

Prof. G. Nagarjuna Reddy, Convener, NEC - 2024

MAIN FEATURES AND GUIDELINES

1. Aim:

The aim of the **National Elocution Competition (NEC)** of **Indian Pharmaceutical Association (IPA)** is to create platform for the student community to express their views freely and also gain lot of exposure to the wisdom of the fellow budding pharmacists and bring out the new talent to the limelight. This Endeavour of IPA would certainly go a long way in inculcating the spirit of pharmacy profession right from their student hood.

2. Competition:

The NEC competition will be held in four rounds and the language of speech is English.

- i. Preliminary Round------ Date and time will be fixed by the head of the institution
- ii. State/Zonal Round ----- Venue, Date and time will be fixed by the State Coordinator
- iii. Semi-final Round------ Venue, Date and time will be fixed by the National Convener, NEC-2024
- iv. Final Round ----- Duration and timing will be fixed by the National Convener, NEC-2024

3. Eligibility:

Competition Level	Eligibility	
i. Preliminary	Bonafide students studying Final B.Pharm /M.Pharm / Pharm.D 4 th , 5 th & 6 th year	
/Institution Round	for the Academic Year 2023-24, who must be a Life / Student Member of IPA.	
/institution Round	Former NEC Finalists are not eligible, as IPA-NEC motto is to bring out new talent.	
ii. State/zonal Round	All the Winners of Institution Round belongs to respective State/zone.	
iii. Semi Final Round First & Second place Winners of all the State/zonal round.		
iv. Final Round Top Six positioned candidates of the semi-final round.		

4. Topics for the competition:

The topics for I & II rounds of NEC-2024 are given below with probable dates.

Competition Level	Торіс	Due date	
i. Preliminary	"Pharmacists to ensure patient safety"	Before 15-05-2024	
/Institution Round	Pharmacists to ensure patient safety	Before 15-05-2024	
ii. State/zonal Round	"The Role of Indian Pharma for Global Wellbeing"	Before 31-05-2024	
iii. Semi Final Round	Will be intimated to the Winners of State/zonal round on or	Before 16-06-2024	
iii. Seiiii Fiiiai Rouiiu	before 06-06-2024.	Belore 10-00-2024	
iv. Final Round	Will be intimated to the Winners of the Semi Final round on		
iv. riiiai kouna	or before 30-06-2024.	5 th to 7 th July 2024	

The Semi Final & Final round topic will be intimated well in advance to all the contestants on or before scheduled dates by email. If any contestant does not receive the subject by 5:00 PM on above date, they need to contact the respective state coordinator / Convener, NEC-2024. Contestants are requested to ensure to check their email / phone regularly for updates.

5. The Schedule

i. Preliminary / Institution Round: to be completed before 15th May, 2024.

The respective **Head of the Institution** should announce the exact date and time at least **three days prior to the competition** and forward the results immediately after the competition by email, to the relevant State/Zonal Coordinator and Convener NEC-2024 in Format-B and hard copy by post to the **State Coordinator**.



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ii. State/Zonal Round: to be completed on or before 31st May, 2024.

The respective **State/zonal Coordinators** should **announce the exact date & time at least 7 days prior to the competition** and forward the **list of participants in Format-C & results in Format-D** immediately after the competition, soft copy (PDF) by email and hard copy by speed post to the **Convener NEC-2024.**

iii. Semi-Final Round: to be held on or before 16th June, 2024.

The Convener, NEC-2024 will communicate the exact date, time, venue and topic for the semi-final round of Competition to the state round winners on or before **06**th **June, 2024**.

iv. Final Round: During 73rd IPC at Hyderabad, 5th to 7th July, 2024.

The Convener, NEC-2024 will communicate the exact date, time, venue and topic for the final round to the Semi-final round winners on or before **30**th **June, 2024.**

6. Prizes:

- i. Prize for Institution / Preliminary round:
 - (a) Winner will receive certificate.
- ii. Prizes for State/Zonal Round:
 - (a) 1st Place: Certificate + Rs. 1000/- cash award.
 - (b) 2nd Place: Certificate + Rs. 750/- cash award.

iii. Prizes for Semi-Final Round:

(a) Top six positioned Contestants will be selected for final round and get complementary registration & accommodation for 73rd IPC to be held at Hyderabad from 5th to 7th July, 2024 along with applicable Travelling Allowance.

iv. Prizes for Final Round:

(a) 1st Prize : Memento + Certificate + Rs. 20,000/- cash award.
 (b) 2nd Prize : Memento + Certificate + Rs. 10,000/- cash award.
 (c) 3rd Prize : Memento + Certificate + Rs. 5000/- cash award.

(d) 4 to 6th Place : Certificate + Rs, 2500 cash award each.

7. Expenses and Travelling Allowance:

- i. No expenses will be paid for the Preliminary Round.
- **ii.** Contestants of the **State/Zonal round competition** will be paid to and fro **II class sleeper fare / bus fare** from the place of studying to where the competition is being held and in addition, he/she will be paid a sum of **Rs. 150/-** (Rupees one hundred and fifty only) as incidental expenses. The contestants will not be entitled to any other expenses. (Original travel Tickets to be produced).
- **iii.** Contestants of the **Semi-Final round competition** will be paid to and fro **II class Sleeper fare (Train) / bus fare** from the place of studying to where the **competition** is being held and in addition, he/she will be paid a sum of **Rs. 350/-** (Rupees three hundred and fifty only) as incidental expenses. The contestants will not be entitled to any other expenses. (Original Tickets to be produced).



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- **iv.** Participants of the **Final round competition** will be paid to and fro **II class sleeper train fare / bus fare** from the City / Town of studying to where **Final Round** is to be held and complementary registration & accommodation for **73**rd **IPC** at **Hyderabad** from **5**th **to 7**th **July, 2024, 12.00 noon,** along with sum of **Rs. 750/-** (Rupees seven hundred and fifty only) as incidental expenses. The participants will not be entitled for any other expenses (Original Tickets of Travel have to be produced).
- **v.** While claiming for expenses a signed voucher duly countersigned by the Head of the Institution or State Coordinator will have to be sent to the convener, NEC 2024 within 10 days of completion of the competition and only the permissible amount will be reimbursed.
- Note: a) All contestants should strictly adhere to the T.A. policy given above. If any candidate claims false bills or try to influence by any means will be treated seriously and/or may be disqualified.
 - b) Contestant should not claim T.A. / other expenses for accompanying person/joint ticket.
 - c) In case of any dispute, the decision of the Convener NEC-2024 will be final & binding.

8. Board of adjudicators:

- i. **Preliminary Round: Three adjudicators** to be appointed by the Head of the Institution.
- ii. **State/zonal Round**: **Three adjudicators** from different institutions to be appointed by the State/zonal Coordinator.
- iii. **Semi-Final Round**: **Five adjudicators** from different organizations to be appointed by the National Convener, NEC-2024.
- iv. **Final Round**: **Five adjudicators** from different organizations to be appointed by the National Convener, NEC-2024.
- v. The decision of the judging panel will be final and binding to all contestants.

9. Miscellaneous guidelines:

A) To the Contestants:

- 1. With regard to the result the decision of the Judges / State/Zonal coordinator / National Convener of the competition will be final and binding.
- 2. All participants are expected to maintain decorum in the hall where the event will be held.
- 3. The organizers reserve the right to take appropriate action against any unethical, unprofessional and immoral conduct of contestants or their supporters.
- 4. The organizer's decision regarding interpretation of rules or any other matter related to competition will be final and binding.
- 5. If there is any situation not contemplated in the rules, the organizer's decision on the same shall be final and binding.
- 6. The Dress Code should be formal and no contestant uses their college uniform/dress which can reveal their identity.
- 7. Usage of all types of electronic gadgets and or supportive materials is strictly prohibited.



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B) To the Organizers:

- 1. Decision of the judges / State coordinator (for state level) / National Convener will be final and binding. The names of the judges should be communicated to the Convener-2024 by the Head of the Institution or the State/zonal Coordinator as the case may be.
- 2. **Principal / Head of the Institution** of the participating college should **be in contact** with the respective state coordinator to know the venue, date & timing of the state round competition.
- **3. State Round**: The winner & runner of the State round should contact the convener, NEC-2024 through respective state coordinator by email convenernec@gmail.com to get the exact information regarding the Semi Final / Final round competitions.
- 4. Changes if any in aforesaid schedule due to some unavoidable circumstances will be communicated by the Convener, NEC-2024 from time to time.
- 5. Students should carry original documents & duly attested copies showing their IPA membership, course and class of study (college Identity Card, previous year passed marks memos along with latest bonafide certificate) at the each level of competition and submit one set of duly attested copies to the organizers as and when required.
- 6. In case of any dispute, the decision of the Convener NEC-2024 will be final and binding.

10. Guidelines to the Jury:

A) Time limit:

- 1. Maximum time is eight (8) minutes for each contestant.
- 2. When the contestant's name called out for elocution, if he/she didn't turn-up, with in one minute interval, a second call will be made. The contestant is expected to be on stage and start the speech before end of second call. The time starts immediately after the second call. If the contestant doesn't turn up due to some unforeseen conditions, a third call may be given at the discretion of the adjudicators. If still not on stage within 1 minute, contestant will be disqualified.
- **3.** Each contestant will be given a time limit not exceeding eight (8) minutes to speak on the subject with a warning bell at completion of six (6) minutes and a final bell at the end of eight (8) minutes.
- **4.** If the contestant surpasses the allocated time limit, then one (1) negative mark will be awarded for each five seconds surpassed up to a maximum of 15 seconds and there after he/she will get disqualified.

B) Judging Criteria:

Marks may be awarded as per the marking Parameters. The average of marks awarded by the all judges for each candidate should be calculated. The average of the sum of marks scored by the each candidate shall be the final score for a particular Candidate, on the basis of which who so ever has scored the highest marks will be declared as First Prize winner and second highest scorer will be declared as runner-up of the event and so on.



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C) Marking Parameters : Each judge will award marks on a 10 point scale.	The grading will be based
on the following, on the order of priority:	

1. Introduction of topic

1 mark

- a. Greeting
- b. Opening remarks
- 2. Knowledge of topic

4 marks

- a. Portraying of topic
- b. Uniqueness and novelty in subject
- c. Relevance in the current world & Message to the audience
- d. Interpretation: (Interesting, Varied, Appropriate)
- 3. Presentation of topic

3 marks

- a. Body Language (Natural, Meaningful & Appropriate gesture)
- b. Voice quality & Delivery (Pleasant, clear, enunciation, Variety of pace)
- c. Eye contact (With audience)
- 4. Conclusion 2 marks
 - a. Effective summarizing with punch dialogue / slogan
 - b. Meeting the time limits.
- 5. Usage of any external objects/subjects for comparison or display to portrait the topic is Strictly prohibited, fails to which, such candidate will be disqualified.



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Format - A

(To be filled by the Institutions participating in Preliminary Round)

To

Dr. G.Nagarjuna Reddy

Convener, NEC-2024, IPA-Education Division.

E-mail: convenernec@gmail.com

Dear Sir,

Sub: IPA - NATIONAL ELOCUTION COMPETITION (NEC) - 2024-reg.

We are happy to inform you that, our Institution interested to participate in IPA - National Elocution Competition (NEC) – 2024 being organized by the Education Division of Indian Pharmaceutical Association. We read all the rules and regulations of the competition and strictly obey them.

Name of the Institution					Est. Year:	
Head of the Institution Name					Mob:	
Address for correspondence						
With Email id						
Affiliating University						
Courses offered &	D.Pharm	B. Pharm	Pharm.D	Pharm.D (PB)	M. Pharm	Ph.D.
Admission Intake						
Venue of the Competition					•	1
Probable date of Competition						

Thanking You,	Yours faithfully
Date:	

Signature and Seal (HEAD OF THE INSTITUTION)



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Format – B

To be filled by the Institution participating in Preliminary Round competition and send the hard copy by post and soft copy by email on the same day of the competition, to the respective State/zonal Coordinator of NEC-2024.

State	State/zonal Coordinator of NEC-2024.								
Name	of the Institution					Date of com	petition		
Numb	per of Participants	Final B.Pharm		M.Pharm		Pharm.D		Total	
Detai	Details of the Jury:								
S.No.	No. Name			Institu	tion			Design	ation

J.11U.	Name	mstitution	Designation
1			
2			
3			

Details of the Winner:

Name:		Course & Year of Studying:			
Phone:		Email id:			
College Address:					
IPA Membership No. & Associated branch Name			Copy enclosed	YES / NO	

Date:

signature & Seal (Head of the Institution)

Note: This form is valid and considered only with the head of the Institution's Seal & signature along with copy of IPA membership details of the winner.



Venue:

IPA - NATIONAL ELOCUTION COMPETITION – 2024 Indian Pharmaceutical Association Education Division

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Format – C

This form is to be filled by the state/zonal coordinator and send the scanned copy by e-mail to the Convener NEC-2024 on the day of state round competition.

Detailed List of Participants for State Round Competition of NEC-2024

Coord	dinator:					_	
S. No.	Name of the Participant	Name & Address of the Institution	Course & Year of study	IPA Membership No. & Branch	Phone	Email	Signature
1							
2							
3							
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7							
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9							
10							
(use a Date: Place:		contestants are more)	1	Signa	ture of the	State Coor	dinator

Address for Correspondence:

Dr. G.Nagarjuna Reddy

Vice-Chairman, IPA-Edu. Div., & Convener, NEC-2024, Director, KLR's Lenora Institute of Dental Sciences,

NH-16, Rajanagaram,

East. Godavari Dist., - 533294.

Mob: 06303969642; E-mail: convenernec@gmail.com

Note: The coordinator should verify the IPA membership details of the each participant and forward the copy of their membership details along with Form-C.

/ 2024 State

. Date:



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Format-D

Format to be filled by the state coordinator and send the soft copy by E-mail & hard copy by speed post to the Convener, NEC-2024, immediately after completion of the state round competition.

State/zone	Name & ad	Name & address of the Coordinator Dat				ate of competition		
Number of Participants	Final B.Pharm	M.Pharm	Pharm.D		Total			
Details of the Jury:								

S.No.	Name & Designation	Organization	Mob.No. & E-mail ID
1			
2			
3			

Winners Details:

Details	winner	Runner
Name (Mr./Ms.)		
Course & Year of study		
Address for communication		
Phone		
Email id:		
IPA Membership No.		
IPA Branch		

Date:

Place: Signature of the State Coordinator

Note: This form is valid and considered only with IPA membership details of the Winners.