

**OFFICE OF THE CHIEF ELECTORAL OFFICER , DELHI**  
**OLD ST. STEPHEN'S COLLEGE BUILDING , DELHI-110006**

**Media Branch, Room No.36**

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**Photography Contest-2016**  
**Documenting Carnival of Democracy**

The Office of the Chief Electoral Officer, Delhi is organizing a Photography Contest, open for (1) Professional photographers (media as well as freelance), and (2) Amateur photographers (persons who do not earn their livelihood out of photography)

**1. Objective:**

The aim of the photography contest is to showcase the prominent features/activities of Delhi Elections, to document and create an archive for current and future generations and to encourage professional and amateur photographers.

**2. Important Dates:**

Invitation of Entries	From November 9, 2015(Monday)
Last date of submission	December 10, 2015 (Thursday) by 5 PM
Judging Process and announcement of awards	2 <sup>nd</sup> week of January , 2016
Award ceremony	3 <sup>rd</sup> week of January, 2016

### **3. Theme:**

The theme of submitting the photographs for the award will be:

- (a) Inclusive Electoral Participation (including woman, youth, persons with disability etc.)
- (b) Our Vote- Our Democracy
- (c) Celebrating festival of democracy

### **4. Categories:**

The photographs may be submitted in the following categories:

- (I) Delhi Assembly Elections, 2013
- (II) Lok Sabha Elections, 2014 in Delhi
- (III) Delhi Assembly Elections, 2015

### **5. Who can apply – The Eligibility Criteria:**

a) Any citizen of India (Except officers/officials of the Office of Chief Electoral Officer, Delhi or any subordinate Office or any other officer/officials directly or indirectly associated with election related work in Delhi).

b) Participant should be of the age of 18 years or above, as on 09.11.2015.

c) **Professional Photographer-** A person whose main source of livelihood is from photography (working in the capacity of individual photographer or in a Photo Section, Newspapers, News agencies, Studios, teaching photography & communication or individual agencies or any form of major source of revenue through photography) is considered to be “Professional Photographer”.

d) **Amateur Photographer-** A Photographer who does photography as a hobby, for creative urge but her/his major source of revenue should be from some other means is considered as “Amateur Photographer”.

## 6. **Awards:**

There will be cash awards and appreciation certificate/ memento **for every theme** as follows:

Professional Photographer	First Prize	Rs. 11000/-
	Second Prize	Rs. 5100/-
	Consolation Prizes	Rs. 1100/-
Amateur Photographer	First Prize	Rs. 11000/-
	Second Prize	Rs. 5100/-
	Consolation Prizes	Rs. 1100/-

- No other payment except cash prize to the winning entries will be made.
- Not more than one award per theme will be given to one person.

## 7. **Display of Winning Images:**

- Winning Images in all the categories of awards will be exhibited in the functions of CEO, Delhi or Election Commission of India (ECI), and on the official website.

## 8. **Application Process for the Photography Competition:**

The participant has to submit the entries through e-mail ([photocontestceo.delhi@gov.in](mailto:photocontestceo.delhi@gov.in)) to the office of CEO Delhi and also send the print out of the photographs as per the guidelines prescribed below. The entries received by this office through only one medium (i.e. either by email or by post) shall not be considered for competition and selection process. The email as well as printout of the photographs must reach to this office by 5 PM on December 10, 2015 positively.

## **9. Guidelines for sending the Photograph:**

- **Image:** Color or black & white.
- **File Size of the Image:** Each Image should be less than 5 MB size.
- **Format of the Image:** Image should be in JPG/JPEG with a good quality high resolution.
- **Print out of the Images:** Soft images should be supplemented with the hard copies in 8"x 10".
- **Application Fees:** There is no application fee.
- **A Photographer can send maximum three entries per theme.**
- Entry should not contain personally identifiable information about participant or any other person.
- Entry should not infringe upon the copyrights, trademarks, contract rights, or any other intellectual property owned by the third party.
- Entries should not contain any commercial content that promotes any product or service.
- Each entry should be accompanied by a CAPTION along with a brief note (50 words in Hindi or English) describing the theme, concept of the photograph and category of the entry and why the photographer considers the photograph appropriate for the competition.
- Each entry should carry the author's name, his/her complete postal address, telephone number; e-mail ID on the back page of each photograph.
- The winners will have to submit the original image file (digital/negative) to the media branch of the CEO Delhi office, if asked to do so for the purpose of display/exhibition etc.
- Once the entries are sent through e-mail or by post they will not be permitted for any replacement/cancellation/addition and change in any case.

## **10. Submission of Entry:**

### **(a) Submit Entries through e-mail:**

The participant must submit the entries along with scanned copy of duly signed registration form-cum-undertaking to email id: [photocontestceo.delhi@gov.in](mailto:photocontestceo.delhi@gov.in) with a subject line "**Photography Contest- 2016 organized by CEO Delhi**" and category (professional or amateur).

(b) **Sending the Entries by post:**

After the participants have sent the photographs through e-mail they also need to send their images along with duly signed registration form-cum-undertaking in given format by post to the **“Office of the Chief Electoral Officer, Delhi, Media Branch, Room No.-36 Old St. Stephen’s College Building, Kashmere Gate, Delhi - 110006”**.

**On the Envelop:** Participant should clearly mention on the top of the envelop Photography Contest- 2016, Organized by CEO, Delhi” and Category (professional or amateur).

**11. Selection Process:**

The entries will be judged by a selection committee, to be decided by the Chief Electoral Officer Delhi. The decision of the selection committee will be final and no queries or objections will be entertained.

**12. Other Terms and Conditions:**

a) CEO, Delhi reserves the right to cancel the contest or modify these rules at his discretion. In the event of a dispute regarding the winners, the CEO, Delhi reserves the right to award or not award the prizes in his sole discretion.

(b) Participants retain their rights over their photographs; however, by entering the contest, they grant the organizer (and those authorized by the organizer), a royalty-free, right to publicly display the photographs in whole or in part for the purpose of exhibition. The organizer will not be required to seek any additional approval from the participant.

(c) Last date for sending the entries is December **10, 2015 (Thursday)**. Entries received after the closing date will not be entertained. Late, Illegible, incomplete, defaced or corrupt entries will not be accepted. No responsibility can be accepted for lost entries and proof of transmission will not be accepted as proof of receipt.

(d) Photographs submitted in soft copy or hard copy shall not be returned back to the participant.

(e) Entry should contain an undertaking confirming that the participant is the author of the photograph, that he/she has not violated any law in taking the

photograph and agreeing that the organizers will not be responsible for any claims/suit challenging the authorship, or infringement on the privacy of any person clearly recognizable in the photograph(s) submitted.

(f) The organizers will not be responsible for any kind of damage or loss in transit.

(g) The photography must not be manipulated outside the camera. If a photography deemed to be manipulated by any of the judges, that entry would be disqualified from any prizes/awards in the competition. This shall restrict the entries of photoshopped and manipulated images.

(h) The participant will have to confirm that the photographs submitted by him/her shall neither be in violation of any third party Intellectual Property Rights/any law nor shall be defamatory/obscene/vulgar/detrimental to National interest or prejudicial to the interest of Election Commission or society in general.

(i) CEO Delhi reserves the absolute right to reject any photograph which is obscene/vulgar or defamatory or detrimental to National interest or prejudicial to the interest of Election Commission or society in general or violates any third party IP Rights/any law.

(j) By entering the competition all entrants confirm that their entries are their own original work, that they own the copyright in it, and that they haven't infringed third party rights. By sending entries to this competition a photographer explicitly accepts the terms and conditions stated herein.

(k) Any dispute arising out of this photo contest shall be subject to Indian Laws and the courts of Delhi shall have exclusive jurisdiction over the matters arising out of this photo contest.

**Election Officer (Media)**  
**CEO, DELHI OFFICE**

**REGISTRAION FORM**

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- Details of Participation:
  - Category: PROFESSIONAL  Amateur  {Put tick (✓) mark in the relevant box}
  - Theme and number of Entries in each theme: (maximum 3 entries per theme is allowed)

S. No.	Theme	No. of Entries
1		
2		
3		

- Name: .....
- Father/Husband Name: .....
- Date of Birth: .....
- Citizenship: .....
- Address:  
.....City  
:.....State:.....  
PIN CODE:-

- CONTACT NUMNER (Mobile): 

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- E-MAIL ID: .....
- EPIC / Voter ID Number: .....
- Profession: .....
- Photographic Honors (if any):  
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**UNDERTAKING**

I, hereby, undertake that:

1. I have gone through the terms and conditions/ Guidelines of the Photography Contest – 2016 of CEO Delhi Office and I will abide by them;
2. I am the sole owner of all the photographs submitted by me as the entry to the Contest;
3. The content of the Photographs submitted as entry is free from any sort of liability/litigation;
4. CEO, Delhi office will be free to publish the photograph in its website, newspapers, exhibition and other medias;
5. The Photographs submitted to CEO, Delhi Office as entry to the Contest will be the property of CEO, Delhi Office;
6. I am the author/owner of the photograph and that I have not violated any law in taking the photograph and also agree that, the organizers will not be responsible for any claims/suit challenging the authorship/ownership or infringement on the privacy of any person clearly recognizable in the photograph(s) submitted;
7. I hereby confirms that the photographs submitted by me are neither in violation of any third party Intellectual Property Rights/any law nor shall be defamatory/obscene/Vulgar or detrimental to National interest or Prejudicial to the interest of Election Commission of India or society in general.
8. My entry is my own original work and that I own the copyright on it, and I haven't infringed third party rights; and
9. By sending entries to this competition I explicitly accepts the terms and conditions of the photography competition and any decision in this regard by CEO Delhi will be acceptable to me;
10. I am neither an officer/ official of the office of CEO, Delhi or any subordinate office nor directly or indirectly associated with election related work in Delhi.

Place: .....

Date: .....

Signature .....

Name of Participant: .....