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SHIKSHA MANDAL'S 40TH KAMALNAYAN BAJAJ MEMORIAL NATIONAL INTER-UNIVERSITY COMPETITION 2014

To,
Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor,

Date :

Dear Sir,

We are pleased to invite your distinguished University's students to participate in a unique Gandhian All India Inter-University Competition organized by us. Students from the four corners of our country converge at Wardha to experience the diversity of our land and the values that unite us, and introspect & discuss the continuing relevance of Gandhian thought.

Shiksha Mandal, Wardha, has been organizing this All India Competition since 1975, in memory of its former President, the Late Shri. Kamalnayanji Bajaj. Since Shri. Bajaj was an associate of Gandhiji and Vinobaji, our aim has been to encourage University students to get acquainted with the thoughts and work of Gandhiji.

We are holding the 40th Inter-University Competition on Friday the 10th and Saturday the 11th January. 2014.

From last two years we have introduced a few changes to increase the interest level of participants and the audience. Previously it was only an elocution competition. The competition now consists of three events.

1. An elocution competition - compulsory
2. A presentation on "A Gandhian of our Times". - Optional
3. A quiz on Gandhian thought & life - Optional

The theme for the elocution this year is "**Secularism**". "धर्मनिरपेक्षता"

The elocution would be of 10 minutes.

Only those students who have won a First, Second or Third prize in an inter collegiate or higher Elocution / debate Competition are eligible to participate in our Competition.

The presentation on "Gandhian of our times" would be of 7 minutes duration. This would normally be aided by a visual presentation. It would depict a living person from your region who has been doing constructive Gandhian work. The quiz would be both written and oral. It would be on Gandhiji & Vinobaji's life & thought

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There would be three prizes in each competition. In elocution these would be Rs. 10,000, Rs. 7,500 and Rs. 5,000 for English and Hindi separately. For the other competitions prizes would be of Rs. 3,000, Rs. 2,000 and Rs. 1,000 respectively.

There is also a cultural event in which participants can take part. It is a 5 minutes solo item. It could be a song, dance, poem, skit depicting our cultural heritage. Film songs/dances would not be permitted.

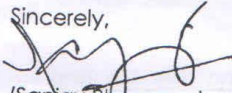
Boarding and lodging would be provided by us free of cost. Separate accommodation arrangements would be made for girls and boys. A one way train fare by II Sleeper would be reimbursed for each participant. A half day excursion of Wardha is organized for participants. A guardian may accompany girls at their cost.

We have traditionally been getting participants from the four corners of our country. It is a unique opportunity to meet people from all over the country. Wardha was the undeclared capital of our country during our freedom struggle, due to Gandhiji's stay in Wardha between 1930-46. We believe your student(s) would greatly-benefit from his/her participation and experience some values that remain ever more relevant. Therefore, we urge you to provide this letter extensive publicity amongst your students.

We are also sending a schedule of the competition, a copy of the Rules and Regulations governing the competitions and a note on Shiksha Mandal..

We look forward to your University's participation in this unique value based event. An early communication of the name of the participant from your University would be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,


(Sanjay Bhargava)
General Secretary

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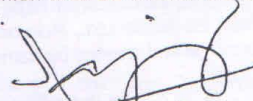
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| 1) | The Registrar | - | } With a request to co-operate
in making this competition a
success. |
| 2) | The Director of Students Welfare
& Development | - | |

- Encls. :-**
- 1) A copy of its Rules and Regulations
 - 2) A Background note on Wardha & Shiksha Mandal

Shiksha Mandal, Wardha
RULES & REGULATIONS
KAMALNAYAN BAJAJ MEMORIAL INTER-UNIVERSITY
COMPETITION

Shiksha Mandal, Wardha has been organising an **ALL INDIA INTER-UNIVERSITY COMPETITION**, to promote study of Gandhiji's and Acharya Vinobaji's thoughts, every year since 1975.

- 1) The competition is open to the regular students of the University and affiliated Colleges in India and Nepal.
- 2) The participants may speak either in Hindi or in English.
- 3) The age of the participant shall not be more than Twenty Five years.
- 4) Each University can send only one representative.
- 5) The candidate's name should be sent, supported by a certificate from the registrar of the University concerned to the effect that he/she is a regular student of the University and does not exceed the age of Twenty Five years on the date of competition.
- 6) Participants will be paid one - way second class Railway Fare or Bus Fare including reservation charges, by the shortest route, from the place of the college to Wardha. The participants will be paid 25% of the above amount as incidental expenses. Boarding and lodging arrangements at Wardha would be provided free of cost to the participants for the period of the competition only.
- 7) The Competition now consists of three events.
 - ✓ a) An elocution competition - compulsory -
 - ✓ b) A presentation on "A Gandhian of our Times". - Optional
 - ✓ c) A quiz on Gandhian thought & life - Optional
- 8) The first three winners in the elocution competition in English and in Hindi will be awarded prizes of Rs. 10,000/- Rs. 7,500/- and Rs. 5,000/- each respectively. For the other competitions the first 3 prizes would be of Rs. 3,000/- Rs. 2,000/- and Rs. 1,000/- respectively.
- 9) Elocution :
 - a) The duration for the speech of each candidate shall in no case exceed **Ten minutes** for elocution.
 - b) All the participants of the elocution must be present during the sessions. Chairman of the session will draw the name of the speaker by lot.
 - c) Chairman of the session would declare the name of the next speaker as soon as the preceding speaker comes on the dais for delivering his/her speech. If a participant fails to present himself after his name was declared such speaker will be given chance to deliver his/her speech at the end but 5 marks would be deducted from his/her total score.
 - d) The participant will not be allowed to read out his/her speech; he/she may refer to points only.
 - e) The participant who has won the first prize in English or in Hindi in the past, will not be allowed to participate in the competition again.
- 10) For the presentation on "Gandhian of our times" seven minutes would be provided.
- 11) The result will be declared immediately after the completion of the competition.
- 12) The decision of the Managing Committee in respect of all the aspects of the competition including cancellation of the competition shall be final and shall not be questioned in any court of law by any authority.


General Secretary
Shiksha Mandal, Wardha

KAMALNAYAN BAJAJ MEMORIAL INTER-UNIVERSITY COMPETITION A Background Note

Wardha :

Wardha is almost the geographical centre of India. It is on the Chennai-Delhi and Mumbai-Calcutta rail route and is connected to all parts of the country. The Father of the Nation, Mahatma Gandhi spent the later part of his life here and guided the freedom movement. It was at Wardha the 'Quit' 'India' proposal was prepared in 1942. For a time Wardha was the political capital of India. Thousands of people visit Sevagram Ashram to pay homage to Mahatma Gandhi.

Gandhiji's disciple and his first satyagrahi, Acharya Vinoba Bhave established his Paramdham Ashram at Pavnar, from where he conducted the Sarvodaya & Bhoodam movements.

With the inspiration of Gandhiji, Vinoba Bhave & Jannalal Bajaj the following national institutions have been established in Wardha :

- 1) Rashtra Bhasha Prachar Samiti
- 2) Mahila Sewa Mandal, Mahilashram
- 3) Gram Sewa Mandal, Gopuri
- 4) Maharogi Sewa Samiti, Dattapur
- 5) Mahatma Gandhi Institute of Medical Science, Sewagram
- 6) Gandhi Memorial Leprosy Foundation
- 7) Gosanwardhan Goras Bhandar, Wardha
- 8) Institute of Gandhian Studies, Gopuri
- 9) Centre of Science for villages, Dattapur.

Wardha is rapidly developing as an educational township. The World Hindi University has been established here.

Shiksha Mandal :

Shiksha Mandal, Wardha the pioneering educational institution in Central India was established in 1914 by the Late Shri. Jannalal Bajaj, with the sole aim of providing value based quality education.

It has been privileged to have Gandhiji, Sardar Patel, Shastriji visit it. The first Indian education conference in 1937 took place at Shiksha Mandal.

Shiksha Mandal pioneered commerce education in Central India by establishing the first commerce college in Wardha in 1940. At present it manages seven colleges in the faculties of Commerce, Science, Rural Services, Agriculture, Engineering and Management in Wardha and Nagpur. About 8,500 students are enrolled in these colleges.

Late Shri Kamalnayan Bajaj :

Shri. Kamalnayan Bajaj was the eldest son of the Late Shri. Jannalal Bajaj the founder of Shiksha Mandal, Kamalnayan Bajaj was very close to Gandhiji and Vinobaji.

At the age of fifteen Kamalnayanji took active part in 'Salt-Satyagrah' and "Swadeshi Movement". He was imprisoned for six months. He studied in Srilanka and Cambridge University. He was a member of the Lok-Sabha during 1967 to 1972. He was the President of Shiksha Mandal during 1951-1972.

In 1962 Shri. Kamalnayan Bajaj donated generously to Bombay University for establishing the Jannalal Bajaj Institute of Management, Mumbai.

Shri. Kamalnayan Bajaj was head of Bajaj Group of Industries comprising Bajaj Auto. Ltd., Bajaj Electricals Ltd., Mukund Ltd., Hindustan Sugar Mills Ltd., etc. In Wardha Geetai mandir was inspired and created by Kamalnayanji.

In 1975, the Bajaj Group created an endowment for conducting Inter-University Elocution Competition at the national level in memory of Shri. Kamalnayan Bajaj to propagate activities which spread the philosophy of Mahatma Gandhi and Acharya Vinoba Bhave.