# WORLD AYURVEDA DAY COMMEMORATION – 2025 "AYURVEDA FOR PEOPLE AND PLANET"

## **Faculty Debating Competitions**

# Organized by the Faculty of Indigenous Medicine, University of Colombo Rules and Guidelines

#### 1. Eligibility

- The Competition is open only to Students who are currently enrolled at the Faculty of Indigenous Medicine, University of Colombo.
- Students in any year of study, must be registered for the competition on or before 14. 09.2025

#### 2. Team composition

- Each team shall consist of five members:
- - Four active members
- - One reserve member
- One student may represent only one group.
- Teams may consist of students from the same academic year or different academic years.

# 3. Registration

- All groups must complete the google Form application before 3.00 PM on 14.09.2025
- Each team must provide a group name (not exceeding three words)
- Application link: <a href="https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfDxehUUF805x9-">https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfDxehUUF805x9-</a>
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#### 4. Debates will be conducted in:

- - English Medium
- - Sinhala Medium
- -Tamil Medium

#### 5. Topics and Positions

- Debate topics will be announced at the compilation meeting prior to the competitions.
- Proponent and opponent position will be assigned and communicated at the meeting.

#### 6. Competition Format

- The competition will follow a Knockout system.
- If necessary, the best losing teams may be advanced to subsequent rounds, at the discretion of the judging panel on the basis of selecting as the best lossers.
- The date and mode of the competition will be finalized depending on the number of teams.

#### 7. Speaking Time

- In preliminary rounds:
- - Each speaker is allocated 3 minutes
- - The team Captain's rebuttal is allocated 4 minutes.

#### 8. Judgments and Marking schemes

- Marking will follow the accepted national debate marking scheme.
- The decision of the Judges panel will be final.

#### 9. Awards and Recognition

- Winning and Runner-up Teams will receive certificates at the final Ceremony of World Ayurveda Day Celebrations.
- Best debater of the Event and Best Debater of the tournament will also be recognized.

### 10. Organizing Committee

• Prepared by Ayurveda Day Debating Competition Organizing Committee.

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