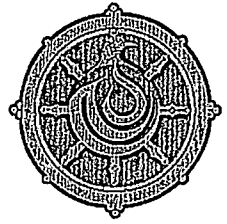




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FOREIGN SECRETARY

MFA/MD/NTF-168/113

1 March 2021

To: As per distribution list

Subject: Nationwide essay competition for youth

Dear Sir,

On behalf of the National Taskforce for the Commemoration for 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Bhutan's Membership to the United Nations, I am pleased to inform that a year-long commemoration of this historic milestone was launched on 22 February 2021 coinciding with the 41<sup>st</sup> Birth Anniversary of His Majesty The King. A series of activities and events will be held throughout this year to mark the occasion.

As part of the commemoration, a nationwide essay competition for the youth of Bhutan was formally launched by the Hon'ble Prime Minister of Bhutan. The essay competition on the theme "50 years of partnership: Bhutan and UN for a better future" is open to all Bhutanese youth between the ages of 14 to 24. Entries will be accepted in both English and Dzongkha and must be submitted by 15 July 2021. The details of the essay competition are attached herewith.

In this regard, the National Taskforce solicits your kind support in sharing this information with all the colleges/institutes/schools across the country. Furthermore, we would like to request you to kindly identify a focal person from your office who can collect all the essays from colleges and share the details of the focal officer to us via email ([un50bhutan@gmail.com](mailto:un50bhutan@gmail.com)).

With warm regards,

Yours sincerely,

  
Kinga Singye

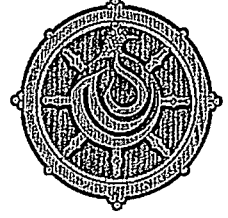
Cc:

1. Member Secretary, NTF
2. Working Committee members for UN50Bhutan



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## Annexure: Details of the Essay Competition

### Title:

*“Describe in your own words the significance of UN Bhutan partnership and what kind of Bhutan would you want to see in the next 50 years”.*

**Target Group:** Open to all youths (including youths who are out of school and monastic institutions) from age 14-24 years which will be further divided into two groups:

- 14-18 years
- 19-24 years

**Category:** Dzongkha and English

### Application Guideline:

- Essays must be **750-800** words (excluding essay title);
- Essays can be :
  - Hand written or typed
  - Submitted online via social media pages for youths out of school and to respective heads of schools and colleges for students
    - Email: [un50bhutan@gmail.com](mailto:un50bhutan@gmail.com)
- Entries must include cover page which should indicate the following:
  - Name
  - Category/Age (As on July, 2021)
  - Gender
  - Address
  - Email (personal/guardian's)
  - Phone Number (Personal/Guardian's)
  - Alternate contact numbers
  - School/college name (If applicable)
- Entries must be original and unpublished
- It should be written by one person.
- Applicants can submit their essays no later than **15<sup>th</sup> July, 2021**.

### Winners:

Post Box No. 103, Gyalyong Tshogkhang, Thimphu, Bhutan  
EPABX 00975-2-323297, 322771, 322473, 322459, Fax: 00975-2-323240 Website: [www.mfa.gov.bt](http://www.mfa.gov.bt)



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i. *Dzongkha Category:*

1. 14-18 years (1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>)
2. 19-24 years (1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>)

ii. *English Category*

1. 14-18 years (1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>)
2. 19-24 years (1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>)

- b. Winners will be contacted via e-mail through the e-mail address they provided for registration or contacted via the phone numbers provided.
- c. Winners will be announced on August 12<sup>th</sup>, 2021 coinciding with the International Youth Day.

**Prize:** Information on prizes will be shared via the social media page of the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Bhutan's Membership to the UN.