

Detailed Guidelines for submission categories in Climate Action Competition, 2025

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Projects may be submitted under any one of the two submission categories. Detailed guidelines for each category are listed below. The organisers will share detailed guidelines for each during orientation as well.

1. **Working Prototype:** Teams can develop a working prototype that addresses a climate challenge. This category focuses on creating tangible solutions with practical applications.

Guidelines for Prototype Development	
Objective	Develop a working prototype that addresses a specific climate challenge within the themes of Energy, Waste Management, or Natural Resources.
Project Scope	Clearly define the problem your prototype aims to solve.
	Ensure the solution is innovative, feasible, and scalable.
Design & Development	Document the design process, including initial sketches, design iterations, and final prototype.
	Include detailed descriptions of materials used and the rationale behind their selection.
	Ensure the prototype is functional and demonstrates the intended solution effectively.
	Maintain a record of expenses incurred during the project and include in the design documentation. The design document should be brought to the final presentation.
Testing and Evaluation	Conduct thorough testing of the prototype to ensure it works as intended.
	Document the testing process, including any challenges faced and how they were addressed.
	Include feedback from users or stakeholders who tested the prototype.
Implementation Plan	Provide a clear implementation plan, including steps for scaling the solution.
	Try to include a detailed budget and timeline for the scaled-up implementation.
Presentation	Prepare a 5-minute presentation for the judging panel, highlighting the problem, solution, design process, testing, and implementation plan.
	Each team will get a total of 8 minutes, including buffer time to show their prototype and present.
	Tip: Use visual aids such as slides, diagrams, and the prototype itself to enhance the presentation.

2. **Short Film:** Teams can create a short film showcasing a climate-related problem and current solutions. This category allows students to define a problem visually, identify solutions in diverse geographies, and include interviews with stakeholders.

Guidelines for Film Submission	
Objective	Create a short film that showcases a climate-related problem and current solutions within the themes of Energy, Waste Management, or Natural Resources.
Project Scope	Clearly define the problem your film aims to highlight.
	Identify and showcase diverse solutions from different geographies.
Script & Storyboard	Develop a script that effectively communicates the problem and solutions.
	Create a storyboard to plan the visual elements of the film.
Filming & Production	Ensure high-quality filming and sound recording.
	Include interviews with stakeholders, such as community members, experts, or activists.
	Try to use a mix of visuals, including footage, animations, and graphics, to convey the message.
Editing & Postproduction	Edit the film to ensure a clear and engaging narrative.
	Add subtitles, voiceovers, and background music as needed.
	Ensure the final film is max 5 minutes in length.
Design Documentation	Document the design process, including iterations, interview logs etc.
	Maintain a record of expenses incurred during the project and include in the design documentation. The design document should be brought to the final presentation.
Presentation	Prepare a presentation for the judging panel, including an introduction to the film, key messages, and the impact of the showcased solutions.
	Each team will get a total of 8 mins including buffer time to show their film and present.
	Tip: Use clips from the making of the film to enhance the presentation and show your journey.

Follow these guidelines to ensure your project meets all requirements and has the best chance of success in the competition. In case of any questions and clarifications, reach out to us at youth@myclimateaction.in.