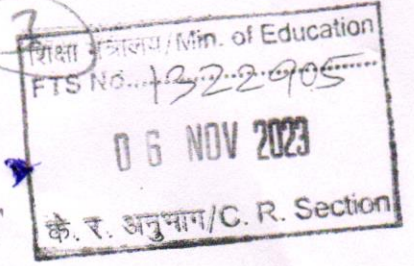


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Dated 3<sup>rd</sup> November, 2023

**OFFICE MEMORANDUM**

**Subject: Background Notes on Subjects selected by the Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Education, Women, Children, Youth and Sports.**

The undersigned is directed to state that the Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Education, Women, Children, Youth and Sports has selected the following subject for consideration and examination during the year 2023-24:-

(i) Review of NIPUN BHARAT Scheme;

(ii) Implementation of the National Education Policy, 2020 in School Education sector;

(iii) Review of Samagra Shiksha Scheme--Special emphasis on PM POSHAN; and

(iv) Review of National Council for Teacher Education in light of NEP 2020 thrust on Capacity Building of Teachers.

Accordingly, the Department of School Education and Literacy, Ministry of Education is requested to furnish detailed background notes covering different aspects of the subjects stated above latest by Monday, the 13<sup>th</sup> November, 2023 for the consideration of the Committee. The same may also be sent through e-mail to this Secretariat at [rsc\\_hrd@sansad.nic.in](mailto:rsc_hrd@sansad.nic.in).

The receipt of this OM may kindly be acknowledged.

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Sub.: Participation in the 20th World Robot Olympiad (WRO) India 2026

Dear Sir,

The World Robot Olympiad (WRO) India 2026 presents an unparalleled opportunity to showcase and elevate STEM education across the nation. This prestigious event aims to inspire innovation, creativity, and collaboration among India's youth. Jointly organized by **National Council of Science Museums (NCSM), Ministry of Culture, Government of India** and **India STEM Foundation (ISF)**, WRO India 2026 is designed to foster a transformative educational experience and ignite a passion for science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) among students.

**About World Robot Olympiad (WRO):**

WRO is an annual, theme-based international robotics competition for students aged 8-22 years, conducted in over 110 countries worldwide. India STEM Foundation has been the National Organizer for WRO since 2006. Each season is centered on a global theme that challenges students to design innovative robotic solutions addressing real-world issues. The theme for WRO India 2026 is **"Robots Meet Culture"**.

**Competition Categories for WRO India 2026:**

- Future Innovators - (Ages 8-19):** Students develop innovative, intelligent robotic solutions aligned with the season's theme. Teams present their projects and models to judges.
  - Free Entry:** One team per school can participate in this category **without any registration fee**, using **any technology of their choice**.
  - Age Groups:** Elementary (8-12), Junior (11-15), Senior (14-19)
- RoboMission - (Ages 8-19):** A mission-based challenge where teams design, build, and program autonomous LEGO® robots to complete specific tasks on a competition mat within a set time limit.
  - Age Groups:** Elementary (8-12), Junior (11-15), Senior (14-19)
- RoboSports - (Ages 11-19):** A dynamic, sports-themed challenge where two teams compete simultaneously, combining robotics with teamwork and sportsmanship.
- Future Engineers - (Ages 14-22):** A cutting-edge category focused on innovation in autonomous driving technology. Teams design and program their own autonomous robot car using open-source platforms and sensors.

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### WRO India 2026 Schedule:

The competition will be conducted in two levels:

- **Level 1 (Virtual Championship):** Events 1-8 under the *Future Innovators* category will be held online.
- **Level 2 (National Championship):** To be held from 26<sup>th</sup> -28<sup>th</sup> August 2026 at Hyderabad, where top teams from each category will compete.
- **International Championship:** Winners from the National Championship will represent India at the WRO 2026 International Finals scheduled for November 2026.

### Level 1 (Virtual Championship) - Future Innovators Category Schedule:

Event #	Registration Deadline	Submission Period	Result Announcement
Event 1	6 Dec 2025	07-08 Dec 2025	09 Dec 2025
Event 2	25 Dec 2025	26-27 Dec 2025	31 Dec 2025
Event 3	25 Jan 2026	26-27 Jan 2026	31 Jan 2026
Event 4	22 Feb 2026	23-24 Feb 2026	28 Feb 2026
Event 5	25 Mar 2026	26-27 Mar 2026	31 Mar 2026
Event 6	24 Apr 2026	25-26 Apr 2026	30 Apr 2026
Event 7	24 May 2026	25-26 May 2026	30 May 2026
Event 8	24 Jun 2026	25-26 Jun 2026	30 Jun 2026

All events under Level 1 are **virtual**, allowing schools from across the country to participate seamlessly.

**Support and Capacity Building:** To facilitate schools and educators, free orientation webinars and training sessions are being organized regularly to build capacity among teachers and students. The schedule for these sessions is available on the WRO India website.

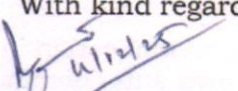
**Call for Participation:** You are requested to notify all central and state education departments and boards to take advantage of this wonderful opportunity and participate in this international competition. A series of free webinars and training sessions are also provided to schools for teacher and student capacity building, and the schedule is published on the WRO website.

Schools can register and learn more about the competition categories, rules, and event details by visiting [www.wroindia.org](http://www.wroindia.org), calling the WRO helpline at **+91 93194 00171**, or emailing [wro@indiastemfoundation.org](mailto:wro@indiastemfoundation.org).

WRO India 2026 offers a unique educational experience combining competition, collaboration, and creativity to inspire India's next generation of innovators, engineers, and problem solvers.

We would be grateful if a copy of the circular could also be marked to us for follow-up with schools for participation.

With kind regards,

  
(Rajib Nath)  
Director (Hqrs.), NCSM

- CC:**
- Mr. Sudhanshu Sharma, Founder, India STEM Foundation (ISF)
  - Mr. Tushar Gupta, Asst. Vice President, India STEM Foundation (ISF)

## Participation in the 20th World Robot Olympiad (WRO) India 2026

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### 1 Attachment(s)

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Sir,

Please find attached a letter regarding WRO India 2026 for your kind perusal and necessary action.

Regards,



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