

## **CITY COLLEGE**

102/1, Raja Rammohan Sarani, Kolkata – 09

### **Department of Political Science**

Report on Departmental Debate, dated 08.04.2021

Topic: “Media has been a strong fourth arm of democracy in recent times.”

Organised by: Department of Political Science, City College.

Moderator: Prof. Aditya Kant Ghising (Assistant Professor, Dept. of Political Science)

Participants: 1st semester (Hons.) students of the Dept. of Political Science.

Team A: for the motion. | Team B: against the motion

The debate was conducted keeping in mind the mental and psychological pressures being faced by the students due to the COVID-19 induced lockdowns. As various methods of helping the students retain their focus on the subject during such unpredictable times were being discussed throughout the world, our department chose to organize a lively debate among the students of the 1<sup>st</sup> semester (Hons.). As anticipated, the debate provided much needed moral and mental boost to the students as they engaged in lively but friendly discussions as participants of either Team “A” or of Team “B”, one arguing for the motion and one, against it. This also provided a sense of direction to the faculty members as to how we could utilize the new teaching and learning methodologies to impart valuable knowledge in the absence of physical classes.