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## Notification

### **Shodh Yatri Contest**

#### Essay Writing Competition for Students of Classes X and XI

In order to trace India's historical relations with other Asian countries, the **National Book Trust**, an autonomous organization under the Ministry of Human Resource Development, Government of India along with the support of the **Indian Council of Historical Research (ICHR)** is organizing an **Essay writing competition** under the **Shodh Yatri Contest** for the students of **Classes X and XI**.

1. **For participation**, the eligible participants have to fill an application form and submit an **essay of 5000 words in PDF** on any one of the following specified themes on [www.mygov.in](http://www.mygov.in):
  - a. **Shodh Yatri to Sri Lanka** (*Search for Buddha's Footprints*)
  - b. **Shodh Yatri to Thailand** (*Search for India's contribution*)
  - c. **Shodh Yatri to Myanmar** (*Burma*)
  - d. **Shodh Yatri to Bangladesh** (*Search for Martyrs and Freedom Fighters*)
  - e. **Shodh Yatri to Cambodia** (*Angkor Vat*)
2. A write up on any one of the identified themes has to be further developed by the participants while submitting the essay. The participant has to explain in 1000 words about his/her own idea on the proposed visit, and how they would utilize the experience gained.
3. The selected entries will be interviewed on *skype*, and **10 winning entries** will be finalized along with a list of waitlisted candidates.
4. The final winning entries will be awarded with a visit to the concerned Asian country for about a week as a part of a team. After the visit, the candidates have to submit a write-up on his/her **Shodh Yatra** within a fortnight and submit it to the **Director, National Book Trust**. The write-up will be published by the National Book Trust with appropriate modifications.
5. **The last date of submission is 15<sup>th</sup> December, 2015.**
6. The **application form** can be downloaded from the following link:  
[https://mygov.in/sites/default/files/mygov\\_1446723485190667.pdf](https://mygov.in/sites/default/files/mygov_1446723485190667.pdf)
7. The **terms and conditions** for the contest can be downloaded from the following link:  
[https://mygov.in/sites/default/files/mygov\\_1446716265190667.pdf](https://mygov.in/sites/default/files/mygov_1446716265190667.pdf)

Kindly ensure that the information is widely disseminated among the teachers and students. For further clarification, please visit: <https://mygov.in/task/shodh-yatri-contest/>

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