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Sub: South Zone Inter Regional Cultural Competition 2026 to be conducted by RSCPC (AP Region) on 07th & 08th September 2026 at Vijayawada- Reg.

The South Zone Inter Regional Cultural Competition 2026 will be organized by RSCPC (AP Region) on 07th & 08th September 2026 at Vijayawada.

The following guidelines are communicated

The duration of the competition will be for 02 days and the teams will participate in the reverse alphabetical order of the name of SZ regions. Accordingly, the order of the events is as follows:

First Day:

- A. Solo Singing
- B. Instrumental Music
- C. Solo Dance
- D. Duet Singing
- E. Play (Regional Language)

Second Day:

- A. Play (Hindi)
- B. Group Dance

Each Region is allowed to depute a team consisting of **not more than 12 members (including Team Manager) strictly**. However, each team member can participate in any number of events, the Manager of the team must also be a participant.

1.Category:

The competition will be held in the following categories:-

- (i) Play (Regional Language)
- (ii) Play (Hindi)
- (iii) Instrumental Music - Solo (Light/ Carnatic/ Hindustani/ Hindi Song)
- (iv) Solo Singing (Hindi Movie Song)
- (v) Duet Singing (Hindi Movie Song)
- (vi) Group Dance (Folk/Classical)
- (vii) Solo Dance (Folk/ Classical)

(i)Play (Regional Language) - 20 Minutes (Maximum 07 participants allowed)

Each RSCPC should take adequate care to ensure that only original and standard plays are enacted. No controversial/ earlier staged/ copied plays will be entertained. The RSCPC's may also ensure that the artist are not enacting the same character in the past 3 years, if so the said participant will not be considered for best artist award. The RSCPCs should

send **SYNOPSIS** of their respective plays in English / Hindi versions to the Secretary, RSCPC, AP Region and the Secretary, ZSCPC (S) along with the list of participants enacting in the said drama as above.

Makeup person for Dance & Drama will be arranged by the Host Region. However, the participating teams should make their own arrangements for any special make-up, setting, back ground music, exclusive costumes / equipments, etc. if any and the organizers will not reimburse any expenditure on this core. First caution whistle for concluding the drama will be given just after the prescribed duration and on the second whistle the front curtain will be lowered.

Prizes for Play:

Overall Best Play: First and Second Prize (Trophy with individual prizes)

Best Actor: One
Best Actress: One
Best Director: One
Best Story: One

The main criteria for the judgment of award will be governed by the following aspects:

- a) Acting, expression, movement and delivery of dialogue (Compulsory)
- b) Theme of the story and naturalism.
- c) Adopted story will not be considered for the award.
- d) Total team work, presentation, contribution of individual artist for the whole play. **(Judges to ensure that the character enacted by the artist is not repeated in the last 3 years)**

(ii) Play (Hindi) - 30 Minutes (Maximum 07 participants allowed)

Inter Zonal Competition will be held in Hindi only. Hence, all the RSCPCs must stage a play in Hindi compulsorily. Also all the participants **must deliver the dialogue in Hindi along with their acting skills, expression and movement without fail** for selection of Zonal team.

Further, the RSCPCs may ensure that the performance of the individual/team is not repeated in the last 3 years. No marks will be awarded in case it is established that the performance has been repeated.

Prizes for Play:

Overall Best Play: First and Second Prize (Trophy with individual prizes)

Best Actor-One
Best Actress: One
Best Director: One
Best Story: One

The main criteria for the judgment of award will be governed by the following aspects:

- a) Acting skills, expression, movement and **delivery of dialogue**.
- b) Theme of the story and naturalism.
- c) Adopted story will not be considered for the award.
- d) Total team work, presentation, contribution of individual artist for the whole play.
- e) **Hindi speaking and delivery of dialogue in Hindi is compulsory** for

getting selected in the Zonal Team.

(iii) Instrumental Music- Solo (Light/ Carnatic/ Hindustani/ Hindi Song) - 05 Minutes (Max 02 participants)

Two entries either Male or Female are permitted from each RSCPC. It shall be the responsibility of the participants to bring their own Instruments. Background music may be allowed in the Instrumental Competition restricting to only single background instrument like Percussion / Tabla, Tanpura, Flute, etc. The original instrument played by the participant should be different from the instrument in the background. For example, if a participant plays Flute then background music should be any instrument other than flute. Shruti box can be used.

Prizes: First and Second prizes only.

(iv) Solo Singing (Hindi Movie Song)- 05 Minutes (Max 02 participants allowed)

Two entries either Male or Female are permitted from each RSCPC. The participants must bring their own Karaoke for background music during their performance.

Prizes: First and Second prizes only.

(v) Duet Singing (Hindi Movie Song)- 06 Minutes (Only 01 pair allowed)

Only one pair of Male & Female is permitted from each RSCPC. The participants must bring their own Karaoke for background music during their performance.

Prizes: First and Second prizes only.

(vi) Group Dance (Folk / Classical) - 10 Minutes (Maximum 08 participants allowed)

Only Group dance, not more than 08 members is allowed. The participants must bring their own music track for the dance performance. Further, the RSCPCs may ensure that the performance of the dance team is not repeated in the last 3 years. No marks will be awarded in case it is established that the performance has been repeated.

Prizes: First and Second prize only.

(vii) Solo Dance (Folk / Classical) - 05 Minutes (Max 02 participants allowed)

Two entries either Male or Female is permitted from each RSCPC. The participant must bring their own music track for the dance performance.

Prizes: First and Second prize only.

2. Time limit for performance:

No.	Event	Maximum Time Limit
A	Play (Regional Language)	20 Minutes

B	Play (Hindi)	30 Minutes
C	Instrumental Music (Solo)	05 Minutes
D	Solo Singing	05 Minutes
E	Duet Singing	06 Minutes
F	Group Dance	10 Minutes
G	Solo Dance	05 Minutes

3.Points:

The marks for team Championship shall be calculated as per details given below:

Sl.No	Event	Point for 1 st Prize	Points for 2 nd Prize
1.	Play (Regional Language)	05	03
2.	Best Actor	01	00
3.	Best Actress	01	00
4.	Best Director	01	00
5.	Best Story	01	00
6.	Play (Hindi)	05	03
7.	Best Actor	01	00
8.	Best Actress	01	00
9.	Best Director	01	00
10.	Best Story	01	00
11.	Instrumental Music (Solo)	05	03
12.	Solo Singing	05	03
13.	Duet Singing	05	03
14.	Group Dance	05	03
15.	Solo Dance	05	03

The team securing maximum number of points from the above will be awarded with the overall championship Winners trophy and the team securing second in points table will be awarded the Runners trophy.

JUDGES

A panel of judges appointed by the organizers will evaluate all performances by the Regions. The decision of the panel shall be final and binding on all the participating teams.

The same panel of judges will also select the Best & Most Versatile Artists from the Hindi Drama competition as referred to in Point No. 1 (ii) as well as the Best Dancers for representing the South Zone Cultural Team in the All India Competition.

The date and time of arrival of the teams at Vijayawada and departure from Vijayawada may be intimated to the **Divisional Manager, Vijayawada** and Secretary, RSCPC (AP) under intimation to ZSCPC(S) well in advance for arranging transportation and accommodation for the

participants. ZSCPC(S) looks forward to utmost cooperation of all the RSCPCs / participants to make the South Zone Inter Regional Cultural Competition 2026 a grand success.

//Approved by the Competent Authority//

**Joint Secretary, ZSCPC (S),
for Secretary, ZSCPC(S)/ GM (Sports)**

**To
The General Manager (Region)/ President,
Regional Sports & Cultural Promotion Committee,
Food Corporation of India,
Regional office/ Zonal Office,
Chennai / Hyderabad /Amaravati/ Bengaluru / Trivandrum / ZO-Unit.**