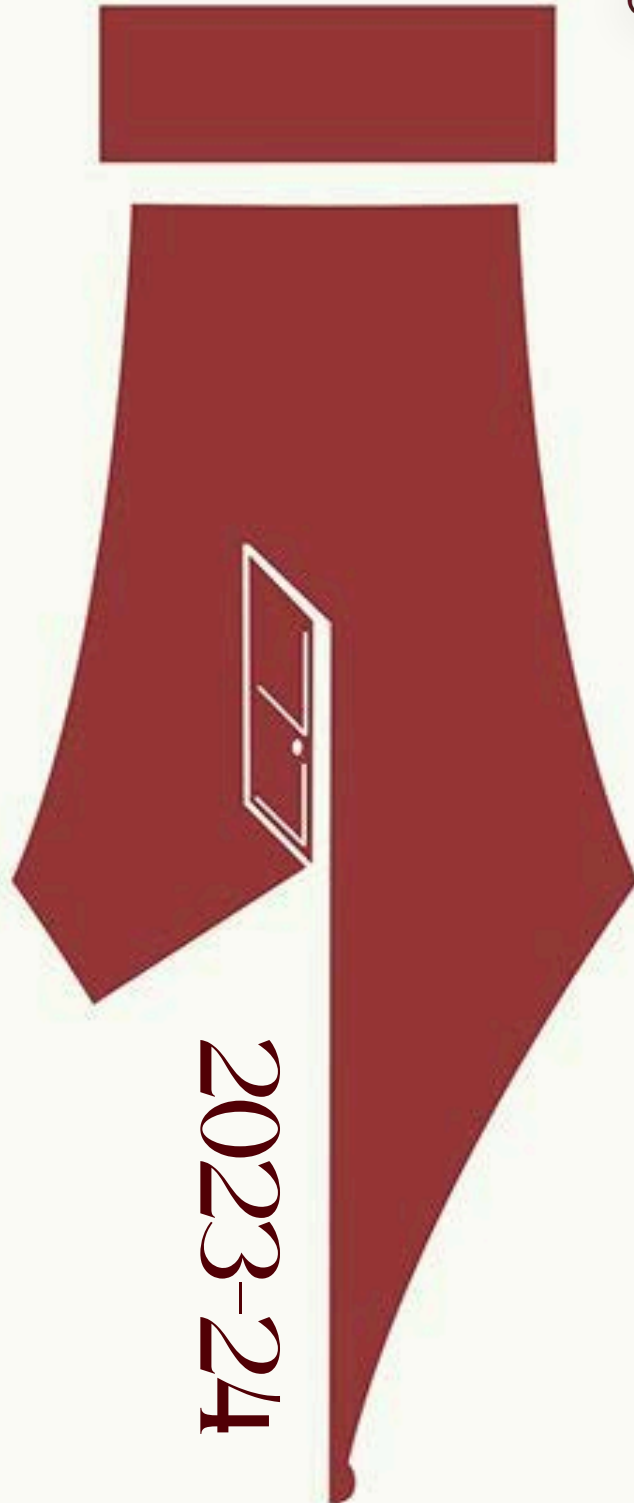


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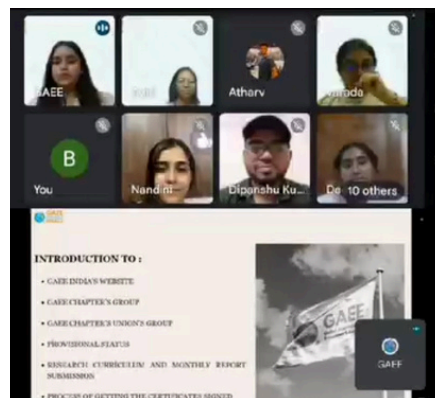
The first full-team meeting of GAEE India was held on 8th February 2024, marking the beginning of a new tenure for the organisation with the newest recruits bringing fresh energy and ideas to GAEE India.

After an initial round of introductions, Anshika, the Chairperson, took the lead in presenting the organization's vision and history, setting the tone for the session. Each core member elaborated on their respective departments, explaining their roles to provide clarity on how the organization operates.

The meeting concluded on a lighter note with a game session, allowing the team to bond and learn more about one another in an informal environment. This first meeting successfully laid the foundation for collaboration and teamwork among the GAEE India team, fostering a sense of community and shared purpose.

GAEE India – Full Team Meeting

Meeting with the GAEE Chapters' Unions



GAEE India held an orientation meeting with the newly appointed Presidents of all its chapters. This meeting served as an opportunity to introduce the leadership to the organization's framework and equip them with the knowledge necessary to lead their chapters effectively.

The session covered GAEE India's inception and its current structure. They were then intimidated about their responsibilities and deliverables. To enhance their capacity for success, the meeting introduced the services and resources GAEE offers, such as the resource bank.

The session was interactive, encouraging questions and discussions to ensure clarity and mutual understanding. By the end of the meeting, the chapter leaders had a comprehensive understanding of their responsibilities and the support available to them, setting the stage for a productive and impactful tenure.

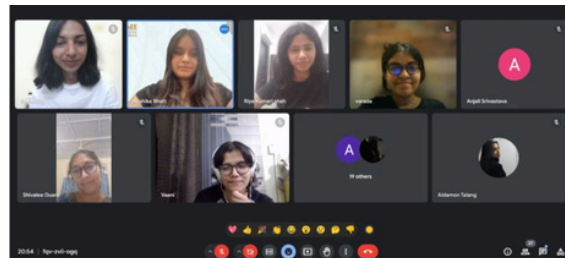
In May 2024, GAEE hosted a special seminar featuring Sweta Raj. Sweta's impressive journey, including her representation as a Delegate at the G20 University Connect in 2022 and her internship at the Ministry of External Affairs (MEA) in the Indo-Pacific Division, made her a source of inspiration for the session.

This exclusive event offered a unique opportunity to gain insights from one of our own. Sweta shared her experiences of securing the coveted MEA internship. Her account of working in the Indo-Pacific Division was particularly engaging as she shed light on the practical aspects of international relations.

The interactive nature of the session made it especially memorable. Members actively participated, asking Sweta insightful questions about her journey. Sweta graciously shared her guidance, emphasising the importance of resilience, networking, and a genuine passion for learning.

The seminar was a resounding success, reaffirming the value of building connections within GAEE and learning from each other's experiences. Sweta Raj's session was a testament to the heights that GAEE members can achieve and the strength of our collective network.

An Insightful Session with Sweta Raj



GAEE Championship 2024



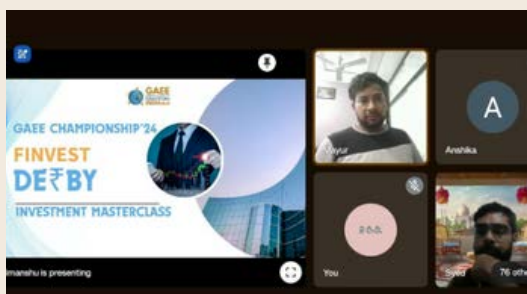
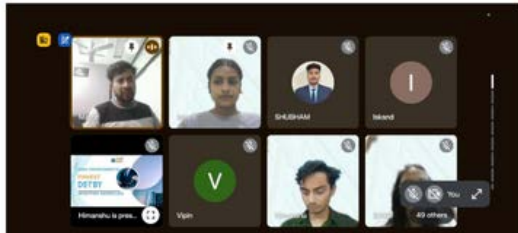
- **Policy Showdown – The Economics Competition**



The GAEE Championship 2024 hosted the much-anticipated Policy Showdown under the theme "Debate, Design, Deliver," bringing together young policy enthusiasts from across India. The competition tested participants' skills in crafting policies and engaging in debates across two rigorous rounds. The judging panel featured prominent experts: Mr. Ritwik Mehta; Mr. Sahil Jindal; and Dr. Sucheta Sardar.

In the first round, held on July 26th, 2024, participants tackled a shared policy challenge. The top five teams advanced to the finale on August 4, 2024. This final round unfolded in two stages: a presentation phase where teams explained their solutions followed by a Q&A with the judges, and a debate phase where they critiqued and defended policy ideas in timed exchanges. The finale concluded with impactful closing statements that showcased the participants' analytical and problem-solving abilities under pressure.

- ## Finvest Derby - The Finance Competition



Through a series of dynamic challenges testing investment knowledge, analytical expertise, and strategic thinking, the FinVest Derby 2024 was a remarkable success

The event began on August 6, 2024, with a financial quiz that assessed participants' understanding of investment concepts. Only the top performers advanced to the next stage. On August 9, the second round shifted focus to in-depth analysis, as teams were assigned specific industries and companies. They prepared executive summaries of investment proposals based on detailed evaluations of financial statements, industry trends, market dynamics, and competitive landscapes.

The grand finale on August 13, 2024, brought together the top ten teams to present their case studies to a panel of esteemed judges—one an expert in investment banking and the other in strategy and management consulting. Judges evaluated the proposals on their depth of analysis, clarity, persuasiveness, and investment potential.



- **Entrepreneurial Escapade - The Entrepreneurship Competition**



The Entrepreneurial Escapade showcased the creativity of aspiring entrepreneurs nationwide. The competition featured three challenging rounds designed to test participants' knowledge, problem-solving skills, and entrepreneurial mindset.

The event began on August 19, 2024, with a quiz where participants were evaluated on entrepreneurship fundamentals. This elimination round paved the way for the more demanding stages. By August 23, qualifying teams submitted solutions to a real-world business case prompt, analyzing challenges and crafting innovative strategies. After a thorough review, the top seven teams advanced to the finale.

The grand finale, held on August 25 saw finalists present their case study solutions to a panel of two expert judges—one specializing in marketing and the other in finance. Teams explained their strategies, responded to questions, and defended their approaches. Winners were celebrated for their innovative thinking and practical solutions, marking the Entrepreneurial Escapade as a successful platform that fostered collaboration, creativity, and entrepreneurial spirit.

Finance Workshop – Investment Masterclass

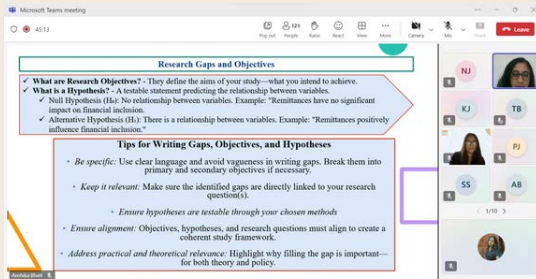


On 8th August 2024, an exclusive Investment Masterclass was organized as part of the FinVest Derby 2024. The session was conducted by CA Mayur Tejwani, a Senior Analyst at McKinsey, and was exclusively accessible to participants shortlisted for the second round of the competition. The masterclass aimed to guide participants in creating compelling investment pitches and understanding key considerations in the investment process, equipping them for the final rounds of the competition.

The workshop also provided a step-by-step framework for preparing investment proposals. Participants were encouraged to focus on thorough research, highlight key strengths, address potential risks, and craft persuasive narratives to capture investor interest.

What made the session particularly impactful was its interactive nature. The masterclass left participants with a deeper understanding of the investment process and boosted their confidence in presenting well-researched and compelling investment cases. This session played a pivotal role in preparing the finalists for the competition, equipping them with the skills necessary to excel in the high-stakes final rounds.

Research Workshop: “How to Write a Research Paper: From Ideation to Publication”



The research team of the Global Association of Economics Education (GAEE), India, hosted an insightful online workshop titled “How to Write a Research Paper: From Ideation to Publication” on 22nd October 2024. The session was expertly conducted by Ms Angana Parashar Sarma, who is currently pursuing a PhD in Economics and Finance at BITS Pilani.

During the workshop, the speaker guided participants through the entire process of writing a research paper, from selecting a research topic to submitting it for publication. She offered valuable insights on identifying research gaps, framing clear research questions, and structuring papers for clarity and impact.

She discussed in depth each aspect of writing a research paper including the importance of conducting a comprehensive literature review, choosing appropriate research methodologies, and effectively collecting and analysing data. Additionally, the session covered the publication process.

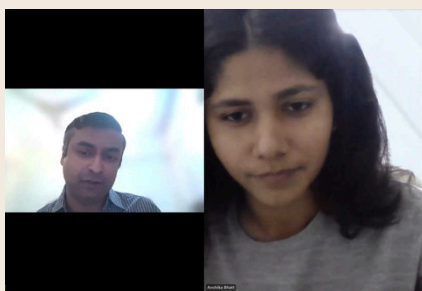
The workshop concluded with an engaging Q&A session, where Ms. Angana addressed participants' questions and provided personalised guidance to help them move forward with their research projects. This workshop was an invaluable learning experience, providing participants with the tools and knowledge to successfully write, structure, and publish impactful research papers.

Pathfinders – Journey to Success

Dr. Amarnath Tripathi



Dr. Subrato Banerjee



Mr. Amitabh Tiwari



“Pathfinders”, as the name suggests, GAAE India’s interview series highlighted the journeys and experiences of influential leaders who have made significant contributions to their fields. The series provided a unique platform for these individuals to share their insights, offering a deep dive into their careers and the knowledge they have gathered over the years.

The three distinguished speakers featured in this series were Mr. Subrato Banerjee, a renowned academic and behavioral scientist; Mr. Amitabh Tiwari, a political strategist with a background in corporate banking; and Dr. Amarnath Tripathi, an expert in economic research and policy advocacy.

Each interview left us with invaluable lessons. Dr. Amarnath’s advice on the importance of fellowships and academic research, Mr. Amitabh’s insights on the integration of data and strategy in political campaigns, and Mr. Subrato’s thoughts on interdisciplinary approach to economics and curiosity in economics all offered unique perspectives on their respective domains.

The series provided us with a rich understanding of how diverse expertise can lead to innovative solutions and practical insights, shaping the way we approach challenges in economics, politics, and research.