

Sl. No.	Items	Participants	Accompanists	No. P+A	Min. Time (Minutes)	Max. Time (Minutes)
<b>1.</b>	<b>Music</b>					
	(a) Classical Vocal Solo (Hindustani or Karnatak)	1	2	3	8	10
	(b) Classical Instrumental Solo (Percussion)	1	2	3	8	10
	(c) Classical Instrumental Solo (Non-Percussion)	1	2	3	8	10
	(d) Light Vocal (Indian)*					
	(e) Western Vocal (Solo)*	1	2	3	4	6
	(f) Group Song (Indian)	1	2	3	4	6
	(g) Group Song (Western)	6	3	9	8	10
	(h) Folk Orchestra					
		6	3	9	8	10
		9	3	12	8	10
<b>2.</b>	<b>Dance</b>					
	(a) Folk / Tribal Dance	10	5	15	8	10
	(b) Classical Dance	1	3	4	12	15
<b>3.</b>	<b>Literary Events</b>					
	(a) Quiz	3	-	3	-	-
	(b) Elocution*	1	-	1	4	5
	(c) Debate*	2	-	2	4	5
<b>4.</b>	<b>Theatre</b>					
	(a) One Act Play	9	3	12	25	30

(b) Skits	6	3	9	8	10
(c) Mime	6	2	8	4	5
(d) Mimicry*	1	-	1	4	5
<b>5. Fine Arts</b>					
(a) On the Spot Painting	1	-	1	2	2 ½ hrs
(b) Collage	1	-	1	2	2 ½ hrs
(c) Poster Making	1	-	1	2	2 ½ hrs
(d) Clay Modeling	1	-	1	2	2 ½ hrs
(e) Cartooning	1	-	1	2	2 ½ hrs
(f) Rangoli	1	-	1	2	2 ½ hrs
(g) Spot Photography	1	-	1	2	2½ hrs

***Please note that Five Events which have been Star Marked (\*) above shall get 15 seconds Grace Time after the completion of the Maximum Time Limit. However, for all other Events the Grace Time Limit shall be 30 Seconds.***

***For Classical Vocal Solo, Classical Instrumental Solo (Percussion) & Classical Instrumental Solo (Non-Percussion) at Nationals, the minimum & maximum time limit shall be 12 mts. & 15 mts.***



***Debate & Elocution – At Nationals the Minimum and Maximum Time Limit shall be 7 mts & 10 mts.***

**Note: All Cultural Coordinators are requested to send their E-mail IDs at [youthaffairs@aiuweb.org](mailto:youthaffairs@aiuweb.org)**

## **AIU UNIFESTS**

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### **RULES & REGULATIONS**

#### **1. Music**

##### **(a) Classical Vocal Solo: (Hindustani / Karnatk)**

- (1) Only one entry per Institution is allowed. Duration of performance- 10 min.
- (2) Time for stage/ Instruments setting is maximum 5 minutes.
- (3) Maximum number of accompanists is two.
- (4) Item can be presented in either Hindustani or Karnatk style.
- (5) Cinema songs are not allowed under this item.
- (6) Sufficient thought and care must be exercised in the choice of Raga and composition.
- (7) Judgment will be based on the qualities like, tal, selection of raga, composition and general impression.

##### **(b) Classical Instrumental Solo ( Percussion – Tal Vadya)**

- (1) Only one entry per Institution is allowed. Duration of performance- 10 min.
- (2) Time for stage/ Instruments setting is maximum 5 minutes.
- (3) Maximum number of accompanists is two.
- (4) Participants must bring their own instruments.
- (5) Item can be presented in either Hindustani or Karnatk style.
- (6) Judgment will be based on the qualities like, taal, selection of raga, composition and

general impression.

**(c) Classical Instrumental Solo ( Non- Percussion – Swar Vadya)**

- (1) Only one entry per Institution is allowed. Duration of performance- 10 min.
- (2) Time for stage/ Instruments setting is maximum 5 minutes.
- (3) Maximum number of accompanists is two.
- (4) Participants must bring their own instruments, Casio not allowed.
- (5) Instruments of western origin adopted to the India Raga system are allowed.
- (6) Item can be presented in either Hindustani or Karnatk style.
- (7) Judgment will be based on the qualities like, swara, tal, selection of raga, composition and general impression.

**(d) Light Vocal (Indian)**

- (1) Only one entry per Institution is allowed.
- (2) Time for Stage/ Instruments setting is maximum 2 minutes.
- (3) The number of accompanists would not be more than two.
- (4) Duration of the song shall be between 4 to 6 minutes.
- (5) Only non-film songs/ geet/ ghazal/ bhajan/ shabad and abhangas can be presented.
- (6) Judgment will be made on the qualities like swara, taal, selection of raga, composition and general impression.

**(e) Western Vocal Solo:**

- (1) Only one entry per Institution is allowed.
- (2) Time for Stage/ Instruments setting is maximum 2 minutes.
- (3) The number of accompanists would not be more than two.

- (4) Duration of the song shall be between 4 to 6 minutes.
- (5) Language of the song shall only be English.
- (6) Judgment will be made on the qualities like, composition rhythm, coordination and  
general impression.

**(f) Group Song (Indian):**

- (1) Only one entry per Institution is allowed.
- (2) A team has to present two songs, one patriotic and another will be a folk song.
- (3) Maximum 6 singers in a group and number of accompanists playing instruments shall be three.
- (4) The group songs should be taken from Indian songs which can be in regional language.
- (5) No film song should be presented as group song.
- (6) Maximum time allowed for the group song is 10 minutes which does not include setting time. The setting time for a group shall not exceed 4 minutes.
- (7) Judging of this items will be on the basis of quality of singing only and not on make-up, costumes and actions of the team.

**(g) Group Songs (Western):**

- (1) Only one entry per Institution is allowed.
- (2) Maximum 6 singers in a group maximum number of accompanists playing instruments shall be three.
- (3) The group songs should be taken from English language.
- (4) Maximum time allowed for the group song is 10 minutes which does not include

setting time. The setting time for a group shall not exceed 5 minutes.

(5) Judging of this items will be on the basis of quality of singing only and not on make-

up, costumes and actions of the team.

**(h) Folk Orchestra:**

(1) Each University can send only one team.

(2) The team shall consist of up to 12 participants.

(3) The group can consist of all boys or all girls or combined.

(4) The duration of the performance will be a minimum for 7 and a maximum for 10 minutes.

(5) This does not include setting time which shall not be more than 5 minutes.

(6) Up to three professional accompanists are allowed who should be in different dress

from the student participants so that they could be easily identified.

(7) The professional accompanists shall sit / stand separately from the participants and

shall not lead the team.

(8) The team may present preferably those folk tunes which are recognized as folk tunes of the state to which the university belongs)

**2. DANCE**

**(a) Folk / Tribal Dance**

(1) Only one entry per Institution is allowed.

(2) Maximum 10 participants allowed per team. The team may consist of all boys, all girls or a mixture of both.

- (3) The number of accompanists permissible is five.
- (4) The dance can be either primitive or a folk dance ( Indian Style) but not a classical  
one.
- (5) Duration of dance should not be more than 10 minutes.
- (6) Three copies of a brief note giving the theme and the text of song if any, is to be submitted along with the entry form at the time of registration.
- (7) The participating team will be responsible for removal of their sets / properties etc.  
immediately after the completion of their performance.
- (8) Judgment will be based on the basis of Rhythm, Formation, Expression, Costumes,  
Make-up, Sets on Overall Effect.
- (9) Time for sets/ Instruments setting is maximum 5 minutes.

**(b) Classical Dance (Indian)**

- (1) Each Institute can send only one entry.
- (2) The classical dance can be from any of the approved schools of dance. Such as Kathak, Kathakali, Bharat Natyam, Manipuri, Kuchipudi, Mohinittam, Odissi etc.
- (3) Participant will be allowed up to 15 minutes including time for preparation.  
Maximum three accompanists are permissible.
- (4) Judgment will be based on the qualities like Tal, Technique, Rhythm, Abhinaya or Expression, Costumes, Footwork and general impression etc.
- (5) Three copies of a brief note on the description of dance story involved in it, if any,  
and of the accompanying song, with its meaning in Hindi or English must be

submitted at the time of registration.

### **3. LITERARY EVENTS:**

#### **(a) Quiz**

- (1) Each Institute can send a team of three persons.
- (2) There will be a written preliminary round and teams will be elected for the final.
- (3) Finals will be oral with audio- visual questions.
- (4) The Specific rules regarding evaluation procedure, time to reply a particular answer

and the type of round will be given before the actual start of the competition.

#### **(b) Elocution:**

- (1) Each Institute will be represented by one speaker.
- (2) Medium of expression will be Hindi or English.
- (3) Each speaker will be allowed to speak for maximum five minutes in the Zonal Festival and 10 minutes in the National Festival.
- (4) Subject / Topic of Elocution will be announced in the managers meeting.
- (5) The performance will be judged in one language.
- (6) The item shall be prose or poetry and not song.
- (7) The sequence of speakers will be decided by a draw of lots.

#### **(c) Debate:**

- (1) Each Institute will be represented by the two debators, one will speak FOR, While

another will speak AGAINST the motion.

- (2) Medium of expression will be Hindi or English.
- (3) Topic of Debater will be announced 24 hours in advance.
- (4) Each debater will be allowed to speak for maximum five minutes in the Zonal Festival and 10 minutes in the National Festival.

- (5) The competitor from each Institute will speak FOR and AGAINST the motion.  
Paper reading is not allowed.

#### **4. THEATRE:**

- (1) Only one entry shall be accepted from each Institution.
- (2) The duration of the play should not exceed 30 minutes.
- (3) Time will be counted as soon as the signal is given or the team starts giving introduction, whichever is earlier. Empty stage to empty stage shall be followed strictly. For stage setting and removal of set and properties, up to 10 minutes will be given after taking charge of the stage.
- (4) The number of participants should not exceed nine and the maximum number of accompanists should not exceed three. The participating team shall bring their own set/ stage property, make up material etc. Light and general property such as ordinary furniture may be provided on advance information.
- (5) Participants may speak in Hindi, English or any regional language of India. In case, the language is a regional one, the synopsis of the play with translation in, English or Hindi must be submitted to the In-charge of the competition on the day of registration.
- (6) The participating team must report to the In charge of the competition at least two hours before the presentation of the play.
- (7) Judgment will most likely be based on the qualities of the play like theme, work on

acting, stage craft, design and general impression etc.

(8) Decision of the panel of judges will be final and binding upon all.

(9) Accompanists will either speak from the background or will play upon musical Instruments for

background music. They shall not appear on the stage.

**(b) Skit:**

(1) Only one team per institute will be allowed.

(2) Maximum number of six participants are allowed to participate in this item.

(3) Maximum time allotted for each team is 10 minutes.

(4) Use of make-up, drapery and background music is allowed. No personal remarks, aspersions, character assassination etc. is allowed.

(5) Participating team should submit three copies of the synopsis of the theme of Skit, alongwith language of presentation (Hindi or English) on the day of registration.

(6) The item will be Judged basically on the qualities like theme, work on acting, stage craft, design and general impression.

(7) Vulgarity or bitter insinuations in presentation should be avoided. Only innocent satire or humour is expected.

**(c) Mime:**

(1) Only one entry per institute will be entertained.

(2) Maximum number of six participants are allowed to participate in this item.

(3) Judgment will most likely be based on the qualities like idea, creativity of presentation, use of make-up, music and general impression.

(4) Duration of performance shall be maximum of 5 minutes.

**(d) Mimicry:**

(1) Each student artist shall be given 5 minutes item both in the Zonal and Inter Zonal Festivals.

(2) Participants may mimic sound of machines and speeches of well known persons etc. including film personalities.

(3) Only one entry.

(4) Marking will be based on:

(i) Skill imitating.

(ii) Variety of sound and voices imitate.

(iii) Presentation.

## **5. FINE ARTS**

### **(a) On the Spot Painting:**

- (1) Each Institute will be represented by one participant.
- (2) Item will be conducted on the spot and participants will be requested to do painting on the subject given by the In charge (s) of the competition.
- (3) Duration will not be more than 2 hours 30 minutes.
- (4) Size of the painting will be half imperial size drawing paper i.e. 22 inches X 15 inches.
- (5) Painting can be done in oil, water, poster or pastel colours.
- (6) Candidate shall bring their own material like brushes, paints etc. Only the paper/ sheet will be provided by the host institute.

### **(b) Collage:**

- (1) Each Institute will be represented by one participant.
- (2) Item will be conducted on the spot on the given topic / subject, sheet size 15" X 22".
- (3) Duration will not be more than 2 hours 30 minutes.
- (4) Participants shall bring their own scissors, pasting and other material required for the contest.
- (5) Collage has to be prepared from old magazines. The host University will provide the drawing paper of the size 22" X 15".

### **(c) Poster Making:**

- (1) Each Institute will be represented by one participant.
- (2) Item will be conducted on the spot and the participants will be requested to do poster making on the subject / topic / theme given by the In- charge of the competition.
- (3) Duration will not be more than 2 hours 30 minutes.
- (4) Participants shall bring their own material. Only the Drawing paper/ Sheet 22" x 15" will be provided by the organizers.

### **(d) Clay Modeling:**

- (1) Each Institute will be represented by one participant.
- (2) Item will be conducted on the spot.
- (3) Duration will not be more than 2 hours 30 minutes.
- (4) Topics/ size and other specific rules shall be announced on the spot.
- (5) Clay shall be provided by the host institute.

**(e) Cartooning:**

- (1) Each Institute will be represented by one participant.
- (2) Item will be conducted on the spot on the given subject/ idea.
- (3) Duration will not be more than 2 hours 30 minutes.
- (4) Participants shall bring their own material. Only the Drawing paper 22" x 15" will be provided by the host University.

**(f) Rangoli:**

- (1) Each Institute will be represented by one participant.
- (2) Duration will not be more than 2 hours 30 minutes.

Participants shall bring their own material. This art is known differently in various regions such as Mandana, Alpana, Alekhan, Kolam, Rangoli, etc. For this the medium and form for expression can

be free hand, pictorial and descriptive

- (3) Only one medium shall be used – Poster Colours or Flower Petals or Saw- dust or Pulses or Rice without pasting.
- (4) The Participants shall have to prepare a rangoli within the space provided by the organizers.

**(g) Spot Photography:**

1. A college/Institution can send one participant
2. The participant has to bring his/her own digital camera of not more than 12 mega pixels
3. The digital camera should have a memory card which will be formatted by the judges before the commencement of the contest
4. The time limit will be 2.30 hours
5. The participant has to capture 5 photographs on the theme announced on the spot by the judges
6. No mixing, matching or morphing of photographs will be permitted.
7. Software such as Photoshop etc. for enhancing images not permitted.
8. The organizers will have all rights for the use of these pictures as and when they deem fit.
9. Digital images are evaluated on the basis of (I) IMPACT, (II) COMPOSITION. (III) TECHNICAL QUALITY, and (IV) SUITABILITY for the specific theme
10. The additional instructions will be announced on the spot.