

## CONTEST TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Bennett, Coleman & Co. Limited (“BCCL”) is a company within the provisions of the Companies Act, 2013, having its Registered Office at The Times of India Building, Dr. D.N. Road, Mumbai 400001 and its Corporate Office at 9-10, Express Building, Bahadur Shah Zafar Marg, New Delhi- 110002.

By participating in the **Young Rangers Contest (“Contest”)**, you accept and agree that you are of the minimum age of 18 years or if you are under the age of 18, you should review this T&C with your parent or legal guardian to make sure that you and your parent or legal guardian understands and agrees to it and further if required you shall perform or undertake such activities which will entitle you to enter into a legally binding agreement with BCCL through your parent/legal guardian and accept, agree and remain abide to the following terms and conditions:-

(1) The contest shall be known as **Young Rangers Contest** and shall be held only between 12<sup>th</sup> July, 2023 to 29<sup>th</sup> July, 2023 (hereinafter known as “**Period of the Contest**”). (2) The Contest is organized, managed and conducted by BCCL. (3) This Contest is subject to BCCL's policies and other conditions. (4) There shall be no entry fee for the Contest. (5) The Contest is open for Indian resident Participants from class 6<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> of any school in India. (6) Participant will need to share their message creatively through essays, drawings, speeches, poems, dance, or music through any of the video, audio, image, presentation or write-up formats expressing their views on the given topic. The entry, including without limitation, any video, audio, presentation, images, story, headline, slogan, posts, texts or any other material submitted or recorded in any manner by the participant for the Contest shall collectively be referred as the “**Content**”.

### (7) Guidelines for participation:

- i. **Eligibility:**
  - a. Middle School: Classes 6<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup>
  - b. Secondary School: Classes 9<sup>th</sup> - 10<sup>th</sup>
  - c. High School: Classes 11<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup>
- ii. **Individual Participation:**
  - a. Each participant may submit only one entry.
- iii. **Competition Theme:**
  - a. Theme: "Why Tigers are Vital to Our Environment"
  - b. Focus on the importance of tigers in the ecosystem, conservation efforts, habitat preservation, or related topics.

### (8) Thought prompters for the participants-

- **An environmental awakening call:** Importance of tigers in mitigating climate crisis and biological control. The need to preserve areas of biological importance as a natural heritage.
- **Celebrating 50 years of Project Tiger and how it has helped the economy:** boost tourism, employment, livelihood, and forest cover.

- **Intertwined web of life:** Connectedness of the food chain. How Project Tiger was able to preserve it, keep a check of the population of herbivores to check on forest growth. Symbol of a healthy forest.
- **Nationalism:** Tiger is the nation's pride- national animal- how it binds the country together
- **Tiger as Symbol of Power:** India rising - Growth in Tigers numbers and Reserved Forest count in the most populated nation. India's economic development story. India showcasing to the world how both interest areas can be managed in parallel– Display of sustainable all-round growth model.
- **Coexistence in harmony:** The core of Indian heritage. How India has been very closely connected with the forest and all the living beings for livelihood, spiritualism and culture.
- **Importance of Tigers in our culture:** e.g., Bonbibi in Sunderbans, in Warli paintings, etc.

### (9) Participation Process:

Participants have the freedom to convey their message creatively through essays, drawings, speeches, poems, dance, or music through any of the following formats:

- Video:** Participants may submit their dance, music, and speech entries in this format. The duration should be under 3 minutes:
  - Acceptable formats- WebM files, MPEG4, 3GPP, MOV files, AVI, MPEGPS, WMV, FLV, MTS, OGG
  - Maximum size- 550 MB
- Audio:** Participants may submit their music and speech entries in this format. The duration should be under 3 minutes:
  - Acceptable formats- WebM files, MPEG4, 3GPP, MOV files, AVI, MPEGPS, WMV, FLV, MTS, OGG
  - File size- Less than 300 MB
- Images:** Participants may submit their artwork/ drawings in this format:
  - Acceptable formats - JPEG, PNG8, PNG24, GIF, BMP, WEBP, RAW, ICO, PDF, TIFF
  - File size- Less than 300 MB
- Presentations:** Participants may submit their presentations of not more than 10 slides in this format:
  - Acceptable formats- .pptx / pdf
  - File size- Less than 300 MB
- Write-ups:** Participants may submit their short essays or poems in this format. The content should be self-composed and not exceed 1,000 words pages. Plagiarism of no more than 15% will be accepted:
  - Acceptable formats- Word Document / PDFs
  - File size- Less than 300 MB

**(10) Language:** Entries must be in English language only.

### (11) Category-Specific Guidelines:

- Adhere to the guidelines and requirements specific to each category.

- b. Time and duration limits vary depending on the chosen format.

**(12) Submission Process:**

Submissions must be made through the designated submission portal on the official website. <https://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/Savingourstripes/YoungRangers>

**(13) File Naming Convention:**

- a. Participants must upload their entries in the specified file format or provide a link to access their entries.
- b. Please follow the specified nomenclature when submitting the file:  
NAME\_CLASS\_FILE TYPE

**(14) Submission Deadline:**

- a. The last date for submission is 23<sup>rd</sup> July, 2023 11:59 PM.
- b. Late submissions will not be accepted.

**(15) Judging:**

- a. The entries will be evaluated by NIE editors and Teach India team.
- b. The decision of the judges will be final and binding.

(16) All valid entries will be awarded an e-certificate of participation via emails. Winners will be chosen basis originality, creativity and differential presentation ideas which resonate with the theme of the Contest. The top 225 winners across India will be rewarded with Amazon e-vouchers worth INR 1,000/- each, an e-certificate of excellence and also find a mention on the Contest website. The top 3 (three) winners will get a chance to embark on a journey into the world of tigers with acclaimed cinematographer S. Nallamuthu. Itinerary for the said safari will be shared with the winners after declaration of the winner. Such winner has to provide confirmation for acceptance of the safari, shall adhere to the additional terms and conditions mentioned in the itinerary, submit all the details as may be required by BCCL and the parents/guardian of the winner shall provide required undertaking as may be required by BCCL for the purposes of the said safari within the stipulated timeframes. If the selected winner does not accept the prize and furnish the required undertaking within the stipulated timeframes, then the next eligible winner will be selected. The costs and expenses towards the aforesaid safari (for the selected winner only) as specifically covered under the itinerary will be borne by BCCL and any additional expenses incurred by the winner during the trip will not be paid by BCCL. Any other expenses shall be borne by the parent/guardian of the winner. (17) The entry shall be original creative Content of the participant and shall be as per the applicable laws and public policy. BCCL shall have right to disqualify any entry on the basis of objection of plagiarism or IPR infringement raised by any third party, failure to abide by these terms and conditions, bad faith or any other legitimate reason. BCCL may also ask any participant to provide proof of originality and/or proof of identification. (18) In case of any third-party dispute due to submission of entry by any participant, the participant/its parents/legal guardian shall indemnify BCCL, its affiliates, its directors, its employees and any third-party vendor against any such third-party claim. (19) By entering into the Contest, the participants agree to grant exclusive,

worldwide, perpetual and irrevocable right to BCCL and its affiliates, contractors, service providers, clients, agents and partners to use, adapt, modify or edit the Content and/or portray him/her as a Winner, and to exhibit this material in any manner BCCL may deem fit, in its own discretion, in any and all media now existing or hereinafter created, including, without limitation, television, film, radio, print and digital media, without payment of any compensation whatsoever, including, without limitation, for advertising and publicity purposes, except where prohibited by law. (20) The participant voluntarily agrees to submit the required documents and personal information (including, without limitation, their name, city, class, number, mail ID, etc.) to participate in the Contest. The participant voluntarily consents and permits BCCL to use any personal information that the participant provides in accordance with applicable laws for the purposes of this Contest and for any marketing or other purposes. BCCL may also share such information(s) with its affiliates, contractors, service providers, clients, agents and partners for the purpose of this Contest. The information may also be used by BCCL for: (i) recommending various products or services, including those of third parties; (ii) dealing with requests, enquiries and complaints and Contest related activities; (iii) marketing products and services and its analysis; (iv) abiding with laws and law enforcement/regulatory requests. (21) Mere submission of the entry does not give any warranty or guarantee of publication in BCCL feature or any other prize/voucher. (22) Decision of the management of BCCL is final and no correspondence or any other claims whatsoever, in this regard will be entertained. (23) BCCL reserves the right to change, alter or cancel this Contest in part or full, or change any or all of the terms and conditions that are applicable, without giving prior intimation/notice of any kind and will not be liable for any consequential losses/damages. Decision of BCCL in this regard and in general with respect to this Contest and the Terms & Conditions thereto shall be final, binding and non-contestable. (24) Nothing contained herein amounts to a commitment or representation by BCCL to conduct further or other contests. (25) BCCL expressly disclaims all warranties of any kind, whether express or implied. In no event shall BCCL be liable under these terms: (a) for any loss to the participant for any error or omission or any consequential, special, indirect, exemplary, punitive, or any loss of profit, goodwill or opportunity or other damages, including, arising out of any failure or alleged failure to perform any of its obligations under these terms whether based in contract, tort (including negligence) or otherwise; (b) any defects/inadequacy, mishap, deficiency, allergy, reaction and/or untoward contingency occurring on account of a quality, manufacturing, customer service or branding issue and/or consumer interest related matters and/or voucher redemption and/or prizes received/redeemed by Contest participants/winner in lieu of any coupons/vouchers and the same would have to be addressed to the respective service provider/manufacture directly. BCCL shall not be liable to replace/exchange the prize at any stage. The terms of the vouchers will vary basis the brands who are providing these vouchers. The participant acknowledges and agrees that each respective voucher may have additional terms which shall apply at the time of redemption. The participant shall be solely liable for any other expenses related to the redemption/use of the voucher. All/any Government taxes on prize/voucher (as applicable), shall be borne by the winner(s) and all deductions, such as tax deduction at source ("TDS"), wherever applicable, shall be made by BCCL in accordance with the Income Tax Act, 1961 or winner shall pay to BCCL such amount. (26) In no event shall the aggregate liability of BCCL exceed the value of prize under the Contest or INR 500/-, whichever is lower. (27) This Contest shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of India. All disputes shall be subject to the jurisdiction of the

Courts at New Delhi, India only. (28) Participants' entering the Contest shall be deemed as his/her acceptance of the terms and conditions. (29) Participant shall not conceal or misrepresent any information during the scrutiny or otherwise, failing which the participant shall be disqualified for participating in the Contest. (30) BCCL reserves the right to withdraw &/or alter any of the terms & conditions of this Contest at any time without prior notice. (31) In accordance with the applicable laws, for any grievance, you may reach the grievance officer of BCCL at [grievance.timescontent@timesgroup.com](mailto:grievance.timescontent@timesgroup.com). (32) The Privacy Policy located at <https://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/Savingourstripes/PrivacyPolicy> shall form an integral part of these terms. (33) Interpretation of terms & conditions for any legal issue will be considered only in English.