



National Institute of Food Technology, Entrepreneurship and Management-Thanjavur (NIFTEM-THANJAVUR)

An Institute of National Importance Under Ministry of Food Processing Industries,
Government of India

Guidelines for “SYMPOSIA” Debate event organized as a part of **National Science Day 2023**
conducted by NIFTEM-T on **27.02.2023 & 28.02.2023**

ELIGIBILITY:

- School students of classes 8th and 9th. Each team should consist of 3 school students. One team per school is eligible to participate in the event.

GUIDELINES:

Prelims

- Language: **English**
- **Topics are attached below.**
- Time allotted for discussion: 5minutes
- Speaking time: 5minutes
- Teams have to prepare all the 10 topics given and based on lot a topic will be allotted to the team on the event day.
- Teammates will discuss among themselves the given topic. One member has the affirmative role (speaks for the topic) and the other contradicting role (speaks against the topic).
- The third member will share their opinion based on the statements given by both the speakers.
- Vulgarity and profanity may lead to disqualification.
- **Judging criteria-** Content, Fluency & Clarity, Final Judgement, Presentation.
- The decision made by the judges will be final.

Topics For Prelims:

- 1) Is zero- waste society possible or not?
- 2) Processed foods healthy or harmful?
- 3) World without human boon or bane?
- 4) Was covid 19 a time for the environment to self- purify itself?
- 5) Is genetically modifying a species ethical?
- 6) Automation of industries boon or bane for mankind?
- 7) Is exploring space more important than developing our villages?
- 8) Online schooling is the way of the future.
- 9) Should fast food restaurants be blamed for obesity?
- 10) Will veganism save the earth?

GUIDELINES FOR FINALS

- **THEME – MILLETS: The Super Food**
- Based on lot, one team will have the affirmative role and the other will have contradicting role.
- **Judging criteria:** Content, Fluency & Clarity, Presentation.
- The decision made by the judges will be final.

For registration- <https://forms.gle/udYg6K9KtfZERw4J6>

IMPORTANT DATES

Last date to register: 26.02.2023

Prelims will be conducted: 27.02.2023

Finals will be conducted on: 28.02.2023

Important information

- There is **no registration fee** for participants
- Only **one team** can participate from **a school**
- Students are requested to carry their ID card for verification procedures.
- The team is requested to scan upload **Participant Details (Annexure I)** and **Bonafide certificate (Annexure II)** and original documents to be submitted to the college on **27.02.2023**

DOCUMENTS TO BE FILLED AND SUBMITTED ARE ENCLOSED BELOW.PLEASE FIND THE SAME.

For Further queries contact: **Saran V (8148670550) , Anjali A (9360488129)**

PARTICIPANT DETAILS (Annexure I):

EVENT- SYMPOSIA

School Name:

Details of the Team

SL No.	First Name (In Capitals)	Middle Name (In Capitals)	Last Name (In Capitals)	Class & section
1)				
2)				
3)				

Details of the mentor

Name:

Designation:

Mobile Number:

e-mail ID:

Details of schools

Name of the school	
Complete Postal Address	
PIN	
Landline Number of Institution	
Official e-mail ID of the institution	

BONAFIDE CERTIFICATE (Annexure II):

Date:

This is to certify that the school appreciates the participation of the following group of students for the SYMPOSIA event which will be held in NIFTEM-Thanjavur on 27.02.2023 & 28.02.2023. It is also assured that if the team is selected for finals, we will provide all necessary support and guidance to the team for successful participation in the event.

SL NO	NAME OF STUDENT	CLASS AND SECTION
1)		
2)		
3)		

NAME OF MENTOR:

MOBILE NUMBER OF MENTOR:

Signature of the competent authority with full designation and seal of the institution