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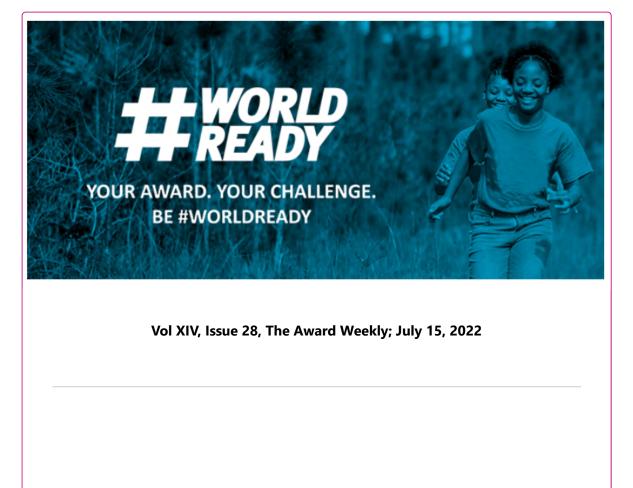
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The International Award for Young People, India wishes all our readers and stakeholders joy and good health!

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Gold Award Holders at the Gold Award Ceremony 2022

# **Events in Focus**

#### Gold Award Ceremony, 2022

The International Award for Young People, India is excited to share that the **Gold Award Ceremony 2022** was held on the **5th of July, 2022**.

It gives us great pleasure and pride to celebrate all our Gold Award Recipients and their families and Award Leaders during the course of the ceremony.

Follow us on our Social Media handles to receive photographs and sneak-peaks from the Gold Award Ceremony 2022!

Instagram: https://www.instagram.com/iaypindia/

Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/iaypindia

YouTube: https://www.youtube.com/award1962

Twitter: https://twitter.com/iaypindia/

LinkedIn: https://www.linkedin.com/company/2858400

We gratefully acknowledge each Gold Award Recipient for their hard work, talent, and dedication towards the Award. We hope our Award Recipients and Award Leaders continue to grow together and achieve new heights.

#### Face to Face IAYP Award Leader Training Workshop

21st & 22nd July 2022, Mumbai (Both days, 9 am to 4:30 pm) Venue- YMCA INTERNATIONAL HOUSE-18, YMCA Road, Mumbai Central, Mumbai 400 008.

# **Call for Interns!**

The International Award for Young People, India invites applications for a social media and communications intern.

Candidates are requested to go through the Job Description here: https://docs.google.com/document/d/1sE\_KjeFG-dfjBEsOozzJDACISaluzT1MOa-El7hmZnM/edit?usp=sharing and apply through the Google Form: https://forms.gle/ kDWuZXCajb8YJKoRA

Please note: Applicants below age of 25 years can apply; preference for Award Holders.

# The Award in Action

Continuing our stories to showcase the tenacity, character and determination of Award Participants to continue their Award Journey in these unusual times.

#### A journey of self-development, insight and adventure

I, Puja Mondal would like to share with you some of my experiences with The International Award for Young People, which has enabled me to move forward in my life.

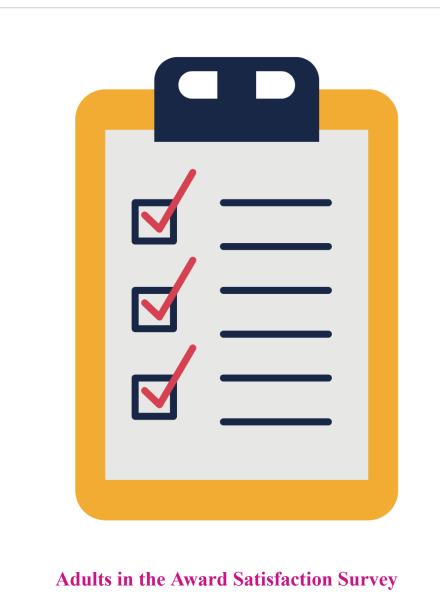
This is the story of an average girl from an ordinary middle class family. My father worked in a private firm and his earnings were not much. Mother is a homemaker. Poverty has been a constant companion to us. Becoming a graduate was not an easy task. There were times during my Higher Secondary when I didn't have the money to buy books. So I decided to give tuition. I bought books with the fees I received. I got a First Division in my Higher Secondary.

The next part of my journey was a tougher struggle. My life took another turn. Both my parents were ill, my sibling was at school, I had to shoulder their responsibilities. I began to look for a job desperately but because I wasn't a graduate, I got a job with a small salary. I continued giving tuitions in the mornings, afternoons and evenings. Simultaneously, I tried preparing for my graduation. I need to mention here a certain incident without which my story would be incomplete. After my Higher Secondary, I came to Sri Sarada Math Rasik Bhita to learn Computers and Spoken English. Here I was introduced to the ideals of Swami Vivekananda and was also introduced to The

International Award for Young People. I gained a lot of confidence from the Award Program, it gave me a new dimension. I came to know that I was not alone in my struggles, there were thousands of girls like me, fighting tougher battles. After my graduation I worked for a while. I could not carry on for long as the process I had worked in changed. I felt the need for some skill development. I began to learn tailoring, and I was able to begin a business of my own. At present I am doing well in my business. From my childhood I had longed to serve the society. This longing intensified as I came in touch with Sri Sarada Math Rasik Bhita and The International Award for Young People. But this could not be fulfilled if it was not properly channelized. So I trained to be a Nurse.

All these educational ventures would not have been possible without the help of Sri Sarada Math Rasik Bhita and the The International Award for Young People. I shall always be deeply grateful to Sri Sarada Math Rasik Bhita and The International Award for Young People. I would like to conclude by thanking them once again.

#### Puja Mondal, Gold Award Holder, Sri Sarada Math Rasik Bhita



"If there is one thing which the experience of the scheme re-affirms and reemphasizes time and again, it is the involvement and dedication of adults that is absolutely critical to its success."

- HRH Prince Philip, The Duke of Edinburgh

This survey is designed to understand the experience of all adults involved in the delivery of the Award in 2021. Your responses will help us ensure that staff / volunteers are satisfied with their Award involvement and are able to deliver the Award to a high standard.

The International Award for Young People is committed to offering the best quality support that all adults associated with the Award expect and deserve in order to have an efficient and fun-filled Award journey!

Once a year, we run a satisfaction survey for all Award Units, to allow our dedicated Award Volunteers to express their opinions about the Award, tell us about their experiences delivering the Award, and help us improve the support we give to Award Units.

To get your inputs, we request you to answer a few questions, which will guide us to serve the Award Community more efficiently, simplifying the path of the Award Leader. **Please fill the survey here:** https://intaward.eu.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\_5hUreqSxrPxbip7

# **Call for Award Stories!**

The International Award for Young People, India invites all of its Award Participants and Award Leaders to send us write-ups/stories of their Award journeys. The Coronavirus induced pandemic had brought about unprecedented changes and obstacles for all of us. Millions of people around the world have been affected by the COVID-19 virus outbreak. In several places, schools and youth organisations had to be closed and people confined to their homes to reduce the spread of the virus. This proposed a challenge before youth organisations like The International Award for Young People as we all shifted to an online mode of work. However, our young and motivated Award participants did not let the pandemic deter their spirits, and with the help and support of their Award leaders, many have successfully completed the Award. We thus, call upon all our Award Participants and Leaders to share with us their journeys of pursuing the Award during this pandemic. We would love to know and publish your Award success stories in The Award Weekly.

Send us your Award stories and photographs at – **ai@iayp.in** with the following details:

- Name
- Institution

- Award Level
- Whether pursuing the Award or completed/Date of Completion

# **YES Centre Updates**

#### We welcome the following Institutions into the Award Family:

Jayshree Periwal International School (JPIS) Jaipur Contact person - Dr. Love Trivedi Ph-8080097311 Email Dr. Love Trivedi Itrivedi@jpischool.com

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#### Anandhamayam Foundation

Coimbatore Contact Person - Mr. Vijayanand Veluswamy Email- aanandamaiam@gmail.com. Mobile - 7200011987

# Join Global Award Alumni Network

The Duke of Edinburgh's International Award Foundation has set up a **Global Award Alumni Network (GAAN)** with an aim to provide added value for the existing local alumni structures and encourage forming of new structures in those countries where there is no such provision for Award Alumni as of yet. The International Award for Young People, India is proud to announce that we are now an Official Member of The Global Award Alumni Network.

Here's how you can get involved-

1) The Global Award Alumni Portal is now LIVE! Sign up here- Global Award Alumni Network https://alumni.intaward.org/

2) The Duke of Edinburgh's International Award has set up the official Facebook group for the Global Alumni Network. This group is for Award holders who would like to be involved in and informed about the development of this initiative.
We invite you to join this group at (https://www.facebook.com/ groups/GlobalAlumniNetwork/)

### 3) Opportunities on GAAN

Stay informed about local and global employment, internship and volunteering opportunities on the Global Award Alumni Network. The platform provides job and internship opportunities to Award Alumni. Check out openings here: https://alumni.intaward.org/

The Global Award Alumni Network (GAAN) is a platform for you to connect, explore and grow with the International Award Community. We invite all Award Alumni to register on the website and stay connected!



# **Bronze Level Adventurous Journey during the Pandemic**



Virtual Bronze Exploration of the Duke of Edinburgh's International Award for Young People The International Award for Young People (IAYP) is happy to announce the release of the **Virtual Bronze Exploration for the Bronze Award Participants**.

The Virtual Bronze Exploration is a re-imagined virtual exploration that will help to develop the group work and team skills that underpin the aim of the Adventurous Journey section of the Award. These are core life skills that many people have learnt and used for their livelihoods over the period of lockdown. We believe that these will become increasingly important life skills for everyone.

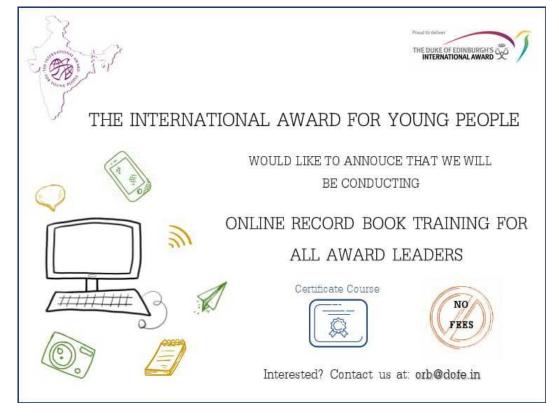
Due to the restrictions in place in the country to halt the spread of COVID-19, we have developed this Virtual Exploration to provide an opportunity for young people to stay active and complete their Award Journey. This activity will help to develop the same group working and planning skills that are expected by all Adventurous Journeys. The Virtual Bronze Exploration is completed in 5 stages:

i. Stage 1: Preparation & Training (Part A & Part B)
ii. Stage 2: Group Planning
iii. Stage 3: Practice
iv. Stage 4: Virtual Journey (Expedition)
v. Stage 5: Research Project (Exploration)

The Preparation & Training stage (Stage 1) will be useful and act as a base level of knowledge for your Adventurous Journeys at the Silver and Gold levels. The Planning stage (Stage 2) will ensure that the whole group works together. The Practice Journey stage (Stage 3) is your chance to test some of the ideas in your plan. The day of activity for the virtual Journey in stage 4 is intended to give a flavour of a physical expedition, using videos of virtual walks from some beautiful parts of the world.

All YES Centres (and OAC Participants) are requested to write to **vbe@dofe.in** to get the required files and links and assist their participants to complete their Bronze Level Award Journey

# **Online Record Book (ORB) Training**



# The International Award for Young People and the Cambridge Assessment International Education

The International Award for Young People is presently working with Cambridge Assessment International Education in providing new ways to broaden the curriculum in the education world in India. Both our organisations believe that learning should not be confined to the classroom, but should also take place in the school environment and wider community.

Already a Cambridge International school?

If you are already a Cambridge International school and want to register for The International Award for Young People please complete The International Award for Young People - Expression of Interest form.

Already delivering The International Award for Young People?

If you are already delivering The International Award for Young People and want to become a Cambridge International school please complete Cambridge International school - Expression of Interest form.

# Cambridge Assessment International Education

# **Coronavirus (COVID-19)**

Millions of people around the world have been affected by the COVID-19 virus outbreak. The safeguarding of all those connected to the Award – be they participants, volunteers or staff – is paramount and we know that you will be looking to your local public health bodies to ensure risks are managed appropriately in your Award Unit.

We recognize that the virus can make it difficult for some Award participants to maintain Award activities, but it doesn't have to. Click here for some creative ways for participants to continue their Award activities at home, whilst providing enough evidence to their Assessors and Award Leaders that they can continue progress to their goals.

It is paramount that anyone considering undertaking Award activities outside of the home in areas affected by the COVID-19 virus outbreak must consult their local public health authorities before doing so.

For any queries get in touch with the National Office at ai@iayp.in

World Health Organization Advice for Public: click here

Tips to build resilience and tackle the challenges of isolation during COVID-19: Click here

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