

#### **About NAC**

- NAC is in its 7th edition, a premier and trusted Astronomy Olympiad in India.
- It not only evaluates students' knowledge but also offers year-round engagements while preparing for the exam.

#### Eligibility

- Open to students in Grades 4–9, from any board and any geography.
- Students can participate directly through parents or via their school, if the school is participating.

## **Spacetopia & NAC Preparation Material**

- NAC preparation content is hosted on Spacetopia, a space-themed edutainment platform.
- Every direct participant receives 15 welcome credits upon registration.
- Participants can:
  - o Buy required credits (41 credits) to access NAC preparation material.
  - o Buy a minimum credit pack of 35 credits, usable for NAC preparation (optional).
  - o Buy premium subscription plans at 50% discount, specifically for NAC participants.
- More details: <u>www.spacetopia.in</u>

## **Exam Details**

- NAC will be conducted online from January 2026. Exact dates will be announced in December.
- Participants can attempt the exam from the comfort of their home.
- Only one attempt will be allowed per participant.
- If a participant registers directly and the school later participates, only one attempt will be given, and the result will be merged with the school's participation.

# **Judgement Criteria**

- NAC examination will be a multiple-choice-question (MCQ) type.
- The NAC examination will have knowledge based, analytical and application-based questions.
- Participant will need to attend sixty (60) questions in sixty (60) minutes.
- MCQs will be tested and evaluated percentile based.
- Each wrong answer to attract a negative marking of 25% (-25%).



## **Infrastructural and Technical Requirements**

 Every Participant needs to ensure that they meet all the infrastructural and technical requirements as laid out by the NAC team. In order to participate in NAC, you must have either desktop/Laptop with inbuilt camera and stable internet connection. NAC will be conducted online and it would be proctored examination. No mobile and Tablets are allowed.

## **Registration & Refunds**

- Parents can register their child directly if the school is not participating.
- If the school participates later, or if a participant registers directly after the school-specific link is generated, registration will be considered direct.
- No refund requests will be entertained under any circumstances.

## **Registration Details**

- Parents or legal guardians need to ensure that correct details are filled in, online. You will be required to submit your documents like school id/Aadhar card (In case of overseas students, it will be passport front page (where participate name is mentioned) as and when required.
- NAC will not be responsible if registered email id is inactive or inaccessible/ blocked. Please keep an eye on your spam folders as well. Parents or guardians need to stay in touch with NAC team in case of any concern or correction. You can mail us hello@nationalastronomy.org.

## **Awards & Recognition**

- Participant who rank in the top three of their respective grades will be eligible for the award ceremony.
- The winners will be invited to attend the award ceremony.
- One parent may accompany the child; travel expenses for the parent must be borne by the parent.
- NAC team will cover the child's stay and local arrangements.
- For participants from overseas, international travel to India will be borne by the participant;
   NAC team will take care of stay and local arrangements.
- If a participant's result is merged with a school, a school representative will accompany the winning child.

#### **Further Details to Accolades**

 Exact dates of the trip will be determined by the organizer in its sole discretion. The date, time and location of the event may also change at the sole discretion of the organizer.
 Organizer reserves the right to change and / or substitute any component, in its sole



discretion. Organizer will determine the airlines and hotels in its sole discretion. All travel dates are subject to change in organiser's sole discretion. Travel restrictions, conditions and limitations may apply. Travel arrangements are subject to availability.

- Organizer shall not be responsible for any damage to baggage or any cancellations, delays, diversions or substitutions, or any acts or any other persons providing any of the services and accommodations necessitated by the same.
- All personal expenditures and taxes associated are not included and are solely the winner's
  responsibility, including but not limited to: transportation to and from the airport of the
  origin, meals, beverages, insurance, room-service, telephone calls, souvenirs etc. Airline
  carrier and hotel regulations and conditions apply. Travel components are subject to
  availability, certain restrictions, blackout dates and organizer's approval.

## **Participant Restrictions**

- Team members, close relatives of NAC team members, or associated vendors are not eligible to compete.
- Any entries from such individuals will not be considered for awards.

## **Data Privacy & Communication**

- Data captured during registration will not be shared with any third party.
- Data will only be used to update participants about NAC updates and Spacetopia events.
- Updates and event notifications will be sent via WhatsApp and the registered email ID.
- Working hours: Monday to Friday, 10:00 AM 7:00 PM IST.
- Response time: within 24 hours (may be delayed during gazetted/festive holidays).

## **Force Majeure**

• NAC will not be liable for changes, cancellations, or delays due to circumstances beyond its control, including natural disasters, pandemics, strikes, or government restrictions.

## **Cancellation of Participation in NAC**

The registration and participation in National Astronomy Challenge (NAC) will be cancelled if
there is any misrepresentation of information, presented while registering your participation
at <a href="https://www.nationalastronomy.org">www.nationalastronomy.org</a> or using false documents to validate the authenticity of
registration or non-submission of documents.

#### 6. Limitations of Liability

a. Except where prohibited by law and to the extent that the negative consequences
described below are the foreseeable results of matters within the organizers' and organiser'
reasonable control and are the direct consequence of negligence or default by any of them,
the parties are not responsible for any incorrect or inaccurate entry of information, human



error, technical malfunction, lost/delayed data transmission omission, interruption, deletion, defect, computer or other network and software etc.

b. Technical limitation of Liability: To the extent permitted by applicable law, none of the
parties involved in organizing and conducting the exam are responsible for incorrect or
inaccurate information, human error, technical malfunction, lost / delayed data
transmission, omission, interruption, deletion, defect, line failure of telephone, computer or
other network, computer equipment, software or any combination thereof, inability to
access the organizer website or downloading any challenge-related material from the
websites or for late, lost, stolen, damaged misdirected, incorrect, garbled, delayed or
undelivered or incomplete information.

## **Governing Law & Jurisdiction**

- These terms are governed by Indian law.
- Any disputes will be subject to the exclusive jurisdiction of courts in New Delhi, India.

#### **Acceptance**

• By registering directly for NAC, parents and participants agree to all the terms and conditions stated above.

## **Assistance**

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