



PUBLIC OFFICERS' WELFARE COUNCIL
Promoting the welfare of Public Officers and their families

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From: *Welfare Events Organiser, Public Officers' Welfare Council*
To: *Supervising Officers i/c Ministries/Departments*

ESSAY COMPETITION 2024

The **Public Officers' Welfare Council (POWC)** is organising its biennial Essay Competition on the title:

'The Digital Leap: How Telecommunication has revolutionised the Public Sector?'

1. Participation is open to all Public Officers. A set of guidelines pertaining to the competition is annexed.
2. Cash prizes of **Rs 10,000, Rs 8,000, Rs 6,000, Rs 4,000 and Rs 3,000** together with souvenir trophies will be awarded respectively to the best five entries. The date of the prize giving ceremony will be communicated in due course.
3. Participants will have to submit one **soft copy** of their essay script on **PDF format** by **email** on **powc2020@gmail.com** as specified in the set of guidelines (**Annex A**) by **Tuesday 30 April 2024** by **15 00 hours at latest**. Moreover, participants should also attach the duly filled-in participation form (**Annex B**) together with a scanned copy of a recent payslip or top part of the payslip, indicating the name, paysite code and a copy of their National Identity Card number or any written document/ evidence attesting that the participant is a serving Public Officer.
4. Participants are encouraged to call the Secretariat of the POWC to ensure receipt of their script.
5. It would be appreciated if the content of this circular letter could be brought to the attention of all officers serving in your Ministry/Department.
6. This circular has also been posted on the website of the POWC and Facebook page.
7. For any additional information, the Secretariat may be contacted on telephone numbers: **208 6658** or **208 0157**.



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PUBLIC OFFICERS' WELFARE COUNCIL
ESSAY COMPETITION 2024

Title: “*The Digital Leap: How Telecommunication has revolutionised the Public Sector?*”

Guidelines

1. The Essay Competition is open to **Public Officers** only.
2. The Essay should be between 4500 and 5000 words (excluding bibliography) in English, type written and double line spacing, using font **Times New Roman** (Size: 12).
3. Any reference to relevant material and to full text online database should be appended under bibliography.
4. Each participant should use a **pen name** which should appear on the **top right-hand corner** of the **first page of the essay** and the script should be submitted in **PDF Format** by **email** on **powc2020@gmail.com**.
5. Deadline for submission is **Tuesday 30 April 2024 by 1500 hours at latest**.
6. The essays will be assessed by a panel of adjudicators. The decision of the panel will be final and binding.
7. Plagiarism will be heavily penalised and may result in the disqualification of a participant.
8. The main criteria for the marking of scripts on a total of **100 marks** will be on the basis of:

Sn.	Details	Marks
(i)	Presentation	10
(ii)	Research	35
(iii)	Originality (Language & Grammar)	35
(iv)	References	10
(v)	Plagiarism	10
Total Marks		100

9. The submitted essays will become the property of the POWC which will have all rights thereon, including its publication.



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Essay Competition 2024
PARTICIPATION FORM

Name of Participant: (Mr/Mrs/Miss).....

Ministry/ Department:

Designation:

Office Address:

Residence Address:

Mobile No.:

Residence No.:

Office Tel No: \

Fax No:

Email Address:

Pen Name:

Date:.....

Signature:.....