





## Time allotted



"Every poem is a celebration—of life, of culture, and of the power of imagination."

## Event Description

Poetry is the art of expressing deep emotions, thoughts, and ideas through rhythm, imagery, and carefully chosen words. Unlike ordinary writing, poetry paints pictures with language and gives



life to feelings that are often hard to describe. It can be gentle like a lullaby, powerful like a call for freedom, or celebratory like a festival.

This henceforth is a powerful way to celebrate the spirit of Bharat — a land where every state, every tradition, and every festival adds a unique flavour to our identity. From the taste of spices to the rhythm of classical dance, from vibrant costumes to soulful folk music, Bharat is a mosaic of culture and heritage.

Through this poetry writing activity, students are invited to express their love for Bharat by weaving words around themes of cultural diversity which includes food, attire, languages, music and dance.

Type of participation	Individual
Maximum number of participants	1 from each category
Type of Entry	Scanned JPEG/HD Photograph

## General Instructions

- Participants must compose their poems based on the given theme of Cultural Diversity as part of Bharat Vandan. Any poetic style or structure is allowed.
- All submissions must be original. Plagiarised or pre-written work will not be considered.



## Minimum Line Requirement:

- Maestros: 15 lines
  - Trendsetters: 20 lines
  - Legends: 25 lines
  - Elites: 30 lines
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- Participants must submit their poems in English for the English category and in Hindi for the Hindi category.
  - Participants must independently plan and write their poems after receiving the prompts.



- Participants are encouraged to enhance their poems with metaphors, similes, alliteration, personification, imagery, symbolism, and other poetic elements to enrich their expression. The creative use of rhyme, rhythm, and repetition will be considered while judging the poem's artistic impact.
- The participants must submit a clear photograph or PDF of the poem.
- The topic/question will be shared with schools on the competition day at the time allotted.
- All entries must be handwritten.
- Please note the entries must be emailed to the Organising Committee within the given deadline.



## Judgement Criteria

- **Content and Theme Adherence** – Relevance to the theme Bharat Vandan with clear alignment to the theme. Originality of thought, depth of insight, and creativity in handling the theme.
- **Expression and Emotional Impact** – Effective communication of emotions and feelings through the poem. Coherence in the progression of ideas and the ability to engage the reader emotionally.



- **Poetic Structure and Style** – Use of rhyme, rhythm, and stanza formation that complements the poem's tone. The overall flow and smooth transitions between lines and stanzas.
- **Literary Devices and Language** – Skillful use of metaphors, similes, imagery, alliteration, and other poetic devices. Language choices that enhance the mood, meaning, and impact of the poem.
- **Grammar and Presentation** – Clear sentence formation, appropriate vocabulary, and correct grammar. Overall neatness and presentation, ensuring that the poem is easy to read and understand.