

[1] A Debate Competition on ***“Should Euthanasia be Legalized”*** for the students of classes IX to XII of the East District in the ***Chintan Bhawan, East Sikkim*** on **23rdAugust, 2019 (Friday)** was organized by the Sikkim State Legal Services Authority on the directions of Executive Chairperson, Sikkim SLSA, Hon’ble Mrs. Justice Meenakshi Madan Rai.

[2] Shri Sonam Palden Bhutia, Member Secretary, Sikkim SLSA, while welcoming the participants gave a brief introduction on the topic and its relevance.

[3] The Judges for the said competition comprised of Dr. K.J. Tobgay, Principal Director, Health and Family Welfare Department, Shri A. Moulik, Senior Advocate, High Court of Sikkim and Shri B. Sharma, Senior Advocate, High Court of Sikkim.

[4] Teachers alongwith students from Tashi Namgyal Sr. Secondary School, Enchey Sr. Secondary School, Modern Sr. Secondary School, West Point Sr. Secondary School, Paljor Namgyal Girls Sr. Secondary School, Deorali Girls Sr. Secondary School and Tadong Sr. Secondary School attended the competition. A total of 09 Teachers along with 318 students attended the programme. 02 students from each school participated for and against the motion respectively.

[5] The first position went to Ms. Pragati Gurung, Class X C from Paljor Namgyal Girls Sr. Secondary School, the second position to Ms. Neha Kumari, Class XII Science from Deorali Girls Sr. Secondary School and the third position to Mr. Karma Rinzing Dorjee Bhutia, Class XII Science from Tadong Sr. Secondary School.

[6] The Ld. Judges on the panel distributed the certificates to the participating students. The vote of thanks was proposed by Mr. Bikash Sharma, Deputy Secretary, Sikkim SLSA.