



## National Essay Contest

Inspired by His Majesty the King's emphasis on the importance of leveraging technologies to overcome our challenges as a nation, Thimphu TechPark is initiating a national essay contest to celebrate our beloved King's 41<sup>st</sup> Birth Anniversary and raise awareness on the oncoming changes driven by technologies. We intend to make this an annual event henceforth.

“The world is changing rapidly. We cannot afford to avoid what we don't yet understand and hope for the best. Such an attitude will cost us our national objective of self-reliance.” -His Majesty the King.

| Category                       | Specific themes for different categories   | Word Limit |
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| General public                 | Your vision for Bhutan 25 years hence  | 2500       |
| College students               | Bhutan in the age of technology - with especial reference to His Majesty's emphasis on leveraging technologies in His <a href="#">address at the 14th Convocation of the Royal University of Bhutan on 24th May 2019</a> . | 2000       |
| Students of class 12 and below | Driven by technologies, the world is changing very fast. What kind of future do you foresee for your generation?   | 1500       |

### Prizes (sponsored by BTL and FDI Companies at IT Park)

| CATEGORY         | Grand Prize   | 2 <sup>nd</sup> Place                                 | 3 <sup>rd</sup> Place                              |
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| School students  | Vivo V20Pro worth Nu.27,990 plus goodies.<br>Sponsored by <b>ScanCafe</b>         | Nu. 10,000, Sponsored by <b>ScanCafe</b>              | Nu. 5000, Sponsored by <b>ScanCafe</b>             |
| College students | Vivo X50 Pro worth Nu. 47,990 plus goodies.<br>Sponsored by <b>SELISE</b>         | Nu. 11,000<br>Sponsored by <a href="#">TIJ-Tech</a> , | Nu. 6000,<br>Sponsored by <a href="#">TIJ-Tech</a> |
| General Public   | Vivo X50 Pro worth Nu. 47,990 plus goodies.<br>Sponsored by <b>Bhutan Telecom</b> | Nu. 12,000, sponsored by <b>iMerit</b>                | Nu. 7000, sponsored by <b>iMerit</b>               |

### Important information

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| Eligibility         | All Bhutanese citizens   |
| Submission deadline | 9 <sup>th</sup> April 2021   |
| Prize declaration   | 7 <sup>th</sup> May 2021, coinciding with the 9 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Thimphu TechPark's service to the Nation and touching lives.  |
| Evaluation criteria | Evaluation will be based on your knowledge, understanding, research and your own reflection and analysis. Choose any topic within the broad theme given above and give a unique title for your essay. Acknowledge references and quotes where necessary. |

**How to Apply:** Submit your essay along with your application form by E-mail to [techparkthimphu12@gmail.com](mailto:techparkthimphu12@gmail.com)  
For details, please visit: <https://thimphutechpark.bt/national-essay-contest/>

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