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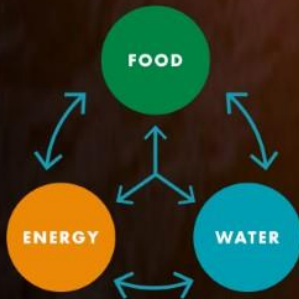
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# Shell NXplorers TERMS & CONDITIONS



## **Overview**

Nxplorers is an innovative educational programme introduced by Shell. It equips young people with the tools and methodology to tackle complex and interconnected problems framed in the Food-Water-Energy nexus. Students will apply systems thinking, scenario planning and theory of change to solve a problem in their communities. The duration of the NXplorers programme content delivery is eight (8) weeks from February to March 2021 and culminating with students showcasing their projects in the NXplorers Competition. Registered schools and students are expected to agree and abide by the NXplorers Terms and Conditions.

## **Eligibility:**

- The NXplorers Programme (pilot) and Competition is open to secondary schools shortlisted by the Ministry of Education and NIHERST.
- Students that are under the age of 18 years at the time of the registration must acquire consent from his/her parent or legal guardian to participate in the NXplorers Competition.

## **Group Entries:**

- All schools **MUST** register **15 students** to participate.
- Students are grouped upon programme inception and not allowed to participate in more than one group.
- Each group must assign a group leader or captain to act on their behalf to send and receive all relevant information needed for the programme.
- All participants within the group are required to fill out two online survey forms before and after the programme completion.

## **The Competition Calendar & Guidelines:**

There are 3 stages in the Competition. The guidelines and calendar below set out the key timings and deadlines for each stage of the Competition.

### **Stage 1: Registration (Friday 12<sup>th</sup> February 2021 at 3pm)**

- **Each school** must complete and submit their NXplorers School Registration Form.
- **Each student** must complete and submit their NXplorers Student Registration Form.
- Online registration closes on the Friday 12<sup>th</sup> February 2021 at 3pm.

### **Stage 2: Workshop & Submission (February to March 2021)**

- Facilitators from the NIHERST- National Science Center will deliver the content via NXplorers workshops for registered schools, where students will be guided through the NXthinking and ideation process in preparation for the competition.
- The NXplorers Competition judging criteria is a rubric assessing students' application of the NXthinking tools addressing their problem statements.
- Student participation in all NXplorers workshops is compulsory.
- Each group is required to submit their unique project proposal and any supporting documents by **Friday 16<sup>th</sup> April 2021** after completing NXplorers workshops. Late submissions will not be considered.
- Students will be placed in groups of 3-5 working members.
- Only one project proposal per group can be submitted.
- The group's problem statement must be aligned to the Food-Water-Energy challenge.
- Students must complete the post-survey in order to receive their Certificate of Completion/Participation.

### **Stage 3: Preliminaries and Finals (April to May 2021)**

- A preliminary round of group presentations will be conducted after the completion of the programme. The top 4-6 group finalists will be shortlisted to compete in the NXplorers Competition in May 2021.
- The top finalists will be engaged by NIHERST Creative Design Lab in prototype development.
- All students are required to participate in an Intellectual Property workshop before the preliminary round of group presentations.
- The challenge competition will crown “NXplorers Champions” and the winning teams will be awarded attractive prizes.

### **Intellectual Property Clause:**

Any of the work done within this competition could be considered as intellectual property. As such all inventions made could be captured and shared using photos and videos. These photos and video materials could be shared for internal and external communications such as promotions, advertising, internet presence, TV, radio and press reports.

### **Privacy Policy**

All personal data provided by participants will remain secure and confidential at all times. The data collected will be properly disposed after programme completion.

**The Competition Guidelines  
Summary Table**

<b>Items</b>	<b>Start Date</b>	<b>End Date</b>	<b>Venue</b>
<b>Stage 1</b>			
<b>NXplorers Registration Deadline</b>	1 <sup>st</sup> Feb 2021	12 <sup>th</sup> Feb 2021	Online
<b>Stage 2</b>			
<b>NXplorers Workshops</b>	15 <sup>th</sup> Feb 2021	9 <sup>th</sup> Apr 2021	Online
<b>Submission of Competition Entries with Supporting Material(s)</b>	12 <sup>th</sup> Apr 2021	16 <sup>th</sup> Apr 2021	Online
<b>Intellectual Property Workshop</b>	-	15 <sup>th</sup> Apr 2021	Online
<b>Preliminaries and Announcement of top 4-6 Teams</b>	19 <sup>th</sup> Apr 2021	23 <sup>rd</sup> Apr 2021	Online
<b>Stage 3</b>			
<b>Prototype Development</b>	26 <sup>th</sup> Apr 2021	14 <sup>th</sup> May 2021	Online
<b>NXplorers Competition</b>	-	25 <sup>th</sup> May 2021	Online