



SDG ESSAY COMPETITION

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The SDG Coordination Centre (SDGCC), Planning & Transformation Department announced the launching of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) Essay Competition. The key objective is to provide a platform for citizens of the state to voice their ideas and solutions for a more sustainable and inclusive future.

The competition is open for all residents of Nagaland under two categories and will be taking entries up to 21st September 2023 via email. Two categories are: i) Fifteen years and below on the theme: 'My 2030 vision for a sustainable, equitable and green Nagaland' and ii) Sixteen years and above on the theme 'Localizing of SDGs and traditional value system: Prospects, Challenges and Strategies in Nagaland'. One can participate by sending their original essay along with name, age, postal address and contact number to the email ID: <u>sdgnagaland@gmail.com</u>. The first and runner-up winners will be awarded a cash award of INR 5000 and INR 4000 respectively, for each of the categories. The result will be announced on 25th September 2023 in celebration of World SDG Day. For more information, please visit our social media handles @sdgccnagaland.

The SDGs were adopted by all United Nations Member States in 2015 as a universal call to action to end poverty, protect the planet and ensure that all people enjoy peace and prosperity by 2030. The SDGs are a collection of 17 global goals and 169 associated targets designed to be a blueprint to achieve a better and more sustainable future for all. The SDGs aim to 'leave no one behind' and to 'reach the furthest behind first'.

The SDGCC is a dedicated SDG unit under the Planning & Transformation Department for effective advocacy, governance, monitoring, policy strengthening and as an accelerator of SDG implementation across the state. The state government has been mobilizing individuals, institutions, organisations and communities to take action for the achievement of the SDGs and create a variety of solutions for the priority SDG and their indicators. This is yet another effort towards the Nagaland SDG Vision 2030.