



KARNATAKA MEDIA ACADEMY



“FOCUS ON NEWS”

Application for National Level News Photography Contest for Photojournalists

PART A: CONTESTANT PROFILE

Field	Details
Full Name	
Designation	
Place of Work	
Name & Address of Media Organisation <i>(The contestant working)</i>	
Contact Address	
Mobile No.	
E-mail ID	

PART B: SUBMISSION DETAILS

Photo No. 1

Place where photo was taken: _____

Date captured: _____

Publication Date *(Clipping to be enclosed)*: _____

Caption: _____

Photo No. 2

- **Place where photo was taken:** _____
- **Date captured:** _____
- **Publication Date** (*Clipping to be enclosed*): _____
- **Caption:** _____

PART C: SELF-DECLARATION

I, _____, hereby declare that the news photographs submitted for “**Focus on News**”, National Level News Photo Contest for News Photographers organized by Karnataka Media Academy, were taken by me between **01-01-2025 and 31-05-2026**. I shall strictly abide by the rules of the competition and the final decisions of the Jury.

Signature of the Contestant: _____

Name: _____

Place: _____

Date: _____

PART D: EDITOR’S CERTIFICATE

(To whomsoever it may concern)

It is hereby certified that Shri/Smt. _____ is working as a **Staff / Part-time / Freelance** news photographer of _____ (*Name of the publication*) in _____ (*Place*).

We further certify that the submitted photograph(s) was/were captured by him/her and published in our newspaper on ____ / ____ / ____.

Signature of the Editor: _____

Name of the Editor: _____

Designation: _____

Name of the Publication: _____

Place: _____

Date: _____

OFFICIAL RULES & INSTRUCTIONS

- **Eligibility & Timeline:** Entry to this competition is entirely **free**. Only News photographs captured during the period from **01-01-2025 to 31-05-2026** will be accepted.
- **Submission Limits:** Each news photographer can submit a **maximum of two news photographs** captured by themselves and published.
- **Geographical Bounds:** There is **no geographical limitation** for capturing the news photographs.
- **Exclusivity & Verification:** This competition is organized exclusively for news photographers. Every contestant must compulsorily attach **one** of the following:
 1. The completed **Editor's Certificate** prescribed above.
 2. An **attested copy of the Accreditation Card** issued to journalists by the Department of Information and Public Relations (DIPR) of their respective state governments or the Press Information Bureau (PIB).
- **Anonymity & File Naming:** There should be **no name, title, or watermarks** on the photographs. The file names for the submitted photographs must be labeled strictly as **A** and **B**.
- **Format & Size Specifications:**
 - Digital images must be submitted in **JPEG format only**.
 - Images must be **20" x 30" in size, 300 DPI**, with a minimum file size of **5MB** (to facilitate exhibition printing).
 - Images captured on **mobile cameras will not be accepted**.
- **Integrity of Images:** The news photographs must be natural. No part of the image should be digitally added or removed. **AI-generated images will be disqualified immediately**.
- **Submission Mode & Deadline:** Download this form from **mediaacademy.karnataka.gov.in**, fill it completely, and email it along with your passport-size photograph, accreditation card/editor's certificate, and the high-resolution images to: **focusonnewsma@gmail.com**.
- **Deadline:** Submissions must be received before **5:00 PM on 30-06-2026**. Late submissions will not be considered.
- **Jury Panel:** A panel of three experienced news photography judges will select the award winners and exhibition features. The decision of the Jury shall be final and binding.

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