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CULINARY SHOWDOWN (15.10.2025)

Under the visionary leadership of Prof. Vinay Kumar Pathak and the inspiring guidance of Dr. Sarvesh Mani Tripathi, the School of Languages, Department of English and Modern European Languages successfully set the stage for a marvelous display of innovation in the form of "Culinary Showdown," a Non-Fire Cooking Competition, held on October 15th, 2025. The event, masterfully coordinated by Dr. Prabhat Gaurav Mishra and organized by Miss Kubra Saeed of M.A. English Second Year, challenged students to innovate the culinary arts by thinking about sustainable and safer practices without the use of fire.



The competition was filled with energy, where inventive and wholesome food creations from the various departments came forward, each plate being a statement for utmost creativity, aesthetic appeal and knowledge of nutritional values. It became an active platform for showcasing not only raw talent but also how much teamwork works and how one rises above convention and methodology. The judges from the renowned faculty made the entries on the basis of creativity, presentation, taste, time management and overall impact. The judges for the solo category were Dr. Shalini Shukla and Dr. Anjani Kumar Upadhyaya, for duet category Dr. Sonali Maurya, Dr. Diksha Shukla and Dr. Pooja Agarwal and for team category the judges were Dr. Sarvesh Mani Tripathi, Dr. Ankit Trivedi and Dr. Sumana Biswas.

The Solo Category first prize was bagged by Vivek, second by Yuvraj and third by Anshika, while Rashmi got a consolation award. The Duo Category presented a spectacular sight of coordination and partnership. The pair of Kashish and Ayushi occupied the top slot. After a close assessment, the second slot was shared between Pratyasha-Shreya and Samiya-Aastha. Consolation awards were given to Dikshita-Tanisha and Pragya-Vaishnavi. In the Team Category, Himanshi, Aiman, Muskan, Bhavna and Sakshi got first prize; Shaurya, Sonakshi and



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Anushka, second; and Arya, Shraddha, Ayushi Diwakar and Khushi won third prize. The competition reached its climax with the official declaration of results by Dr. Sumana Biswas and the vote of thanks given by Dr. Ankit Trivedi came from his heart and marked the triumphant end of an event celebrating ingenuity,



collaboration and culinary excellence in equal measures. The flawless conduct of the competition reflected the collective spirit and tireless effort of the faculty members and students across the School of Languages. The department is deeply grateful to the Honourable Vice Chancellor Prof. Vinay Kumar Pathak for his continuous encouragement, to Dr. Sarvesh Mani Tripathi for his inspiring supervision and to Dr. Prabhat Gaurav Mishra for his dedicated coordination. The event was graced with the presence and support of highly regarded faculty members including Dr. Laxman Kumar, Dr. Shri Prakash Mishra, Dr. Preeti Vardhan Dubey, Dr. Richa Shukla, Dr. Abhijit Saha, Dr. Sumit Kumar Chaudhary and Miss Sajal Arif, whose commitment in large measure enriched the proceedings. Finally we extend our sincere gratitude to the judges for their discriminating evaluations and to all the participants for their vibrant involvement, which collectively made the "Culinary Showdown" a resounding success.