



Invitation / Guidelines for School Participation at the Children's Literature Festival on 14th – 15th March 2017

Venue: **Shaheed Benazair Cultural Complex Mithi**

Dear Sir/Madam,

Idara-e-Taleem-o-Aagahi (ITA) and the Children's Literature Festival (CLF) is bringing to Mithi the first ever Literature Festival for the children of the city.

The 32nd CLF in Mithi will be held on the 14th- 15th March 2017. The CLF is open to children/teachers/guardians from schools, families and the entire community.

CLF is a free public event and takes the form of a social movement; an equalizer for all school systems - government and private sector, non-formal and special needs schools. CLF focuses on reviving a culture of critical thinking and imagination by generating innovative content for textbooks and supplementary materials in classrooms in order to promote reading habits through multi-sensory experiences beyond textbooks and tests.

CLF Mithi is going to present celebrities, authors, publishers and well-known personalities. The event will feature interactive readings, discussions, workshops, theatres and art experiences by famous children's writers, poets, artists and other resource persons.

**We are delighted to invite your students and teachers to participate in this event.
We are holding a range of workshops and sessions so that students and teachers
not only enjoy but also replicate these initiatives in classrooms and schools.**

For this we have attached here a guideline and a form for your school. We look forward to welcoming you to CLF at Mithi.

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Guidelines for Children’s Literature Festival (CLF) Mithi

(14th – 15th March 2017)

As space and time is limited, we are pre-registering participating schools. For this we want to share with you some practical **guidelines** on participation which are as follows:

- Schools are going to receive school invitation and guidelines along with the registration form. **Schools will be required to confirm their participation by filling the form and sending it back on the below address. The schools can submit this confirmation via mail or email.**
- As per school convenience maximum number of children can participate from each school per day (each session will be 1-2 hours); please divide them according to primary and secondary levels, with accompanying teachers.
- In order to ensure smooth mobilization and coordination and maximum participation opportunities, we have two time slots available between 9:00am-1:30pm and 1:30-4:00pm. Please select date and one slot for your school in the registration form as per your convenience.
- You are responsible to arrange your own transport; parking is available at the premises.
- Students can bring their own lunch boxes if they so wish; however food/drink stalls will be available at the festival to buy food /drinks at reasonable rates.
- A group of 40-50 children should be accompanied by 3-5 teachers rotating as attendees at workshops and plenary sessions; teachers are expected to participate actively.

Students can participate in the following activities:

- School Banner competitions will be held at the festival; your school group should prepare a banner before the starting date and walk to the festival entry with its distinguished school banner on the day of the festival. The prize announcements for the best banners will be on both days of the Festival in the last segment of the day.

The theme of the CLF Banners is “Promoting the Reading Culture and the Joys of Reading Books.” The statements depicting the pictures on the banner can be in any language: Urdu, Pashto, Hindko, Balochi, Punjabi, Saraiki, Sindhi and English etc. Please note that the banner size should be 3ft x 8ft on bamboo/light weight plastic rods.

Bol Kay Lub Azad HainTerey, or “speak for your lips are free” is a creative expression segment in which children can participate to freely voice their views, opinions and thoughts. They can read/recite in either Urdu, local languages or English prose or poetry written by them. They are not allowed to present the poetry/prose written by others.

Certificates will be distributed to all participating students. Venues will be well marked on each day of the CLF.

- We look forward to welcoming you all to an unforgettable experience for your students and teachers and trust you will replicate at least some of these sessions/activities in your schools. Registration forms are enclosed for your convenience.
- Please note that the schools which participate in the festival will be required to fill a Pledge Form. The schools will highlight the sessions/activities that they found helpful and return the forms to our PLEDGE desk teams at the end of the CLF session. **Also note that our team is going to visit your school within 2 months of the CLF to assess the impact of CLF in your respective schools.**
- **The participants will not be allowed to walk in and out once the session has begun as this leads to disruption for the resource persons and the audience. Kindly observe this IMPORTANT RULE.** Doors will be closed once the sessions begin.



School Registration Form CLF Mithi

Name of School	
Principal	
Address	
Phone	
Email	

- **Number of Participants (approximately):** _____

Teachers: _____ Students: _____

Primary

Class Level	Prep	1	2	3	4	5	Total
No. of Students							

Middle/Secondary

Class Level	6	7	8	9	10	Total
No. of Students						

- **Time Slot (Indicate by using ✓ or X)**

March 14th, 2017 (Tuesday): Before 1pm: _____ After 1pm: _____

March 15th, 2017 (Wednesday): Before 1pm: _____ After 1pm: _____

Date

Signature

www.childrensliteraturefestival.com



You can send the scanned registration form by email to: sehrish.farooq@itacec.org

Visit our website <http://childrensliteraturefestival.com/> for further information.

Sincerely,

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