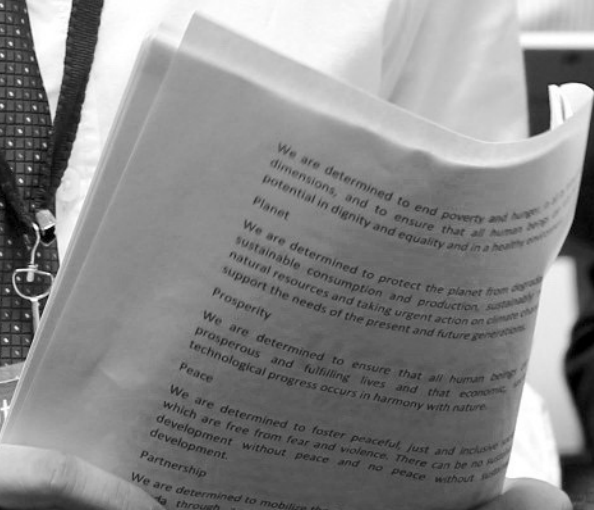


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Day 1

9TH Rhythm

The Opening Ceremony

"I keep six honest serving-men
(They taught me all I knew);
Their names are What and Why and
When
And How and Where and Who.
I send them over land and sea,
I send them east and west,
But after they have worked for me,
I give them all a rest."

Rudyard Kipling's Six Honest Serving-Men, are the leaders the world needs right now. They are the ones who will lead us to the Utopia we seek.

The day started with a quote urging us to replace the old paradigm of war with a new paradigm of peace. This made the delegates and the International Press realise these three days will be equal parts serious deliberation, equal parts fun. The opening ceremony was graced by the presence of Aditi ma'am.

She started her speech with a story of the venerated Buddha, which inspired the young delegates to step up to the mantle of being international changemakers. A short movie gave us an insight into the five committees of the conference and what their agendas would include.

The pitter-patter of the rain was almost like a metaphor, which simulated the hope that the delegates carry on their shoulders. The first day went by in a blur, with all committees witnessing fruitful debate. The foundation for a successful conference seems to have been laid today.

~Jahnavi Mukul
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