



## **Science Fiction**

Team Event, Open-To-All

Points: 20

Takneek in association with NERD gives you to opportunity to unlock the writer inside you. It's time to present the most challenging ideas in a work of fiction - your ego is the fountain head of human progress.

## **Rules and Regulations**

- This is an individual event (1 person per team) with a maximum of 4 entries per pool and maximum of 2 entries from an individual.
- The word limit is 1200-1500 words.
- Entries must be ORIGINAL, in English and should be based on one of the

**themes and nothing else**. The list of the themes would be provided at a later stage. The story needs to evolve around the central theme.

- Plagiarism of any sort will result into disqualification of the entry.
- Give a suitable Title to your work.
- At the end of each article, we have an 'About the author' section. Please write in short about yourself (Name, Email ID, Department, Program, technical/research interests if any). Also mention your pool name.
- Submission should be in .doc/.docx format. The font type and size should be Arial and 12 respectively.
- All entries can be directly mailed to iitktakneek@gmail.com with subject "Science\_Fiction\_PoolName\_Roll.Number" by 29nd August 2013 23:59 hrs.
- Permission is granted for Science and Technology Council and NERD to reproduce your entry.

## The **judging criteria** will be as follows:

Suitable title: 10%
Originality of ideas: 20%

Technical concept behind the story: 20%

Art of story-telling, presentation and expression: 50%

## **Themes for Science Fiction:**

Any of the given phrase, in exactly the same form / words needs to appear as part of a sentence in the story (it should be underlined so that it is easily visible). Phrases are:
 Every Cloud has a Silver Lining, Flash in the Pan, Up a Blind Alley, X marks the spot, and Barking up the Wrong Tree

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- The main plot of fiction should be based on the phrase you select.
- The meaning of the idiom is NOT important -- the writers are encouraged to take the phrase in its literal meaning and use that as the base of their story.