennai Fiitjee Global School, Vengambakkam

CS Academy, Erode Fiitjee Global School, Vellore

CS Academy, Coimbatore Palmer Trinity School

A to Zee Creativity The PSBB Millennium School OMR

JEMS International Hr.Secondary School Sri Sakthi Vikaas Matric Hr. Sec. School

The Indian Public School, Salem RUH Continuum School, Coimbatore

The Indian Public School, Erode - CBSE Patel Public School

Mount Litera Zee School The Ashok Leyland School, Hosur

American School of Bombay Sri Prakash Vidyaniketan

Singapore American School Sri Chaitanya Techno School

Chinmaya International Residential School SPK Matriculation Higher Secondary School

American Embassy School Royal Park School (CBSE)

Bharathi Vidya Bhavan Matriculation Higher Nalanda International Public School & Junior

Secondary School College, Krishnagiri

The BVB School, (CBSE) Therkuppallam Mahindra International School

KSC PUBLIC School Canadian International School, Bangalore

Jay Group of Schools (Tiruchendur)

Arise International School of Excellence, Salem

AACHI Global School Thangam World School

Hindustan International School Palaniappa International Senior Secondary School

Oasis International School Queen Mira International School

Vallaba Vidyalaya Velammal Bodhi Campus

Vriksha Global School Velammal Global School, Puzhal

Teach for India Jay Matric Higher Secondary School (Salem)

Discovering Chennai

Chennai, formerly known as Madras, is a vibrant city located on the east coast of India. It is known for its unique South Indian cuisine, expansive beaches, and humidity. The city is the sixth largest in India and is said to be a major cultural and artistic hub. The list of must-see locations includes:

Dakshinachitra

A cultural center, founded by the Madras Craft Foundation, maintains and showcases art, designs, lifestyles, crafts, and performing arts of Tamil Nadu. Located along the East Coast Road, Dakshinachitra stands as one of the main attractions in the city.

Kalakshetra

Literally translated to "place of arts", Kalakshetra is home to traditional Indian art forms, especially Bharatnatyam and Gandhaeaveda. Kalakshetra is a great way to preserve performing arts in Indian culture.

Cholamandal Artists' Village

A hub of modern and traditional art, the Cholamandal Artists' Village is home to numerous artists and sculptors who showcase their artwork permanently. Tourists are also welcome to watch the artists' work here.

Guindy National Park

The Guindy National Park is home to beautiful scrublands, lakes, and streams, and it is the last surviving Tropical Dry Evergreen forest type on the Coromandel Coast. Covering about 270 hectares of land, it's located in the southwestern corner of Chennai.

Marina Beach

The second longest urban beach in the world, Marina Beach remains a popular

destination for locals and tourists visiting. With an everyday carnival atmosphere, beautiful sand and important buildings all around it, it's arguably the most impressive destination in Chennai. Important buildings that you could visit alongside Marina Beach include the Chepauk Palace, the University of Madras, and the Senate House.

Express Avenue

Perhaps the largest and most extravagant mall in the city, it holds numerous well-known shopping outlets, a movie theater, a gaming center, and a food court. Express Avenue (EA) is a perfect place to relax after a long day's work or even to go shopping on almost a regular basis.

Phoenix Mall

Phoenix Mall, or Phoenix Market City as it is officially known, is the newest mall in Chennai. It hosts various well-known outlets as well as popular restaurant outlets. Phoenix Mall is located closer to the American International School of Chennai, in Velachery, making it convenient to visit after a long day in committee. Like EA, Phoenix is a great place to shop, eat, and just hang out.

Saravana Bhavan

Saravana Bhavan is home to the quintessential delicacies of Tamil Nadu, such as idli, dosa, and many other dishes. The food here is comparable with the best and is probably the best place to eat in Chennai for local dishes.

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