Dear Parents
Greetings from OPBMS!



Department of Posts is organizing a stamp design competition for the students of class VIII to XII from 1st to 31st October 2022 on below noted five themes under "Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav" (AKAM). The detail of five themes are given in Annexure 1.

Classes: VIII-XII

- (i) Freedom Struggle
- (ii) Ideas @75
- (iii) Resolve@75
- (iv) Actions @75
- (v) Achivement@75

General Guidelines for Participants:

- 1. Students should draw their ideas on AKAM through crayons/ pencil colors/ water colors/ acrylic colors on A4 size paper sheets to be provided by Department of Posts (DOP), India.
- 2. Maximum 05 designs by the school on AKAM shall be scanned and uploaded on the MyGov Portal.
- 3. Ministry of Culture and Department of School Education & Literacy would Identify and nominate experts for each State to facilitate the evaluation process of the entries uploaded on MyGov portal.
- 4. 05 best entries will be finalized from each state & UTS.
- 5. National level evaluation would be done jointly by a committee nominated by Ministry of Culture and Department of Posts.

The competition will be conducted at school on October 18, 2022. Students should submit their name to the respective class in-charge by October 14, 2022.

Warm regards Sd/-Sangeeta Sharma Principal

Theme Paper on Stamp Design for Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav (AKAM)

Envisioned by Hon'ble Prime Minister of India, Shri Narendra Modi. Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav is an initiative to celebrate and commemorate 75 years of independence and the glorious history of it's people, culture and achievements.

This Mahotsav is dedicated to the people of India who have not only been instrumental in bringing India thus far in its evolutionary journey but also hold within them the power and potential to enable Prime Minister Narendra Modi's vision of activating India 2.0, fueled by the spirit of Aatmanirbhar Bharat.

The official journey of Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav commenced on 12th March 2021 which started a 75-week countdown to our 75th anniversary of independence and will end post a year on 15th August 2023.

AKAM has five sub themes

1. Freedom Struggle The fight against colonial rule in India constitutes a unique narrative, one which is not marred by violence. The soul of India's Freedom Struggle is full of variegated stories of valor, bravery, satyagraha. dedication, and sacrifice of millions.

AKAM aims to present a holistic view of India's Freedom Struggle and to bring alive stories of unsung heroes, whose sacrifices have made freedom a reality for us and also revisits the milestones, freedom movements etc. in the historical journey to 15 August, 1947. Stories on Unsung Heroes is an attempt to recall and remember forgotten heroes of our freedom struggle and to inspire and encourage the coming generations.

- 2. Ideas@75-India is built upon ideas of modern infrastructure, growth and development through scientific power, taking pride in our culture and heritage. vibrant democracy through strong institutions and systems are unique to the 74 years of journey of India. These ideas bring alive programs and events and enhances India's contribution to the world.
- 3. Resolve@75 Only through our collective resolve we can build strong and vibrant India. India of 21st century is poised to create a Better India, which is Clean, Inclusive, Self-Reliant and Proud of its roots.

New India is determined to move forward and achieve something big. Programs like Har Ghar Tiranga, Constitution Day, Good Governance Week India Against Illicit Smuggling of Cultural Property, Yoga Day, Beti Bachao Beti Padhao and Swachh Bharat are indicative of the collective resolve of New India, giving everyone a deep sense of purpose.

4. Actions@75-The New India is moving forward on the clarion call of SABKA SAATH SABKA VIKAS SABKA VISHWAS, SABKA PRAYAS. It encompasses Government policies, schemes, action plans along with commitments from businesses, NGOs, civil society that helps actualize our ideas and help us collectively create a better tomorrow.

New India stand on strong action plans of creating a knowledge-based society. use of scientific power for improving the life of all, continuous and multitude efforts for the deepening of democracy and instilling a sense of pride among everyone for our culture history and beliefs. Journey of Amrit Kaal is our ability to adhere and propel these value systems in our thoughts beliefs and actions.

5. Achivement@75 - During its 75 years of Journey, India has grown strong. resilient and progressive. We have shown to the world that in spite of differences in languages. food habits and costumes, we can work together for creating a strong India. A country which was begging for food to feed its population, has transformed itself an exporter of food grains.

From being known as the land of snake charmers to the Global IT Powerhouse, India is today creating world class digital public services and infrastructure. The success of digital payment and UPI has amazed a number of developed nation. The success of COVID strategy has bring to forth our collective ability of transforming crisis into opportunities Driving a technology led Largest Vaccination Drive of the world, India has shown- it's the power of innovation, determination and collective will.