Things to know - Colleges **2013**

Eligibility

The awards are open to any college in India.

For the college category, students in graduate programs (post completing the equivalent of 12th class/ Pre-university course In India) and above are eligible to participate. Students pursuing Diploma and other vocational technical courses who have completed 1 year of education after 10th standard can also participate in the college category.

Participation

Each institution can send any number of entries against the unique 'earthian registration number' of the college.

Students should form teams and each team should contain at least two students and a faculty member as a guide/facilitator. You can form cross disciplinary teams and across levels. Colleges will be selected for the award and the further engagement based on the submissions they make for earthian

Submissions

- · Entries should be submitted in English.
- Total size of the write up should be within 5000 words.
- Additional material may be requested from shortlisted teams and/or the institute they represent.
- The format for attachment can be any one of the following: .doc, .docx, .pdf.
- Only 1 attachment is allowed for each entry, and total file size limit is 2 MB per entry.
- For supplementary material (Video, Presentation), you can either upload the content on Yousendit.com or YouTube and share us the link.
- Last date for submission is 18th of October, 2013.

Note on Plagiarism

- 1. Plagiarism is copying, close imitation and publication of someone else's material (written and/or electronic source like Wikipedia, internet articles etc.) and passing it off as one's own.
- 2. Entries resorting to any form of plagiarism will be rejected and not be considered for assessment. All entries submitted will undergo a plagiarism check.
- 3. Please quote and reference an external source appropriately in your submission.



Evaluation criteria

The submissions to earthian 2013 will be judged based on a broad approach as deemed appropriate by the jury. This will be based on the breadth and depth of understanding (comprehensiveness) of the scenario or selected topic, its context and interrelatedness the originality, relevance of the critique and/or suggested approaches (the submission need not be a solution; a critique of the present state or scenario is itself a complete submission)

To give some more clarity and a sense of direction to participants, we are listing a few key evaluation criteria. However, please don't blindly go by these alone; keep a broader vision in mind, as mentioned above.

- Rigor in understanding this can come through analysis of publicly available information (secondary data), talking to experts and discussing in groups. For most of the complex sustainability issues, there is no defined solution set. It depends on the context! Your best guide is to approach with an open mind and critique or question anything that is thrown at you (incuding google search results and wikipedia.)
- 2. Innovation: Here innovation does not mean necessarily mean a complicated technological solution. Innovation is about going outside known thought patterns to understand a problem (the first step). It is also about taking steps solution/approach which considers perspectives of all stakeholder groups. (how many stakeholders views does your submission consider?)
- 3. Creativity in documentation. Use of different ways and methods of reporting that are weaved together to give a sense of the whole like using diagrams, mind-maps (https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Mind_map)
- 4. How does your submission help explore and get perspectives on the education and learning of your chosen subject matter? Is it limiting or sufficient?

Dates & Timelines

Registrations	Open from 15 th July 2013
Submission Deadline	11th October 2013
Shortlisted Entries	30 th November 2013
Selected Institutes (Final)	20 th December 2013
Award Event	Likely to be in 3rd week of January 2014

Awards & Recognition

Awards are addressed at the institutional (school/college) level and not at the individual level. This is to encourage the building of institutional capability in the area of sustainability on a long term basis.

Schools and colleges can create teams to work on submitting entries on a specific statement scenario. Each team can also consist of a faculty member as the guide, with primary contribution, ownership, and representation coming primarily from students.

- 10 awards of Rs. 150000 (\$3000) each, trophy for the institution and certificate for the team. Continuous engagement in the area of sustainability and education with students and winning institutes for next 3 years.
- Appreciation Certificates for top-25 entries from both school and college categories.

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