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SARAS IN SIGHT OF LIT TROPHY

TINTORETTO is a game in which a team is asked to guess a personality after they are told whether he/she is dead or alive. This event, unlike the Institute Open, drew a moderate but unruly audience which kept disrupting the participants with their remarks. This tendency to chatter while a programme is going on is very distressing. A co-ordinator slogs it out to make the event interesting and the audience lets him down by not co-operating and maintaining proper decorum.

The event itself produced a lot of laughs among participants and audience alike with teams getting thoroughly confused and excited. Narmada, after confirming that it was a Muslim country, promptly enquired, "India?" Mandak wanted to know whether the personality was "famous for his notoriety."



A MISCELLANY OF CULTURAL EVENTS

The ultimate was Godavari - "Is she a male?"

Ganga, Tapti and Godav consistently did well but fortunes fluctuated so wildly that at one stage Sarayu was leading (!). Ganga led at the interval and maintained the lead till the end. Joy compered the whole show well. He had all the facts (including the data of a personality's death!) at his fingertips.

The final scores

- I Ganga (Phantom, KS Jayaram, Bucket) 9212 question seconds
- II Tapti (Devadatta, Prem Shankar, & partner) 12256 q.s.
- III Godav (Shankar, Chandu, Ramji) 12682 q.s.

EXTEMPORE DEBATE

The likes of Mr. and Mrs. Obo aren't around to tear apart topics and make mincemeat of their rivals. So, in a debate in which not one speaker was fluent all through his speech, not one speaker was outstanding or superb, it isn't quite justified to blame DJ's abstruse bent of mind when he made the topics. Poor DJ was attacked by a number of speakers who began their speeches with the likes of "I wouldn't like to call Mr. Chairman, Sir a chick, but in this case he certainly laid an egg."

The topic at hand was "To err is human, and to forgive is not company polic"," and the speaker was Ding. "First God made Adam to inhabit the earth ... and then ... er ... God erred.... Adam and Eve erred and erred and erred till they had a number of small companies."

Interjector: "Were the companies pvt. or public ltd.?"

Speaker: "In the beginning, things were very very provate. Later, they were public, but certainly not limited."

Poncho interpreted "A rolling stone gathers no boss" as "A rolling stone is a guy who's never steady with one dame - he rolls from one to another. So he gets no wife and ergo no boss." Vasant Victor was more philosophical in his approach to "It doesn't metter which side of the bread is buttered - both sides are eaten", which he construed as "fate decides your future happiness or unhappiness - there's nothing you can do about it, you just have to take the two together." Sukenya Ratnam on "A recession is no reason to skip dessert" ("We are not on a diet (?) - so why skip dessert?") shared the third place again.

1. Poncho (Sa), 2. Vasant V. (Go), 3. Sukanya (Sy) and Ding (Go). Hostelwise: 1. Saras, 2. Godav, 3. Tapti. Saras is way ahead of the rest for the Lit Trophy.