- (a) Only the First, Second and Third Position Holders (teams/individuals) of each competition (except Cultural Procession) in each of the 8 zones are eligible to participate in the 37th Inter-University National Youth Festival.
- (b) Only bonafide, full time student, who is enrolled for a degree or post graduate degree or diploma course which is of a minimum duration of one academic year and whose examination is conducted by the University or college affiliated to university subsequent to passing the 12th class examination are eligible to participate.
- (c) Students of open Universities shall be considered to be bonafide students and shall be eligible to participate provided they fulfil other conditions.
- (d) Only students, who are less than 25 years of age on the 1st day of July of current academic year (2024-25), can participate. There is no minimum age of participation.
- (e) A student shall not be allowed to represent more than one University during a single academic year.
- (f) Provisional admission to a course of a University or college shall not make the student eligible to represent the University/Institution.
- (g) A student employed on full time basis shall not be eligible to participate.
- (h) In case of a student migrating from one University to another his/her migration case will be considered eligible, only after his/her admission in the new University is regularized and he/she is admitted as a bonafide student by the new University/institution.
- (i) AIU subscription fee is mandatory for participation in AIU Youth Affairs programmes by Universities/Institutions.

#### STRENGTH OF CONTINGENT

- The maximum strength of the contingent of each university can be 49 (in case the university is participating in Folk/Tribal Dance, the contingent size may be maximum up to 58) including participants, accompanists and officials.
- At the most 8, outsider accompanists are allowed, who will be included in the contingent strength. Accompanists should preferably be the students, however, outsiders may be allowed if suitable students are not available. The student accompanists will be given participation certificates.

- Participating University shall send a maximum of two persons as contingent-in-charge, who will maintain a liaison with the organizing committee of the host University. The university is encouraged to depute a lady in charge to accompany the girl participants. Officials will be included in the contingent.
- The DSW of the University will not be counted in the total strength of contingent

## **REPLACEMENT OF MEMBERS IN THE CONTINGENT FOR NATIONAL YOUTH FEST**

At maximum, 2 members of the contingent that represented a particular university at the zonal may be replaced under unforeseen circumstances. However, the replaced member will not be eligible to participate in any SOLO Events.

## **IDENTITY CARD**

Identity Cards with photographs signed by the appropriate authorities by the respective University should be carried by the participants.

#### **UNIVERSITY FLAGS**

The contingent leader shall have to deposit his/her (one) University flags with the host University. They should also keep one university flag with them for the cultural procession.

#### **TRAVELLING EXPENSES**

The participating University will have to bear the travelling expenses.

#### FOOD

Food shall be provided by the Host University. Meals will be provided from lunch one day before the start of the fest and till breakfast of the next morning of the valedictory ceremony.

#### **BOARDING & LODGING**

Free board and lodging would be provided to the participating teams during the National Youth Festivals. Participating troupes from the Universities could be housed as guests in student's hostels, utilizing common rooms, verandas, etc. Accommodation will be provided from the night one day before the start of the fest and till the next morning of the valedictory ceremony.

# **REGISTRATION/PARTICIPATION FEE**

Each participant including team official will be required to deposit registration fee @ Rs. 3000/- per participant with the organizing university.

## **CAUTION MONEY (REFUNDABLE)**

A refundable caution money of Rs. 5000/- (Rupees five thousand only) shall be deposited by each participating university at host university registration desk/venue or through digital mode in advance.

## CLOTHING

It is advised that sufficient warm bedding, blankets, woollen clothes, medicines and locks etc. should be brought by the contingent. The participant and officials are advised to get inoculate against cholera and typhoid.

#### **STAMP SIZE PHOTOS**

Two stamp photographs of each participant, accompanists and official delegates are required to be sent to the host University in advance.

# DISCIPLINE

- If the behaviour of any contingent is found contrary to the objectives of the festivals the host University may take suitable action against members concerned and an individual / team be debarred from participation in the future youth festivals for three years under intimation to AIU.
- No official or any member University shall go to press on any controversial issue. The consumption of liquor/ intoxication, eve teasing, influencing the adjudicators, indecent behaviour inside the campus and venue is strictly prohibited. Those violating

this clause shall be liable to disciplinary action which may be to the extent of debarring the concerned University Team Official from participation in the Inter University Youth Activities for a period as may be determined by the AIU Cultural Committee.

# **OTHER RULES/ADVISORIES PERTAINING TO ALL EVENTS**

- Participating Universities are informed that the use of fire / inflammable items/ items involving direct fuel and fire / fireworks/ arms dangerous items are strictly prohibited. However, if it is unavoidable for cultural performance, their imitation may be used with the prior permission of the organizing committee.
- Recorded music or audio/CD is not permitted during the Folk/ Tribal and Classical dance.
- In order to promote creativity, the Cultural Contingents are requested to present new Cultural items and not to repeat the same, which they presented in the preceding year.

# **DISQUALIFICATION FOR VIOLATION OF ELIGIBILITY RULES**

Any disqualification of a participant on ground of ineligibility will result in the automatic scratching of the Event Category of participant/participants (i.e. Music, Dance, Theatre, Literary, or Fine Art) for that academic year.

# DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the Inter University Youth Festivals entirely at their own risk. Neither the host nor AIU will be responsible for any unfortunate circumstances.

# JUDGMENT AND APPEALS

The decision of the judges appointed for different events shall be final. It is expected that their judgment will be respected. In case of any dissatisfaction, the matter may be referred to the Jury of Appeals. The Protest, if any, should be lodged with the Organizing Secretary/Convener of the Competition within one hour of the end of the competition. No protest shall be entertained on matters regarding judgment. Protests can be entertained on matters related to violation of rules or improper conduct of the contest. There will be a protest fee of INR 1000/- (One thousand) only. This fee will not be refunded unless the

protest has been upheld by the Jury of Appeals. No appeal shall lie against the decision of the Jury of Appeals.

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