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# RULES BOOKLET

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# <u>ART</u>

# **CONTRASTO**

The most colourful combination in the world is black and white – it contains all colours and at the same time excludes all. A Sketching Competition for all enthusiasts. Get your grey cells working and convert a white paper into a masterpiece!

#### REGISTRATION

On-spot registration. Individual participation.

# RULES

- Each participant will be provided with a drawing sheet- half of it being black and the other half being white, along with other inventories. He/she will have to draw something related to a certain theme using black and white charcoal/chalk provided to him/her.
- The participant will also have to give a written explanation about the art work in around 50 words.
- The judging will be based on beauty, skill, clarity of explanation and relevance to the theme.

# **EXPOSURE EXHIBITION**

The art of writing with light is a bewitching one... be it those black and white images that freeze time in altogether another dimension or those vivid splashes of colour that overflow with life.

Exposure, a state of the art photography exhibition conducted by Photography Club of BITS Pilani, offers a guided tour of the photographic world, right from technological aspects, camera equipment, photography techniques and latest trends in the field. And all this is done without sacrificing the aesthetic or artistic value of the photographs.

The theme for this year's exhibition is Central Perk, inspired by F.R.I.E.N.D.S. and various themed panels on topics like Zodiac Signs, Life's Purpose, Music, and Superheroes etc. will be displayed along with a "'Around the World" theme based Central Panel.

The exhibition will take place at 2204.

# **SPLASH**

Every face is a blank canvas and the true expressions are portrayed only when it is tinted in the right shade. Participate in splash, and unfurl your painted counterpart. Because art enables us to find

ourselves and lose ourselves at the same time. Get ready to be lost in this face and hand painting competition.

# REGISTRATION

On-spot registration. Team participation.

- Maximum team size is 4.
- This is a face/hand painting event.
- One member of the team has to volunteer to get his/her face and hands painted by the rest of the team.
- All inventories will be provided.
- The painting must be based on one of the themes announced during the event and must be finished within the stipulated time.
- At the end of the time duration, the participants must explain the work to the judges.
- Judgement will be based on creativity, detailing, painting skills and the overall outlook of the art work.

# DANCE

# **CHOREO**\*

# REGISTRATION

Pre-registration (includes video submission). Team participation.

- Submit a 2-3 minute long video showcasing your team's practice routine/previous performances to <u>pcr@bits-oasis.org</u>
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- For last date for submission, check last date for application in the registration details

# RULES

- Teams can have a maximum of 14 participants.
- A maximum of 8 teams can participate in the event.
- One entry per college.
- Teams are expected to portray a theme through dance and choreography.
- Time limit of 10 minutes including write-up (curtain to curtain). Negative points for exceeding the time limit.
- There will be an elimination round.

- Folk and classical dances are not allowed.
- Lyrics are not allowed in the sound track. However, a short write-up describing the theme may be read before the performance. The write-up should be in printed form.
- All props must be specified to the Coordinator of Department of Theatre. Use of props is highly discouraged and can result in negative points or even disqualification. (Any item that is not a part of clothing is a prop. Also, an item of clothing will be considered a prop if it is moved from its initial position during the performance.)
- On-Stage rehearsal slots will be provided to the short listed teams. Teams are expected to use these slots for finalizing lights cues and so on.
- Backstage helpers should not exceed 6. Two team members must be present to provide cues for music and lights.
- Lighting of candles, matches or cigarettes on stage is not allowed and will result in disqualification.
- Teams are requested to have confirmed their participation in advance via email.
- Teams should report to the Department of Theatre room immediately after registration at the Controls booth.
- Teams must bring 2 CDs and a pen-drive containing their sound track. One CD is to be submitted at the time of eliminations. The soundtrack should be in .mp3 format.
- Teams are advised to get their own music systems for practice

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# **RAZZMATAZZ\***

#### REGISTRATION

Pre-registration (includes video submission). Team participation.

- Submit a 2-3 minute long video showcasing your team's practice routine/previous performances to <u>pcr@bits-oasis.org</u>
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# RULES

- On stage only 12 allowed at a time. Rest can rotate between rounds with the maximum number of team members being 18.
- A maximum of 22 teams can participate in the event.
- There will be 3 rounds.

#### **Eliminations:**

- Teams will be judged on the basis of their own prepared sequence.
- Teams need to show all the props which they might be using in their performance.
- Teams also need to show at least a single set of costumes they will be wearing for their performance.
- Props using fire are strictly prohibited.

#### Round 0: Video entries (Pre-Oasis eliminations)

- Each team is required to send a dance video (Min. 1min and Max 3. min) of the performance while registering for the event.
- Qualified teams will go for next rounds.

#### Finals Round 1: Group Dance (Prepared Sequence)

- Minimum six dancers on stage.
- No lead dancer, no solo performance.
- Time limit (excluding briefing time) Max: 6 min. Min: 3 min.
- All forms of dance allowed.
- Weightage for costumes, music, choreography and coordination.
- Fusion allowed.
- Negative marking on exceeding time limit and disqualification on exceeding the number of participants.
- No weightage will be given for props. However, prior permission is required for their usage.
- Get your own CD/pen-drive with music for the dance.
- No audio cassettes will be allowed.

#### Finals Round 2: Footloose (On the Spot)

- The music will keep changing, you will have to adapt to the beat.
- Organizers will provide music on the spot.
- There will have to be at least 3 dancers on stage at all times.

- Time limit: Max: 3 min, Min: 1 min (Left to the discretion of the organizers)
- Weightage will be given for adaptation to change of music and pace of beat, coordination and choreography.
- No props allowed.

#### Finals Round 3: Prop Round (Improvised use of props)

- The organizers will provide props and music.
- Props will be decided through lots at the end of Round 1.

# $\textbf{STREET DANCE}^*$

# REGISTRATION

Pre-registration (includes video submission). Team participation.

- Submit a 2-3 minute long video showcasing your team's practice routine/previous performances to <u>pcr@bits-oasis.org</u>
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# RULES

- Minimum 5 and maximum 14 dancers per team.
- A maximum of 15 teams can participate in the event.

- One entry per college
- The duration of the performance should be 5-10 min.
- Teams must bring 2 CDs and a pen-drive containing their soundtrack. One CD is to be submitted at the time of eliminations. The soundtrack should be in .mp3 format.
- Teams should bring their own portable music systems for practice.
- The dance floor area must be in the same condition after the performances as before.
- No props will be provided. Teams may use props if they want, for which prior permission from the Coordinator of Department of Theatre is necessary. Negative points for usage of props without permission.
- There will be an elimination round from which the top teams will be selected for the finals
- The final round will include a face-off round as well, in which the teams will compete against each other in pairs.
- Participants should show the freestyle form of street dance. Power movements, acrobatics and such are admissible, but they should not form a major part of the performance.
- Individuality and originality of the dance is encouraged as well as interaction and contact with the spectators and the other dancers.
- Dancers are not restricted from performing any move but they must be aware that it is their own responsibility to ensure that they do not perform dangerous moves that could injure themselves or others. Coordinators have the right to bring in safety restrictions.
- Lighting of candles, matches or cigarettes on stage is not allowed and will result in disqualification.
- Teams should report to Department of Theatre room immediately after registration at Controls booth.

• In case of situations which have been not described in rules, decision taken by judges will be final.

# **DESERT DUEL**

Desert duel is an event that brings out individual brilliance among participants and tests their mettle in dance. It is a solo dance event in which dancers from every college participate and showcase their talent. Since this is a solo event, it gives the dancer a lot of freedom in the steps/moves/stunts he/she chooses to perform. Depending on the dancer, styles can vary from western to classical to hip-hop and even to the typical Bollywood style.

#### REGISTRATION

On-spot registration. Individual participation.

#### RULES

- A maximum of 6 entries per college.
- Individual participation.
- The event comprises of eliminations followed by finals.

#### **Eliminations:**

- Prepared Sequence
- Time limit: Max: 1 min. Min: 30 sec
- All forms of dance allowed.
- Weightage for costume, music, choreography.
- Fusion is allowed.
- Disqualification on exceeding time limit.

- Weightage will be given for props. However, prior permission is required for their usage.
- Get your own CD/pen drive with music for the dance.
- No audio cassettes will be allowed.
- NOTE: Props using fire are strictly prohibited and will lead to disqualification.

#### Finals Round 1: Solo Dance

• The participant will have to repeat the performance given during elimination round.

# Finals Round 2: Character Round (On the Spot character presentation)

- The participant must portray a character through dance
- Organizers will provide music and 15 min to prepare.
- Characters will be decided through lots at the end of Round 1.
- Time limit: Max: 2 min, Min: 1 min (Left to the discretion of the organizers)
- Weightage will be given for presentation of character, innovation, choreography, expressions.
- Usage of any kind of props will lead to disqualification.

#### Finals Round 3: Last Man Standing

• STAGE 1: The participants will be divided into groups (3 or 4 participants per group). Group-wise, every group will start dancing to the same song with its assigned participants

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together on stage. Some people of each group will be selected for stage 2.

 STAGE 2: The people who have entered into stage 2 will also be grouped now into groups of three or four and the same process continues till we finally have one last person standing. The last person standing will have the maximum number of points and the others will be marked relatively. The later he/she gets eliminated the more number of points he/she will get.

# TANDAV

Tandav is a classical dance contest. It invites participants trained in Odissi, Kathak, Kuchipudi, Bharatanatyam, Manipuri, Kathakali, Mohiniattam and Sattriya.

#### REGISTRATION

On-spot registration/Pre-registration (includes video submission). Individual participation.

- Participants are expected to perform in full costume, which should be brought by them.
- Participants shall be evaluated in three rounds. No round is optional.

- Participants will be awarded points under different criteria based on their performance including detail of expressions, Taal sense, creativity and clarity in rendition.
- Participants should not switch styles in between rounds. This is a solo event comprising of the following rounds:
  - Laya is a recital in the respective style for a maximum of 7 minutes. Participants should bring the music track to which they are going to dance in their own USB drive/CD. Exceeding the time limit by more than 30 seconds will invite deduction of points.
  - Rasa is a depiction of a given situation for 2 minutes, the track for which shall be provided a few minutes before the round.
  - Tala is about Performing to a 30 second percussion sequence which shall be made known a few minutes before the round.
  - Rounds 2 and 3 involve extempore choreography.

# **DRAMA**

# FASH P\*

# REGISTRATION

Pre-registration (includes video submission). Team participation.

- Submit a 2-3 minute long video showcasing your team's practice routine/previous performances to <u>pcr@bits-oasis.org</u>
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- Only one entry per college.
- A maximum of 15 teams can participate in the event.
- There can be a maximum of 12 participants in each team. There can be up to 8 backstage helpers as a part of these 12 team members.
- All participants need not be on stage at the same time
- All teams will have an on-campus elimination round during the fest.

- Teams need to submit a copy of the write-ups of different rounds at the time of eliminations. The write-up should be in printed form.
- Time limit: 18 minutes (Curtain to curtain, including the time for change of clothes after Round 1). All teams have to present their introduction, for which 5 extra minutes will be given. Points will be deducted for exceeding the time limit.
- There are two rounds in the competition. Participants can follow any theme of their choice for the first round. The second round should be on the Oasis theme compulsory.
- On-stage practice slots will be provided for the shortlisted teams. Teams are expected to use them for stage familiarization, finalising light cues, etc.
- Emphasis will be given to apparel, portrayal and originality.
- Two individuals must be present to provide cues for music and lights. (These two individuals are not counted as part of the 12 team members.)
- Lighting of candles, matches or cigarettes on stage is not allowed and will result in disqualification.
- A T-shaped extension will be provided to the auditorium stage. Both the stage and the extension may be used as the walking ramp.
- Teams are required to have confirmed their participation in advance via email.
- Teams must report to the Department of Theatre room immediately after registration at the Controls booth.
- Teams must bring 2 CDs and a pen-drive containing their sound track. One CD is to be submitted at the time of eliminations. The soundtrack should be in .mp3 format.

# **METAMORPHOSIS**\*

Metamorphosis is a two-round movie making competition. The first-round is a screening round with no theme. Videos for the first round may be shot using digicams, handycams, or mobile phones.

Once teams have been shortlisted for the second round (this will happen approximately a week before Oasis), they will be informed of the theme for the second round. Only those participants, who have cleared the first round, are eligible to take part in the second round.

#### REGISTRATION

Pre-registration (includes video submission). Team participation.

#### RULES

- The maximum duration for an entry is 5 minutes.
- The maximum number of members in a team is 5 (excluding the cast).
- Each entry should bear a) an appropriate title b) the team name c) A disclaimer bearing the following text: "This is an entry for Metamorphosis Oasis 2015". The team name and title of the film must run for five seconds before the start of the video.
- The video should contain the name of all the team members in the final credits along with contact number and email id of the team leader. The credits section and the disclaimer will not be counted in the 5 minutes allotted for the film.

- All entries should be completely original and independently produced. Content and idea should be original. The participating teams themselves will be responsible for any third-party claim for copyright infringement.
- All the teams must make sure that all their team members are registered on the Oasis-2015 website. No one will be confirmed if THEY ARE NOT ON REGISTERED ON THE WEBSITE.
- Upload your video onto YouTube or Vimeo and send us the link (metamorphosis@bits-oasis.org), before the deadline, which would be announced later.
- Entries must reflect your direction and editing skills, and should comprise of cinematography and editing only.
- Organizers solely reserve the right to screen the entry.
- Pornography, nudity and Excessive Violence are strictly prohibited and will lead to immediate disqualification.
- Decision of the judges shall be final.
- Mail your entries at metamorphosis@bits-oasis.org.
- Keep checking the Facebook page for regular updates (<u>https://www.facebook.com/oasis.metamorphosis</u>). \*\*\*\*
- The teams will be shortlisted for the second round approximately two weeks before Oasis.
- Upload your video onto YouTube or Vimeo and send us the link (metamorphosis@bits-oasis.org) along with the synopsis, before the deadline, which would be announced later.
- Entry for the second round should be produced only after the result of the first round has been announced. The

second is a themed round and the theme would be announced along with the results of the first round

# MIME\*

MIME requires participants to portray a play, pertaining to a theme.

# REGISTRATION

Pre-registration (includes script submission). Team participation.

# RULES

- Maximum number of participants per entry is 6 on stage and 2 off stage.
- A maximum of 12 teams can participate in the event.
- Time limit: 9 minutes. Negative points for exceeding the time limit.
- No recorded music, recorded sounds, musical instruments, recognizable words, indicative makeup, indicative costumes or props are allowed. For clarification, please contact the Coordinator, Department of Theatre. Violation will result in negative points.
- Microphones will be provided to the offstage members of the team. Any sound produced must not be recognizable as words.
- Points will be deducted for vulgarity.
- A short synopsis may be read out before the performance.

# **STAGE PLAY**<sup>\*</sup>

# REGISTRATION

Pre-registration (includes script submission). Team participation.

- Submit a pdf version of your script to pcr@bits-oasis.org
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- Stage plays during Oasis 2015 will be judged by members of the screening panel.
- A maximum of 8 teams can participate in the event.
- All members putting up the play (with the exception of the playwright) should be under the age of 25.
- There can be up to 4 backstage helpers in a team.
- The play must EXACTLY follow the script sent at the time of pre-registration. Any deviations without prior approval of the Department of Theatre Coordinator will result in disqualification.
- Time limit: Minimum 60 minutes; Maximum 75 minutes (Empty stage to empty stage)
- Not adhering to the time limit will result in negative points.

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- Backstage helpers should not exceed 6. Two team members must be present to provide cues for music and lights.
- Points will be deducted for vulgarity. It is insisted that scripts should avoid abusive language.
- Lighting of candles, matches or cigarettes on stage is not allowed and will result in disqualification.
- Microphones and lights will be provided. Props may be provided but are subject to availability. (Any item that is not a part of clothing is a prop. Also, an item of clothing will be considered a prop if it is moved from its initial position during the performance.)
- Rehearsal slots will be provided for quick stage familiarization.

# **STREET PLAY**<sup>\*</sup>

Oasis brings to you, right from the streets, a loud and larger-thanlife exchange of ideologies, with drama full of humour and zeal. Street Plays aka Nukkad Natak, are carried out to propagate social and political messages among the masses, amidst the direct, intimate and effective means of theatre by means of shouts, chants, drums and catchy songs.

#### REGISTRATION

Pre-registration (includes video submission). Team participation.

- Submit a pdf version of your script to pcr@bits-oasis.org
- Subject of the e-mail: "<College Name> <Event Name> Oasis '15 Script Submission"

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#### RULES

- The play may be in either English or Hindi.
- A maximum of 8 teams can participate in the event.
- Maximum of two entries per college is allowed. In case of two entries, one play should be in English and the other in Hindi.
- Minimum time 15 minutes. Maximum time 30 minutes.
- Negative points for exceeding the time limit. An introduction of participants is necessary after the play but not included in the time limit.
- The play must EXACTLY follow the script sent at the time of pre-registration. Any deviations without prior approval of the Department of Theatre Coordinator will result in disqualification.
- Points will be deducted for vulgarity.
- Use of microphones, lights and make up is not allowed.
- No props will be provided. Teams may use props if they want, for which prior permission from the Coordinator of Department of Theatre is necessary. Negative points for the usage of props without permission. (Any item that is not a part of clothing is a prop. Also, an item of clothing will be considered a prop if it is moved from its initial position during the performance.)
- Teams must arrive at the venue 45 minutes before the event starts.

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# **MUSIC**

# ANDHOLIKA

Andholika is a talent hunt for the most versatile singer amongst the participants.

#### REGISTRATION

On-spot registration. Individual participation.

# RULES

- The event is split into two independent sections.
- EASTERN ANDHOLIKA
  - This section is for Hindi vocalists.
  - Maximum of 2 male and 2 female entries per college.

#### **Eliminations:**

- The contestant will have to perform an Indian song of his/her choice in the first round.
- The contestants will also be tested on sense of scale and beat.
- No accompanists are allowed.
- 2 male and 2 female contestants will be short listed for the finals.

#### Finals:

- A song bank will be made available to the finalists after the elimination round.
- All songs in this stage must be from the song bank.
- The songs in final round will have to be sung on the original scale.
- Live orchestration will be provided.
- Judging will be based on:
  - Quality of voice
  - Sense of scale and beat
  - Quality of rendition

#### WESTERN ANDHOLIKA

- This section is for Western vocalists.
- Participants will be tested across a wide variety of genres.
- Maximum of 2 male and 2 female entries per college.
- In case of all-male or all-female colleges, a maximum of 3 entries is allowed.
- The event comprises Eliminations followed by Finals.
  Eliminations:
  - The contestant will have to perform 2-3 Western songs of his/her choice in the first round.
  - The contestants will be tested on sense of scale and beat.
  - No accompanists are allowed.

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shortlisted for the finals.

2 male and 2 female contestants will be

#### Finals:

- A song bank will be made available to the finalists after the elimination round.
- All songs in this stage must be from the song bank.
- The songs in final round should definitely be sung on the original scale.
- Live orchestration will be provided.
- Various rounds in the finals will test the participant's vocal skills across a wide variety of Western genres, and will also test a wide array of vocal attributes.

# Judging will be based on:

- Quality of voice
- Sense of scale and beat

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- Quality and accuracy of rendition
- Range, power and other vocal characteristics.
- Note:
  - Participants must carry an iPod or mp3 player.
  - Decision of the Music Club in all matters will be final and binding.

# ANTAKSHARI

# REGISTRATION

On-spot registration. Team participation.

# RULES

- A team will consist of 2 contestants.
- No song can be repeated in any round.
- In case a team sings a song incorrectly, or is unable to complete the "mukhra" or forgets a word of the song etc., the rest of the teams can raise an objection to it.
- Antakshari will have multiple rounds. The rules of each round will be specified on the spot.

# **APT TO ACT**

# REGISTRATION

On the spot registration. Team participation.

- In the first round, the exact scene with dialogues is given with a preparation time of 10 minutes.
- For the second round. The teams are put on stage and then given a situation to act upon.
- The third round is the same as the second round with a single change No words allowed, it has to be a mute act. Although, the participants can make sounds (crying, laughing, etc.)

# AXETACY

Axetacy is a solo guitar competition for both acoustic and electric guitarists.

#### REGISTRATION

On-spot registration. Individual participation.

#### RULES

- In the preliminary round, each participant will have 10 minutes on stage, including time for tuning, sound check etc. There is no restriction on the number of songs played.
- A basic sound setup will be provided.
- Participants are required to get their own guitars and patches/pedals/processors for the event. However if a guitar can be provided to a participant on the spot, it will be.
- Backing tracks are permitted in the preliminary stage, though not in the final round.
- The final round will be a face-off style event, where two contestants will be pitted against each other.
- A professional judge will be present.
- The decision of the judge and the organisers will be final and absolutely binding.

# **DRUMS DUEL**

This is an exciting challenge for all drummers to exhibit their skill and expertise on their instrument. It is a chance to play your dream solos, to jam on any base line, to battle one-on-one against other drummers: an open event for all with a sense of beat and passion for drumming.

#### REGISTRATION

On-spot registration. Individual participation.

#### RULES

- Participants must be full-time students enrolled at your school or university
- This event will take place in 3 rounds.
  - Round 1 First round will be an elimination round where drummers will play a solo (of their choice) for 2-3 minutes.
  - Round 2 In this round, the participants will jam on a track/base line played to them. The entry to round 3 will be solely based on this round's performance.
  - Round 3 This round will be the duel. 8 participants. 2 participants at a time would have a face-off on drums. The winner would be decided by the judges.
- Drum sets and microphones will be provided. Participants are advised to get their drum-sticks for their own convenience.
- This competition will be judged by the professionals coming for Music Workshops.

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# **FREE JAM**

# REGISTRATION

Registration will be done on the spot.

# RULES

- This is a non-competitive event.
- No restriction on number of participants performing.
- In case of any damage caused to the equipment, the parties involved will have to pay a fine, the amount of which shall be decided by Gurukul, depending on the extent of damage.
- In case of any disputes, Gurukul's decision will be final.

# **PITCH PERFECT\***

Pitch Perfect is an A'capella competition, aimed at showcasing creativity, blend and excellence in an A'capella rendition.

# REGISTRATION

Pre-registration (includes video submission). Team participation.

- Submit a 2-3 minute long video showcasing your team's practice routine/previous performances to <u>pcr@bits-oasis.org</u>
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# RULES

- One team per college, with a minimum of 4 and maximum of 25 members per team.
- A maximum of 8 teams can participate in the event.
- Time limit: 8 minutes including sound check
- 5% of the total marks shall be deducted for every extra minute, Sounds shall be cut off after 10 minutes
- Use of any accompanying instrument is strictly not allowed.
  Such use will result in disqualification
- Teams have to prepare either a medley or two pieces of their choice.
- Teams are supposed to mention the scale of the song at the beginning of their performances.

# Judging will be based on:

- Blend, quality and tightness of harmonies and rhythm
- Interpretation of the piece
- Creativity
- Dynamics
- Pitch accuracy

• Arrangement

# **RAP WARS**\*

#### REGISTRATION

Pre-registration (includes video submission). Individual participation.

- Submit a 2-3 minute long video showcasing your practice routine/previous performances to rapwars.oasis@gmail.com
- Subject of the e-mail: "<College Name> <Event Name> Oasisirl '15 Video Submission"
- For last date for submission, check last date for application in the registration details

#### RULES

- The languages allowed for rapping are Hindi, English and Punjabi.
- The rap should not exceed 4 minutes. Exceeding the time limit will lead to immediate disqualification.
- The rap should be an original work of the individual. No kind of plagiarism allowed. The person can use whatever beats he/she likes but the lyrics should be original.

• The rap should not contain vulgar words and direct slangs. However, puns, quips, paronomasia, double-meaning phrases and witticism are allowed.

# **ROCKTAVES**\*

Rocktaves is the annual semi-professional band competition of BITS Pilani. It is one of the most prestigious band competitions in India. For decades, Rocktaves has strived towards excellence, pioneering and redefining the fairly young and volatile Indian rock and metal scene. Rocktaves is, in fact, responsible for launching some of the biggest names in the Indian rock scene today; Parikrama, Prestorika, Them Clones, The Superfuzz and Euphoria are just some of the footnotes in this epic musical odyssey.

#### REGISTRATION

Bands are shortlisted beforehand and only shortlisted bands will be invited to perform.

#### RULES

- Bands will get 25 minutes on stage (including sound check).
- There will be no language restrictions on the entries.
- No registration fees will be charged and accommodation will be provided.
- The selection of teams will be the sole discretion of BITS-Pilani.

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- The final decision regarding any matter lies in the hands of the organizers and judges and is absolutely binding.
- Professionals will be handling the judging of the event.
- Any team violating any of the above rules is subject to direct elimination.
- Professional sounds shall handle the event. Drum kits will be provided.

# **SWARANJALI**

Swaranjali is a classical music contest. Participants trained in the vocal and instrumental aspects of both Carnatic and Hindustani styles are invited to compete. (Instruments: violin, sitar, veena, flute, Hawaiian guitar, tabla, mridangam, ghatam, keyboard, harmonium, kanjira, sarangi and sarod.)

# REGISTRATION

On-spot registration. Individual participation.

# RULES

- Individual participation (Instrumentalists, mainly percussionists, who might accompany other participants during their performances, shall not be judged while accompanying but shall be judged based on their separate performance alone).
- Participants will be judged in three categories:
  - Vocal

- Instrumental (String and Wind)
- Instrumental (Percussion)
- Performance in any other style, including light music, will lead to disqualification.
- Participants will be awarded points under different criteria based on their performance including clarity of rendition, knowledge of the respective Raga and creativity.
- Contestants for instrumental music are expected to bring their own instruments.
- Time duration: 5 minutes (minimum) to 10 minutes (maximum). Exceeding the time limit of 10 minutes will invite deduction of points.
- Improvisations like alaap, tans/kalpana swarams, jod/taanam will be given due merit.

# **TARANG**\*

Tarang – a musical extravaganza from the Indian heartland and its innumerably diverse facets. Cover an existing piece, or create your own. Come as a band and the stage is yours.

# REGISTRATION

Pre-registration (includes video submission). Team participation.

 Submit a 2-3 minute long video showcasing your team's practice routine/previous performances to <u>pcr@bits-oasis.org</u>

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- For last date for submission, check last date for application in the registration details

#### RULES

- Bands can perform any songs of their choice, cover or an original composition.
- Only two bands per college are allowed with a maximum of 10 members and minimum of 3 members per band. The two teams could have a maximum of 3 common band members.
- Time limit is 20 minutes inclusive of setup time.
- 5% of the total marks would be deducted for every extra minute. Sounds would be cut after 23 minutes.
- Use of pre-recorded music (e.g., sequences, keyboard samples, guitar/octapad loops) will result in disqualification.
- The songs should have lyrics from any Indian language. However, a refrain with English lyrics is allowed.
- Purely classical numbers are not allowed. However, a classical refrain is allowed
- Bands should bring their own instruments. Drum kit and sounds equipment will be provided by BITS Pilani.

# JUDGING CRITERIA

- Creativity.
- Quality of vocals and instrumental music.
- Tightness and synchronization.
- Choice of song (in case of covers)



# **ORATORY**

# BLAB

BLAB stands for BITS Language Aptitude Battle. The first round is a written round in which participants will have to fill a form consisting of questions that test how witty they are and how well they can react to given situations. In the second round 36 people get selected and are divided into six groups. There will be elimination rounds in which one person from each group will proceed to the finals. The rounds of the final depend on the conductor.

# REGISTRATION

On-spot registration. Individual participation.

# RULES

- Participants must speak without any hesitation, slurs or grammatical errors. At any such hesitation or error, the other participants can buzz and start speaking.
- The first person to buzz gets to speak.
- For every second you speak, you get 1 point.

- For every correct interruption you get around 5 points (at the discretion of the conductor).
- Every round goes on for around one minute: JAM (Just a Minute) sessions.

#### JUDGING CRITERIA

• Point system depending on the time one speaks for and the number of justified interruptions.

# **BLUFFMASTER**

# REGISTRATION

On-spot registration. Individual participation.

# RULES

- The game will begin with six contestants chosen after an elimination round.
- Every question asked will have 10 probable answers in decreasing order of popularity. The answers are divided into three ranges based on betting limit.
- Every contestant has to think of an answer and decide what range the answer might lie in. If the contestant is correct in both respects, he gets the points he bets for otherwise he loses half of it.
- There will be a vote out after every round in which contestants have to eliminate the Bluffmaster. A bluffmaster will be chosen randomly after each elimination.

• The better you bluff, the longer you last.

# **BOL BABY BOL**

# REGISTRATION

On-spot registration. Individual participation.

#### RULES

- In the first round each contestant will be given a topic. He will get 10 seconds to think at the end of which he has to speak for 1 min.
- Other contestants can make objections during the speech on the following points in his delivered words:
  - Hesitation, Stammering, Laughter while speaking or change of pace
  - Abrupt stop while speaking, pausing frequently
  - Repeating one's or others' views or thoughts
  - Commenting unnecessarily on the topic itself
  - Dramatizing content
  - Unclear Speech, inappropriate pronunciation
  - Grammatical errors
  - Deviating from the topic
  - Wasting time, using nonsensical words
  - Starting before or after a signal from the moderator
  - Decisions will be taken as per moderator discretion.
- At the time of objection, the clock will be stopped.

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- This will be followed by other rounds like MAD AD where participants will have to show creativity as well as oratory skills in making a radio advertisement of a product provided to them.
- Other rounds will be disclosed on the spot.

# **MISTER AND MISS OASIS**

# REGISTRATION

MAMO requires pre-registration via the online form.

# RULES

Judgment is based on the contestant's performance across multiple rounds that gauge talent, wit, fortitude and confidence.

# **MOCK PARLIAMENT**

The event envisages at directing the attention of the youth to problems residing in our country and beyond, through a series of debates.

#### REGISTRATION

On-spot registration. Individual participation.

#### RULES

• Individual participation is required for this event.

- Round 1 is a general quiz testing the contestants on current affairs and general knowledge, mainly about Indian politics.
- Round 2 is a general discussion, an extempore where contestants are supposed to debate on the given topic.
- Round 3, a group discussion, aims to create a parliamentary environment where contestants are expected to give solutions for social and political problems via parliamentary debate among themselves.

# **OASIS DEBATE**\*

The Oasis Debate is an annual 2-on-2 parliamentary style freshers' debating event.

#### REGISTRATION

Pre-registration. Team participation. Maximum of 2 teams per college.

#### RULES

- The order of the speeches of each of the speakers in the 2x2 Parliamentary Debate is as follows:
- The following four speeches are termed as 'Substantial Speeches'
- Prime Minister: 7 minutes, 20 seconds
- Leader of Opposition: 7 minutes, 20 seconds
- Deputy Prime Minister: 7 minutes, 20 seconds
- Deputy Leader of Opposition: 7 minutes, 20 seconds

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- Interrogation Round: 2 minutes per speaker
- Reply Speeches: 4 minutes, 20 seconds
- Points of Information can be addressed to each of the speakers during their substantial speeches between the first and sixth minute.
- Every debate will have a 3-panel adjudication panel, where the final decision will be made on the basis of the majority judgement.
- All debaters and adjudicators must be present for each and every round of the tournament to qualify for the next levels.

# **MISCELLANEOUS**

# **APT TO ACT**

How sobered is Shakespeare when he says, 'All the world's a stage, and all the men and women merely actors'? Where do you see yourself in an unforeseen situation from your day-to-day life of concealing actors around? How creative and spontaneous are you to handle such everyday plots? There is no better time than OASIS, to bring out the actor in you on a real stage. Get prepared to see how APT you are TO ACT in real life.

# REGISTRATION

On-spot registration. Team participation.

#### RULES

- Each team can have 2 to 3 participants
- Teams are expected to report 15 min before the event begins
- Order of participation will be based on lucky draw.
- In first round, situations are given on spot for each group with an act-time of 10 minutes. The theme for further rounds will be revealed at the time of event.
- Score awarded for dialogues-action-presentation-creativity-spontaneity.
- Use of vulgar language or action of any sort will lead to immediate disqualification.
- Teams can act in English or Hindi.
- Accessing the internet is not allowed.
- Situations to be enacted will be given by the judges and the decision of judges will be final.

# **BEG, BORROW, STEAL**

You think you've got everything you need? Think Again. Prepare to use all your resources and brainpower to fetch the most ridiculous, unfathomable and extraordinary things possible from a list of items given to you. Each object on this list earns you specified points and the team with the highest points wins. Beware. This event is a race against time as much as the other teams.

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#### REGISTRATION

On-spot registration. Team participation.

#### RULES

- Find as many items on the list as possible within the given time period.
- No limit on team size.

# COCKTAIL

More than knowledge of the Hindi language, Cocktail demands wit and presence of mind. A scintillating excogitation of Funtakshari, Random Speaking and unconventional Debating with flavours of "Order from Chaos", "Bol Hindi Bol", "Tol Mol ke Bol", "Bujho to Jaane" and much more; it promises to remind you of your school days.

With seven thrilling rounds challenging finalists to explore new flavoured funtakshari, this event will surely leave both the participants and the audience brimming with fun and excitement. Enjoy the Cocktail!

# REGISTRATION

On-spot registration. Team participation.

# RULES

• Elimination will be done through a written round, where the participants will have to face a cocktail of word games and unconventional quizzing.

- Teams of 2
- Maximum 8 teams in the Final
- Finals will begin with 8 teams, chosen after an elimination round, out of which one will emerge as winner.

# OASIS Reading Session (ORS)

Let your thoughts flow into words and your imagination run wild with this chance to let the poet within you take lead. As they say, a picture speaks a thousand words.

Well, slightly less than a thousand, perhaps.

# REGISTRATION

- Pre-registration (includes text submission). Individual participation.
- Submit an original poem to <u>poetryclub.bits@gmail.com</u>.
- Subject of the e-mail: "<College Name> <Event Name> Oasis '15 Poem Submission"
- For last date for submission, check last date for application in the registration details.

# RULES

The languages allowed for are English and Hindi.

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- The poem should be an original work of the individual. No plagiarism allowed.
- Of the received entries, 10 deserving entries will be selected.
- Selected individuals will be invited to recite their poems and will be judged for their recitation skills.
- Judges' decision will be final.

# **POETRY, SLAM!**

Because Allen Ginsberg says, "Slam! Into the Mouth of the Dharma!"

Because Gregory Corso says, "Why do you want to hang out with us old guys? If I was young, I'd be going to the Slam!"

Because Bob Kaufman says, "Each Slam / a finality."

Bob Holman, from "Praise Poem for Slam: Why Slam Causes Pain and Is a Good Thing"

Come battle your lyrical genius through spoken word.

# REGISTRATION

On-spot registration. Individual participation.

#### RULES

- There will be three rounds in total.
- Round I Thematic

- You may recite a composition of yours. The performance time is three minutes with a grace period of ten seconds.
- $\circ$   $\;$  Exceeding the time limits will cost you some points.
- Round II Stipulations
  - You may recite a composition of yours. Extra points will be given if your composition has any of the
  - $\circ$  following rhyme schemes:

A,B,B,A

A,B,A,B,B

A,B,A,B C,D,C,D E,F,E,F G,H,G,H

A,B,A,B

• Round III – Form

You may choose one of the following themes to compose your poem.

Tragedy Love Comedy Satire Nerd

# **PROTEST OUT OF WASTE**

#### REGISTRATION

On the spot registration. Team of 2-5.

# GAMEPLAY

The participants will be given waste material like wrappers, plastic bottles, used paint boxes, etc. at the expense of the tokens they earn along with basic stuff like chart paper, glue, scissor, etc. which will be provided at no cost. Using this, they have to make an environment related art piece.

At the start of the game, each team will be divided in two groups. One team, consisting of two members will try to collect as many tokens as possible for the team to buy the paid materials. The other members will be busy making the collage using these materials. There will be numerous competitions for the two-member team earning tokens. This will include quizzing, mimicking, dancing, etc. which will be based on the theme '*Around the world in 96 hours*'. All this will be judged by the club members and the tokens would be provided accordingly. This will go on for an hour after which even these two members will go and join the rest of the team. In the remaining hour, the team building the most spectacular and meaningful piece of art wins. Also you will be given a sheet of paper to write the message that you wanted to depict through it.

# RULES

- Participants have to come in teams of 2-5.
- Some basic material will be provided by the club while the participants have to earn the rest.
- Time limit is 2 hours.

• In case of discrepancy, decision of REC members will be final and abiding.

# **SPEED SCRABBLE**

Speed Scrabble is a fun new take on the traditional board game. Finish your move as quickly as possible to stay in the game.

# REGISTRATION

On-spot registration. Individual participation.

#### RULES

- Format of the Tournament: King of the Hill
- No. of Rounds: 4 Knockout Rounds + Final. All rounds to be played on real Scrabble sets.
- All NSA Tournament Scrabble rules apply, including loss of turn penalty for incorrect challenges. Winner\Qualifier to be decided by spread in case of a tie. Reduced time limit of 6 minutes per player.
- Dictionary to be followed: SOWPODS and COLLINS OFFICIAL SCRABBLE DICTIONARY (computer versions of both).
- Time Frame: A game is expected to last 15 minutes. On 10 boards, 40 participants play head-to-head in two batches (time=90 min). Subsequent rounds are played in similar fashion till we're down to two finalists (time=45min). Final will be a full-length scrabble game (time=50min).

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# **SPELL BEE**

Pit your skills at etymology, word-play and obviously spelling, against the best in the business

#### REGISTRATION

On-spot registration. Individual participation.

#### RULES

- Round-1 will be a written elimination round based on spelling. Participants are to spell words based on its pronunciation and meaning. Etymology and a sentence in which the word is used will be given, if required. Each correct answer in Round-1 will fetch 1 point. Star-marked words will be used to resolve ties.
- The successive rounds will be based on various aspects of spelling and knowledge of the language. The points system for these rounds will be announced at the time of the event.
- The event host has the final say in all issues regarding correctness of answers and marking.

# **SUICIDE AT MIDNIGHT**

Here's a chance to plan an impeccable suicide, and document ones' uniqueness and innovation. The participant has to invent reasons and excuses, suicide techniques and draft a will bequeathing his/her precious belongings. The idea is to form the perfect suicide note.

# REGISTRATION

On-spot registration. Individual participation.

#### RULES

- Write an innovative suicide note in the stipulated time.
- Entries will be judged on wit, creativity, grammar and clarity by the event hosts.
- In case of any disputes, the decision of the Oasis English Press shall be binding.

# TABOO

Test yourself with all the words you can dredge up as you try to convey the given word without using words that are Taboo.

# REGISTRATION

On-spot registration. Team participation.

#### RULES

The event will be conducted in multiple rounds, with the first one being an elimination round. The first will be a classic taboo round, allowing 2 turns per team; each turn lasting 2 minutes. Every successful word guessed will fetch you +1 point, while uttering any of the words deemed 'Taboo' will result in a negative point (-1). Passing a word (choosing not to guess) will result in neither gaining nor losing points (0). Star-marked words will be used to resolve ties.

- The host(s) may select between 8-10 teams for the next round, as per their discretion.
- The points-system for the successive rounds will be announced at the venue.
- The event host's decision is final and binding on all issues relating to marking and answers.

# **TREASURE HUNT**

Hidden messages, obscure ciphers, elaborate maps, buried cryptexes, encrypted audios and much more awaits you in your search for that hidden gold or the crazy murderer. In the dead of night, beware of cloaked figures, laughing skulls, thundering drums or momentary signals in the sky as you find yourself embroiled in this vintage treasure hunt. So gather ye wits, pencils and running shoes, o villagers! Clues shall guide, fiends shall misguide and treasure shall beckon and whisper through the chilly air, "Finders keepers!".

#### REGISTRATION

On-spot registration.

#### RULES

No limit on team size, but make sure you're the first ones to reach the treasure.

# TRIATHLON

The Triathlon is back in a bigger, better avatar. Triathlon, as the name suggests, is an amalgamation of three tasks involving wits, courage and presence of mind.

This edition of Triathlon takes you for a ride of the '90s.

- 1) M : A minimalist literature quiz
- 2) Treasure Hunt : A ride around Pilani that will take you around the world.
- 3) Where was this? : Guess the location of the scene.

Be it racking your brains or performing challenging tasks, you have to be on your toes to nail this one. Coordinating with your team will be key, if you are planning to ace Triathlon.

# REGISTRATION

On-spot registration. Team participation.

- 6-10 people per team
- The three rounds of the event may be simultaneously running, requiring teams to split up.
- Based on their performance, teams will be awarded points for each round.
- The team with the maximum cumulative score shall be declared the winner.

# WORDSTOCK

Think you can play with the English language? This event is sure to make you eat your words with a handful of crosswords, trixies and anagrams taking you to your wits' end. Crack 'em and be crowned the king of words.

# REGISTRATION

On-spot registration. Team participation.

- Teams of two.
- No restriction on number of teams per college.
- Prelims and finals will be conducted.

# QUIZZING

# **ENTERTAINMENT QUIZ**

#### REGISTRATION

On-spot registration. Team participation.

# RULES

- Teams of 2.
- Qualify the written preliminary to battle it out in the final rounds and be crowned.

# **FILMY MUQABALA**

# REGISTRATION

On-spot registration. Team participation.

#### RULES

- Questions asked will be related only to Bollywood.
- Each team will consist of 2 members.
- It is a multiple round event.
- Rules as per the specific round will be announced on spot.

# **MOVIE QUIZ**

# REGISTRATION

On-spot registration. Team participation.

# RULES

- Maximum of three members per team
- A preliminary round will be conducted first, followed by a final round of shortlisted teams.
- The decisions of the quizmaster shall be final and binding.

# **MUSIC QUIZ**

# REGISTRATION

On-spot registration. Team participation.

# RULES

- Teams should consist of three participants.
- No restriction on the number of teams from a college.
- Prelims and finals will be conducted.
- The top six teams in the preliminary round participate in the finals. This number might increase at the quizmaster's discretion.

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• The decision of the quizmaster is final and binding.

# **OASIS QUIZ**

# REGISTRATION

On-spot registration. Team participation.

# RULES

- Teams of three will have to answer the written elimination.
- Any number of teams from a college can participate.
- The top six/eight teams, selected on the basis of their scores in the elimination, will compete in the finals.

# **SPEED SCRABBLE**

Format of Tournament : Knockout

#### Lexicon: CSW12

Time Frame: A game is expected to last 20 minutes. 10 minutes for each player with 2 minutes overtime

# RULES

All NSA Tournament Scrabble rules apply, including loss of turn penalty for incorrect challenges. Winner\Qualifier to be decided by spread in case of a tie.

# THEME QUIZ

# REGISTRATION

On-spot registration. Team participation.

- This is a thematic quiz based on the theme of this Oasis 'Around the world in 96 hours'.
- Teams of three.
- Teams will have to go through a written preliminary round of screening, and six to eight teams will qualify to the final round.
- The decisions of the quizmaster shall be final and binding.

# **ONLINE**

# **10 SECONDS TO FAME**

If the brevity of short videos inspires your creativity, make a vine. Vine - A short video, usually 5 to 10 seconds long of compiled clips of random stuff.

# REGISTRATION

Online on-spot registration. Team participation.

#### RULES

- The video must not exceed the time limit of 5-10 seconds. Entries violating this rule will be disqualified.
- The video can be hand-shot/animated stop motion. Use of editing and any other effects is allowed.
- Team size- 3 (including the cast)
- The decision of the judges will be final and binding.
- The YouTube links of the video are to be mailed to fmac.oasis@gmail.com.
- The mail must have the following details.
  - O Team name
  - Team details (Name of participant, college name, contact number)

# **DOWN THE LINE**

Come and check out your hand at penmanship in 'Down The Line' and orchestrate yourself to glory. Think you can pen down your thoughts well, or ever been good at cooking up lies on spot? Has story making ever been your passion? Are you good at spreading funny rumours? Have you just loved writing those 500 word essays in school? Then this is the event for you!

The main idea behind of this event is to build a story around a given set of constraints (which shall be given on https://www.facebook.com/fmac4bitspilani).

# REGISTRATION

Online on-spot registration. Individual participation.

- A theme or else a particular set of phrases or words will be given around which a story should be written by the participant.
- There should be clear reference to the constraints in the story.
- The most relevant script which is also cooked up very well will be given the prize.
- Submission is only open during Oasis.
- The winners will be declared at the end of Oasis.
- Each entry must have the contact details sent along with it in this format.
   Name, Email Address, Contact No.

- Plagiarism is highly discouraged and any instance of it will lead to immediate disqualification.
- The entries should be submitted to fmac.oasispilani@gmail.com

# **EXPOSURE**

#### REGISTRATION

Online on-spot registration. Individual participation.

#### **RULES:**

- There are 4 categories under which entries can be given -
  - Dramatic Portraits Who doesn't enjoy dramatic moments in life? So why not capture all those through our lens? Click any portrait that has a lot of drama in it.
  - Contradictions & Odd One Out Click anything which has contradictory things or representations or something that has something different from rest of the part of the photo.
  - **People at Work** No work is big or small. Click photos of people engrossed in their work.
  - **Motion and Time** Click photos that freezes time, displays motion.

- Title your snaps and categorize them under one of the above.
- The entry must be an original work of the participant.
- A single participant can give Maximum Two entries for EACH category. It is NOT compulsory to participate in all four categories.
- The entries must be submitted by the midnight of 29th October 2015, in the format given below:
  - Name Title- Category- StudentName- CollegeName
    -PhoneNo.jpeg
  - Minimum size 1200 \* 800 pixels
  - Aspect ratio 3:2
- Entries are to be sent to photog.bits@gmail.com with the subject "Exposure". The entry should clearly mention which category it belongs to. Kindly make sure there are no watermarks or captions on your entries.

# WORD WARS

Words were never so much fun. In this crazy maze of words, letters, phrases and sentences, come hone your skills and revamp your enthusiasm of discovering simple things.

A fun event, comprising of different forms of word games, from riddles to spellathons and simple spell checks, will remind you of

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days when learning was observing, remembering relating to someone or something.

No prerequisites. No conditions. If you have ever had a face-off with, "ka, kha, ga" (apart from A B C D) enter and rekindle that lost flame of fun with words.

#### REGISTRATION

Online on-spot registration. Individual participation.

- This is an online event.
- Questions will be uploaded online.
- Individual participation
- we will put up 20 question in a day
- Only when a question has been answered will the next question pop-up or one can skip the question
- but a person can skip a question thrice in a day
- Last day no skip button will be there
- There will be some penalty on skipping a question.

# WORKSHOPS

# **VIRTUOSO DRUMS**

Learn from a world class drummer about the nitty-gritty of the beat-keeper! With no prerequisites, you are sure to learn a lot from scratch and if you already had some, you will dramatically improve your skills.

# **VIRTUOSO GUITAR**

All the riffs and licks that ever caught your fancy are now one clinic away! Watch and learn as the best in the business teach you their tricks of the trade and maybe even show to you make it big!

Learn from the very best! Learn the guitar from the base up with this tutorial apt for all levels of guitarists!

# **VIRTUOSO VOCALS**

Learn how to sing with the right technique and how to be a versatile singer. Build a solid base to work on. Vocal exercises, voice modulation and what not will all be taught in this clinic, with the artist even providing one on one attention to learners!

# MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION

# **CONVEYANCE**

- Travelling by car/taxi from Delhi/Jaipur: Distance is 200 or 220 km depending on route taken and takes about 4-5 hours.
- Travelling by bus from Delhi: In case you prefer to travel by public transport, you need to catch a bus at the Inter State Bus Terminal (ISBT), Kashmiri Gate, Delhi. There are frequent buses to Pilani starting from Delhi around 5:40 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.
- Travelling by bus from Jaipur: Catch a bus from the State Bus Terminal (Sindhi Camp), Jaipur. There are frequent buses to Pilani starting from Jaipur around 4:00 AM till midnight.
- Travelling by train: There are trains to both Chirawa (16 km from Pilani) and Loharu (26 km from Pilani).

# **REGISTRATION DETAILS**

If you would like to participate in Oasis 2015, please follow the following steps:

#### Step#1: APPLICATION

Go to the link <u>www.bits-oasis.org/2015/participate</u> and click on the 'APPLY' button.

Once you have faithfully entered necessary details in the application and applied, you will get the contact of your college representative. Note his/her details carefully, your college representative is a crucial person!

[NOTE: In case your college does not have a college representative yet, we will contact you to take up the post]

[NOTE: The 'APPLY' button closes at **2400 hrs on 30<sup>th</sup> September**]

#### Step#2: REGISTRATION

Please note that **only your college representative can register you** for Oasis '15. Your application will reach your college representative. However we encourage you to contact your representative and inform him/her that you have applied and are a bona fide student of the same college.

If you are the college representative, you will have access to an Oasis '15 web-account wherein you will receive applications from your college that you must vet as students of your own college. You

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will have the option to add and delete applicants as well as edit applications from your college.

#### Step#3: CONFIRMATION

Once you have been registered with Oasis '15 by your college representative, you are in the waitlist to be confirmed as participants in Oasis '15. Please fulfill all preliminary requirements of your respective events such as video/audio/script submissions. Follow the website for regular updates and important dates for submissions.

Tentative date for first list of confirmations is 1<sup>st</sup> October.

Stay in constant touch with your college representative and the Dept. of Publications and Correspondence for more information. We're always happy to help.

- Once your participation is confirmed your college representative will receive a mail from the StuCCAn (Head), Publications & Correspondence specifying the final number of confirmed students. Each college representative is required to take a print out of the list and get it signed by the Head of the Institution or the Dean to serve as your bona fide certificates certifying you as a student of that college.
- The college representative is required to bring this print out (original) at the time of the registration; else the college shall be disallowed from the same. You are required to send a scanned copy of the official letter head of your institute

confirming your participation in the fest to <u>pcr@bits-</u> <u>oasis.org</u>. The letter must contain:

- The names of confirmed students participating in each event.
- A break-up of the number of boys and girls in your contingent.
- A statement that the listed students are bona fide students of the institution and are permitted to represent the institution in Oasis 2015.
- The signature of the head of your institution
- Without the documents mentioned below, your college will not be allowed to enter the campus or participate in any event.
  - The printout of the confirmation letter mailed to you by StuCCAn (Head), PCr.
  - Bona fide certificates signed by the head of your institution.
  - College identity card of each participant is a must.
  - Two passport/stamp size photographs of each participant are also needed.
  - The original confirmation letter, containing the details of students participating, faxed to us by you must be retained and produced at the time of registration.
- Please note that only colleges that have been given a letter of confirmation of acceptance by Head, Dept. of Publications & Correspondence earlier are assured of

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admission into the BITS, Pilani campus. Colleges without a confirmed participation letter will not be granted admission.

- A non-refundable registration fee is to be paid by all the outstation participants in cash or through demand drafts. Demand drafts must be in favour of BITS-Pilani, Oasis-2015 and must be payable at UCO Bank, Pilani or State Bank of Bikaner and Jaipur, Pilani.
- Entry in any event is primarily done on a first come first serve basis. Some events require prior registration. Note: All outstation participants are required to register immediately on arrival at the Controls booth. Participation in any event will be allowed only after registration.

# **CERTIFICATE AND PRIZE MONEY POLICY**

- Common Oasis participation certificate would be given to all outstation participants.
- Certificate policy for events is decided by the Department of Controls.
- Certificates not claimed up to one month after the culmination of Oasis will not be mailed.
- The prize money will be given through account payee cheques to any one member of the team who holds a valid bank account.
- The prize money cheques will be sent a few weeks after the fest.

# ACCOMMODATION

- Refundable caution deposit per participant shall be charged.
- Free lodging for all the participants. Accommodation will be provided in the hostel common rooms and boarding at student messes.
- Required accessories, per common room basis, will be provided in room beforehand itself.
- If any of the items provided in common rooms are found damaged or misplaced, participants will be charged accordingly.
- Each participant must provide his/her latest identification card and the team bona fide certificate attested by the head of the institution. The failure of the participant to provide the identification card will result in him/her not being allowed to register.
- Teams are required to produce their confirmation letter at the time of registration.

# **OTHER USEFUL INFORMATION**

- Events and Prizes are subject to cancellation according to participation, the decision of the organizers will be final and binding.
- Food will be provided at the students' messes, coupons for which can be purchased at the Controls booth.
- Vehicles will not be allowed inside campus. Vehicles can be parked outside the institute premises. The organizing body

shall not be held responsible in the event of damage to or theft of the vehicle.

Refer to the Oasis 2015 website for further details: www.bits-oasis.org