

# Prakriti Khoj-Environment Quiz

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## **Background**

The Quiz is an ideal medium to reach out to young mind through a fun filled and interactive learning experience to trigger their sensitivity towards environment protection and conservation. In view of this, Ministry is aiming to launch a initiative to conduct online environmental quiz competition named as **Prakriti Khoj-Environment Quiz** at national level. This exam in a way will provide a unique platform for students to measure their awareness level regarding environmental issues. Besides, students shall also be motivated towards their effective participation in major programmes of Ministry.

## **Nodal Ministry**

Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change

## **Objective**

- to impart knowledge to school children about their immediate environment, interactions within it and the problems therein
- to sensitize children to issues related to environment and development
- to motivate children towards environment conservation-oriented lifestyles; and
- to trigger the sensitivity towards nature appreciation and conservation, leading to positive environmental actions at different levels

## **Vision**

The programme aims to inculcate the feeling of responsibility towards the environment protection and bring the behavioural change.

## **Participation**

It is envisaged that maximum number of children of schools under the National Green Corps (NGC) Programme of the Ministry should get an opportunity and involved in this environmental quiz. The National Green Corps programme will thus be value added through this initiative.

## **Eligibility criteria**

Volunteers of Ecoclubs under National Green Corps programme of Ministry are eligible to participate. Nominations will be received through state nodal agencies.

## **MODE of QUIZ**

Online multiple choice questions based approach

## **Thematic areas :**

- Climate change
- Biodiversity
- Pollution
- Energy
- Waste Management
- Sanitation
- Conventions like : Convention of Biological Diversity , United Nations Framework - Convention on Climate Change, Stockholm, Rotterdam etc.
- Forests and Wildlife

## **Categories**

- Age group 8-12
- Age group 13-15
- Age group 16-18

Depending upon requirement there will be three to five rounds of the competition at **State/National level. The first two rounds will be at the state level. Thereafter the students will have to appear for National level which will again be conducted in one to three rounds.**

### **State level:**

- **Round - I:** This will consist of 10 questions, which will be available on the screen for 5 mins. i.e. 30 sec. per question. If student clears this round then he/she is eligible for next round.
- **Round -II :** This will consist of 10 questions, which will be available on the screen for 5 mins. i.e. 30 sec. per question. If student clears this round also then he/she is eligible to play at National level competition.

### **National level**

- **Round –III:** This will consist of 5 questions which will be available on screen for 2.5 mins. i.e. 30 sec per question. If student passes this stage then he/she is eligible for next round.
- **Round IV:** This will consist of 5 questions which will be available on screen for 2.5 mins. i.e. 30 sec per question. If student passes this stage then he/she is eligible for next round.
- **Round V:** This will consist of 5 questions which will be available on screen for 2.5 mins. i.e. 30 sec per question.

The dates for each round along with the time slot will be announced in advance on online portal as well as to the SNAs/participants.

### **Approach**

Ministry will oversee the programme. State Nodal Agency of Ecoclub programme will ensure the implementation of programme through online mode and effective participation of Ecoclubs. Username and password of the registered Ecoclubs will be communicated to SNAs.

### **Role of State Nodal Agencies (SNAs)**

- For authentication of entries in the portal, SNAs will collect nomination from each Eco-club across the State.
- A maximum of 5 nominations in each age group can be nominated from each Eco-club.
- The entries so received from Eco-clubs and compiled by SNAs will be forwarded to the Ministry in prescribed excel format by concerned SNA.
- While forwarding the names of participants, SNAs shall ensure that mobile no. and email ID of school coordinator/Principal with respect to each participant, where the login id and password of the participant will be communicated through SMS/email are provided.

### **Role of Ecoclubs**

- For selection of participants, Ecoclub/schools will conduct internal quiz competition at school level.
- A maximum of 5 nominations in each age group can be forwarded to concerned State Nodal Agency from each Eco-club i.e. a max. of 15 entries from each school for all three categories together.

### **Role of Students**

- Each student will receive the username and password on the mobile and email of School Coordinator/Principal

- He/She will have to open the portal and start the quiz as per instructions on portal.

### **PRIZES**

<b>S.No</b>	<b>Age group</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> prize</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Prize</b>	<b>3 prize</b>	<b>Consolation prize</b>	<b>Total</b>
1	8-12	Rs 50,000/- (1)	Rs 40,000/- (2)	Rs 25,000/- (5)	Rs 10,000/- (10)	18 prizes
2	13-15	Rs 50,000/- (1)	Rs 40,000/- (2)	Rs 25,000/- (5)	Rs 10,000/- (10)	18 prizes
3	16-18	Rs 50,000/- (1)	Rs 40,000/- (2)	Rs 25,000/- (5)	Rs 10,000/- (10)	18 prizes
<b>Total</b>						<b>54 prizes</b>

***Winners will be determined by the computer/software. In case of multiple winners the decision of Secretary (EF&CC) will be final.***

Apart from that all students participating will receive a **E-certificate of Appreciation**