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President



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## Request Letter

**Subject: Odia Samaj invites Essay/Ideation Papers on the occasion of Odisha Parba 2023**

Dear Madam/Sir,

Greetings from Odia Samaj!

Odia Samaj, headquartered in Delhi, is a leading think tank of Odisha, engaged in holistic development of the state. The organization has been implementing national level, mega scale, Odisha-centric, cultural programs and interventions under Odisha Parba.

The forthcoming chapter of "Odisha Parba" will be organized in Delhi from 24th to 26th March, 2023 at Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium Complex (SAI), New Delhi.

On the occasion of Odisha Parba 2023, Odia Samaj invites Highschool and college students to participate in an Essay writing competition.

The papers by the participants will be evaluated by an expert panel. They will be assessed on the basis of parameters like 1. Clarity of Expression, 2. Clarity of Vision, 3. Language proficiency, 4. Novelty (Innovation suggested in the content). Based on the quality and contents of ideas around 100 students will be short-listed. These selected contributors will be suitably awarded by the Odia Samaj at the **Odisha Parba 2023** in New Delhi.

### Prize Details for Category A (14-19 years old) are as follows-

<u>Ranks</u>	<u>Reward</u>
Winner	Rs.25,000/- cash Prize
1 <sup>st</sup> Runner up	Rs.20,000/- cash Prize
2 <sup>nd</sup> Runner up	Rs.10,000/- cash Prize
10 Consolation Prizes	Rs.2,500/- cash Prize each.

**Prize Details for Category B (20-25 years old) are as follows-**

<u>Ranks</u>	<u>Reward</u>
Winner	Rs.30,000/- cash Prize
1 <sup>st</sup> Runner up	Rs.25,000/- cash Prize
2 <sup>nd</sup> Runner up	Rs.15,000/- cash Prize
10 Consolation Prizes	Rs.3,000/- cash Prize each.

Apart from these 26 Prize Winners, 74 students from both categories (37 Students from Category A and 37 students from Category B) will have the opportunity to visit New Delhi. Odia Samaj will help the award winning students to meet and network with experts and various eminent dignitaries of the country, which will be a unique exposure for the young minds of Odisha. All the contributors will receive a valuable certificate for participating. Odia Samaj will provide free accommodation, food and train tickets (round trip) to all the awardees of the competition.

The details of the Competition are as follows:

1. AGE CATEGORIES: Category A (14-19 years old), Category B (20-25 years old)
2. TOPICS:

Categories	Topic	Language
Age (14-19 Years) A Category	My Odisha of Tomorrow 2036/୨୦୩୬ ର ମୋ ଓଡ଼ିଶା	English/Odia
Age (20-25 Years) B Category	Purvodaya and India in 2047/ପୁରବୋଦୟ ଏବଂ ୨୦୪୭ ରେ ଭାରତବର୍ଷ	English/Odia

(Note: One student can apply under one category of Language. Two registrations from one student shall not be accepted.)

Details about the Topics-

**Category A- “My Odisha of Tomorrow 2036/୨୦୩୬ ର ମୋ ଓଡ଼ିଶା ”**

Odisha will celebrate its 100th anniversary as a state (called a province before 1947) in 2036. In the current decade, Odisha has witnessed tremendous progress and growth. But there is still a long way to go. In this contest, young people are invited to share their thoughts and state how they envision Odisha in 2036 in terms of its progress in agriculture, market economy, industry, healthcare, education, sports, employment, science, rural development and services, etc.

**Category B- “Purvodaya and India in 2047/ପୁରବୋଦୟ ଏବଂ ୨୦୪୭ ରେ ଭାରତବର୍ଷ”**

In 2047, India will celebrate its 100th anniversary of independence. In the last few decades, our country has witnessed tremendous growth and progress in all fields. Continuing the saga of progress, India is yet to explore the untapped potential of the eastern region which has rich resources and unparalleled human resources. If brought into focus in the coming years, this region can fulfill India's vision of inclusive growth and development. The future of the nation are invited to pen down their thoughts and share their vision of India in 2047.

3. LENGTH OF ESSAY: Maximum length- 600 words. (Note: If the submitted writing crosses the word limits, the submission shall be disqualified.)
4. MODE OF SUBMISSION: Online.  
(Note: The Portal for submission will be open from: **1st February 2023** ,  
The Link for Registration and Submission:- [www.odiasamaj.org](http://www.odiasamaj.org)
5. LAST DATE OF SUBMISSION: **20<sup>th</sup> February 2023**
6. ESSENTIAL INFORMATION ABOUT THE PARTICIPANTS:
  - i. Name, Age, Gender, Class, Mobile number and passport photo of student participant.
  - ii. Name and address of School/College, Mobile no of Head Master/Principal, Seal and Signature of Head Master/Principal, forwarding the essay for each participant.
  - iii. Nearest Railway Station and name [s] of trains for travel to New Delhi and back.

I request you to kindly give adequate publicity to the Competition and ensure that a large number of your school/college students register online for the competition.

*Jay Jagannath.  
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With thanks and best wishes,



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