

Indira Gandhi National Centre for the Arts, Ministry of Culture along with Centre for Cultural Resources and Training (CCRT) is glad to announce the launch of 'Online Essay Writing Competition' for school students. The essay competition has been themed "Ideas of Mahatma Gandhi" on the occasion of celebration of Gandhi Jayanti. Students can participate in the competition by mailing their entries with prescribed form by September 14, 2020.

The competition is a part of the commemoration of 150th Birth centenary celebration of Mahatma Gandhi in the country. Whilst we aim to provide tribute to Gandhi Ji, The theme focus on presenting his idea of Bharat by reminding the relevance of Gandhi's lessons in building an Independent and strong nation committed to the welfare of all. It is a clarion call by the Honorable Prime Minister of India Shri Narendra Modi for a strong, vibrant and self-reliant India for all.

This competition brings you great opportunity to understand deeds, policies, life style and teachings of Gandhi ji. We wait for your authentic thoughts and creative written expressions.

Subjects of Essay writing

Junior Group (9-13Years), any one topic given below (Limit- 400 words).

- (a) Gandhi ji and Idea(Concept) of Clean India(Swachch Bharat)
- (b) Gandhi ji's Weapon – Non-Violence
- (c) Karmyogi Gandhi

Senior Group (14-18 Years), any one topic given below (Limit- of 550 words).

- Gandhi ji and skill Development
- Significance of Gandhi ji during Covid-19
- Gram Swarajya and Gandhi(Rural Independence and Gandhi)

All the winners will be awarded with prize money along with merit certificate, the amount of the prize money are as follows:

Junior Group

- First Prize - (21,000/-) – (One in Hindi and one in English)
- Second Prize - (11,000/-) – (One in Hindi and one in English)
- Third Prize - (5,100/-) –(One in Hindi and one in English)
- Promotional Prize- (2,100/-)- (Five in Hindi and Five in English)

Senior Group

- First Prize - (21,000/-) – (One in Hindi and one in English)
- Second Prize- (11,000/-) – (One in Hindi and one in English)
- Third Prize - (5,100/-) - (One in Hindi and one in English)
- Promotional Prize- (2,100/-)- (Five in Hindi and five in English)

Dear Children, We are happy to note that you have decided to participate in the Essay writing competition organized by IGNSA and CCRT, working under the Ministry of Culture, Government of India. You might have heard and read a lot about Gandhi ji and also seen his videos/films. This competition brings you great opportunity to understand his deed, policies, life style and teachings. We wait for your authentic thoughts and creative written expressions.

Kindly fill the form:

- **Junior (English)** <https://forms.gle/zyYh7w6Rq6D2sS29A>
- **Senior (English)** <https://forms.gle/q9bMpAjJz9g1tfgMA>

The Terms and Conditions of the Competition are given below for your careful reading.

- 1) The Contest is open to Indian Nationals only.
- 2) Age groups—
Junior Group- 9 to 13 Years -- Children born between 01.07.2006 and 30.06.2011 (both days inclusive).
Senior Group—14 to 18 Years Children born between 01.07.2002 and 30.06.2006(both days inclusive) The participants are required to attach a self attested copy of Date of Birth Certificate issued by any local Govt. authority.
- 3) Essay will be accepted in **Hindi or English** Language only.
- 4) The participant must be the sole author and owner of the copyright of the content submitted and the same should not have been previously published in any print and digital media.
- 5) The entry must not contain any provocative, objectionable or inappropriate content.
- 6) IGNSA and CCRT do not accept any liability for the publication of unlawfully reproduced contents.
- 7) IGNSA and CCRT take no responsibility for corrupted or late entry.
- 8) In case entry is found incorrect or not in accordance with the mentioned conditions, the Organizers have full rights to disqualify and will not entertain any correspondence in this regard.
- 9) **Entries duly completed must be submitted using the online application system before 11:30 pm IST on or before 14 September, 2020.**
- 10) Entry must be submitted on the link only.
- 11) **The result of the competition will also be uploaded on the website of the IGNSA and CCRT. The Winners will be informed through email.**
- 12) Attached document must be in Typed or scanned copy of Hand written(in Pdf format)
- 13) Criteria of Assessment ---
 - (a) Understanding of Topic – 20 Marks
 - (b) Grip on Language - 20 Marks
 - (c) Truth worthiness - 20 Marks
 - (d) Originality with Rationality – 20 Marks
 - (e) Creativity – 20 MarksTotal – 100 Marks