# NITROPULSE Pulsating Nitrogen Insights

# Open Competition Guidelines



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### **Mini-documentary Competition**

In an era where environmental challenges are reshaping our planet's future, the profound impact of nitrogen pollution has emerged as a pressing concern. Nitrogen, an essential element of life, plays a pivotal role in supporting ecosystems and global food production. However, the escalating release of reactive nitrogen into the environment has led to a spectrum of ecological, societal, and health issues that demand our attention and action.

Welcome to the NITROPULSE Documentary Video Competition—an opportunity to illuminate the intricacies of this critical issue through the lens of filmmaking. This competition invites filmmakers and storytellers of all levels to explore, capture, and convey the multifaceted dimensions of nitrogen pollution, from its pervasive effects on water systems, air quality, and biodiversity to its intricate ties to climate change and human well-being.

At its core, this competition aims to underline the compelling need for sustainable nitrogen management practices. As we grapple with the ramifications of nitrogen pollution, innovative solutions are imperative to strike a harmonious equilibrium between agricultural productivity, ecosystem health, and the welfare of humanity. Through the art of documentary filmmaking, this competition not only aims to amplify awareness about the consequences of nitrogen pollution but also encourages the exploration of sustainable strategies that can mitigate its impact. Filmmakers have the unique power to visually articulate the intricate relationship between human actions, nitrogen pollution, and the path towards a more sustainable future.

Together, let us delve into the heart of nitrogen pollution, unravelling its far-reaching implications and advocating for transformative solutions. Your documentaries can serve as catalysts for change, kindling understanding, sparking action, and steering us towards a world where the synergy between human progress and environmental health thrives.

Join us in this pursuit—to capture the essence of nitrogen pollution's challenges, the imperative of sustainable management, and the collective journey towards a cleaner, healthier planet for generations to come.

## Guidelines

#### ✤ Eligibility

The competition is open to anyone of two age categories;

- Below 20 years of age
- 20-45 years of age

#### Documentary length

Documentaries should have a maximum duration of 03 minutes, including credits. Shorter films are also accepted as long as they meet the minimum required duration (2 minutes).

#### **\*** Theme

All documentaries must focus on the theme of nitrogen pollution impact on environment and human life and the need of sustainable nitrogen management.

#### Original Content

All documentaries must be original work, and video makers must have all necessary rights and permissions for any materials used in their films, including music, images, and video clips.

#### ✤ Language and Subtitles

If the documentary is not in English or has significant portions in a different language, English subtitles must be provided for international understanding.

#### Number of Entries

Participants may submit multiple entries, but each entry should be distinct and not duplicate similar content.

#### Scientific Accuracy

Documentaries should strive for scientific accuracy and factual representation of nitrogenrelated issues. Any scientific claims or statistics presented should be supported by credible sources.

#### \* Ethical Considerations

Video makers should avoid any content that may incite hatred, violence, or harm to individuals or communities. The competition emphasizes ethical storytelling that respects cultural sensitivities.

#### ✤ Technical Requirements

Documentaries should be submitted in a digital format, preferably as high-resolution video files.

#### \* Format

The submission must be in any of the following formats; .MOV, .MPEG, .AVI, .WMV

#### \* Submission

All the documentary videos should be uploaded to the website by renaming with their name and NIC number.

#### Awards

A cash prize will be awarded for the first place. Certificates and gifts for 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> runner ups and certificates of participation will be awarded for the top10 places.