

**NATIONAL YOUTH PARLIAMENT
COMPETITION SCHEME**

FOR

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1. Objective of the Youth Parliament Competition Scheme

With a view to strengthening the roots of democracy, inculcate healthy habits of discipline, tolerance of the views of others and to enable the student community to know something about the working of Parliament, the Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs have decided in consultation with the Navodaya Vidyalaya Samiti to introduce a scheme of National Youth Parliament competition in Navodaya Vidyalayas throughout the country and to hold annually competition of 'Youth Parliament' among the Navodaya Vidyalayas.

2. Eligibility for entry into the Competition

The scheme would be applicable to all the Navodaya Vidyalayas in the country. The selection of participating Vidyalayas will be done by the Navodaya Vidyalaya Samiti and intimate to Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs. The number of schools for participation during each year will be decided in consultation with the Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs.

3. Period during which the competition will be held

The Competition will be held every year during a period considered to be convenient to the Samiti and the Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs.

4. Duration of Youth Parliament sitting

The duration of the sitting of the 'Youth Parliament' should not exceed 55 minutes. Out of this 10-12 minutes may be devoted to Questions and the remaining time be utilized for discussion on Bills, Motions or Resolutions, etc.

5. Subjects for discussion at the Youth Parliament

It would be desirable that the matters raised in the Youth Parliament may relate to the subject as of welfare activities, defence of the country, social justice, social reforms, economic development, communal harmony, health, student's discipline etc. No direct or indirect remarks may be made in the speeches so as to cast as persons on the political parties or leaders/persons etc. It is suggested that particular stress may be given on the concept of human rights and at least one item of business on this subject may invariably be included.

6. Language

The participants may speak in English/Hindi

7. Venue

Each Institution shall ordinarily hold the Youth Parliament sitting in its own premises.

8. Outline of the Scheme

The Competitions will be held in two phases - first at Regional level and then at National level.

The Competitions at regional level will be held among such Vidyalayas of the respective regions as are sponsored for the Competition by the Navodaya Vidyalaya Samiti from that region. This would be conducted under the supervision of Navodaya Vidyalaya Samiti authorities. The Competition at National level will be held among the Navodaya Vidyalayas which stand first in their respective regions in the regional level competitions.

Based on the evaluation conducted by a team of judges consisting of an MP/Ex-MP, Officer of the Navodaya Vidyalaya Samiti and Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs at the National level a merit list to declare national winners would be drawn.

9. Orientation Course

To acquaint teachers–in-charge of organizing ‘Youth Parliament’ in the participating Vidyalayas with the concept and background of the scheme, the Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs in co-operation with the Navodaya Vidyalayas Samiti shall organize an orientation course in New Delhi during the period convenient to Navodaya Vidyalayas.

10. Committee of Judges

The Competition at Regional and National levels will be evaluated by a three member committee of judges.

The committee of judges for evaluation of performance of the competing Vidyalayas at the regional level shall be constituted by the Assistant Commissioner, N.V.S. or the respective regions and shall consist of :-

1. MP/Ex-MP/MLA/MLC/Ex-MLA/Ex-MLC
2. An officer of the Navodaya Vidyalaya Samiti of the respective region.
3. Principal of non-participating Vidyalaya of the region or some local prominent educationist.

The Committee of judges for evaluation competition at National level shall be constituted by the Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs and shall consist of:-

1. Member of Parliament/Ex-Members of Parliament;
2. An Officer of the Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs; and
3. An Officer of the Navodaya Vidyalaya Samiti(Hqrs.)

11.T.A./D.A.

Members /Ex-Members of Parliament associated with the evaluation of these competitions shall be paid DA for the day they are associated as one of the judges. The expenditure in this regard shall be borne by the Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs in accordance with the rules and regulations applicable to them. Other Officers concerned with the activity will draw their T.A./D.A. from their own organizations as per their entitlement.

12. Consideration for drawing up the merit List.

The Committee of judges shall keep in view the following points while assessing the performance of institutions:-

	Marks
(i) Discipline and Decorum	10
(ii) Observance of Parliamentary Procedure.....	20
(iii) Selection of subject for questions and supplementaries and quality of answers thereto ...	20
(iv) Selection of subjects for Debates.....	10
(v) Quality of speeches delivered, standard of Debates	30
(vi) General Assessment of the performance as a whole	10
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13. Prizes

Following Prizes will be awarded:-

(a) Running Shield

‘Nehru Running shield’ will be awarded to the Navodaya Vidyalaya declared first at the national Level competition. If a particular Vidyalayas wins the shield for three consecutive years, it will be retained permanently by that Vidyalayas.

(b) Trophies

- (i) The Vidyalaya declared first in the competition will also be awarded another merit trophy; and
- (ii) One Trophy each will be awarded to the Vidyalayas which stand first in their respective regions at the regional level competition.

These trophies will be retained by the winning Vidyalayas.

(c) Medals/Cups

Prizes and Certificates will be awarded to students of each of the participating Vidyalayas selected by the evaluating panel for their meritorious performance. At the Regional Level a maximum of six students would be selected by the evaluating panel for the prizes and certificates. At the National Level a maximum of eight students would be selected by the evaluating panel for the Prizes and Certificates.

14. Certificates

- (i) A certificate shall be issued by the Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs to each Vidyalaya for standing first in the Competition at national level/ for standing first at regional level/for participation in the competition, depending upon the position of each participating Vidyalaya in the Competition.
- (ii) A certificate shall also be issued to teacher-in-charge of organizing 'Youth Parliament Sitting' in each Vidyalaya participating in the competition and to each of the prize winning students at regional level Competition.

- (iii) Besides the prizes the prize winning students will also be awarded certificates indicating their level of participation and position in the Competitions.

15. Repeat performance and Distribution of prizes

The Navodaya Vidyalaya, adjudged best in the competition will give a Repeat performance of their sitting of Youth Parliament before a select audience in a Prize Distribution function to be organized by the Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs in New Delhi. The Running shield/trophies to the Vidyalayas standing first at national/Regional Level, will be awarded by the Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs to such Vidyalayas in the function. Besides, prize-winning students of Vidyalaya standing first at national level will also be awarded medals/certificates in this function.

The Central Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs will fix a date and venue for the function. The prizes shall be distributed by a high dignitary. Invitations to VIPs and others for attending this function will be issued by the Central Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs which shall bear the entire expenditure on this function, such as :-

Expenditure on :

- (a) Rent of the Hall/Shamiana;
- (b) Lighting and Seating arrangements;
- (c) Printing of invitation cards;
- (d) Postage and Stationery;
- (e) Refreshment; and
- (f) Other Contingencies

16. Assistance by Navodaya Vidyalaya Samiti

Navodaya Vidyalaya Samiti will give necessary assistance like:-

- (i) Helping to find suitable auditorium etc. for holding the orientation course and arranging for board and lodging of participants;
- (ii) All possible assistance of organising the function; and
- (iii) Arranging Board/Lodging/Transport etc. for MPs/Ex-MPs/Officers who visit for adjudging performance and giving guidance to the participants.

17. Financial Assistance to Navodaya Vidyalaya Samiti by Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs.

The Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs will extend the following financial assistance to the Navodaya Vidyalaya Samiti for conducting the National Youth Parliament Competition in the Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalaya:-

- (i) Reimbursement of expenses upto a sum of Rs. 10,000 to each Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalaya participating in the competition to meet expenditure towards organizing the Competition subject to production of receipts of expenses incurred.
- (ii) Reimbursement of transportation expenditure upto a maximum of Rs.50,000/- to the First Prize Winning Vidyalaya in the Competition attending the Prize Distribution Function to stage their repeat performance.
- (iii) Re-imburement of an expenditure upto a maximum of Rs. 20,000/- each to two host venues of National level Youth Parliament Competition.

The participating Vidyalayas will submit a statement of expenditure incurred along with relevant vouchers and route the same through the Navodaya Vidyalaya Samiti (Headquarters) who would submit a consolidated statement of expenditure at the conclusion of the Competition to the Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs.

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