

Rules and Guidelines of the Essay Competition

Assam Don Bosco University's Cooperative Society is conducting a District Level Essay Competition 2019 for students pursuing under-graduate and post-graduate degree courses in various universities/institutes/colleges managed by government and non-government / private run institutions. ADBU Cooperative society is registered under cooperative society and is set up in the university campus of ADBU and managed by its students and faculty.

On the occasion of the celebration of the National Cooperative Week, in November 2019 the cooperative society is organizing an Essay writing contest.

1. Topic ***“Youth Solidarity for Sustainable Development in Northeast India: Opportunities and Challenges”***
2. Last Date and Language: Entries may be submitted by 15th October 2019 (1630 hours) in English Language.
3. Cash Prize : Winner will receive cash prizes as per the following:

Prize detail	Prizes INR
First Prize	Rs. 5000.00
Second Prize	Rs. 3000.00
Third Prize	Rs. 1800.00
Three Consolation	Rs. 1000.00

The prizewinners shall also be given a certificate. Their names and photos will be published in the annual report of the cooperative.

4. Eligibility: The applicant must be a student as on 31st October, 2019 pursuing graduation or post-graduation course in any of the educational institutions located in Kamrup District. There is no entry or application fee to the competition.
5. Length of the Essay: It should not be more than 3500 words including footnotes. Authors are encouraged to submit Essays of not less than 1500 words.
6. Format of the Essay:
 - (i) Typed on A4 size
 - (ii) Font size shall be 12 points (English) in Times New Roman

(iii) 1.5 interlinear space

(iv) Margins of one inch (2.54 cm) on all the four sides

7. Citations: Authors may use any recognized style of referencing system and this may be consistently used throughout the Essay. The list of References shall include all cited texts throughout the Essay.
8. Procedure for the submissions of essay: The scanned essay entry with each page signed along with the coloured scanned copy of self-attested valid student Identity Card and duly filled-in and signed entry form endorsed by the college/institution/university in pdf format have to be sent, latest by 15th October, 2019 (1630 hours) through email only at adbucooperative@gmail.com in English language. Entries submitted in hard copies and not in the prescribed format shall be summarily rejected without any intimation; NO query, correspondence; representation etc. concerning such entries shall be entertained.
9. Original essays will be considered for the competition. Any previously published essays shall be rejected outright. Any form of plagiarism will lead to disqualification of the entry.
10. Score / Assessment of the Essay: The entries will be assessed base on these criteria –
 - (i) Originality and Clarity of the Content
 - (ii) Quality of the Analysis and Research
 - (iii) Language and Structure of the Essay
11. All Essays submitted shall be exclusive intellectual property of ADBU Cooperative Society. The society shall be free to use the information or views therein in any manner it requires.
12. ADBU Cooperative shall not be responsible for any Essay(s) not received and no query, correspondence, representation etc. regarding the status of the entries at any stage of competition shall be entertained by the society under any circumstances. No Essay entry shall be entertained after the deadline, entries received after deadline shall be rejected without any intimation. Decision of the organizing the society in all matters of the District level Essay Competition, 2019 including the decision of the winner(s) shall be final and binding.