

PUBLIC OFFICERS' WELFARE COUNCIL

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From: Organising Secretary, Public Officers' Welfare Council

To: Supervising Officers i/c Ministries/Departments

POWC SILVER JUBILEE SCRABBLE COMPETITION

In the context of its 25th Anniversary, the Public Officers' Welfare Council (POWC) is organising its Silver Jubilee Scrabble Competition for public officers during the month of July/August 2017.

- 2 The Competition will be organised in two different categories as follows:
- i. Category A will be played on a league cum knock-out system and will comprise 16 best players of the Scrabble Competition 2016. The participants will be classified in four different pools through a drawing of lots. Winners of each pool will compete for the 1st, 2nd, 3rd or 4th place. The two participants with the lowest score of Category A will be relegated to Category B for the competition next year.
- ii. Category B: All the remaining players will be included in this category. The competition will be played on a knock-out system. The best two participants of Category B will be promoted to Category A for competition next year.
- 3. Please note that:
 - a) all participants will be required to bring their own Scrabble game; and
 - b) only one match will be played to determine the winner for the preliminaries. However, a "best of three" system will be applied for the semifinals and finals for both categories.
- 4. The Rules and Regulations governing the competition is at Annex A.
- 5. The fixtures and venue for the preliminaries will be forwarded to all participants in due course of time.
- 6. Cash Prizes and Souvenir Trophies will be awarded as follows:

PRIZES	CATEGORY A	CATEGORY B
1st Prize Winner	Rs 5 000	Rs 3 000
2 nd Prize Winner	Rs 3 000	Rs 1 500
3 rd Prize Winner	Rs 2 000	Rs 1 000
4th Prize Winner	Rs 1 000	Rs 500

- 7. Moreover, as the Council is celebrating its Silver Jubilee, in addition to the cash prizes normally awarded as mentioned at paragraph 6, a token of Rs 1 000 will be **exceptionally** offered to first prize winners of each category and a token of Rs 500 to each of the remaining prize winners.
- 8. Public Officers willing to participate in the Competition should fill in the enclosed participation form (Annex B) and submit same to the Organising Secretary, Public Officers' Welfare Council, 6th floor, ATOM House, 16, Royal Street, Port Louis by Friday 23 June 2017 at latest.
- 9. A photocopy of a recent payslip or top part of payslip indicating the name, paysite code or any other document certifying that the participant is a serving public officer will have to be submitted together with the participation form.
- Participants will be called upon to attend a meeting and a drawing of lots in the Conference Room of the Public Officers' Welfare Council, 6th floor, ATOM House, 16, Royal Street, Port Louis on <u>Thursday 06 July 2017 at 14 00hrs.</u> Mobile number and email address of all participants are important so that they may easily be contacted in case of urgency.
- 11. It would be appreciated if you could kindly arrange for this letter to be circulated among public officers serving in your Ministry/ Department/ Division. This circular letter is also posted on the Council's website: http://powc.govmu.org

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Organising Secretary

Copy to: Presidents of Staff Welfare Associations

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Public Officers' Welfare Council

Silver Jubilee Scrabble Competition

Rules and Regulations

- 1. The competition will be played on a face to face style.
- 2. A draw will be carried out among competitors to decide who will start the game.
- 3. An exchange of 01 to 07 tiles will be permitted only if less than 7 tiles are left in the bag but the player passes on his turn.
- 4. A player may challenge a word. If the word is correct, his opponent scores an additional 10 marks, if it is wrong, he scores 10 marks.
- 5. A player who places all seven tiles in one turn scores a bonus of 50 marks.
- 6. Dictionary Collins Scrabble Dictionary (4th edition-year 2015)
- 7. Time allowed -1 minute per turn.
- 8. Challenge Time 15 seconds
- 9. The game ends when all the tiles in the bag are used and one player has placed all his tiles.
- 10. At the end of the game, the remaining tiles value is added and twice the total is added to his opponent.
- 11. The winner is the one who has scored the highest number of points.
- 12. In case of deadlock, two rounds will be accepted then the game will end.

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Participation Form

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Ministry/Department/Division:				
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To be certified and sealed by Supervising Officer of Ministry/Department/Division				
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