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Notification

To

The Heads of all recognized Secondary Schools of the Board.

Sub :- National Level painting, Essay writing & Quiz competition 2016 conducting by PCRA
(Petroleum Conservation Research Association) from 16th August 2016.

It is hereby notified that PCRA has arranged National level competitions on Painting, Essay writing and Quiz for school children from 16th August 2016.

In this connection, he/she is being requested to go through the Circular and Instruction of PCRA enclosed herewith to motivate or encourage the students of his/her school to participate in the competition.

His/her co-operation for effective participation of the students will be highly appreciated.

Deputy Secretary(Academic)
& S.P.I.O.(H.Q)



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PETROLEUM CONSERVATION RESEARCH ASSOCIATION

(तेल एवं प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्रालय, भारत सरकार)
(MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS, GOVT. OF INDIA)

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PCRA/EC/16-17/ Competition/2016

4th August, 2016

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Chairman
West Bengal Board Of Secondary
Education Nivedita Bhawan,
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Kolkatta-700091.

Subject - **National Level Painting, Essay Writing & Quiz Competitions for School Children to promote awareness on Conservation of Petroleum Products, with prizes as Trip to Japan, Laptops and Cash Prizes to be won.**

Dear Sir,

Petroleum Conservation Research Association is an Autonomous body under the Ministry of Petroleum & Natural gas, working with an objective of promoting energy conservation and efficiency in various sectors of economy.

It is our endeavour to reach out to our young sensitive minds to imprint the message of importance of conservation of fuel. We believe, this can be best achieved by giving opportunity to these creative minds to express themselves in colour and words. With this objective in mind, last year we had initiated PCRA competitions on a national level, to reach even the remotest corner of our country.

With your cooperation and intervention we were very successful in this endeavour. I take this opportunity to share with you that 4.8 lakhs children, from 4629 schools and 49 educational boards participated last year. The highlight of the event was receiving all entries through digital means. We thank you for issuing instructions to all schools under your jurisdiction for their whole hearted participation.

The national level winners were felicitated during OGCF 2016 in a grand function at Delhi by Hon'ble Minister of Petroleum & Natural Gas and were taken on a tour to Japan.

This year we propose to conduct a Nationwide Painting competition in 2 categories, Essay competition in 23 Languages, and a quiz competition **commencing from 16th August 2016 for a period of two months**. We are targeting to reach one crore children. To achieve this objective, we have developed a Web Portal and a Mobile App for schools and school children to participate in the above competitions and send their entries through digital media of the PCRA's Web-Portal www.pcracompetitions.org and Mobile Application Pcra-competitions. Detailed instructions for conducting the competitions are available on this portal.

The incentive awards for the competition have been made very attractive, in the form of Cash Prize, Laptops, including a study tour to JAPAN. We shall indeed be grateful if this competition is announced and published widely through your website and mails are sent to all schools under your jurisdiction.

An additional impetus is requested from your end for ensuring that maximum number of schools participate in this National Competition. A follow up during the period of competitions for extensive participation is also requested.

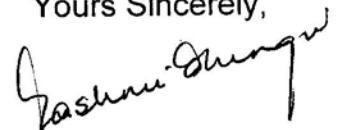
The details of the Competitions in the attached Circular, may be issued to all Schools registered with your Board / State. For any further queries on the subject the schools may contact our Help Desk on phone nos. 011-26715360, E-mail.: contact@pcracompetitions.org.

I also request you to kindly share the details of PGT teachers enrolled with your board, for each of the constitutional languages and painting. This is required to enable us enrol them as jury members for the said competition. We would require their contact number, email IDs, Name of the school and the subject (name of the language).

We appreciate your cooperation for making these competitions a grand success for a better tomorrow.

Thanking You,

Yours Sincerely,



Rashmi Dhingra
Director (Education Campaign)



Ministry of Petroleum & Natural Gas
Government of India



Petroleum Conservation Research Association

**SAVE FUEL
MONEY
ENVIRONMENT**

**PCRA NATIONAL COMPETITIONS 2016
ESSAY, PAINTING & QUIZ**

CIRCULAR

Petroleum Conservation Research Association, under the aegis of Ministry of Petroleum & Natural Gas, Govt. of India, is committed to make oil conservation a National Movement. As a part of its mandate, various literary and cultural events are conducted for school students. The Essay writing, Painting and Quiz competitions aim to raise awareness among youth about practical conservation tips for the conservation of Petroleum products in industrial, transportation, agriculture and domestic sectors, and how to practice such conservation in their daily lives.

For effective communication, students may choose to present their ideas and messages for conserving petroleum products and reducing emissions, in English, Hindi or Regional languages.

Four Competitions are being conducted by PCRA

- A : Essay
- B : Painting
- C : Quiz for selecting school District, State and Zonal teams. Zonal teams shall participate for National Finals.
- D : Individual Quiz for achieving Bronze, Silver or Gold Level.

Attractive Prizes to be Won



NATIONAL WINNERS : 27 ALL EXPENSES PAID JAPAN TRIP AND A LAPTOP EACH
(ONE FOR EACH LANGUAGE, ONE FOR PAINTING IN EACH CATEGORY AND TWO FOR QUIZ TEAM)



SECOND PRIZE : 27 LAPTOPS + CASH PRIZES
(ONE FOR EACH LANGUAGE ONE FOR PAINTING IN EACH CATEGORY AND TWO FOR QUIZ + RS.15000 EACH)



THIRD PRIZE : 27 LAPTOPS
(ONE FOR EACH LANGUAGE ONE FOR PAINTING IN EACH CATEGORY AND TWO FOR QUIZ)

**# BEST TWO STUDENTS FROM EACH SCHOOL, IN EACH OF THE CATEGORIES:
CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION**

COMPETITION A -ESSAY COMPETITIONS INSTRUCTIONS

1. Only schools in India recognized by Central & State Boards of India, can participate.
2. It is mandatory for the Schools to conduct the competition during school hours in a fair manner (Principal's certificate is mandatory).
3. Schools can conduct Essay competitions in one or more of the following languages- Hindi, English, Assamese, Bengali, Gujarati, Kannada, Kashmiri, Konkani, Malayalam, Manipuri, Marathi, Oriya, Punjabi, Sanskrit, Sindhi, Tamil, Telugu, Urdu, Maithili, Dogri, Nepali, Bodo and Santhali. However, a minimum of 15 students must participate in each language in which the school submits its entry.
4. Eligibility: Students of classes 8 – 10.
5. One student can participate in only one language.
6. Essay should not exceed 700 words.
7. Student must submit essay in his/her own handwriting.
8. Topic:

बेहतर पर्यावरण एवम स्वास्थ्य के लिए तेल बचत
Save Fuel for Better Environment and Health

9. Time Limit: 1 Hour
10. School is required to evaluate the entries, and upload best two entries in each language, in which the competition has been conducted at the school, on www.pcracompetitions.org. For further details, please refer to this portal.
11. Competition Period: 16.08.2016 to 15.10.2016. Last entry on 15.10.2016 before 1500 Hours.
12. The topics of the essay competition may be displayed prominently, at least a week in advance. Schools can advise students to prepare in advance for the scheduled competition. This shall enable the participants to obtain relevant information from various sources. This exercise is focused on increasing awareness in young minds for the National cause of Conservation of Fuel and Environment protection.

It is advisable that the documentary on PCRA, which gives a brief on 'Conservation of Fuel' is shown to the children before the start of the competition. This is available on our website www.pcra.org

Please check our portal www.pcracompetitions.org or website www.pcra.org/competitions.html for more details or contact PCRA on: **011-26715360** or email : **contact@pcracompetitions.org**

IMPORTANT GUIDELINES

1. The decision of the Jury/Expert committee will be final and binding in respect of all matters concerning the competition.
2. Plagiarism will lead to cancelation of entry.
3. In case the participation in a particular language is very low, the prize winning entries shall be evaluated by an expert/ jury, appointed by PCRA. If the best entries do not conform to the general standard of entries in other languages, PCRA reserves its right to rationalize the prizes for that particular language. The decision of PCRA in this regard will be final and binding.
4. The essay & painting entries submitted would be the sole property of PCRA, with rights to use and right to edit for any purpose it considers appropriate.
5. Children of employees of PCRA are not eligible for the prizes.
6. Schools should try to hold the competitions as early as possible to avoid last minute rush in submission.
7. The final results shall be announced in December 2016. The awards will be distributed in the inaugural function of the Oil & Gas Conservation Fortnight 2017, during the 2nd half of January 2017.
8. The unique experience of the last year's winners is shared on PCRA website as "Competitions 2015"
9. The National Winners of previous year's competitions are not eligible for prizes of this competition.

COMPETITION B -PAINTING COMPETITIONS INSTRUCTIONS

1. Only schools in India recognized by Central & State Boards of India, can participate.
2. It is mandatory for the Schools to conduct the competition during school hours in a fair manner (Principal's certificate is mandatory).
3. Eligibility: Two categories:
 - a. Students of classes 5 – 7 (Junior)
 - b. Students of classes 8 – 10 (Senior)
4. School can conduct competitions in any one or both the categories. However, a minimum of 30 students must participate in each category in which the school submits its entry.
5. Use only A3 size art sheet. The work may be executed using pencils, pencil colours, crayons, water colours etc. Use of Collage/Patchwork is not permitted in the paintings at all levels of competition.
6. Topic:

स्वच्छ ईंधन बेहतर जीवन
Clean Fuel Better Life

7. Time Limit: 2 Hours
8. School is required to evaluate the entries for each category, and upload best two entries in each category (Junior/Senior), in which the competition has been conducted at the school, on www.pcracompetitions.org. For more details, please refer to this portal.
9. Competition Period: 16.08.2016 to 15.10.2016. Last entry on 15.10.2016 before 1500 Hours.
10. The topic of painting competition may be displayed prominently, at least a week in advance. Schools can advise students to prepare in advance for the scheduled competition. This shall enable the participants to obtain relevant information from various sources. This exercise is focused on increasing awareness in young minds for the National cause of Conservation of Fuel and Environment protection.
It is advisable that the documentary on PCRA, which gives a brief on 'Conservation of Fuel' is shown to the children before the start of the competition. This is available on our website www.pkra.org
11. The students whose paintings are adjudged in the best 50 paintings in each category, on All India basis, will be invited to participate in a National Final round at Delhi. PCRA shall bear the expenses of travel, and the best 50 in each category shall be advised on the same.

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IMPORTANT GUIDELINES

1. The decision of the Jury/Expert committee will be final and binding in respect of all matters concerning the competition.
2. The painting entries submitted would be the sole property of PCRA, with rights to use and right to edit for any purpose it considers appropriate.
3. Children of employees of PCRA are not eligible for the prizes.
4. Schools should try to hold the competitions as early as possible to avoid last minute rush in submission.
5. The final results shall be announced in December 2016. The awards will be distributed in the inaugural function of the Oil & Gas Conservation Fortnight 2017, during the 2nd half of January 2017.
6. The unique experience of the last year's winners is shared on PCRA website as "Competitions 2016"
7. The National Winners of previous year's competitions are not eligible for prizes of this competition.

COMPETITION C - SCHOOL QUIZ COMPETITION INSTRUCTIONS

Only schools in India recognized by Central & State Boards of India, can participate.

2. This competition shall be conducted only online through web portal www.pcracompetitions.org and mobile application [PCRA-Competitions](#) available on Android/Windows/IOS Platform to participate. A minimum of 30 students must be registered by the school, for becoming eligible to form a school team for next round.

First Round	School Level	Minimum 30 students should participate. Best two students from each school will be selected for the next level
Second Round	District Level	Those who clear second round will be eligible for state level competition
Third Round	State Level	Those who clear third round will be eligible to participate in offline zonal quiz competition
Fourth Round	Zonal Level	Winners of Zonal round shall be invited to participate in the National level competition
Fifth Round	National Level	National winners shall be felicitated at the Inaugural function of OGCF 2017 in January'17.

First three levels are online quiz rounds. Round 4 and 5 are "Live" competitions

3. It is mandatory for the Schools to conduct the competitions during school hours in a fair manner. For the first round, school will get **ONLY SEVEN DAYS** from the start of the first participant entry. All participants (minimum 30) from the school must complete the online quiz within 7 days of start of first participant.
4. Eligibility: Students of classes 8 – 10.
5. Questions shall pertain to Agriculture, Conservation, Petroleum, Environment, Transport, General Studies and other categories.
6. The schools shall register the names of all Students against the school ID on the portal www.pcracompetitions.org and all the students can then participate as Individuals in **First Round**. Each student shall be given a time limit of 10 minutes to attempt 10 questions.
7. Software will select the two best scoring participants, who will form the **School team**.
8. The School team will then participate in the second round which will be called **District level round**. This round will have 15 questions with a time limit of 10 minutes. The last date for participating at District level is 4th Oct. 2016.
9. The best school team at District level will participate in third round to identify **State Level Winners**. This round will have 30 questions with a time limit of 15 minutes
10. The Window for State level shall open on 5th Oct. 2016 & last date for participating at State level is 15th Oct 2016.
11. The State Level winners (school team) shall participate in a "Live Quiz Round" for deciding the **Zonal Finalists**. These finalists shall be invited for Zonal round in their respective Zone and the date and venue shall be communicated by email to the schools.
12. The Zonal Finalists will be invited to participate at the **National Finals** round at Delhi.
13. PCRA shall bear expenses of travel and winners shall be communicated about the same.
14. Competition Period: 16.08.2016 to 15.10.2016 for online Quiz competition only
15. It is advisable that the documentary on PCRA, which gives a brief on '**Conservation of Fuel**' is shown to the children before the start of the competition. This is available on our website www.pkra.org

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IMPORTANT GUIDELINES

1. The decision of the Jury/Expert committee will be final and binding in respect of all matters concerning the competition.
2. Children of employees of PCRA are not eligible for the prizes.
3. Schools should try to hold the competitions as early as possible to avoid last minute rush.
4. Final round will be completed in December 2016. The awards will be distributed in the inaugural function of the Oil & Gas Conservation Fortnight 2017, during the 2nd fortnight of January 2017.
5. The unique experience of the last year's winners is shared on PCRA website as "Competitions 2016"
6. The National Winners of previous year's competitions are not eligible for prizes of this competition.

COMPETITION D - INSTRUCTIONS FOR INDIVIDUAL QUIZ COMPETITION FOR SCHOOL CHILDREN

1. Only students from Central & State Boards in India, can participate.
2. This competition is independent from Competition 'C' which is to select the school team. In this Individual competition, students if qualify a level, will get a certificate.
3. This competition shall be conducted only online through web portal www.pcracompetitions.org and mobile application PCRA-competitions available on Android/Windows/IOS Platform.
4. Student may register online and upload scanned copy or photo of I-card of school or certificate of Principal school or enter school registration/admission number. A UID and password will be sent to his/her email ID for participation
5. Eligibility: Students of age 13-17 years (students born on or after 01.04.1999 and on or before 31.03.2003)
6. Questions shall pertain to Agriculture, Conservation, Environment, Energy & Fuel, Transport, General Studies and other categories.
7. Competition Period: 16.08.16 – 31.01.17
8. First Level Quiz will have 10 questions with a time limit of 10 minutes.

If the participant answers 6 or more questions correctly, an online certificate of proficiency (Bronze Level) is issued and this can be downloaded from the portal itself after participation period for next round. The second window shall open on qualifying the first level, and will remain open for seven days from date of qualification. 1st round will be open till 1500 hrs on 17 January 2017.
9. Second Level Quiz will have 15 questions with a time limit of 10 minutes.

If the participant answers 10 or more questions correctly, an online certificate of proficiency (Silver Level) is issued and this can be downloaded from the portal itself after participation period for next round. He/she becomes eligible for Final level, and this window will open after qualification in the 2nd level and will remain open for seven days. 2nd round will be open till 1500 hrs on 24th January 2017, and
10. Final Level Quiz will have 30 questions with a time limit of 15 minutes.

If the child answers 25 or more correctly, an online certificate of proficiency (Gold Level) is issued and this can be downloaded from the portal itself. 3rd / final round will be open till 1500 hrs on 31st January 2017.
11. The decision of PCRA will be final and binding in respect of all matters concerning the competition.
12. Children are advised to see the documentary on PCRA, which gives a brief on 'Conservation of Fuel', and read other material available on our website www.pkra.org as well as other websites on internet, before taking the quiz.

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