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The International Award for Young People, India wishes all our readers and stakeholders joy and good health!

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Events in Focus

Virtual Award Leader Training: March 23-25; 09:00 to 13:30 Hours
Register here: <https://forms.gle/Q4HjqbGzdZiuhJMd7>

The Award in Action

Continuing our stories to showcase the tenacity, character and determination of Award Participants to continue their Award Journey in these unusual times.



Harsha Chandani, Gold Award Participant, Scindia Kanya Vidyalaya, Gwalior.

Under the Skill category of the Award, I have chosen Painting. Duke of Edinburgh's International Award has encouraged me to put in my sincere efforts which have in turn resulted in enhancing my painting skills. I have made various paintings- Still Life, Composition, Floral Art, Landscape Painting and Portrait Painting to name a few. Under the able guidance of my teachers, I have participated in numerous Art Events and Workshops such as Interhouse Competitions, Sahodayas as well as Art IPSC.

Under the Service section of the Award, I have learnt to make sanitary napkins by operating different kinds of machines. Our School, Scindia Kanya Vidyalaya believes- The best way to find yourself is to lose yourself in the Service of others. It has taken up a unique initiative under the project SANKALP where girls make sanitary napkins and distribute it in the neighboring villages. I have contributed to the Kerala Relief Fund project, been to the nearby village- Jarga to spread awareness about health and hygiene and explained the project to the visitors.

I have opted for Cricket under the Physical Recreation section. It has imbibed a sense of teamwork, determination and true sportsman spirit in me. I am a part of the School's Cricket team and have represented the School at Cricket IPSC twice.

The International Award for Young People (IAYP) has played a crucial role in keeping me fit and healthy even during the time of Covid -19 Pandemic which has again emphasized the importance of staying healthy.



Call for Award Stories!

The International Award for Young People, India invites all of its Award Participants and Award Leaders to send us write-ups/stories of their Award journeys. The Coronavirus induced pandemic had brought about unprecedented changes and obstacles for all of us. Millions of people around the world have been affected by the COVID-19 virus outbreak. In several places, schools and youth organisations had to be closed and people confined to their homes to reduce the spread of the virus. This proposed a challenge before youth organisations like The International Award for Young People as we all shifted to an online mode of work. However, our young and motivated Award participants did not let the pandemic deter their spirits, and with the help and support of their Award leaders, many have successfully completed the Award. We thus, call upon all our Award Participants and Leaders to share with us their journeys of pursuing the Award during this pandemic. We would love to know and publish your Award success stories in The Award Weekly.

Send us your Award stories and photographs at – ai@iayp.in with the following details:

- **Name**
- **Institution**
- **Award Level**
- **Whether pursuing the Award or completed/Date of Completion**

YES Centre Updates

We welcome the following Institutions into the Award Family:

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A Unique College Experience with Iram Inamdar

Brought to you by Minerva University's WHY Series

We'd like to introduce you to Iram, a first-year student from Pune, India, in the next Why Series session. When Iram was exploring higher education and came upon Minerva's programme, she regarded it as a "too good to be true" educational paradigm. Iram stands by her belief that learning and engaging with a city, culture, professional, or organization is the greatest way to learn after experiencing and spending time in two global cities, San Francisco and Seoul. This is only possible when students are given the opportunity to engage fully in the city's activities. Iram has had her fair share of experiences, from moving internationally to study abroad for the first time, to pushing the boundaries of constraints in a traditional learning environment, and finding the essence of home in a community filled with students from all over the world, and she brings these stories to share with us. Please join us on the **5th of March from 4:30 to 5:30 IST** to learn more about Iram and her experiences. For this session, go here for further information about the zoom link: <https://bit.ly/WHYSeries-Iram>

Please contact Jessica Varghese at varghese@minerva.edu if you have any queries.

Join Global Award Alumni Network

The Duke of Edinburgh's International Award Foundation has set up a **Global Award Alumni Network (GAAN)** with an aim to provide added value for the existing local alumni structures and encourage forming of new structures in those countries where there is no such provision for Award Alumni as of yet. The International Award for Young People, India is proud to announce that we are now an Official Member of The Global Award Alumni Network.

Here's how you can get involved-

1) The Global Award Alumni Portal is now LIVE! Sign up here- Global Award Alumni Network <https://alumni.intaward.org/>

2) The Duke of Edinburgh's International Award has set up the official Facebook group for the Global Alumni Network. This group is for Award holders who would like to be involved in and informed about the development of this initiative.

We invite you to join this group at (<https://www.facebook.com/groups/GlobalAlumniNetwork/>)

3) Opportunities on GAAN

Stay informed about local and global employment, internship and volunteering opportunities on the Global Award Alumni Network. The platform provides job and internship opportunities to Award Alumni. Check out openings here: <https://alumni.intaward.org/>

The Global Award Alumni Network (GAAN) is a platform for you to connect, explore and grow with the International Award Community. We invite all Award Alumni to register on the website and stay connected!

Official member of



Bronze Level Adventurous Journey during the Pandemic



Virtual Bronze Exploration of the Duke of Edinburgh's International Award for Young People

The International Award for Young People (IAYP) is happy to announce the release of the **Virtual Bronze Exploration for the Bronze Award Participants**.

The Virtual Bronze Exploration is a re-imagined virtual exploration that will help to develop the group work and team skills that underpin the aim of the Adventurous Journey section of the Award. These are core life skills that many people have learnt and used for their livelihoods over the period of lockdown. We believe that these will become increasingly important life skills for everyone.



Due to the restrictions in place in the country to halt the spread of COVID-19, we have developed this Virtual Exploration to provide an opportunity for young people to stay active and complete their Award Journey. This activity will help to develop the same group working and planning skills that are expected by all Adventurous Journeys. The Virtual Bronze Exploration is completed in 5 stages:

- i. Stage 1: Preparation & Training (Part A & Part B)**
- ii. Stage 2: Group Planning**
- iii. Stage 3: Practice**
- iv. Stage 4: Virtual Journey (Expedition)**
- v. Stage 5: Research Project (Exploration)**

The Preparation & Training stage (Stage 1) will be useful and act as a base level of knowledge for your Adventurous Journeys at the Silver and Gold levels. The Planning stage (Stage 2) will ensure that the whole group works together. The Practice Journey stage (Stage 3) is your chance to test some of the ideas in your plan. The day of activity for the virtual Journey in stage 4 is intended to give a flavour of a physical expedition, using videos of virtual walks from some beautiful parts of the world.

All YES Centres (and OAC Participants) are requested to write to vbe@dofe.in to get the required files and links and assist their participants to complete their Bronze Level Award Journey







Online Record Book (ORB) Training





THE INTERNATIONAL AWARD FOR YOUNG PEOPLE

WOULD LIKE TO ANNOUNCE THAT WE WILL BE CONDUCTING

ONLINE RECORD BOOK TRAINING FOR ALL AWARD LEADERS



Certificate Course



Interested? Contact us at: orb@dofe.in

The International Award for Young People and the Cambridge Assessment International Education

The International Award for Young People is presently working with Cambridge Assessment International Education in providing new ways to broaden the curriculum in the education world in India. Both our organisations believe that learning should not be confined to the classroom, but should also take place in the school environment and wider community.

Already a Cambridge International school?

If you are already a Cambridge International school and want to register for The International Award for Young People please complete [The International Award for Young People - Expression of Interest form](#).

Already delivering The International Award for Young People?

If you are already delivering The International Award for Young People and want to become a Cambridge International school please complete [Cambridge International school - Expression of Interest form](#).



Coronavirus (COVID-19)

Millions of people around the world have been affected by the COVID-19 virus outbreak. The safeguarding of all those connected to the Award – be they participants, volunteers or staff – is paramount and we know that you will be looking to your local public health bodies to ensure risks are managed appropriately in your Award Unit.

We recognize that the virus can make it difficult for some Award participants to maintain Award activities, but it doesn't have to. [Click here](#) for some creative ways for participants to continue their Award activities at home, whilst providing enough evidence to their Assessors and Award Leaders that they can continue progress to their goals.

It is paramount that anyone considering undertaking Award activities outside of the home in areas affected by the COVID-19 virus outbreak must consult their local public health authorities before doing so.

For any queries get in touch with the National Office at ai@iayp.in

World Health Organization Advice for Public: [click here](#)

Tips to build resilience and tackle the challenges of isolation during COVID-19: [Click here](#)

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