

ANNUAL STUDENT COMPETITION FOR THE YEAR 2013

2013

VAARADHI

(A platform for facilitating development initiatives)

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SHRI KANDA BHIMASANKARAM AND
PAPAYAMMA MEMORIAL AWARDS

VENUE:

SEPTEMBER 22nd, 2013

RAVINDRA BHARATHI, HYDERABAD

I. INTRODUCTION

VAARADHI is a voluntary initiative of likeminded people. The organization, as the name stands, would like to help in establishing a platform for facilitating the activities of non-governmental organizations working in various fields and to provide empowerment to the young people of India.

The organization proposes to hold competitions for class IX, X and XI students on socially relevant topics every year. The competitions will culminate in an annual awards function to be held in Hyderabad.

The objective is to make the youth of the country aware of the social reality, of India, and make them conscious of the challenges which the country is facing. It also intends, in the future, to promote students' and people's exchange programmes within India.

The process for the inaugural annual awards for the year 2013 will start on August 4th, 2013 and culminate in a day long workshop and an awards ceremony on September 22nd, 2013

II. ANNUAL AWARDS EVENT FOR 2013

This year's annual awards event will be held in two stages:

- Regional essay writing and elocution competitions on shortlisted topics to be held in the months of August and September.
- A one day orientation workshop as well as the final stage competition in Hyderabad to which three top performers in each regional event will be called along with their parents.
- The event will close with an awards ceremony in the same evening.

III. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Sl.No.	EVENTS	VENUE	DATE	TIME FOR EACH GROUP/EVENT	STARTING TIME	LANGUAGE
1.	Essay Writing and Elocution	Warangal	04/08/2013	60 Minutes for Essay and 15 Minutes for Each Group Elocution	10:30 am	English
2.		Vijayawada	04/08/2013			
3.		Vishakhapatnam	11/08/2013			
4.		Nellore	11/08/2013			
5.		Kurnool	25/08/2013			
6.		Hyderabad	25/08/2013			

- The essay writing competition will start at 1030 am and continue upto 1130 am. The elocution competition will start at 1145 am and continue as long as necessary.
- Groups can participate in both events or an any one event.
- Groups should reach the venue one hour before the scheduled beginning of the event.

IV. THE LIST OF VENUES IS:

- VIJAYAWADA -** PB SIDDAHRATH COLLEGE OF ART & SCIENCE, SIDDARTH NAGAR, MOGHALARAJA PURAM, VIJAYAWADA 520010. CONTACT PERSON FATHER KOSHY - 9490491834, TEL 0866-2475966
- WARANGAL -** JR COLLEGE - PRINCIPAL, AVV DEGREE P.G. COLLEGE, S V N ROAD, WARANGAL
CONTACT PERSON UPDENRA SASTRY Mob.- 9866677112
- VISHAKHAPATNAM -** DCM HALL, DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, OUT GATE, ANDHRA UNIVERSITY
MOBILE NUMBER FOR SMS : 8686476263
- NELLORE -** P.R.R. JUNIOR COLLEGE, POTHATHORA, NEAR SAMTHA NURSING HOME,
SUNDAY MARKET ROAD, NELLORE, CONTACT PERSON DR. VIJAYA BHASKAR- Mob.- 9440503724
- KURNOOL-** MONTESSORI SCHOOL. CAMP BEHIND COLLECTOR OFFICE, KURNOOL,
CONTACT PERSON SRI SURYA PRAKASA RAO - Mob.- 9849903241
- HYDERABAD -** Kasav Memorial High School, Narayana guda, Hyderabad
contact Person: T. Hari Hara Sarma, Mobile: 98662 20129

V. ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA:

Students who are presently studying in classes IX, X and XI in any school or medium are eligible to participate in the competitions.

The names of the students may be forwarded by the schools or sent directly by the students. The registration form is given along with this brochure. Students can also e-mail the details in the same format to the ID mentioned. They can also SMS their names and fill up the registration form at the venue.

A limited walk-in participation will also be allowed one hour prior to the commencement of the event.

VI. RULES OF PARTICIPATION:

In order to encourage group work, it has been planned that the students will participate only in groups in both the essay writing and elocution competitions. The groups can comprise a minimum of two members and a maximum of three.

Students will need to come prepared on the following list of topics. Essay writing as well as elocution will be conducted in any one of these.

VII. TOPICS LIST:

- Atrocities on women reflect a deep social malaise and cannot be curbed merely by penalties under criminal law.
- Gandhian Philosophy is losing relevance in the present situation.
- Corruption in public life is less important than poor people getting the benefits they need.
- Match fixing and betting in Cricket is the result of excessive commercialization of the sport.

VIII. RULES OF THE COMPETITION:

1. Students are advised to come at least one hour before the scheduled time.
2. Students will need to bring their own pen/pencil and other accessories. They will be supplied the requisite answer papers and paper for rough work
3. The essay will be written in groups after discussion among the members.
4. Elocution time will be shared equally as in a relay race
5. The top two groups in both essay writing and elocution competition will be invited to the final one day workshop-cum-competition.
6. Rules for the finals will be sent to the shortlisted groups separately
7. A panel of judges will evaluate the performance based on the following criteria:

Sl.No.	EVENTS	CRITERION	MARKS DISTRIBUTION
1.	Essay Writing	Clarity of Thought	50
		Vividity in Expression	50
		Depth and width of Discussion	25
		Brevity	25
2.	Elocution	Group Work	25
		Conclusion	25

IX. PROGRAMME FOR THE FINALS:

1. Shortlisted students will be provided bus - fare/second class train - fare from their place to Hyderabad. They will be given an amount of the Rs. 1,000 towards assistance for boarding and lodging
2. The short-listed groups can also bring their guardians for the programme. No additional travelling allowance will be paid
3. The final will be a day long programme. A motivational workshop will be conducted for all short-listed candidates, followed by the final competitions. Based on the performance in the finals, three prizes (first, second and third) will be declared in both essay writing and elocution
4. The winners will be given a medal in addition to a cash prize of Rs. 15,000, Rs. 10,000 and Rs. 5,000 respectively
5. The day will end with distribution of prizes.

REGISTRATION FORM

1. Instructions:

This form needs to be filled up by one participant on behalf of the group. He/she can be the group contact person.

The forms duly filled in should reach at **Vaaradhi Foundation, B-1, Industrial Estate, Sanathnagar, Hyderabad - 500 018** at least three days before the event date.

Alternatively the forms can be mailed to the e-mail ID : **compete@vaaradhi.org.in**

Copies of the filled in forms should be brought to the centre on the day of the event, for the walk in facility

Candidates can also sms their intention to participate to the mobile number 8686476263 and a representative of Vaaradhi will collect the details.

1. NAME OF THE COMPETITION : ESSAY WRITING / ELOCUTION (please tick)

2. Names of the participants and the class of study

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3. Address for communication:

4. Name of the school:

5. Address of the school:

6. Contact number of the group members (any one member):

7. Email address if any:

8. Center chosen for regional competition (one of the four centers):

I hereby declare that the information provided is correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature:

1. Annexure : 1 passport size photo of all members