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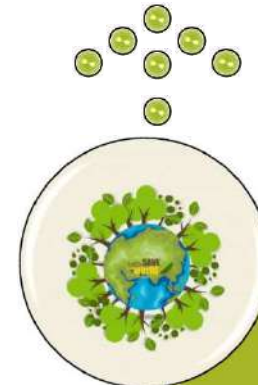
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NANHI CHHAAN OBJECTIVES

The Nanhi Chhaan National School Essay Contest (NSEC) is a national competition held on an annual basis - a first of its kind initiative by Nanhi Chhaan. It is an awareness and skill building platform with the aim of spreading awareness on important social issues amongst young audiences.

Essay topics are chosen around some of the important issues on the social agenda of the country. For the **Twelfth edition**, the topic selected was **‘Girl and Women, a force for Viksit Bharat.’**



Save Environment



Save Girl Child



Promote Harmony

Dignitaries at the 12th Essay Contest



Mr. Harpal Singh
(Chairman Nanhi Chhaan
Foundation)



CHIEF GUEST

Mr. Jyotiraditya Scindia
(Union Minister of Communications
and Development of North Eastern
Region)

OUR JUDGES



Ms. Tejal Amin
(Executive Chairperson,
Navrachana Educational Society)



Mr. Rajeev Dubey
(Ex Mahindra & Mahindra)



Ms. Chanda Singh
(Publisher & Editor)



The Chairman's Message



Mr. Harpal Singh
Chairman – Nanhi
Chhaan Foundation

Ever since we started the Nanhi Chhaan National Schools Essay Contest in 2013, we have received an overwhelming response from schools and students across the country. What began as a humble initiative has today grown into a vibrant national platform that encourages young minds to engage thoughtfully with issues of social relevance and national importance. Each year, the enthusiasm, depth of reflection and clarity of conviction demonstrated by our students reaffirm our belief that the future of our nation is in capable and compassionate hands.

This year, the 12th edition of the Annual Nanhi Chhaan National Schools Essay Contest was co-hosted by Royal Global School, Guwahati, Assam with the theme, “Girls and Women, a Force for Viksit Bharat.” As India moves towards becoming a developed nation, it is essential to recognize the vital role of girls and women in shaping our shared future. Through this topic, students of Grades 10 and 11 were encouraged to reflect on and express how women contribute to nation-building.

The Chairman's Message



Some of the memorable moments of this years essay contest event began with the two sessions with our esteemed panel of judges, Mr. Rajeev Dubey, Mrs. Tejal Amin, and Mrs. Chanda Singh. The conversations with students and the finalists unquestionably provided enough food for thought for many years into the future.

The Royal Global school auditorium saw the final event where the host school enacted a wonderful dance performance on the Nanhi Chhaan objectives of protecting girls and empowering women, planting trees and protecting the environment and of promoting inter faith harmony touched hearts like little else. Another highlight was an exciting cruise on the river Brahmaputra.

A real highlight of course was the presence of Mr. Jyotiraditya Scindia (Union Minister of Communications and Development of North Eastern Region) as chief guest for the final event. His inspirational speech and sharing of thoughts on his life is a lesson to be learnt by us all.

Over the past 12 editions, the Nanhi Chhaan National Schools Essay Contest has grown beyond a competition into a meaningful platform for dialogue and thoughtful expression. We remain grateful to our partner schools, judges, and supporters whose continued encouragement helps us expand this initiative and engage more young minds each year.



The Chief Guest's Message



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I was delighted to address the Nanhi Chhaan National Essay Contest in Guwahati, a vibrant gathering of brilliant young minds and change makers. The Nanhi Chhaan Foundation beautifully embodies the spirit of nurturing the empowerment of women, protection of nature and harmony among communities.

Mr. Jyotiraditya Scindia
(Union Minister of Communications
and Development of North Eastern
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Interacting with the young essayists who shared their reflections on “The Force of Viksit Bharat” was a powerful reminder that the future of our nation rests on the confidence, compassion and curiosity of our youth reiterated that the true strength of a Viksit Bharat will emerge when our daughters see themselves not as bystanders, but as architects of change.

Winners of 12th Nanhi Chhaan Essay Writing Competition



Chirag Jalan
The Scindia School
Gwalior

Cash Prize (Student) – INR 30,000
Cash Prize (School) – INR 15,000
NGO (Selected by Student) –
15,000



Nafisa Hussain
DPS
Guwahati

Cash Prize (Student) – INR 20,000
Cash Prize (School) – INR 10,000
NGO (Selected by Student) –
10,000



Prizes for all the Participants - Titan Smart Watches and signed copies of books written by eminent authors.

Prizes for 30 of the best – 4 Days Personality development programme sponsored by NU (NIIT University) at their Neemrana Campus, Rajasthan.





Dance Performance



Judges interaction with Finalists



Finalists



Judges interaction with Finalists

2014 - Dowry is illegal & immoral

2015 - Gender equality is the only way forward

2016 - Refugees are our collective concern

2017 - Child marriage – it must be stopped

2018 - Empowering women – will society benefit?

2019 - How to promote greater harmony amongst different religions?

Our
Journey
In 12
years

(Essay
Topics)

2020 - Impact of the Covid-19 pandemic on Society and Environment

2021 - How can compassion heal humanity and the planet

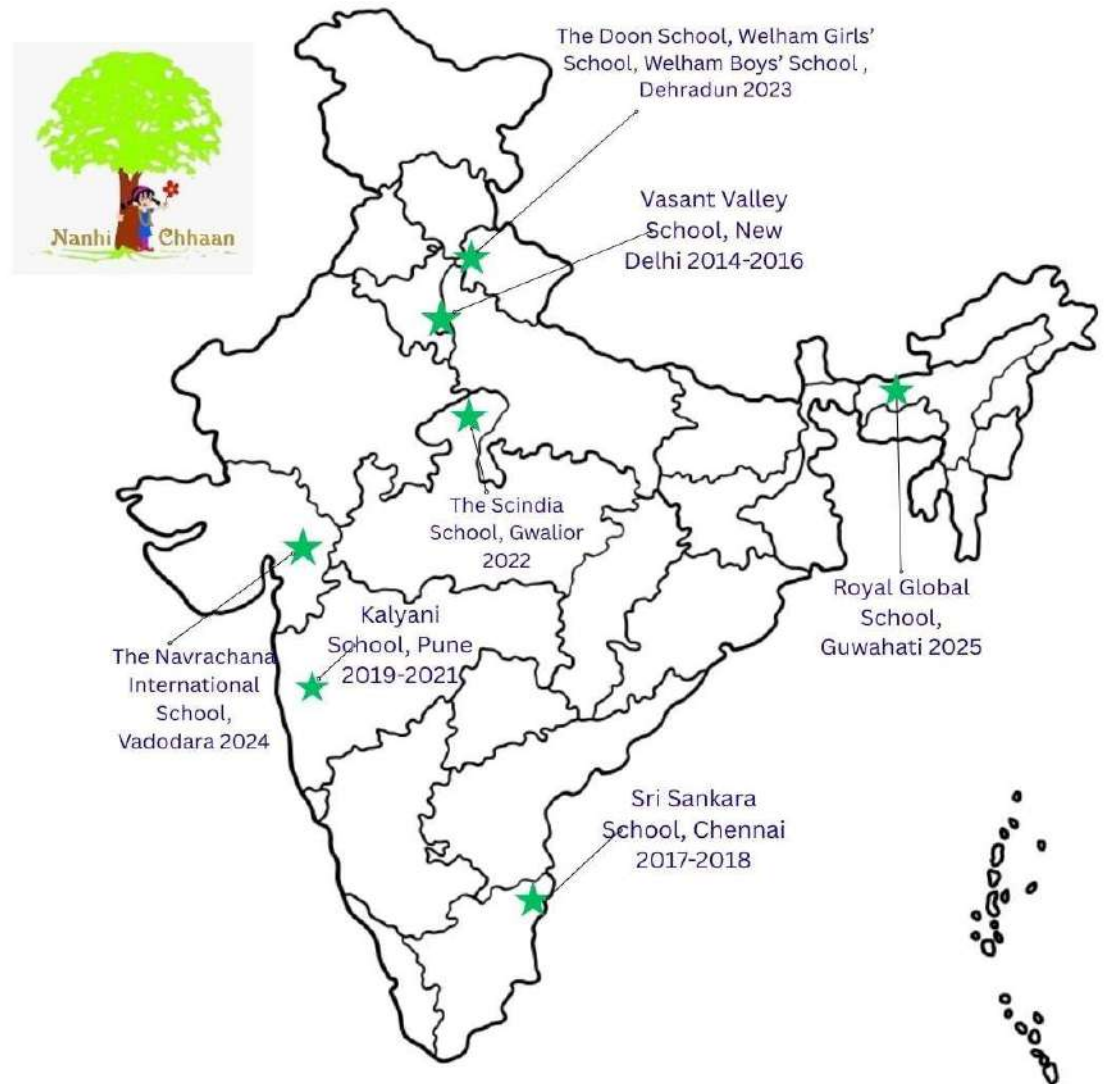
2022 – Indian Culture What does it Mean

2023 – Diversity is the Essence of India

2024 – Greed Overtakes Need – Is a reset necessary

2025 – Girl and Women, a force for Viksit Bharat

“With contests held at different locations, students from diverse regions across India have participated in the Nanhi Chhaan Essay Contest.”



The Doon School, Welham Girls' School, Welham Boys' School ,
Dehradun 2023

Vasant Valley
School, New
Delhi 2014-2016

The Scindia
School, Gwalior
2022

Royal Global
School,
Guwahati 2025

Kalyani
School, Pune
2019-2021

The Navrachana
International
School,
Vadodara 2024

Sri Sankara
School, Chennai
2017-2018

Cruise on the river Brahmaputra





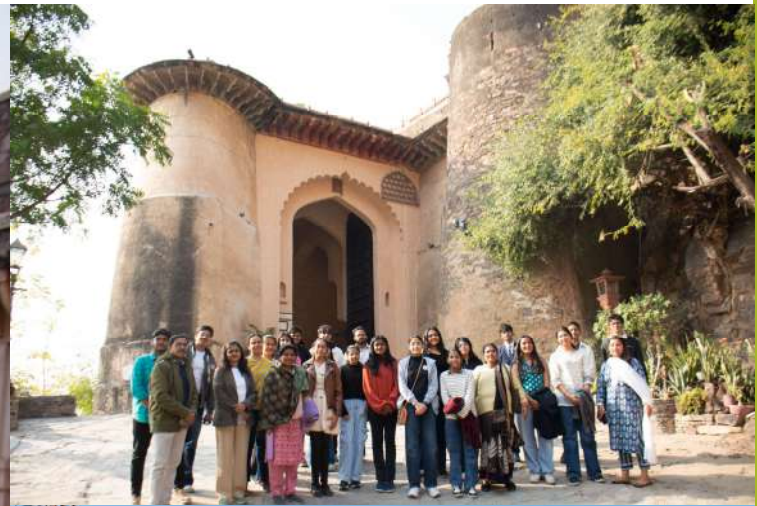
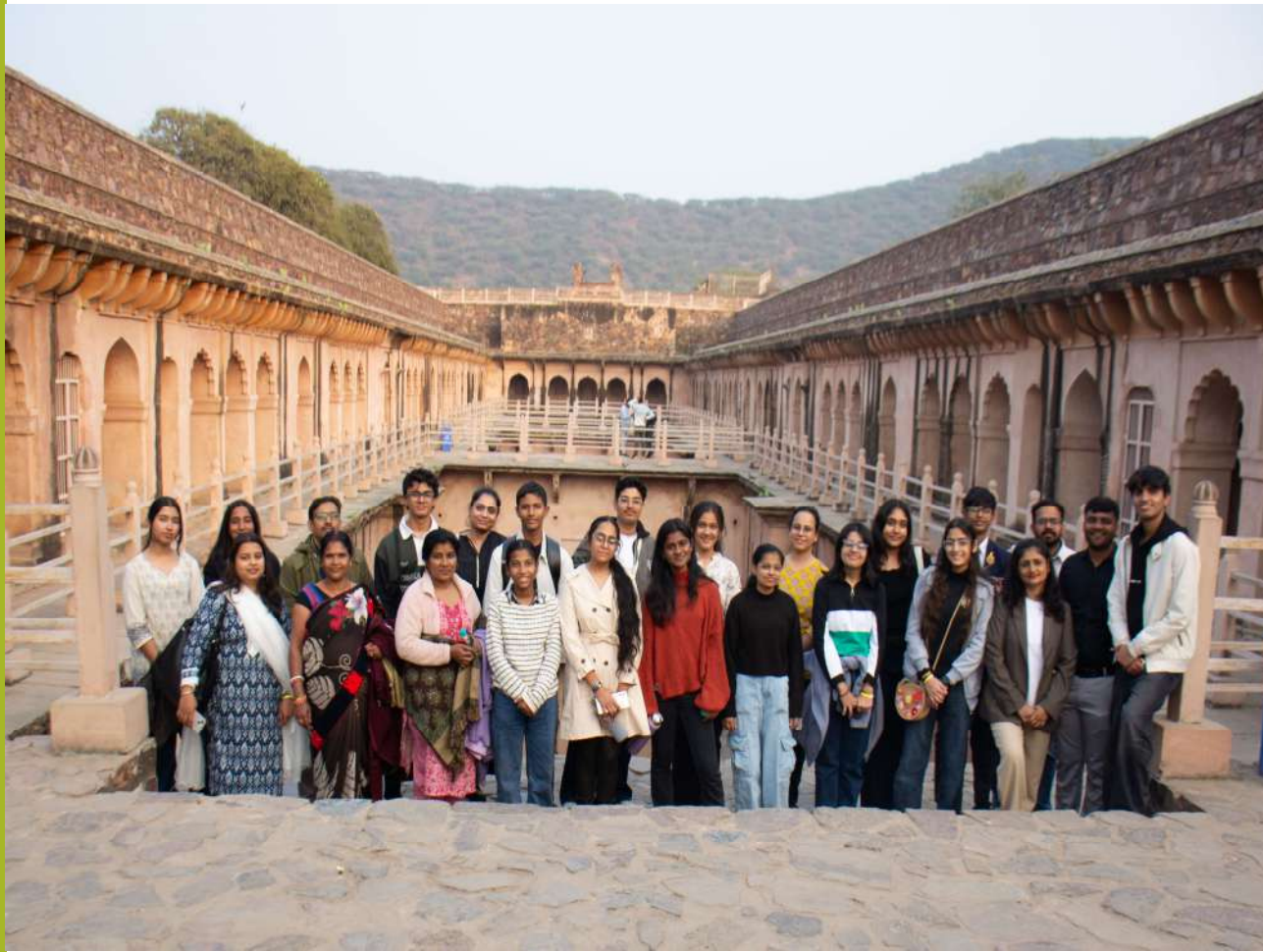
Rajendra S Pawar
(Chairman & Co – Founder NIIT
Ltd.)

Top 30 Participants got the
opportunity to be a part of the
4 Days NIIT University
Personality Development
Programme at Neemrana





Interactive Sessions at NIIT University



A Trip to Neemrana Fort



Certificates received by participating students

Press Coverage



Jyotiraditya M Scindia · Following
Union Minister for Communications and...
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राज्यक पूर्वावलोकन

रॉयल कॉर्नर

■ आरजीएस ने की नन्ही छांव राष्ट्रीय स्कूल निबंध प्रतियोगिता के ग्रैंड फिनाले की मेजबानी

बेटियां मूकदर्शक नहीं, बल्कि बदलाव की सूत्रधार बनें : सिंधिया



गुवाहाटी, 31 अक्टूबर (पु.सं)। रॉयल ग्लोबल स्कूल (आरजीएस) आयामों 3 नवंबर को 12वीं नन्ही छांव राष्ट्रीय स्कूल निबंध प्रतियोगिता 2025 के ग्रैंड फिनाले की मेजबानी करेगा। केंद्रीय विकास मंत्री और उत्तर पूर्व के विकास मंत्री ज्योतिरादित्य सिंधिया इस कार्यक्रम में मुख्य अतिथि होंगे। जबकि अंतिम कार्यक्रम में नन्ही छांव फाउंडेशन के अध्यक्ष हरपाल सिंह, वडोदरा से प्रख्यात शिक्षाविद श्रीमती तेजल अमीन, दिल्ली से श्रीमती चंदा सिंह से राजीव दुबे (पूर्व टाटा समूह) और महिंद्रा एंड महिंद्रा) और दिल्ली से ही सुशील सलवान (वरिष्ठ सुप्रीम कोर्ट के वकील और सलवान ग्रुप ऑफ स्कूल्स के अध्यक्ष) शामिल होंगे।

प्रतियोगिता का सेमिफाइनल 2 नवंबर को होगा, जिसमें चुने गए फाइनलिस्टों को किसी विषय पर निबंध लिखना होगा, जिसे मौके पर ही साझा किया जाएगा। 3 नवंबर को फाइनलिस्टों के साथ एक पैनल चर्चा आयोजित की जाएगी और जूरी सदस्यों द्वारा समग्र मूल्यांकन के आधार पर विजेताओं की घोषणा की जाएगी। पिछले बारह वर्षों में देश के

राज्यक पूर्वावलोकन



रॉयल कॉर्नर



नन्ही छांव राष्ट्रीय स्कूल निबंध प्रतियोगिता-2025 के ग्रैंड फिनाले की मेजबानी करेगा आरजीएस

■ केंद्रीय मंत्री ज्योतिरादित्य सिंधिया होंगे मुख्य अतिथि

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कते हुए प्रसन्न हैं। सीखने के लिए सर्वोत्तम बुनियादी ढांचा प्रदान करने के अलावा हमारा प्रयास हमेशा न केवल ज्ञान प्रदान करना रहा है, बल्कि मजबूत नैतिकता और सामुदायिक कल्याण की भावना पैदा करना और हमारे बच्चों के समग्र और सर्वांगीण विकास पर ध्यान केंद्रित करना है, जो आगे चलकर समाज पर सकारात्मक प्रभाव डालेंगे।

नन्ही छांव फाउंडेशन के अध्यक्ष हरपाल सिंह ने कहा कि 2014 में जब से हमने नन्ही छांव राष्ट्रीय निबंध प्रतियोगिता शुरू की है, तब से हमें देश भर के स्कूलों और छात्रों से जबरदस्त प्रतिक्रिया मिली है। हमने यह प्रतियोगिता युवाओं को एक ऐसा मंच प्रदान करने के लिए शुरू की थी जहां वे आज हमारे समाज के सामने मौजूद कुछ सबसे बुनियादी मुद्दों के बारे में जागरूक हो सकें, उनसे जुड़ सकें और उनके लिए आवाज उठा सकें।

मालूम हो कि इस वर्ष, देश के प्रत्येक राज्य से 50,000 से अधिक बच्चे इस प्रतियोगिता में भाग ले रहे हैं। और उन्हें 'लड़कियां' और महिलाएं, विकसित भारत के लिए एक शांति विषय पर निबंध लिखना था।



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Anti- Dowry Pledge

I promise never to give and take dowry and pledge that

-I will not accept dowry or extravagant wedding gifts or favours even if they are offered to me or my family

-I will not give any dowry or wedding gifts that are demanded of me and my family and I will not associate with any family that makes such a demand

-I will not marry/marry my daughters in to a family that gives or takes dowry in any form.

-I will not attend or support any weddings where I am aware that dowry and/ or extravagant gifts have been demanded and given

I take this pledge of my free will and seek internal strength to live up to my commitment.

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