Winner announced for the Shell-partnered "Debating Matters" championship by British Council

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Delhi Public School Megacity Kolkata wins the "Debating Matters" championship

The winners of Debating Matters India competition are Delhi Public School Megacity, Kolkata. They competed against Symbiosis society of arts and commerce, Pune who were runners-up at the National Finals. The two teams debated on the motion "Alternative medicine should be embraced as an essential part of healthcare in India"

Debating Matters is a debate competition for high school students in India. The competition consists of three stages; the online elimination test, the regional finals and the national finals. It is open to students of Class XI and XII of Indian Schools.

Debating Matters is very different from traditional schools' debate competitions in India. The emphasis is entirely on content of the argument rather than style and diction. The format aims to engage students in debating the complexities of real world issues, like free speech, clinical trials, role of pluralism and diversity in India.