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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 seven (7) 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 undergraduate students from UWI, UTT, COSTATT, USC and SBCS.
- 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.
- Persons who are currently employed, apprentices, trainees, or interns of any Shell group of companies are not eligible to participate in the Competition.

## **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 (Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> February 2021 at 12noon)**

- **Each student** must complete and submit their NXplorers Student Registration Form.
- Online registration closes on the Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> February 2021 at 12noon.

Late registration will not be considered.

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

- Facilitators from the NIHERST- National Science Center will deliver the content via NXplorers workshops for registered students, who 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 participant is required to submit their unique project proposal and any supporting documents by **Friday 9<sup>th</sup> April 2021** after completing NXplorers workshops. Late submissions will not be considered.
- Students' 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 student presentations will be conducted after the completion of the programme. The top 4-6 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 during the preliminary round of group presentations.
- The challenge competition will crown a “NXplorers Champion” and the winning participants 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>Tool</b> |
|--|---------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------|
| <b>Stage 1</b>   |                           |                             |             |
| <b>NXplorers Registration Deadline</b>                               | 8 <sup>th</sup> Feb 2021  | 17 <sup>th</sup> Feb 2021   | Online      |
| <b>Stage 2</b>   |                           |                             |             |
| <b>NXplorers Workshops</b>   | 18 <sup>th</sup> Feb 2021 | 1 <sup>st</sup> Apr 2021    | Zoom        |
| <b>Submission of Competition Entries with Supporting Material(s)</b> | 2 <sup>nd</sup> Apr 2021  | 8 <sup>th</sup> Apr 2021    | Email       |
| <b>Preliminaries and Announcement of top 4-6 Teams</b>               | 12 <sup>th</sup> Apr 2021 | 16 <sup>th</sup> Apr 2021   | Zoom        |
| <b>Intellectual Property Workshop</b>                                | -                         | 15 <sup>th</sup> April 2021 | Zoom        |
| <b>Stage 3</b>   |                           |                             |             |
| <b>Prototype Development</b>   | 19 <sup>th</sup> Apr 2021 | 14 <sup>th</sup> May 2021   | Online      |
| <b>NXplorers Competition</b>   | -                         | 25 <sup>th</sup> May 2021   | Online      |