

**Memorandum of Understanding  
Between  
Cognitive Exchange (CE)  
And  
MIT Arts, Commerce & Science College, Alandi, Pune  
For Application To  
Speech and Debate Program**

**I. MISSION:**

- Cognitive Exchange is An Education non-profit organization based out of Folsom, California, USA
- Objective is to help students to enhance key life skills like **communication, organization and leadership**
- Founded by independent professionals and students

Together, the Parties enter into this Memorandum of Understanding to mutually

- Enable Free and critical thinking in the minds of the future citizens through education, speech and debate.
- Be the incubator and enabler to help students to enhance key life skills like **communication, organization and leadership** beyond the academic curriculum

Accordingly, CE and MIT ACSC, Alandi, Pune operating under this MOU agree as follows:

**II. PURPOSE AND SCOPE**

To create a speech and debate program at

- Supported by CE. This program will establish a comprehensive Speech and Debate eco-system for the students.
- Similar programs around the world has helped schools to bring to its student population, life-skills which are not typically part of regular academics:

Communication and ability to articulate one's position based on facts

Tolerance and respect of opposing views.

Analytical and "on the feet" thinking

Enable a safe and effective environment to foster and enhance **Leadership skills**

Active participation in local, regional and global issues by researching, analyzing,



presenting and debating various topics

Minimum efforts from schools to start the program.

- No cost framework and set-up help available from CE
- Access to Cognitive Exchange network and resources
- Opportunity to gain recognition for school on multiple levels (state/national/international) by participating and winning in competitions

### III. RESPONSIBILITIES

Each party will appoint a person to serve as the official contact and coordinate the activities of each organization in carrying out this MOU. The initial appointees of each organization are:

Aishwarya Nadgauda for CE &

Prof. Kavita Waghmare for MIT ACSC, Alandi, Pune

The organizations agree to the following tasks for this MOU:

Cognitive Exchange will:

- Provide via online means a complete framework to Set-up the speech and debate club for School
- Provide Online Curriculum to conduct speech and debate training
- Rules for setting up and running a Speech and Debate club
- Provide judging criteria to measure student progress
- Online training materials including videos and others to help School's students learn various techniques for Speech and Debate
- Liaison, remotely, to work with School in all aspects of initial set up of the club as well as ongoing activities such as competitions

MIT ACSC, Alandi, Pune will:

- Assign a named liaison who will be the single point of contact for CE team members to work with the school
- Help enroll minimum 10-15 students (grades 6 - 12) from school who will participate in the program for the first year
- Provide necessary infrastructure for students to gather together to practice, compete etc.



- Assign judges/coaches on as need basis to help students
- Adhere to Cognitive Exchange rules and guidelines in conducting this speech and debate program

Both CE and MIT ACSC, Alandi, Pune agree that:

- All support provided by CE is online and remotely via tools like Skype
- This program is run mostly by students who have been part of Speech and Debate programs like the one described in this document
- Students from your school who participate and establish themselves will have similar opportunity to help other schools and students globally to develop these skills

**IV. TERMS OF UNDERSTANDING**

The term of this MOU is for a period of 2 years from the effective date of this agreement and may be extended upon written mutual agreement. It shall be reviewed at least *insert how often, usually annually* to ensure that it is fulfilling its purpose and to make any necessary revisions.

Either organization may terminate this MOU upon thirty (30) days written notice without penalties or liabilities.

**Authorization**

The signing of this MOU is not a formal undertaking. It implies that the signatories will strive to reach, to the best of their ability, the objectives stated in the MOU. On behalf of the organization I represent, I wish to sign this MOU and contribute to its further development.

For Cognitive Exchange:

Name/ Title

*[Signature]*

VAIBHAV NARAYAN

For MIT ACSC, Alandi, Pune

Dr. B.B. Waphare

(Principal)

*[Signature]*



Date Aug 8<sup>th</sup> 2015

Date 04/05/2015



Date: 8/3/2018

## **COGNITIVE EXCHANGE REPORT 2017-2018**

### **ABOUT COGNITIVE EXCHANGE:**

Cognitive Exchange is An Education non-profit organization based out of Folsom, California, USA. Cognitive Exchange started as new idea created by a group of students from Folsom, California with one objective in mind "To promote free and independent thinking to students around the world through speech and debate". The students from California are helping our students obtain important life skill beyond their basic academic curriculum. They are providing the students with the platform to discuss local and global issues. They are preparing them for their future. They aspire students gain the skill they need to become active participant in their community.

### **LEARNING OBJECTIVES:**

They help the students around the world (starting in India) develop advanced communication skills, confidence and promote free and independent thinking.

### **WHAT IS THEIR PLAN?**

Their plan is to spread this club into multiple areas through California. They want this program to be accessible to all schools and students who need it regardless of their location or financial situation.

### **SELECTION PROCESS:**

We had selected 4 to 5 students from different stream of the college. The Regional Coordinator from India Mr. Amit Deokule came to select students for first batch. The selection criteria comprises interview, on the spot speech on given topic and questions. Out of 25 students he selected 17 students for first module.



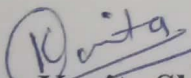
### **ABOUT MODULES AND SESSIONS:**

Cognitive Exchange program covers 4 Modules and each module comprises 8/9 sessions. The students have to undergo each module and upon successful completion of the module they deemed eligible for the subsequent module. We at MIT Arts, Commerce and Science College started with first module from 9/9/2017, the first module comprise of 8 sessions and the session duration is typically an hour. All sessions were online and were conducted through Zoom software .First 4 sessions were arranged on every Saturday at 9.00 am and remaining 4 sessions on every Monday on same time (i.e. at 9.00 am). Total 9 students were selected for the final competition which was held on 26/02/2018 (9<sup>th</sup> week from day of commencement). The criteria for students qualifying for the competition were based on the overall performance of the student

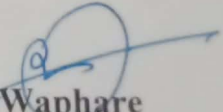
and their attendance for the entire sessions. Out of the 9 students only 6 students had participated in the competition and Miss. Sayali Dabhade won the Gold Medal. The students were felicitated on the same day and they received the certifications by hands of Mr. Amit Deokule (Regional Coordinator), and Mrs. Kavita Shinde (Coordinator MIT ACSC).

**OUTCOME:**

The course was designed in such a way that it helped the participants to learn and enhance their skills, the participants stage courage, and confidence level kept improving with each session, on the communication skills perspective ,they learned to build the speech with crisp and precise content, how to pace the speech, and put across the point to be conveyed, narrate it in front of larger audience , this has immensely helped them to learn and implement the skills which would definitely help them going forward in their respective career endeavors.



**Mrs. Kavita Shinde**  
(Coordinator)



**Dr. B.B. Waphare**  
(Principal)





## Cognitive Exchange Program, California USA

### Module -I Attendance Sheet-2017

Sr.No	NAME	STREAM	Session-1	Session-2	Session-3	Session-4	Session-5	Session-6	Session-7	Session-8	Session-9
1	Thorave Abhay	BBA	Thorave	Thorave	Thorave	Thorave	Thorave	Thorave	Thorave	Thorave	
2	Jaid Tushar	BBA	Jaid	Jaid	Jaid	Jaid	Jaid	Jaid	Jaid	Jaid	
3	Landge Kunal	BSC		AB	AB						
4	Gawande Pranav	BCA	Gawande	Gawande	Gawande	Gawande			Gawande	Gawande	
5	Harshvardhan	BCA			AB						
6	Pundkar Digvijay	BBA-IB	Digvijay	Digvijay	AB	Digvijay	Digvijay	Digvijay	Digvijay	Digvijay	Digvijay
7	Joel Sonawane Santosh	BBA	Joel	AB	AB						
8	Apurva Patil	BBA	Apurva	Apurva	AB	Apurva		Apurva	Apurva	Apurva	
9	Sneha jadhav	BBA-IB		✓	AB				Sneha	Sneha	
10	Sayii Dab'hade	BBA-IB	Sayii	AB	AB	Sayii	Sayii	Sayii	Sayii	Sayii	Sayii
11	Yerne Darpan	BBA		AB	AB		Yerne	Yerne			
12	Shinde kiran	FYBA		✓	AB					Shinde	
13	Magar Amruta	FYBA		✓	AB						
14	Gupta Amit	B.Com	Amit Gupta	Amit Gupta	Amit Gupta	Amit Gupta	Amit Gupta	Amit Gupta	Amit Gupta	Amit Gupta	Amit Gupta
15	Gupta Aditya	B.Com	Gupta	Gupta	Gupta	Gupta	Gupta	Gupta	Gupta	Gupta	Gupta
16	Ayush Satyam	B.Com		AB	AB						
17	Kabra Gaurav	B.Com	Gaurav	Gaurav	AB	Gaurav	Gaurav	Gaurav		Gaurav	


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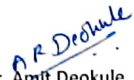
Mr. Amit Deokhule  
(Regional co-ordinator)

**Cognitive Exchange Program, California USA**  
**List of selected students for academic year 2017-18**

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13	Magar Amruta	FYBA	416amruta@gmail.com	9689137893
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15	Gupta Aditya	B.Com	guptaaditya729@gmail.com	9123271240
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