Delhi Public School Knowledge Park - V

Greater Noida (West)

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Classes VI to VIII

Dear Parents/Students

Greetings!

As part of the Republic Day celebrations 2026, an **Essay Writing Competition on the topic** "स्वतंत्रता **का मंत्र - वन्दे मातरम्**" will be conducted by Ministry of Defence in coordination with MyGov.in during 20th November to 31st December, 2025 in order to create patriotic feeling among youth and school students.

Salient Features:

- 1. Participants are to write an essay on the topic "स्वतंत्रता का मंत्र वन्दे मातरम्" in around 500–600 words showcasing the essence of unity in diversity of Indian culture.
- 2. The competition is bilingual Hindi and English.
- 3. The top three winners will receive a cash prize of 10,000.
- 4. Twenty-seven (27) participants will receive a consolation prize of ₹5,000/- each.
- 5. The top 200 participants will be invited along with one companion (parent/spouse/family member) to witness the Republic Day Parade at Kartavya Path, New Delhi on 26 January 2026.

Terms & Conditions:

- a) Participant must be a citizen of India.
- b) Entries may be submitted in both Hindi and English.
- c) Each individual can participate only once.
- d) The top 200 participants will receive an invitation letter for the Republic Day Parade–2026, which they may use along with one companion (parent/spouse/family member).
- e) Selected 200 participants and their companions must provide necessary details such as name, date of birth, mobile number, email, ID proof number, address, etc.

| S. No. | Salutation | Name | DOB | Mob | Email | Nationality | Any | Residential |
|-------------------------|------------|---------------|-------------|-----|-------|-------------|-------------------|-------------|
| | (Mr./Miss) | (in Hindi) | (DD- MM- | No | ID | | Govt ID Number | Address |
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| | | English | | | | | Card | |
| | | | | | | - | etc) | |
| 1. Participant | | | | | | | | |
| 2. (Companion/Guardian) | | | | | | | | |

Note: Children below 5 years of age will not be allowed as companions. Incomplete entries will not be accepted.

- f) The participant must provide a valid email ID and mobile number, as all communication regarding the invitation card or prize money will be sent through these channels. Participants are requested to check their email regularly.
- (g) One mobile number and one email ID cannot be used by more than one participant for one competition/quiz/contest during RDP-2026.
- (h) On receipt of e-mail or call from the Ministry of Defence, the three winners will be required to submit the necessary documents for releasing the winning prize/payment, such as ID proof, bank details, copy of a cancelled cheque, etc.
- (i) It may be noted that no expenses related to travel, lodging, food, etc. to visit Delhi for witnessing the Republic Day Ceremony at Kartavya Path on 26 January 2026 will be borne by the Ministry. All such expenses will have to be managed by the individual participant himself/herself.
- (j) However, travelling within Delhi Metro towards and from the Parade venue will be free of charge, on showing the e-invitation at any Delhi Metro station.
- (k) Winners will be announced on the basis of screening of the essays by a designated Screening Committee of the Ministry of Defence.

Essays beyond the prescribed word limit (less than 500 words or more than 800 words) will not be considered by the Screening Committee.

- (l) The decision of the Screening Committee will be final and cannot be challenged in any manner.
- (m) Use of any unfair/suspicious means, including but not limited to misrepresentation, publication, or wrongdoing during the participation in the competition, will lead to immediate disqualification.
- (n) The participant must submit a self-declaration and undertaking that the essay is entirely original. Any essay found to be plagiarized, copied, or written by someone else will be rejected.

The decision of the committee will be final.

- (o) Employees directly or indirectly connected with organizing the competition, as well as their immediate family members, are not eligible to participate.
- (p) Winners will be announced based on the screening of entries by the designated Screening Committee of the Ministry of Defence. Essays not meeting the word limit (less than 500 or more than 600 words) will not be considered. The decision of the Screening Committee is final and cannot be challenged.

Link to register- https://www.mygov.in/task/essay-competition-topic-swatantrata-ka-mantra-vande-mataram/