

**Inter School Competition  
on  
Geoscience Genius: Rare Earths of India  
Rules and Regulations**

**General Rules**

- ✓ Open to students of Classes IX, X, XI, and XII.
- ✓ A maximum of three participants/teams from a school can participate in each event.
- ✓ A student may participate in multiple competitions.
- ✓ The work submitted must be the participant's original work.
- ✓ Students must carry their school ID card.
- ✓ Prizes will be awarded to the top three participants/teams in each event.
- ✓ All participants will receive certificates of participation.
- ✓ Evaluation will be carried out by a panel of experts.
- ✓ The school winning the highest number of prizes will be awarded the Overall Winner Trophy.
- ✓ The decision of the judges will be final and binding.

**1. Essay Writing Competition**

**Theme:** *Indian Strategic Treasure beneath the Soil*

- ✓ Individual participation only.
- ✓ Essays may be written in Tamil/ English.
- ✓ Word limit: Minimum 500 words.
- ✓ Time Limit: 30 minutes.

**2. Poster Making Competition**

**Theme:** *Fueling the Future*

- ✓ Individual participation only.
- ✓ Participants must bring their own drawing/painting materials.
- ✓ Allowed mediums: Pencil, Crayons, Watercolors, Poster Colors, Acrylic, Markers.
- ✓ Pre-printed images and stencils are not permitted.
- ✓ Poster size: Standard chart paper or A3 sheet.
- ✓ Time Limit: 1 hour.

**3. Eco-Craft Competition**

**Theme:** *Turning Trash into Treasure*

- ✓ Team participation: 2 members per team.
- ✓ Only waste/recycled/used materials may be used (e.g., paper, bottles, cardboard, cloth, e-waste, etc.).

- ✓ Participants must bring their own tools and materials (scissors, glue, tape, etc.).
- ✓ Use of non-biodegradable items should be minimal and only when essential.
- ✓ Craft size: Not to exceed 2 ft × 2 ft; must be of manageable weight.
- ✓ Time Limit: 1 hour.

#### **4. Exhibition Setup**

**Theme:** *Rare Earths of India: From Hidden Rocks to the Tech Wonders*

- ✓ Participants must arrange their own materials, models, charts, and display aids.
- ✓ Basic facilities (table, chair, electricity) will be provided on request.
- ✓ Space allotted: 4 ft × 4 ft
- ✓ Only safe, non-hazardous materials allowed.
- ✓ Setup Time: 1 hour.
- ✓ Teams will get 5–7 minutes to explain their exhibit to judges/visitors.
- ✓ Exhibits must be dismantled only after the event ends.

#### **5. Crossword Challenge**

**Theme:** *General Science*

- ✓ Each participant will receive a crossword puzzle sheet.
- ✓ Puzzle will include Across and Down clues.
- ✓ Answers must be written clearly in English.
- ✓ Overwriting will not be evaluated.
- ✓ Time Limit: 30 minutes.
- ✓ Completed sheets must be submitted before leaving the hall.
- ✓ Late submissions will not be considered.

#### **6. Quiz Competition**

**Theme:** *General Science*

- ✓ Team participation: 2 members per team.
- ✓ The quiz will have two stages:
  - Preliminary Round – Written/MCQ test for shortlisting.
  - Final Round – Live quiz with multiple rounds (e.g., General, Visual, Rapid Fire, Buzzer).
- ✓ Standard rules for answering and scoring will be explained before the start.