



RAMAKRISHNA MISSION ASHRAMA
Sector 15-B, Madhya Marg, CHANDIGARH - 160015

विवेक वार्षिक उत्सव – 2026

Topic

“Understanding Swami Vivekananda’s Message”

“स्वामी विवेकानंद के संदेशों का मंथन”

FRIDAY, 20TH MARCH, 2026

(3.00 PM TO 8.00 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 March 20th, 2026** 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 and near Chandigarh.
- **Age Limit 18 to 22 years.**
- The Competition will be held in Two Stages:
Stage 1 - Written Essay Stage 2 - Group Discussion

Stage 1. WRITTEN ESSAY

(Last date for submission – 10th March, 2026)

- Please read the book 'Call to the Nation'.
- You can write the essay (**between 1500-2000 words**) in **Hindi or English** on the **Topic: "Understanding Swami Vivekananda's Message"**
"स्वामी विवेकानंद के संदेशों का मंथन"
- 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 minimum Font Size of 14.
- Please **mention the number of words** in the Essay on **Participation Form**.
- 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.

- **Results of selected Essays will be declared on 18th March, 2026.**
- **Candidates with selected Essays will be called for Group Discussions to be held on Friday, 20th March, 2026.**

Stage 2 - Group Discussions

(on Friday, 20th March, 2026 from 3.00 pm to 5.00 pm)

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

Winners will be shortlisted based on the following criteria:

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

★ **Please note that the decision of Judges would be final and binding.**

2. Results & Prizes:

- ★ To keep the competition fair and authentic, we kindly ask that essays be written without the help of AI tools like ChatGPT etc, as their use may lead to disqualification.
- ★ Copying from others may lead to negative marking or disqualification.
- All the candidates with Essay entries will be given Participation Certificates and Inspiring Lamination of Swami Vivekananda on 20th March, 2026 at 6.00 pm.
- Winners will be selected from each group of the GD and will be awarded on 20th March, 2026.

1 st Prize -	3000/- (4 persons) + Certificate + Literature
2 nd Prize -	2000/- (4 persons) + Certificate + Literature
3 rd Prize -	1000/- (4 persons) + Certificate + Literature

3. Steps to Register:

1. Download the Participation Form, Information Brochure and Books for reference which are available at the Ashrama website - <http://chandigarh.rkmm.org/events>
2. Submit the Essay to the Ashrama or via Email **on or before 10th March, 2026** along with:
 - Duly filled Participation Form
 - Copy of your College ID card
 - Registration fee of Rs. 50/- (in cash or online through QR given on the Form)
3. Collect a copy of 'Call to the Nation' book from the Ashrama.

4. Submission Process:

DIRECTLY OR VIA POST

At Ashrama Office/Book-Stall during office hours (9 a.m. to 7 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

5. Important :

- You can read the following books to prepare for the topic –
 1. Call to the Nation
 2. To the Youth of India.
 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 2.30 pm and stay till 8.00 pm** on 20th March, 2026.
- **Prizes and certificates will be distributed** during the Annual Celebrations - Swami Vivekananda Day on **20th March, 2026 from 6 pm to 8 pm.**
- All participants are requested to attend the program to receive their respective Participation Certificates.
- Participants can also purchase topic related material at the Ashrama Book-Stall, open from 9.00 am to 7.00 pm on ALL DAYS OF THE WEEK.

Please take care -

- *To bring your own pen, pencil, pages, water bottles etc.*
- *Please **wear decent dresses** to maintain the sanctity of the Ashrama.*
- *Please maintain behaviour, cleanliness and discipline in the Ashrama.*

For more details or any clarification please contact:

- E-mail: rkmchdevents@gmail.com
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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 Varshik Utsav 2026 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