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**SUBJECT:** Essay Writing Competition in connection with Pakistan's 70<sup>th</sup>  
Anniversary Celebration

Dear Sir/Madam,

The Higher Education Commission takes different initiatives to promote unity, patriotism, critical thinking amongst university students and divert their energies towards positive activities. In order to celebrate 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Pakistan, HEC with collaboration of Ministry of Federal Education & Professional Training has planned to organize an essay competition among students of all universities/DAI's of Pakistan. The topics for the competition are:

a.	70 Years of Freedom: Achievements and Failures	آزادی کے ۷۰ سال: کامیابیاں اور ناکامیاں
b.	Role of youth in rejecting extremism	انٹہاپسندی کے خاتمے میں نوجوانوں کا کردار
c.	Role of youth in promoting peace, tolerance and interfaith harmony	امن، رواداری اور بین المذاہب ہم آہنگی کے فروغ میں نوجوانوں کا کردار
d.	CPEC: Challenges and Prospects	چین، پاکستان اقتصادی راہداری: مسائل اور امکانات

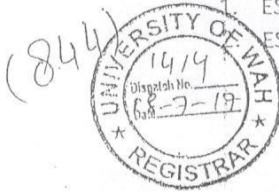
2. It is requested to send the entries of your university/institute bearing a covering letter showing complete details i.e. name, father's name, CNIC number, class, roll number, contact number, email address and a latest photograph of the concerned students latest by 10<sup>th</sup> August, 2017. SOP's for the competition are attached with the letter. Soft copy of essay may also be sent at [uajaz@hec.gov.pk](mailto:uajaz@hec.gov.pk).

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The Registrars  
All Public & Private Sector Universities/DAIs  
Copy for information:

ES to the Chairman, HEC Islamabad.  
ES to Executive Director, HEC Islamabad.



## Rules/SOPs for the Essay Writing Competition

1. All the regular students of recognized Public and Private Sector Universities/Degree Awarding Institutes of Pakistan are eligible to participate in the Essay Competition.
2. Male and female regular students, both are eligible to participate but in one of the languages i.e. Urdu or English.
3. Using un-parliamentary language, Derogatory/sectarian remarks will lead to negative marking.
4. It is expected that the essay writer should suggest the solution of the problems highlighted/discussed in the essay concerned.
5. Cash prizes will be given to the 1st 2nd and 3rd positions in English and Urdu @ Rs. 100,000/- , Rs.75,000/- and Rs. 50,000/- respectively.
6. All Essays should be typed and must be between 2500- 3000 words. The space between lines should be 1.5 and the paper size should be A4. Essays that fall short of or exceed the above word limit shall be penalized.
7. Co-authorship/joint authorship is not allowed.
8. Besides hardcopies at the given address, the essays must also be submitted via email.
9. Essays will be checked for Plagiarism and more than 19% plagiarism is not acceptable.
10. The students will submit their entries through Registrar of the concerned university bearing a covering letter showing complete details i.e. name, father's name, CNIC number, class, roll number, contact number, email address and a latest photograph.
11. Results will be announced within 6 weeks from the deadline for submission of entries.