



## PHOTOGRAPHY COMPETITION RULES

**1. Eligibility:** The competition is open to all individuals.

**2. Submission Requirements:**

- Each participant may submit only one photograph that responds to the current theme.
- All entries must be original and solely your own work.
- Photographs must not be edited in any way.
- Submissions must include:
  - A short description of the photo
  - The location where the photo was taken
  - The submitter's Instagram handle
- Entries must be submitted by 11:59 PM IST on 30 March 2025.
- Photographs may be submitted in either Landscape or Portrait format.
- All entrants must use their correct names and are responsible for providing accurate information.

**3. Submission Format:**

- All entrants must be able to supply a high-resolution image suitable for printing in media (300 DPI).

**4. Judging and Notifications:**

- Shortlisted and winning photographers will be contacted by email. If MAATI KATHA does not receive a response from the entrant by the specified date in any correspondence, the entrant will be disqualified and replaced by another photographer.
- The best four photos will be published in the MAATI KATHA magazine, with the top photograph featured on the cover page.
- Winners will be published online.
- No cash alternatives are available for winners.

**5. Content Restrictions:**

- MAATI KATHA reserves the right to disqualify and remove any entry that does not comply with the following requirements:
  - Entries must not contain any personally identifiable information about the submitter or any other person(s).
  - Entries must not contain infringing, threatening, false, misleading, abusive, harassing, libellous, defamatory, vulgar, obscene, scandalous, inflammatory, pornographic, or profane content.
  - Entries must not contain any material that could constitute or encourage conduct considered a criminal offence, give rise to civil liability, or otherwise violate any law.
  - Entries must not infringe upon the copyrights, trademarks, contract rights, or any other intellectual property rights of any third person or entity. This includes, but is not limited to:
    - Trademarks owned by third parties.
    - Copyrighted materials owned by third parties (including movie dialogue or musical compositions).
    - Entries that involve the purchase or secured rights to use stock images.

**6. Disqualification:**

- MAATI KATHA reserves the right, at its sole discretion, to disqualify any entry that does not comply with these rules, even after the entry has been submitted.