

Competitions in connection with World Soil Day, 2025

World Soil Day is observed every year on **December 5th** to highlight the importance of healthy soil and advocate for the sustainable management of soil resources. The day serves as a global platform to raise awareness about soil degradation, its impact on food security, ecosystems, and climate change, and to encourage collective efforts toward soil conservation. The official theme of World Soil Day 2025 is “**Healthy Soils for Healthy Cities**”, which emphasises urban soils and the challenges of soil sealing in cities. Various activities such as seminars, exhibitions, educational programs, and competitions are organized worldwide to engage students, farmers, researchers, and policymakers.

We, the Department of Soil Survey and Soil Conservation, are pleased to announce that, current year's World Soil Day will be commemorating on an extensive scale across the state. The event is slated to be held as a one-day program on December 5th, 2025 (venue may be intimated later). In connection with the World Soil Day celebrations, a range of engaging competitions, including painting, essay writing, and an agricultural quiz, will be organized for school and college students from the **Thiruvananthapuram district**. These competitions will take place on November 29th, 2025, at the renowned State Soil Museum in Parottukonam, Trivandrum. The following competitions are to be conducted.

Item	Category	Time
Painitng (Water color)	1. L.K.G. & U.K.G. 2. Classes 1-4 (L.P.) 3. Classes 5-7 (U.P.) 4. Classes 8-10 (H.S.) 5. Classes 11 & 12 (H.S.S) 6. College (U.G. Students)	9.30. am to 12.30 pm
Essay Writing (Malayalam)	H.S./ H.S.S.	2.00 pm to 4.00 pm
Essay Writing (English)	H.S./ H.S.S	
Agri-Quiz	H.S./ H.S.S	2.00 pm to 5.00 pm

All the competitions will be based on the topics *viz.*, soil, agriculture and nature. Interested participants can enrol their names via either the google link or the QR code given below. The prize distribution for the winners of the competitions will be conducted on the

occasion of the official ceremony of World Soil Day celebration in the presence of invited dignitaries on December 5th 2025 (venue may be intimated later).

The regulations for competitions are as follows:-

1. Painting (Water colour) competition is conducted for the following six different categories viz., KG/LP/UP/HS/HSS and College (UG).
2. Essay writing (English and Malayalam) is conducted for 2 categories viz., H.S. and H.S.S. and separate participants for each items shall be enrolled from schools.
3. Agri-quiz is conducted for participants from either HS/HSS. Each school can enrol a team with two participants either from HS or HSS.
4. Interested participants can enrol their name in the given Google form or via QR code.

GoogleForm:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfwxH7qO61p4YqXcihkkNiPLsGZMzUl6v6ILJ90TohHd8P7nw/viewform?usp=sharing&ouid=102426537946093175944>

QR Code:



5. The verification of registration for each event will begin as follows.

Registration verification:

1. Painting (Water colour) - 9.00 am onwards,
2. Essay Writing (English/Malayalam) - 1.30 pm onwards.
3. Agri-Quiz- 1.30 pm onwards.

Enrolled participants should reach State Soil Museum, Parottukonam on 29th November 2025 in the stipulated time.

6. All the participants should bring their school ID card on the day of competition.
7. Topics of painting and essay competition will be announced prior to the commencement of the competition and participants should complete their creation within the time given.

8. The drawing sheet for painting and writing sheet for essay writing competitions will be provided by the organisers. All the other required materials like water colour, brush, pencils, erasers etc. should be brought by the participants themselves.
9. All the participants should reach the venue at the correct time for the verification of registration of their respective events. Late entry is not permitted. (Verification of Registrations means: Verification of already registered participants via mail /QR Code / Google form /Telephone for each events).
10. Last date of registration is 24/11/2025.
11. All the participants will be given participation certificates.
12. Competitions are conducted exclusively for school and college students of **Trivandrum district**.
13. Close relatives of the staff of department of Soil Survey and Soil Conservation is not allowed to participate in any of the events.
14. The decision of the judges will be final.
15. For further details please contact us on the following numbers or through mail during office hours.

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Painting, Essay & Quiz Competitions

Date: 29th November 2025

Venue: State Soil Museum & Soil Information Center, Parottukonam, Nalanchira

Organized by:

DEPARTMENT OF SOIL SURVEY & SOIL CONSERVATION

Time

Painting:

9.30 am to 12.30 pm
(Registration verification starts at 9.00 am)

Essay:

2.00 pm to 4.00 pm
(Registration verification starts at 1.30 pm)

Quiz:

2.30 pm to 5.00 pm
(Registration verification starts at 1.30 pm)

Eligibility

Painting (Water colour): K.G. to Graduate level

Essay (English & Malayalam): H.S. & H.S.S. only

Quiz: H.S. & H.S.S. only (Only two participants from a school is allowed)

Registration

Google form link:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfwxH7qO61p4YqXcihkkNiPLsGZMzUI6v6ILJ90TohHd8P7nw/viewform?usp=header>

QR
Code



LAST DATE FOR REGISTRATION: 24-11-2025

For more details contact us on:

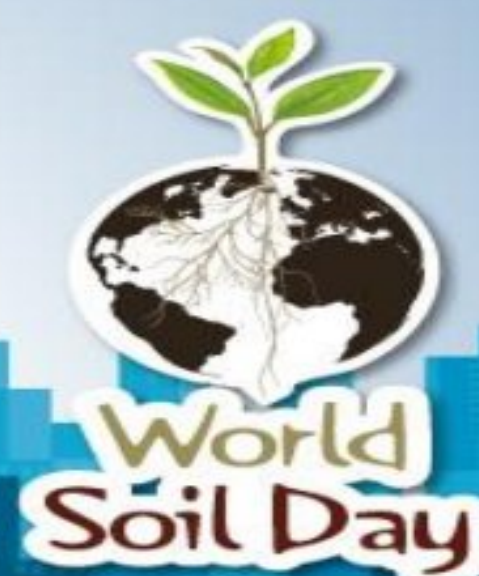
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Participation
Certificate to
all the
participants

Prize Distribution on Dec, 5th, 2025 at
World Soil Day Celebrations



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5 DECEMBER 2025