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Guidelines & Regulations

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Overview & Eligibility

Category: Open exclusively to **Grade 12 & Grade 13 students**

All submissions can be submitted **individually or as a group of up to 3 students.**

Each participant/team may submit only one (1) entry.

Any number of individuals/teams from invited schools may participate.

Competition Theme

From Allegory to Evidence: Reconstructing Mythological Phenomena through Scientific Analysis

Research, analyze, and present an evidence-based report explaining how ancient mythologies, philosophies, or traditional beliefs originated from real natural observations and how modern science explains those phenomena.

Required Submission Structure

1. **Title Page:** Include the research title, student name, grade, school, and contact details.
2. **Abstract:** Write a single paragraph (typically 100–200 words) summarizing your main question, key findings, and conclusions.
3. **Introduction:** Explain the myth or philosophical concept you chose, its cultural background, and why you are analyzing it.
4. **Scientific Analysis:** Present your core evidence, scientific principles, and logical arguments that analyze or debunk the myth/philosophy.
5. **Conclusion:** Summarize your main insights, explain what your findings mean, and end with final concluding thoughts.
6. **References:** Provide a complete list of every book, journal, and website cited in your paper using consistent APA or IEEE formatting.

Submission Specifications & Guidelines

Final Submission Format: Must be exported as **.pdf file only**.

Naming Format: The PDF file must follow this exact naming structure:
Pixeleon_[Participant Name]_[Grade]_[School Name].pdf

Example: Pixeleon_PasinduPerera_Grade12_NalandaCollege.rar

Submissions must be uploaded via the official form provided by the organizing committee.

Deadline: 25th of October (Late entries will be automatically rejected)

Authenticity & Anti-AI Policy

Entries must be **original papers produced specifically for SCINOVA** and must not have been entered into any previous competition.

Plagiarism, direct copying, or fully AI-generated papers will result in immediate disqualification.

Every scientific claim, theory, or historical reference must be properly cited.

Entries can be made in English or Sinhala.

Judging Criteria

Evaluations will be conducted based on the following key areas:

- Depth of scientific analysis
- Scientific accuracy
- Research question & relevance
- Historical/cultural understanding
- Quality of evidence & sources
- Originality

Terms & Final Authority

By entering PIXELEON, participants grant Nalanda College Science Society the right to display, publish, and showcase their submissions for promotional, exhibition, and event related purposes.

The decisions made by the Panel of Judges and the Executive Committee of the Nalanda College Science Society shall be final, absolute, and binding.

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