

विवेक महोत्सव – 2025

Topic

"Understanding Swami Vivekananda's Message"
"स्वामी विवेकानंद के संदेशों का मंथन"
"ਸਵਾਮੀ ਵਿਵੇਕਾਨੰਦ ਦੇ ਸੰਦੇਸ਼ਾਂ 'ਤੇ ਵਿਚਾਰ"

THURSDAY, 11th SEPTEMBER, 2025 (9.00 AM to 1.00 PM)

Dear Young Participants,

Inspired by the teachings and vision of Swami Vivekananda, we are pleased to invite the students of esteemed institutions to participate in the **Youth Festival** organized by the Ramakrishna Mission Ashram, Chandigarh. The theme of the Festival is "Understanding Swami Vivekananda's Message".

Swami Vivekananda, the spiritual leader and philosopher, had a profound vision for India. He believed that the youth are the backbone of any nation and emphasized the need for character-building and self-confidence among the young.

He famously said, "Give me a few men and women who are pure and selfless and I shall shake the world." According to him, the youth must rise above narrow self-interests and work towards the upliftment of the nation, drawing strength from our rich cultural heritage and values.

So here is the great opportunity for you to reflect on Swami Vivekananda's ideas and express your views on the given topic through essays, group discussions etc. The main program will be held on September 11, 2025. The best performers will receive cash prizes and certificates along with Swami Vivekananda's literature and inspiring photo lamination. All the entries will be awarded with participation certificates.

You will find the more details in attached brochure.

With best wishes,

Swami Bhitiharananda Secretary

1. CONTEST DETAILS:

- This contest is open to all students of recognized Colleges/Universities and Professional Colleges in Chandigarh, Mohali, Panchkula and New Chandigarh.
- Age Limit 18 to 25 years.
- The Competition will be held in Three Stages:

1. WRITTEN ESSAY (Last date for submission – 30th August, 2025)

- Candidates with selected Essays will be called for Group Discussions on Sunday, 7th September, 2025.
- All entries will be awarded Participation certificates on 11th September.

2. GROUP DISCUSSION (on 7th September, 2025)

- The results of Group Discussions will be announced on Thursday, 11th September, at 9.00 am and the Best Candidates will be called for Youth Panel Discussions.
- Best Performances in GDs will be awarded Literature & Cash Prizes.
- All the participants in GDs will be awarded Photo Lamination.
- The Certificates will be awarded on Thursday, 11th September.

3. YOUTH PANEL DISCUSSION (on 11th September, 2025 from 9 am to 1 pm)

• Best Performances in Youth Panel will be awarded Literature & Cash Prizes and Participation certificates.

2. Steps to Register:

- 1. Download the Participation Form, Information Brochure and Books for reference which are available at the Ashrama website.
- 2. Submit the Essay to the Ashrama on or before 30th August, 2025 along with:
 - Duly filled Participation Form
 - Copy of your College ID card
 - Registration fee of Rs. 100/- (in cash or online through QR in the website)
- 3. Collect a copy of 'To the Youth of India' book from the Ashrama.

3. Submission Process:

DIRECTLY OR VIA POST

At Ashrama Office/Book-Stall during office hours (9 a.m. to 6 p.m.) on ALL DAYS OF THE WEEK.

Address: Ramakrishna Mission Ashrama, Sector 15-B, Madhya Marg, Chandigarh – 160015.

VIA EMAIL

Scan your Essay and send it in a single Pdf File along with College Id & Payment Receipt (with Transaction Number).

Email ID: rkmchdevents@gmail.com

GUIDELINES

Essay

(Last date - Saturday, 30th August, 2025)

 You can write the essay (between 1500-2000 words) in Hindi or English or Punjabi on the Topic:

"Understanding Swami Vivekananda's Message"

"स्वामी विवेकानंद के संदेशों का मंथन"

"ਸਵਾਮੀ ਵਿਵੇਕਾਨੰਦ ਦੇ ਸੰਦੇਸ਼ਾਂ 'ਤੇ ਵਿਚਾਰ"

- Handwritten essays should be Neatly Written and Legible.
- Keep a separate copy of the Essay with yourself.
- Typed essay should be prepared on A4 Size Paper with Font Size of 14 or 16.
- Please mention the number of words in the Essay on Participation Form.
- You can read the book 'To the Youth of India', provided on the website.

Essays will be shortlisted based on the following criteria:

- 1. Originality of ideas in your own words.
- 2. Relevance to the topic.
- 3. Language.
- 4. Overall impact.

Group Discussions

(on Sunday, 7th September, 2025)

Topics will be announced on the spot related to Swami Vivekananda's Messages.

Candidates will be shortlisted based on the following criteria:

- 1. Confidence
- Content Matter & Relevance .
- 3. Leadership & Initiative
- 4. Communication skills
- 5. Team Dynamics
- 6. Analytical & Reasoning Skills

Youth Panel Discussions

(on Thursday, 11th September, 2025)

Topic will be 'Understanding Swami Vivekananda's Messages'.

Candidates will be shortlisted based on the following criteria:

- 1. Confidence
- 2. Content Matter & Relevance.
- 3. Leadership & Initiative
- 4. Communication skills
- 5. Team Dynamics
- 6. Analytical & Reasoning Skills

\star Please note that the decision of Judges would be final and binding.

Important:

- You can read the following books to prepare for the topic –
- 1. To the Youth of India.
- 2. Lectures from Colombo to Almora
- 3. Life of Swami Vivekananda
- 4. Letters of Swami Vivekananda

and try to expand **on the inspirational message of Swami Vivekananda** and add on what more Youth has to offer in the today's scenario.

- The results will be posted on our website and also on WhatsApp group -Youth Forum RKM CHD.
- All the Participants in Group discussions are requested to be present at the venue by 9.00 am and stay till 1.00 pm on 11th September, 2025.
- The candidates for Youth Panel discussions will be announced on Thursday, 11th September, 2025 at 9.00 am.
- Second Best performers in Group Discussions also be given opportunity to express their views on the same topic.
- Participants can also purchase topic related material at the Ashrama Book-Stall, open from 9.00 am to 6.00 pm on ALL DAYS OF THE WEEK.

For more details or any clarification please contact:

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 Venue: Vivekananda Auditorium, Ramakrishna Mission Ashrama, Sector 15 B, Madhya marg, Chandigarh

YOUTH FORUM RKM CHD Grp 1

WHATSAPP GROUP



Scan here to visit website: http://chandigarh.rkmm.org/events



Note: All the details, results and information related to Yuva Mahotsav 2025 will be posted on WhatsApp and Website only.

"When you have men who are ready to sacrifice their everything for their country, sincere to the backbone-when such men arise, India will become great in every respect."

......Swami Vivekananda