

## **PARTICIPATION GUIDELINE FOR SHORT VIDEO COMPETITION 2024 FOR YOUTH**

### **1.0 About the competition**

The Ministry of Environment, Solid Waste Management and Climate Change (MOESWMCC) invites the youth community aged between 18-35 years residing in Mauritius to participate in a short video competition.

**The theme of the competition is: “Protection of the Ozone Layer”.**

*The Ozone layer is crucial for life on earth. It protects the Earth from harmful ultraviolet (UV) rays from the sun. Without this ozone shield, more UV rays would reach the Earth and this would lead humans to be more susceptible to skin cancer, cataracts and impaired immune systems. Plants would also not grow in heavy UV rays, while planktons that serve as food for most of the ocean life would not be able to thrive. The use of chemicals produced by mankind for usage in refrigeration and air conditioning sector has and is unfortunately impacting on the ozone layer and some of these chemicals are even contributing to climate change. The gradual elimination of these substances so called ozone depleting substances are therefore imperative.*

*The United Nations has identified the young generation as change-makers and inheritors of this planet. Their passion, creativity and energy are critical to pioneer new solutions to address the triple planetary crisis. It is therefore fundamental for the youth to be knowledgeable and adopt best practices for the protection of the environment, including the ozone layer.*

**Under this theme, participants can depict one or a combination of the following and may include the following:**

- The causes of Ozone layer depletion and its effects on human health, land, water, terrestrial, aquatic and marine biodiversity
- Remedial actions to reduce the impacts of Ozone layer depletion, and
- How does the youth foresee Mauritius or the World in the future, with or without the Ozone Layer?

*\* This list is not exhaustive; students may illustrate any other concept/ideas related to the theme.*

### **2.0 Competition Rules**

- **Eligibility:** open to all youth between age group of 18-35 years residing in Mauritius
- **Participation:** Individual or a team of maximum 3 participants
- **No. of entries allowed:** ONLY 1 per individual/team
- **Video Duration:** between 3 to 5 minutes
- **Title Frame:** Submitted videos should begin with the following information: title of video; individual/team name; and title frame should be included within the 3-5 minutes duration.
- **Theme:** Protection of the Ozone Layer
- **Category:** Public Service Announcement including live-action, animation, on-screen text or a combination of all these, supported by a soundtrack and voice over.  
(purpose of video: educational and awareness raising on environmental issues)
- **Format:** Broadcast Quality such as HD (with resolution **1920x1080**), MP4 amongst others
- **Content:** The short video should be either in Creole, or English, or French and should not contain any offensive or inappropriate content, including profanity, violence, or nudity.
- **Judging Criteria:** factors such as creativity, originality, technical quality, relevance to the theme

### 3.0 Submission process

- Deadline for Submission: **extended till Friday 30 August 2024 by noon.**
- Mode of submission: by “We-Transfer” on [envozonecompetition@gmail.com](mailto:envozonecompetition@gmail.com) along with the duly filled-in participation form.

#### ***Important Note:***

- *The participation guideline and participation form can be downloaded from the website of the MOESWMCC (<https://environment.govmu.org>)*
- *Only entries submitted to the above email will be accepted. Other means of submission will be automatically disqualified.*
- *Upon submission of short video, an acknowledgement receipt email from the Ministry will be issued to the participant(s) within 5 working days.*
- *In case of group submission, a Contact Person (CP) must be designated in the participation form, and his/her contact details must be correctly and clearly written for future correspondences.*

### 4.0 Prizes and Awards

- Award Ceremony: **16 September 2024**

#### Cash Prizes

- ❖ 1<sup>st</sup> prize- Rs 25,000
- ❖ 2<sup>nd</sup> prize- Rs 15,000
- ❖ 3<sup>rd</sup> prize- Rs 10,000

### 5.0 Terms & Conditions

- The decision of the jury panel shall be final and irrevocable.
- The participant(s)' work shall be their original creations and have not been used elsewhere.
- Non-compliance to the provisions of the participation guideline will be disqualified.

#### ***Note:***

- *Participants should keep at least one copy of their video. The MOESWMCC is not responsible for any films that are lost, damaged, or that do not upload properly.*
- *The MOESWMCC reserves the right not to proceed with the competition.*
- *The MOESWMCC shall have the exclusive right to use the video in a non-exhaustive manner, make any modification, publicise same in its communication and sensitisation campaign and other relevant activities but will fully acknowledge the participants' contribution.*

*For further any additional information and/or queries, please contact officers of the Ministry of Environment, Solid Waste Management and Climate Change on Tel: 2036200 ext 320/ 332.*