

ESSAY COMPETITION-CUM-YOUNG SCHOLARS' SEMINAR- 2019 - 2020

The Council holds an Essay Competition-cum-Seminar every year for the young scholars on the selected themes. For the year 2019-20, the theme of the competition is “*National Integration: Problem and Solutions*” or “राष्ट्रीय एकता: समस्या एवम समाधान” to be held in April/ May 2020 (tentative)”. Young scholars belonging to any discipline, in the age group between approximately 20 - 25 years as on as on 25.03.2020 may send their essays on the above theme.

The essays will be evaluated by three judges independently, mainly on the basis of the following criteria:

1. Logical and systematic analysis of the Theme;
2. Relevance of the subject under reference within the context of contemporary thought;
3. Impartial elucidation of issues, precisely and point-wise;
4. Constructive, creative and synthetic approach to issues without prejudice or bias of any kind.

Interested eligible participants may submit their essays along with the prescribed format filled with required information and authorization and the supporting documents as specified below. The essay along with all attachments may be sent through speed post / courier only to:

The Director (A), Indian Council of Philosophical Research, ACADEMIC CENTRE, 3/9, Vipul Khand, Gomti Nagar, Lucknow – 226010

The last date for receipt of essays is 25th March, 2020. On the basis of evaluation, approximately 40-45 competitors will be invited to participate in a seminar. The competitors shall present their papers in the seminar by reading it in 10 to 15 minutes (approx.) or by power point presentation, and take part in the discussion on the papers. The final award shall be decided on the basis of the quality of the essay and the participation in the seminar.

The ICPR will make arrangements for the boarding and lodging for the young Scholars participating in the seminar. The final decision for the awards will be on the basis of the overall performance of the participants in the seminar. **First Prize - Rs. 25,000/-, Second Prize -Rs. 20,000/-, Third Prize -Rs. 15,000/-.**

Documents to be prepared and sent for the competition:

- (a) The application filled in hand writing by the candidate and certified by the authority. This should be kept as first page.

(b) The Essay should be prepared in English or Hindi with clear and legible hand written or typed format keeping sufficient space between lines, consisting of about 3000 words (approx.), using one side of A4 Size papers and keeping left, right, top and bottom margins. Word count of each page by the candidate must be written at the left side margin of the same page and under it the candidate needs to sign with date. Quotations, if any, must be kept within double inverted commas (at beginning and at ending of the quoted contents); the quotations should be numbered in the super script, and the original source of the quotations must be mentioned with full bibliographical data at the end of the essay. The bibliographical data will not be counted within stipulated word count.

(c) A self-attested copy of Institutional ID Card of the candidate clearly showing the batch, course and enrolled no. of the candidate.

(d) A self-attested copy of any ID Card issued by Govt.

(e) A self-attested copy of any age proof certificate.

(f) Only Indian Citizens & bonafide Students or Research Scholars are eligible to participate in the essay competition.

The initial submission of the Essay should be made in hard copy, through speed post / courier only. The centre will not be responsible for any postal delay or missing. The candidate can track delivery of their postage online. After one week of dispatching their essay, an enquiry may be sought over 0522-2392636 in official hours, between Monday to Friday. The same number and timing may be used for any other clarification / help. All correspondence regarding selection etc., will be conveyed through email to the candidate.

The decision of the panel of experts with regard to the evaluation of essays and the selection of the prize winners will be final and no appeal for reassessment will be entertained.

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APPLICATION FORMAT

1. Name of the Candidate:

(Any personal ID Card issued by Govt., must be provided.)

2. Mother's Name:

Father's Name:

3. Address of correspondence (in capital letters):

4. Mobile No.:

5. (a) Email ID :

(b) Repeat the same Email ID as above in clear capital letter:

6. (a) Date of Birth:

(b) Age as 25.03.2020:

(Self attested copy of the age proof certificate must be provided.) (DD/MM/YYYY)

7. (a) Gender:

(b) Nationality:

8. (a) Qualification / Degree (already passed):

(b) Qualification / Degree currently pursuing:

(Discipline & Class / Batch / Course / Stage):

9. Name and address of the affiliated Institution / College / University (Institutional ID Card must be provided):

10. Self Certification of the Candidate:

This is to certify that the Essay entitled

is my original writing and is not given for publication or is published anywhere.

(Signature of the Candidate with date)

11. Institutional / authorized Certification by the authority, to be given by a Teacher / HOD / Principal of Institution / Department / College / University, concerned with the student / candidate:

12. This is to certify that the candidate Mr / Ms. is a bona fide student of the Institution / College / University as specified above. To the best of my knowledge he / she has written the essay by himself/herself. His / her age proof certificate and institutional ID Card are also appropriate for consideration.

(Signature of the certifying authority with date)

Name of the certifying authority:

Designation of the certifying authority along with Official Seal