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**Museum Environmental
Awareness Network
through Schools**



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The NMNH (National Museum of Natural history) is a subordinate office of the MoEFCC (Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change) with the objective of Environmental Education (EE) through the means of educational programmes and exhibitions.

The NMNH, in addition to having its headquarter and a Museum in New Delhi, has other Museums in various regions of India: Southern (Mysore), Central (Bhopal), Eastern (Bhubaneswar), Western (Sawai Madhopur). The latest Museum is being established in the North Eastern region (Gangtok). The NMNH Museums have exhibition Galleries structured on the various curriculum based themes such as natural history, fossils, origin and evolution of life, adaptation, ecosystems, biomes, energy cycles, nature's network (ecology), pollution, wildlife, national parks, population, conservation projects of the Gop, peoples' efforts on conservation, intangible natural heritage etc.

Museum Environmental Awareness Network through Schools (MEANS) is an initiative of the NMNH to cater to the special needs of schools. By becoming a Member of MEANS, the participating schools are expected to get the benefit of information about various educational programmes, concessional/free registration for participation in educational programmes, competitions etc. In addition there may be annual teachers training workshops, Nature Camps for Schools/ Teachers

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Benefits of membership to MEANS

1. Visits to Museum Galleries

General Visits to Museum Galleries

Structured visits: Special theme based visits led by education staff

Worksheets: Structured visits for schools with worksheets on selected themes

Gallery lectures: By staff of the Museum or Experts inside Galleries

2. Competition on various environment related days

Information through email

Concessional registration for participation

Prizes and certificates to winners

3. YEYA (Young Environmentalist of the Year Award)

This is a prestigious award given annually to the best student selected through all India competition to be held in various Museums under the NMNH. The winners at the Regional and National level are given prizes. The national award winner along with parent/teacher will be invited to receive the award at a ceremony to be organized as part of the World Environment Day programme of the MoEFCC on 5th June. The national award consists of a certificate, and cash prize of Rs. 10,000.

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4. Teachers Training Workshop

The NMNH Museums organise annual Teachers training workshops to familiarize teachers about the resources available in the Museums to help them to enhance their capacity to teach EE related themes. These workshops are coordinated by the Unit of Education in collaboration with other units such as art, modelling, fabrication, taxidermy, photography etc. The workshops are organised generally for 2 days in August/September.

5. School Loan Kits

Some of the NMNH Museums have biology kits and other AV resource materials which are given on loan to schools. These kits are found to be useful for supplementing classroom teaching in schools.

6. Film Shows

In addition to the daily films shows in the NMNH Museums, occasionally films shows on various topics of interest to schools are shown in schools by the NMNH Museums on specific requests.

7. Lectdems

Often Educational staff arranges lecture-cum-demonstration programmes on selected topics in schools on specific requests.