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Back In Full Swing

BY NINA JAIN, SECRETARY GENERAL - USO

With schools reopening after summer holidays, things are finally getting back to pre-COVID days. It is nice to see that finally students are at school, interacting with their friends, and back to the offline medium of learning, which - in my opinion - is the most effective.

Keeping this in mind, we are also keen to conduct our flagship event offline. Nothing replicates in-person experiences and interactions as it increases self-confidence. The **60th General Conference and All-India Schools Festival** shall be held at Chennai for 4 days. It is a great way for all attendees, to gain exposure as this provides the teachers and students with a national platform. It has been attended by several present-day global and national leaders, while they were at school.

USO National Tests for 2022 are scheduled for October, November, and December. The **65th National UN Information Test** shall be held on October 24, 2022 which is UN Day. Details are in the upcoming pages. Schools may register their students starting next month. This year we are going back to the test process before COVID. Study material or practise tests (for Mental math) shall be provided to the schools the test shall be conducted offline only as all schools are now open.

The **ABC2 Competition** has now concluded, and Participation E-Certificates have been sent to the students who submitted their cartoons. We are currently in the process of evaluating the cartoons and results shall be declared by the end of July.

World Population Day is an important day to take cognizance of as our population is increasing at an alarming rate. Arvind Indo Public School organised an event to better inform their students. Read about it in the following pages.

Till next time!

USO July Highlights

USO'S 60TH GENERAL CONFERENCE AND ALL INDIA SCHOOLS FESTIVAL

USO NATIONAL TESTS: AN OVERVIEW

WORLD POPULATION DAY: A LITTLE ABOUT AN IMPORTANT DAY

ARTICLE FROM ARVIND INDO PUBLIC SCHOOL ABOUT WORLD POPULATION DAY CELEBRATIONS



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Monday, October 24, 2022

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Wednesday, November 30, 2022

Registration

Registration for our tests from schools shall begin in August. Preparatory material in the form of a practise e-test or e-book (with sample questions) shall be provided to schools for distribution to participating students. This shall help students with test preparation. The registration fees shall be **Rs. 175** per student per test. School to retain **Rs. 25** towards all expenses related to conduction of the test at the school.

Other Details

Separate question paper for each standard.

Mental Math Test to have 5 practise tests with 25 questions each.

Prizes and Accolades

35% - 89%: Certificate of Participation

90% and above: Certificate of Merit and Medal

National Rank Holders: Certificate of Excellence, Medal and USO goodies

School Principal and Teacher Coordinator to receive USO goodies



We are pleased to inform you that our flagship event - The 60th General Conference and All India Schools Festival, shall be held offline this year in Chennai. With a very important and urgent theme of SDG 5, we are looking to sensitize all delegates on the importance of Gender Equality in our community, and our country.

This unique event, which has been graced by former Prime Ministers & former Presidents, is conducted in a different city each year is attended by more than 300+ teachers and students.

60th GENERAL CONFERENCE & ALL-INDIA SCHOOLS FESTIVAL

OVERVIEW

This 4-day event has 2 parts - the Conference and the Schools Festival. The Conference splits all delegates (teachers and students) into various commissions to deliberate on topics of current and global concern. USO General Body Meeting also takes place during the Conference, which is attended by all attendees.

The Schools Festival is the competition side of the event in which students compete in competitions such as On-the-Spot Painting, Declamation, One-Act Play, Solo Dance, Group Dance etc. A Peace March, Life Skills Workshop, Swachhtha Drive are also conducted which provide a holistic exposure to all delegates.

During these 4-days, the delegates stay in the same place, eat the same food, make long-lasting friendships and learn a great deal in the process.

DETAILS

The Conference shall be held from Tuesday, September 27, 2022 to Friday, September 30, 2022 at RMK Residential Senior Secondary School, Kavaraipettai, Chennai. The delegation from schools upon arrival at Chennai Central Railway Station shall be picked up and brought to the host school.

USO shall take care of all lodging and boarding facilities for all delegates as starting with dinner on September 26, 2022 to breakfast on October 1, 2022. All meals - breakfast, lunch, dinner and snacks shall be provided. Also, all delegates shall be hosted in a 4-bedded sharing room from September 26 (night) to October 1, 2022 (morning).

REGISTRATION

Schools must register their delegation - 2 teachers and 10 students max. Students must be from Std. 7 - 12. There is a registration fee from all delegates.

Schools may also chose to send a teachers-only delegation. All details, including competition rules are now on our website, including registration form with payment link: <https://usoindia.org>

A circular is provided on the next page which outlines details. Our offices may be contacted if you have any questions or concerns.



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UNITED SCHOOLS ORGANISATION OF INDIA

Empowering Educators Since 1951

60TH GENERAL CONFERENCE & ALL-INDIA SCHOOLS FESTIVAL



RMK Residential School
Chennai, Tamil Nadu



Tuesday, Sept 27, 2022 to
Friday, Sept 30, 2022

- Our flagship **national** 4-day event for students and teachers -
- Promotes mutual respect, national integration, tolerance and more -

HIGHLIGHTS

CONFERENCE

- Peace March
- Life Skills Workshop
- Cleanliness Drive
- Group Discussions
- Campfire
- Sightseeing

FESTIVAL / COMPETITIONS

- On-the-Spot Painting
- Declamation
- Solo Dance
- Group Dance
- One-Act Play

REG. FEES

Schools to register a delegation
2 teachers and 10 students

Rs. 1,500 per student (Std. 7-12)
Rs. 2,000 per teacher

Teacher-only - Rs. 2,500 per
teacher (max. 2 teachers)

INCLUSIONS

Pick-up / Drop-off from Chennai
Central Rlwy Station to venue

Boarding & Meals from Sept 26
(dinner) to Oct 1 (breakfast)

All other event-related costs
(Personal expenses not covered)

THEME

GLOBAL THEME:
SDG 5 - Gender Equality



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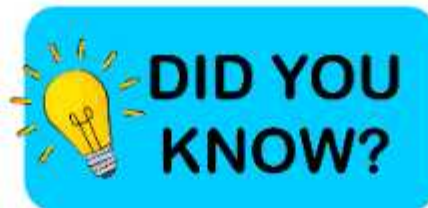


World Population Day is an annual event, observed on July 11 every year, which seeks to raise awareness of global population issues. World Population Day aims to increase people's awareness on various population issues such as the importance of family planning, gender equality, poverty, maternal health and human rights.

The day was suggested by Dr. K.C.Zachariah in which population reached five billion when he worked as a Senior Demographer at The World Bank. While press interest and general awareness in the global population surges at the increments of whole billions of people, the world population increases by 100 million approximately every 14 months. The world population was estimated at 7,400,000,000 on February 6, 2016 and reached 7,500,000,000 on April 24, 2017. The world population hit 7,700,000,000 in 2019.

In November 2020, UNFPA, together with the governments of Kenya and Denmark, convened a high-level conference in Nairobi to accelerate efforts to achieve these unmet goals. On World Population Day, advocates from around the world call on leaders, policymakers, grassroots organizers, institutions and others to help make reproductive health and rights a reality for all.

WORLD POPULATION DAY



Since the middle of the 20th century, the world has experienced unprecedented population growth. The world's population more than tripled in size between 1950 and 2020.

The growth rate of the world's population reached a peak between 1965 and 1970, when human numbers were increasing by an average of 2.1% per year.

During the period from 2000 to 2020, even though the global population grew at an average annual rate of 1.2%, 48 countries or areas grew at least twice as fast: these included 33 countries or areas in Africa and 12 in Asia.

The life span of adults in the developed world has increased since the middle of the 20th century - the number of people reaching the age of 100 years has never been greater than it is today.

Worldwide, the number of deaths relative to the size of the population has been declining since the 1950s, Over the next several decades, projections by the United Nations assume a continuing gradual decrease in age-specific mortality rates.

Source: UN DESA



Arvind Indo Public School, Nagpur, Maharashtra is a USO Member School. This article written by Mr. Rajendra Mishra, Principal, Arvind Indo Public School.

"WORLD POPULATION DAY" CELEBRATIONS

Arvind Indo Public School celebrated World Population Day in special assembly at school, under the able guidance of HOD Social science Mr. Arvind Burulewar, Ms. Soniya Ubnare, Ms. Manjusha Satkar and Mr. Pranay Wanjari.

The students delivered speeches and also made posters and paintings with the positive messages of 'Control Population: Save Earth'. Mr. Arvind Burulewar addressed the assembly and highlighted the significance of this day. The main purpose of observing this day is to provide a platform to students to show their hidden talents. Students enjoyed the day by reading their papers.



The theme of World Population Day is "A world of 8 billions: Towards a resilient future for all - harnessing opportunities and ensuring rights and choices for all."

World population day offers a moment to celebrate human progress. The day was suggested by Dr. K.C. Zachariah in which population was five billion when he worked as Sr. Demographer at The World Bank. Thomas Malthus was an 18th Century British Philosopher and economist noted for the Malthusian growth model, an exponential formula used to project population growth. The theory states that food production will not be able to keep up with growth in the human population, resulting in diseases, famine, war and calamity. The world population is projected at 7.87 billion. World population Day is observed on July 11 every year, which seeks to raise awareness of global population issues. He also said, our earth is in danger of over population, hence it is important to control the population and save the Earth. Earth is our home, Keep it clean, happy & Less crowded. Dr Ashish Deshmukh, Acting President of Arvindebabu Deshmukh Pratisthan appreciated the efforts of the School.

