- **1.** Title of the Practice: The Economist of the Year (EOTY)
- 2. Objectives of the Practice: The Economist of the Year (EOTY) is the annual Flagship event of the Symbiosis School of Economics (SSE), which was started in 2017. As of May 2022, the event has successfully completed five years since its inception.
 - The event aims at exploring and challenging the economist within each one of us.
 - It aims to offer a platform to students from across the country, to showcase their economic skills in a stimulating array of events.
 - It also aims to inculcate team-building spirit and event management skills amongst students.
- **3.** The Context: The annual flagship event tests students on various parameters such as analytical abilities, critical thinking, research aptitude, problem solving skills and general knowledge. Young economists play an essential role in shaping the future. The event gives talented students the chance to share their perspectives on today's challenges.

4. The Practice:

- The competition usually comprises 4-5 events, where each participant has to use and apply not only their academic intellect but also formulate solutions using their problem solving abilities.
- The competition is composed of several rounds, each testing wit, teamwork, and cognizance of students and culminates in the Grand Finale which is called The Panel Discussion, where students discuss pertinent socio-economic issues of present times.
- Each year the competition has a new and contemporary theme such as gender equality and climate change.
- The winner of the panel discussion round is awarded the title of "Economist of The Year".
- All competitions are judged by an esteemed panel of judges who are stalwarts in their field.
- **5. Evidence of Success:** The EOTY continues to perceive growth in passion and has received huge participation from students, all across the country. The competition has also acted as a branding activity for SSE.
- 6. Problems Encountered and Resources Required: The competition requires a lot of planning and event management skills, which may not be widely seen in students. Corporations and coordination is required among students and between faculty members.



