

**Thiru .R.N.Ravi, Hon'ble Governor of Tamilnadu and The Chairman,
Governing Board of Auroville Foundation, in commemoration of 75 years of
India's Independence and the 150th Birth Anniversary of Sri Aurobindo,
announces an *Essay and Short Film Competition* nationally and internationally
for School Students (6th to 12th standard) and College Level Students
Date extended upto 30th October 2022.**

On the occasion of celebrating 75 years of India's Independence (Azadi Ka Amrut Mahotsav) and the 150th Birth Anniversary of Sri Aurobindo, the Auroville Foundation is announcing **Essay and Short Film Competitions** for **School students** (6th to 12th Standard/Grade) and for **College Students** nationally and internationally in **Tamil and English languages**.

1) The topic of the Essay or Short Film* **for School students** in English and Tamil languages will be:

"Sri Aurobindo and Auroville: Reigniting India's Greatness"

2) The topic of Essay or Short Film* **for College/University Students** in English and Tamil languages will be:

"Sri Aurobindo &Auroville: India's Gift for Humanity".

The length of essay should not exceed 10 pages (A4 size only) with 20 lines per page (about 3000 words in total) and should be submitted in pdf format.

The duration of the short film should be between 5-7 minutes and in the format of .mp4, .avi or .mpeg files.

The date of submission of Essays/ Short Films, has been extended and the materials should be submitted **on or before 30th October, 2022 at 6.00 p.m. (IST)** and only **in digital form**.

1) The **essay** should be sent to the below provided email addresses and include the **PDF document**.

2) The **short films** should be **uploaded** into the following platform:
<https://www.aurobindo150shortfilm.com/>

The submission emails of every participant must contain the following details: 1) Name, 2) Residential address, 3) Name and address of the educational institution, 4) Class/Grade/Discipline of studies, and 5) Contact mobile number and email ID.

Two Committees consisting of eminent persons will evaluate the short films and the Essays and will recommend three winners in each category (Separately for Tamil and English).

For the **College level competition**, the first, second and third place winners will be felicitated with **Rs.1.00 Lakh** (Rupees one Lakh), **Rs.75,000** (Rupees seventy-five thousand) and **Rs.50,000** (Rupees fifty thousand) respectively.

For the **School level Competition**, the first, second and third place winners will be felicitated with **Rs.75,000** (Rupees seventy-five thousand), **Rs.50,000/-** (Rupees fifty thousand) and **Rs.25,000** (Rupees twenty-five thousand) respectively. The cash prizes and certificates will be awarded in due course.

List of email ID's for submissions of essays and short films of eight categories, depending if it is an essay or a short film, a school or college student and if it is in English or in Tamil language.

I. For **Tamil** language:

- 1) Essay submissions for school students: essay.schools.tamil@auroville.org.in
- 2) Essay submissions for college students: essay.college.tamil@auroville.org.in

II. For **English** language:

- 1) Essay submissions for school students: essay.schools.english@auroville.org.in
- 2) Essay submissions for college students: essay.college.english@auroville.org.in

On the special occasion of the 150th Birth Anniversary of Sri Aurobindo and the 75th Birthday of Free India, this is to welcome students from across India and the World to delve deeper into the thoughts, words and actions of Sri Aurobindo, assimilate them, reflect on his ideals and express their ideas, hopes and dreams through films or essays by participating in this International Contest.

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