

SOLOMAN DIAZ BANDARANAYAKE CHALLENGE TROPHY

# CONSTANT 12

## Rules & Regulations (Quiz Competition)



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Constant '25, inter-School Astronomical Quiz Competition, which took its first establishment in 2011, will take its 9<sup>th</sup> edition on the 16<sup>th</sup> of September 2025 for the Sir Solaman Diaz Bandaranayake Challenge Trophy.

The Bandaranayake College Union of Astronomy, established on March 20, 1996, has been a pioneering force in promoting astronomical education and awareness among students. Since its inception, the union has been dedicated to inspiring curiosity and expanding knowledge about the universe through a variety of engaging activities and programs. With a focus on both theoretical understanding and practical experience, the union organizes lectures, workshops, and observation sessions that allow members to explore celestial phenomena firsthand. Over the years, it has cultivated a community of passionate young astronomers, fostering a collaborative spirit and a deeper appreciation for the wonders of the cosmos. Through its sustained efforts, the union continues to be a vital part of the academic and extracurricular life at Bandaranayake College.

Current champions of the Mahamaya Girls' College, who won after competing with 50+ teams back in 2024, will be put to the test again, with the newly reformed procedure of the modern-day quiz competitions. The competition consists of two major rounds, 1<sup>st</sup> round tests on individual performance of the team, and the 2<sup>nd</sup> round on team performance among the 25 top teams of the first round. (Further clarifications will be added later)

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- The first round of the quiz competition will be held on the 16<sup>th</sup> of September 2025.
- Registration link for the quiz competition will be available from 0000h 30<sup>th</sup> of August 2024 to 0000h 9<sup>th</sup> September 2025.
- One team must consist of 5 members to participate in the competition. (must be registered under the respective subject)
- All contestants must be under the age of 19 by 31<sup>st</sup> of January 2026. (Those who sat for the G.C.E Advanced Level including G.C.E. A/L 2024 are not allowed to participate.)
- Up to 3 teams are allowed to participate per school.
- The quiz link will be sent to the submitted e-mails by 7.45 p.m. (1945h) on the 16<sup>th</sup> of September 2025.
- The first part of the competition (50 MCQ) will commence at 08.00 pm (2000h) & and will continue until 9.00 pm (2100h)
- There will be an intermission of 30 minutes afterward and the links for the second part will be provided during the intermission.
- The second part of the competition (2 Structured & 2 Essay questions) will commence from 9.30 pm (2130h) to 11.00 pm (2300h)
- An extra 10 minutes will be provided if it was necessary & and the first round of the competition will be concluded at 11.15 pm (2315h)

[For your attention: the given date and time will not be amended for any reason.]

- The quiz will be conducted in both English and Sinhala mediums.
- Top 25 teams according to performances in the first round will be selected to the second round. Further clarifications will be provided after the first round is concluded.

- Only the nominated member in the application form for a team for the particular subject can answer the respective subject test. **Replacements from the same team will not be accepted.**
- Contestants must submit answers for each part within the given time under any circumstance. The submission link will be closed after the exact time given for each part. In case of being unable to submit your answers before time runs out, you won't receive marks for that particular part.
- You are allowed to use a scientific calculator during the quiz.
- One contestant must only use one email to register for the quiz. **If found guilty, marks will not be published.**
- The links and login details for each round will be e-mailed to respected e-mails individually as you have submitted in the registration forms.
- **Avoid refreshing the webpage** at any time during the part I paper, doing so will cause your **answers to be erased and restarted.**
- The links are usable only one time for login to each part of the quiz. Make sure not to give your login details to anyone. **If found guilty the marks will be suspended.**
- The results are finalized by a qualified judge board, and you cannot challenge the final marks. **The organizing committee's decisions will be the final.**
- If you encounter any issues during the quiz, notify the Organizing Committee immediately. **We will not take responsibility** for any inconvenience caused to you **if you have not informed us.**
- If you ever try to deceive the organizing committee by participating in a false identity or doing any other misleading activity, the respective team will be disqualified.