

"...the relationship between technology and education at all levels is bidirectional..."

-National Education Policy, 2020

Above are the lines taken from NEP 2020, underscoring the bi-directional relationship between technology and education. This interdependence is being captured in the spirit of content creation and All India Childrens' Educational eContent Competition, an initiative of CIET, NCERT, can be seen as a program attempting to concretise this over the last many decades. The competition has received more and more entries each year, with over 700 entries in the previous edition alone. Over decades, it has grown in scope and diversity, recognising formats from audio and video to immersive edXR, with increasing participation each year.

The broad objectives of the program are a) to encourage and incentivise the creation of quality eContent by students, teachers, teacher educators, and independent eContent creators, b) to provide a national-level platform for collaboration among different stakeholders in education and c) to facilitate wider dissemination of OER to ensure access to quality eContent.

This year, an attempt has been made to provide an operational understanding of the competition categories for a better-focused approach towards eContent creation and to avoid misaligned entries. Also, some problem statements have been given in the new media category to develop apps, games, or software, such as AI-based assessment of learners, Students' ePortfolio with data analytics, AI-based classroom simulator, Educational video content production process optimiser, and Project Planning and Monitoring. For more details, refer to the detailed document on our website (https://ciet.ncert.gov.in/AICEeCC_registration).

Type of eContent	Producer	Learners/Audience					
		Foundational Stage- Pre-school and Grade I-II (Age: 3-8 years) Learners	Preparatory Stage- Grade III- V (Age: 8-11 years) Learners	Middle Stage- Grade VI-VIII (Age: 11-14 years) Learners	Secondary Stage- Grade IX-XII (Age: 14-18 years) Learners	Pre & In-Service Teachers	Adult Learners
Audio	Government Organisations (NCERT/ SIETs/EMMRCs/ CEC/RIEs/ Others)						
	Independent eContent Creators/Institutions/ (other than the Govt.)						
	Teachers/Teacher Educators						
	College Students (In Diploma/ UG/PG programs or PhD Scholars)						
	Children					NA	NA
Video	Government Organisations (NCERT/ SIETs/EMMRCs/ CEC/RIEs/ Others)						
	Independent eContent Creators/Institutions/ (other than the Govt.)						
	Teachers/Teacher Educators						
	College Students (In Diploma/ UG/PG programs or PhD Scholars)						
	Children					NA	NA
New Media (Immersive Experience/XR in Education, Digital Educational Games and Apps)	The learner/audience categories, as stated above, do not apply to this category. Still, the audience would remain the stakeholders of the education sector (Teachers, School Administration, Educational Institutions, Children, and Parents)						

COMPETITION CATEGORIES

Note: CIET, NCERT reserves its right to merge any categories at the stage of evaluation.

TERMS & CONDITIONS

- 1. The eContent should be produced/developed from January 1, 2024, to December 31, 2024. An undertaking with regard to the production date of the eContent and the author/s of the eContent should be given by the producer/institution/individual, failing which entries will be rejected at any stage of the competition.
- 2. There should not be any conflict in the authorship of the eContent.
- 3. The duration of the eContent (Audio/Video eContent) should be between 3 minutes to 30 minutes.
- 4. In the case of College Students and Children as producers of eContent, a copy of the ID and endorsement by the Principal of the College/School are mandatory.
- 5. Participation should be limited to the competition categories regarding media type, learner/audience, and producing agency.
- 6. eContent made by compiling stock shots or any copyrighted graphics/images will not be eligible for the competition.
- 7. One eContent can only be entered in one category, so application forms need to be filled out for each eContent separately. Any duplicate entry for the same eContent will be rejected, and CIET, NCERT will not be liable for a refund in such a case.
- 8. The eContent should be the participant's original work. Plagiarism of any is strictly prohibited. We encourage the use of Creative Commons-licensed or fair-use materials provided they don't compromise the originality and creative efforts of the producer/s.
- 9. The similarity index in any eContent should be below 10%. The use of the works of others within the permitted limit (10%) should appropriately be credited. Any content that exceeds this threshold will be disqualified, and the participant/s will be banned from future editions of the competition.
- 10. The eContent will not be selected if it contains excessive violence, sexual references, coarse language, content that advocates and supports racial, cultural, religious, or gender bias; technical glitches (e.g., poor audio/video quality, blank screen, resolution issues, frame rate problems, lags in apps/games).
- 11. The eContent entries in other than Hindi/ English should be sent with subtitles in Hindi/ English.
- 12. eContent for and by Children with Special Needs (CWSN) will be given preference to promote inclusive education.
- 13. A copy of all the entries shall be retained by CIET, NCERT.
- 14. Specific to New Media (Digital Educational Games & Apps)
 - A. Coding has to be done by the creator.
 - B. The creator of the eContent will have to transfer the copyrights to CIET, NCERT.
 - C. The creator of the eContent will have to share the source-code and the copyrights to the eContent with CIET, NCERT.
 - D. The developed app/game/software must run on a real-world platform (only simulation of the proposed app is not allowed).
 - E. The app/game/software must not already be published on an online platform (such as Google Play or Apple App Store or Github).
- CIET, NCERT would have the rights to telecast/broadcast the prize-winning eContent and upload it on DIKSHA/OER and other websites/portals managed by NCERT under the CC BY-SA 4.0 license.
- 16. Only a few of the entries shortlisted by the Jury shall be screened during the final event of AICEECC.
- 17. All submitted entries will be judged by a panel of Jury. Results declared by the Jury will be binding.
- 18. The evaluation of the New Media category may require the creators to present the short-listed entries (virtually) to a panel of Jury.

- 19. To uphold the high standards of these awards, the Jury may choose not to declare a winner in a particular category if a suitable eContent is not found in the category.
- 20. An entry that does not adhere to all the rules of the competition as outlined will be disqualified. There will be no formal notification of the disqualification/non-selection of any entry, and entry fees will not be refunded.
- 21. Entries cannot be withdrawn or edited once submitted, and no refund will be provided.
- 22. If, during or after the awards, it is found that an entry or winner has an ongoing or pending legal dispute, the management team reserves the right to deem the entry or winner ineligible and/or withhold any award until the dispute is settled.
- 23. CIET, NCERT reserves all rights to modify the rules and dates.

THE PRIZE CATEGORIES

- 1. Prize for Best eContent*: The best Audio, Video & New Media for different categories will be given a cash prize of Rs. 40,000/- along with a certificate & a trophy. (Cash prize not applicable to entries from NIE/CIET/PSSCIVE/RIEs of NCERT)
- Prize for Individual Excellence: These prizes will be given for excellence in any of the following talents: Best Script, Best Editing, Best Voice Over, Best Camerawork, Best Set Design, Best Sound Recording, Best Animation / Graphics, Best Direction, Best Research, Best Design, Best UI/UX etc. The cash prize is Rs. 5000/-, along with a certificate and trophy.
- 3. Jury Appreciation Prize for the best eContent/individual excellence is at the discretion of the Jury. This includes a cash prize of Rs. 5,000/- along with a certificate and trophy.

APPLICATION FORM SUBMISSION

- 1. Before submitting the final form, carefully read the brochure.
- 2. Fill out the online Application Form (one application form for each eContent separately) along with all relevant documents.
- 3. Please upload your eContent and other documents (synopsis, script, photograph, image of the eContent, fees challan) in the highest possible resolution through the online form or share it through Google Drive at aiceavf.prd@ciet.nic.in.
- 4. The fee for submitting an eContent for the competition is Rs. 200/-(Rupees two hundred only) per application form. It should be paid only through NEFT to the following account:



5. No cash payment will be accepted. Cash transfers to the above-mentioned Bank Account will also not be accepted.

