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

Wishing everyone a joyous Ugadi, a prosperous Gudi Padwa, and a blessed Eid-ul-fitr!



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Events in Focus

Gold Award Ceremony

Date- April 10th, 2025

Time- 10:00 AM onwards

Venue- Kamla Devi Auditorium, India International Centre, New Delhi

National Award Leader Training Workshop - New Delhi

Date: (2 days) 24th and 25th April, 2025

Venue: Maple Hall: Habitat World at India Habitat Centre, Lodhi Road, New Delhi -

110003, Entry Gate: (Gate No: 3 on Vardhaman Marg)

Registrations Closed

Important Update on the Adventurous Journey Section as part of The Award Programme

We are excited to announce a flexibility to the Adventure Journey requirements:

- -Bronze Level: The Practice Adventure Journey can be waived if the NAO considers that adequate preliminary training is done, and the requirements of the Adventurous Journey. This adjustment is aimed at making the Award Programme more accessible and encouraging wider participation at the introductory level.
- -Silver & Gold Levels: The Practice Adventure Journey remains a mandatory component. Participants at these levels are required to complete The Preliminary Training, the Practice Journey and the Qualifying Journeys to meet the programme's standards.

This change allows participants to focus on enjoying the experience of self discovery from the Adventure Journey experience at Bronze while maintaining the rigor and leadership development elements at Silver and Gold levels.

For any clarification/assistance, please contact the programme team.

The Award in Action - Sanjay Ghodawat International School, Belagavi



Sanjay Ghodawat International School, Belagavi, organized an exciting IAYP Adventure Journey to Siddankolla on the 15th and 16th of February. It is 15 KM away from the city of Belagavi, near Village Marakatti. The purpose of this trip was to instill a spirit of adventure, teamwork, and environmental awareness among young people while allowing them to explore nature in its purest form.

Journey and Arrival

The journey began early in the morning on 15th February as Award participants, along with faculty members left for Siddankolla. The scenic route, filled with lush greenery and picturesque landscapes, added to the excitement of the journey. Upon arrival, participants were briefed about the schedule, safety measures, and team activities planned for the two-day adventure.

Activities Conducted

The adventure trip was packed with thrilling and skill-enhancing activities such as:

- · Trekking: A guided trek through rugged terrain and hills, where young people learned about endurance, navigation, and survival skills.
- · Rock Climbing & Rappelling: An adrenaline-pumping experience that encouraged participants to challenge their limits.
- · Camping: Setting up tents, learning survival techniques, and engaging in group discussions around a campfire.
- Team-Building Games: Various activities like tug-of-war, obstacle courses, and problem-solving tasks to enhance cooperation and leadership skills.

- · Nature Walk & Bird Watching: An educational session where our young people explored the local flora and fauna, promoting environmental consciousness.
- · Cleanliness: As part of the adventure journey, participants were engaged themselves to clean the surroundings of the area.

Learning Experience

The Adventure Journey was not just about fun but also about valuable learning experiences. Students developed confidence, resilience, and teamwork while being in close proximity to nature. It also encouraged them to appreciate outdoor activities and develop a sense of responsibility towards the environment.

Conclusion

The adventure journey to Siddankolla Finally ended on February 16th 2025 by evening 6.30 and it was a memorable experience for all participants. It provided students with an opportunity to explore, learn, and bond with their peers while engaging in thrilling activities. The trip successfully achieved its objectives and left everyone with cherished memories and a stronger spirit of adventure.

-Report by Mr. Basavaraj V Janti, Award Leader, Sanjay Ghodawat International School, Belagavi















Reflections on Meeting HRH Prince Edward: IAYP Participants Share Their Experiences!



At Wankhede Stadium, my team and I had the incredible opportunity to meet the Duke of Edinburgh and share JBCN School's initiatives as part of The International Award for Young People (IAYP), a program we have been actively engaged in. During our conversation, we discussed how IAYP has shaped our journey through voluntary service, skill development, physical recreation, and adventurous activities. We reflected on the challenges we've overcome, the leadership skills we've developed, and how the program has pushed us beyond our comfort zones. It was exciting to highlight the various projects we've undertaken and their impact on our personal growth, as well as our school's commitment to holistic education. Meeting the Duke of Edinburgh was truly inspiring. He showed a keen interest in our experiences and the impact IAYP has had on us. The discussion gave us a deeper understanding of the program's global influence and how our efforts contribute to a larger international movement. Representing our school at this moment was a source

of immense pride, and the experience has further strengthened my motivation-not only to continue pushing my limits but also to take on the challenge of the Gold Award level.

- Darsh Yadav, Bronze Award Participant, JBCN International School, Borivali

Meeting His Royal Highness Prince Edward was a truly inspiring and insightful experience. It brought into sharp focus the true essence of The International Award for Young People (IAYP). It's not simply about receiving an Award; it's about the journey of personal growth, the challenges we overcome, and the positive impact made. Prince Edward's kindness and genuine interest underscored the program's broader mission: shaping not just students, but future leaders like himself. This realization reinforces the value of IAYP in preparing us for future success in both our personal and professional lives.

- Naaishaa Harissh, Silver Award Participant, MET Rishikul Vidyalaya, Mumbai



Adults in the Award Satisfaction Survey

Are you an Award Leader, AJ Assessor/Supervisor, or an adult supporting the delivery of The Award Programme? If yes, we'd love to hear your thoughts! The Adults in the Award Satisfaction Survey is open until June 2025, and your feedback will guide improvements to The Award Programme.

Share your insights today: Adults in the Award Satisfaction Survey 2025

Participant Satisfaction Survey

We value your feedback! If you're about to complete or have recently completed a level of The Award, please take a moment to share your experience through the Participant Satisfaction Survey. Your insights will help us enhance the Award journey for future participants.

Access the survey here: Participant Satisfaction Survey 2025

Photo Gallery

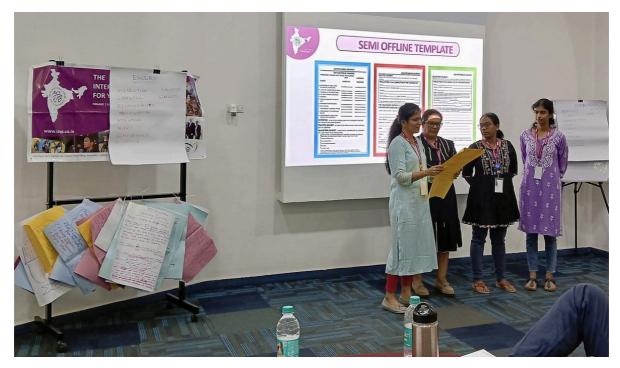
National Award Leader Training Workshop - Bengaluru, Karnataka - 25th and 26th March, 2025











Meeting with Award Leaders from Oberoi International School, JVLR Campus



Congratulating Alisha Khan and Sanidhi Gokhale for successfully completing the Silver Level of The Award as OAC participants!



Meeting with the leadership team at Sarala Birla Academy, Bengaluru









Award Orientation at Rabindranath Tagore School of Excellence, Pune







Student Orientation at Ram Ratna Vidya Mandir, Maharashtra





Visit and interaction with Award participants from IDEA Foundation





Student Orientation at Universal High School, Thane



Visit to MET Rishikul Vidyalaya, Mumbai - 12th March, 2025

On 12th March, MET Rishikul Vidyalaya Mumbai welcomed Mr. Bivujit Mukhoty, Programme Manager, and Mrs. Kavita Patil, Programme Officer - West, for an engaging visit with the Principal, Award participants, and Award Coordinators, celebrating the spirit of the Award programme!







Share Your Award Journey and Inspire Others!

The International Award for Young People, India is excited to invite all Award Participants and Leaders to share their extraordinary Award journeys. We want to hear your stories of determination, growth, and personal triumphs!

Whether you're starting or have completed it The Award, your story matters! It will be featured in **The Award Weekly** and our social media handles, inspiring others. Share your story at **askme@dofe.in** with your name, institution, Award level, and completion date. Let's celebrate personal growth and perseverance together!

Let your story be the guiding light that inspires others to overcome challenges and strive for greatness. Your voice matters, and we can't wait to celebrate

your achievements!

Note - Please share the appropriate consent form for any media along with your submission to NAO: IAYP Consent Form for Media



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.

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