Date: 14th June, 2014

Subject: Opportunity for school students to compete & participate in "Samskrita Vaibhavam"

Dear Sir / Madam:

Samskrita Bharati (samskritabharati.in) is a not-for-profit public service organization, run entirely by volunteers with the support of donors, striving for three decades now for revival and propagation of Sanskrit language. It operates in most major locations in India and abroad.

We are conducting a Sanskrit Competition, Conference & Exhibition event named "Samskrita Vaibhavam", at VSR Kalyanamantap, ITPL main road, Brookefields/AECS Layout, Bangalore-37, on the 9th & 10th of August, 2014. There will be inter-school team and individual competitions specifically tailored to school children, related to Sanskrit such as (a) Sanskrit Interactive Quiz (b) Sanskrit Written Quiz (c) Painting & Poster competition on the theme of "Samskritam" (d) Sanskrit "Sangeeta Spardha" - Singing competition (e) "Laghu Naataka Spardha" - Sanskrit Short Plays, etc. Whereas ideally the students of Sanskrit should participate, it is also open to all other students too, based on their keenness and interest.

We herewith request you to go through the details of each of these competitions, in the attached documents. We have also included couple of posters for putting up on your student-notice board, and some event related pamphlets, for circulation amongst your Sanskrit students. We request your help in putting these up and distributing the pamphlets.

Your primary contact and coordinator to handhold your school through the entire process is ______(Mobile: ______). The coordinator will stay in touch with your school to keep track of the progress and to help answer any queries you may have.

Sincerely and with best regards,

For Samskrita Bharati - Marathalli & Ulsoor Groups

Sanskrit Interactive Audio-Visual Oral Quiz

A multi-round audio-visual aided oral quiz run by a quizmaster, with the central theme being Samskritam – the Language, the Sanskrit Literature (Vedas, Upanishads, Shastras, Smritis etc.) and the Vedic culture hewn around it. Topics will also be drawn from ancient history of India from epics such as – Ramayana and Mahabharata.

Each school can enter a maximum of **two teams** for the competition, selecting from the best performing students. There will be one single grade in the competition, and students up to class 10 are eligible to be members of your team.

Each team will consist of a minimum of two and a **maximum of three** students.

Four to Six Teams (randomly grouped) at a time will compete on-stage, in each level of the competition – First Level, Second Level and Finals.

At the First and Second levels (in each of those levels), several rounds of quiz-questions will be carried out, with points assigned as per degree of difficulty. The two best performing teams from each level will move up to the next level.

In the Finals, the top Four to Six Teams will compete in one last intense round of quiz questions. Based on the cumulative score from the various rounds, three prizes – First, Second and Third places will be awarded. The other teams that make it to the finals will be awarded consolation prizes. Certificates will be awarded to all participants.

We are limiting the total number of participating teams, across all the schools, to 24 (twenty-four). Please rush to register your Teams, using the registration form provided.

Please contact your coordinator from Samskrita Bharati (Name/Cell:______

to submit your registration form (included) well before 30th of June, 2014 and obtain a confirmed slot for the quiz competition.

SCHOOL & TEACHER CONTACT:

School:

Teacher's Name: Contact Number:

QUIZ TEAM ONE -

Name	Std	Email/Cell Contact
1)		
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QUIZ TEAM TWO -

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Teacher's Signature

Date:

Sanskrit Written Quiz

A written quiz conducted in a single round simultaneously for all participants, with the central theme being Samskritam – the Language, the Sanskrit Literature (Vedas, Upanishads, Shastras, Smritis etc.) and the Vedic culture hewn around it. Topics will also be drawn from ancient history of India from epics such as – Ramayana and Mahabharata.

Each school can enter up to 20 (twenty) children for the competition, from grades 4 through 10th, selecting from the best performing students.

A printed Quiz question paper with built-in space for providing answers will be given to each participating student. A fixed time period is allotted to complete the answers and submit the paper. The student has to enter his/her name, grade/class, a contact/cell number (of self or a parent) and the School Name, in the space provided in the quiz paper. The quiz paper will be a set using a combination of English and Sanskrit Text (in DDDDDDDDDD).

Prizes will be awarded to the top three ranked candidates, in two groups – '**juniors**' up to grade-6 and '**seniors**' from grades -7 to 10. Certificates of participation will be provided to all participating students.

We are limiting the total number of participating students (across all the participating schools) to 200 (two hundred), to enable orderly and successful conduct of the quiz. Please rush to register your students, using the registration form provided.

REGISTRATION FORM – WRITTEN QUIZ

SCHOOL & TEACHER CONTACT:

School:

Teacher's Name: Contact Number:

LIST OF STUDENTS TO BE ENROLLED – WRITTEN QUIZ -

Name	Std	Email / Cell Contact	Name	Std	Email / Cell Contact
1)			11)		
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Teacher's Signature Date:

'Samskritam' Painting Competition

A painting to be rendered and submitted, with the central theme being Samskritam – the Language, the Sanskrit Literature (Vedas, Upanishads, Shastras, Smritis etc.) and the Vedic culture hewn around it. Topics can also be drawn from ancient history of India from the epics such as – Ramayana and Mahabharata.

Each school can enter up to 10 (ten) children for the competition, from grades 4 through 10th, selecting from the best performing students.

The painting is to be submitted on the provided drawing sheet, with details of the student and school clearly entered in the space provided. Submissions can also be given on same sized thick art-paper / drawing-sheet, with details of the student clearly included in a designated space, similar to the format provided to you.

All the best paintings will be displayed in an exhibition area during the two days of the Samskrita Vaibhavam event. Samskrita Bharathi will maintain the paintings in their archives for posterity. Select ones may be used for promotion of the Sanskrit Language & Samskriti.

The winning entries will be selected by a panel of judges and prizes awarded to the top three ranked entries, in two groups – 'juniors' up to grade-6 and 'seniors' from grades -7 to 10. Certificates of participation will be provided to all participating students.

We are limiting the total number of participating entries (across all the participating schools) to 100 (one hundred), to enable orderly and successful conduct of the competition. Please rush to register your students, using the registration form provided.

Please contact your coordinator from Samskrita Bharati (Name/Cell:_____

to submit your registration form (included) **along with the paintings**, well before 7th of July, 2014 and obtain a confirmed slot for the painting competition.

REGISTRATION FORM – PAINTING COMPETITION

SCHOOL & TEACHER CONTACT:

School:

Teacher's Name: Contact Number:

LIST OF STUDENTS TO BE ENROLLED – PAINTING COMPETITION -

Name	Std	Contact Number / Email-ID
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Teacher's Signature

Date:

Submit this form to your coordinator, along with the rendered paintings before 7th of July, 2014

A poster (combination of sketch, text, painting, use of cut-outs stuck-on imaginatively) to be rendered and submitted, with the central theme being Samskritam – the Language, the Sanskrit Literature (Vedas, Upanishads, Shastras, Smritis etc.) and the Vedic culture hewn around it. Topics can also be drawn from ancient history of India from the epics such as – Ramayana and Mahabharata.

Each school can enter up to 10 (ten) children for the competition, from grades 4 through 10th, selecting from the best performing students.

The completed poster is to be submitted on the provided drawing sheet, with details of the student and school clearly entered in the space provided. Submissions can also be given on same size thick art-paper / drawing-sheet, with details of the student clearly included in a designated space, similar to the format provided to you.

All the best posters will be displayed in an exhibition area during the two days of the Samskrita Vaibhavam event. Samskrita Bharathi will maintain the posters in their archives for posterity. Select ones may be used for promotion of the Sanskrit Language & Samskriti.

The winning entries will be selected by a panel of judges and prizes awarded to the top three ranked entries, in two groups – 'juniors' up to grade-6 and '**seniors**' from grades -7 to 10. Certificates of participation will be provided to all participating students.

We are limiting the total number of participating entries (across all the participating schools) to 100 (one hundred), to enable orderly and successful conduct of the competition. Please rush to register your students, using the registration form provided.

Please contact your coordinator from Samskrita Bharati (Name/Cell:_____

to submit your registration form (included) **along with the posters**, well before 7th of July, 2014 and obtain a confirmed slot for the poster competition.

REGISTRATION FORM – POSTER COMPETITION

SCHOOL & TEACHER CONTACT:

School:

Teacher's Name: Contact Number:

LIST OF STUDENTS TO BE ENROLLED - POSTER COMPETITION -

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Teacher's Signature

Date:

Submit this form to your coordinator, along with the rendered posters before 7th of July, 2014

Sanskrit Group Singing – Sangeeta Spardha

This is a group/team singing competition, with songs composed entirely in **Sanskrit Language**, from pre-existing compositions or new compositions. The group can include one or two instrumental accompaniments as required.

Each school can enter a maximum of **two teams** for the competition, selecting from the best performing student-teams. There will be one single grade in the competition, and students up to grade 10 are eligible to be members of your team.

Each team will consist of a minimum of two and a maximum of eight students, including any who play accompanying instruments.

Each team will get to render one single song/composition, in a maximum of 5-mins time allotted.

A panel of judges will choose the winning teams. Three prizes – First, Second and Third places will be awarded. Certificates will be awarded to all participants.

We are limiting the total number of participating teams, across all the schools, to 16 (sixteen). Please rush to register your teams, using the registration form provided.

Please contact your coordinator from Samskrita Bharati (Name/Cell:_____

to submit your registration form (included) well before 30th of June, 2014 and obtain a confirmed slot for the group-singing competition.

Registration Form – Sanskrit Group Singing

School:

Teacher's Name:

Contact Number:

SANSKRIT GROUP SINGING - TEAM ONE -

Name	Std	Contact Number / Email-ID
1)		
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SANSKRIT GROUP SINGING - TEAM TWO -

Name	Std	Contact Number / Email-ID
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Teacher's Signature

Date:

Sanskrit Short-Play – Laghu Nataka Spardha

This is a group/team competition, with enactment of a short-play composed in **Sanskrit Language**, from pre-existing literature or new scripts. It is **optional** but beneficial for the participants to use suitable costumes and accessories. Costumes and accessories will have to be procured or rented by the participants or their schools. Samskrita Bharati will not be responsible for the costs or logistics involved.

Each school can enter a maximum of **two teams** for the competition, selecting from the best performing student-teams. There will be one single grade in the competition, and students up to grade 10 are eligible to be members of your team.

Each team will consist of a minimum of two and a maximum of eight students, including any who play accompanying instruments or provide vocal support.

Each team will get to render one single short-play, in a maximum of 10mins time allotted.

A panel of judges will choose the winning teams. Three prizes – First, Second and Third places will be awarded. Certificates will be awarded to all participants.

We are limiting the total number of participating teams, across all the schools, to 12 (twelve). Please rush to register your teams, using the registration form provided.

Please contact your coordinator from Samskrita Bharati (Name/Cell:_____

to submit your registration form (included) well before 30th of June, 2014 and obtain a confirmed slot for the group-singing competition.

Registration Form – Sanskrit Short-Play

School:

Teacher's Name:

Contact Number:

SANSKRIT SHORT PLAY - TEAM ONE -

Name	Std	Contact Number / Email-ID
1)		
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SANSKRIT SHORT PLAY - TEAM TWO -

Name	Std	Contact Number / Email-ID
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Teacher's Signature

Date: