



Policy Recommendations from SIPG Policy Debate-3 on "How logical is it to show Hindi movies in Bangladeshi theaters?"

SIPG Policy Debate 3 on "How logical is it to show Hindi movies in Bangladeshi theaters?" was held at NSU on 28 May 2023. It was organized by the SIPG in collaboration with the Media and Journalism (MAJ) program of North South University. This debate program was open to all students of NSU and they participated in it with great interest. In the debate students and faculty members spontaneously shared their opinion. The following are the key points from the debate:

- 1. More than 85% of the participants believe that we should allow hindi movies in Bangladeshi Cinema Halls
- 2. Government can alternatively allow dubbed movies to preserve linguistic and cultural intrusion. It will also be accessible to a larger audience.
- 3. Only a certain number of movies should be allowed to be shown in every year
- 4. Ensure all imported Hindi movies undergo a review process by a designated committee to ascertain that the content is culturally appropriate and respectful to the Bangladeshi audience.
- 5. Establish a fair and transparent taxation system for the screening of Hindi movies, and use part of the revenue to support the local film industry.
- 6. Promote investment in cinema halls to improve the film-watching experience, making it more appealing to audiences, thereby boosting ticket sales for all movies, including Hindi films

