

Hey Students,

When we The Times of India, Student Edition set out on our hunt for the Times NIE Star Correspondent of the month:



a student writer who has a lot to say on the world around him/her, little did we know that the response would be so overwhelming. And we thank you for the same. Last we asked you this: *What's the one*

question you would like to ask the president of India and why? This month, the Times NIE Star Correspondent for the Student Edition is Kanika Jain, a class X student of Aditya Birla World Academy, Mumbai.

DEAR PREZ, How about improving Parliamentary efficiency?

All of us are quite aware that India has quite an inefficient Parliament where our politicians refuse to agree on one particular issue. The Parliament has now become a platform where politicians can cause a hullabaloo if their whims are not obeyed. Whenever I picture a session in the Parliament, I



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Meet Kanika Jain

- She has a passion for reading, exceptionally extraordinary words and occasionally writing
- She's has a hard time being politically correct and is a staunch supporter of the 'tell it like it is' policy
- She adores Harry Potter and people who do not argue with her



think of old men and women arguing, yelling, throwing chairs at each other and storming out of committee at the slightest provocation. This is

what majority of our youth thinks that Parliament is all about. There are several bills in the Parliament which may actually help India

progress but are not passed due to the inability of our politicians to come to a consensus. These bills include the Lokpal and Lokayukta Bills, the Universities for Research and Innovation Bill, the Indian Forest (Amendment) Bill and many others. All these bills have been in committee for months but no action is being taken. We Indians would also appreciate a more transparent Parliamentary process.

I'm not blaming anyone, but a few political reforms wouldn't cause any harm. It will only cause the government to regain India's trust and today's Gen Y to finally show some interest towards politics. Not too bad a result, is it?

