

PRESS RELEASE

11th National Earth Olympiad Kicks Off Nationwide to Foster Environmental Consciousness



April 2024, Dhaka: The 11th National Earth Olympiad (NEO), being organized by [Bangladesh Youth Environmental Initiative \(BYEI\)](#), has kicked off. NEO aims to educate, inspire, and nurture future scholars, policymakers, and practitioners to generate necessary knowledge and provide thought leadership for a more just, fair, equitable and sustainable Bangladesh.

BYEI is a youth nonprofit organization working to raise awareness about the ongoing ecological and climate crisis and inspire youth environmental actions to protect and improve the life-supporting nature and ecosystems. BYEI has been organizing the NEO since 2012.

The theme for the NEO 2024 is **'Reimagining Our Ecological Future: Eliminating Pollution for a Thriving Planet'**. Through a national level Olympiad competition that takes place across Bangladesh, NEO instills curiosity and develops consciousness about ongoing environmental concerns among the younger generation and nurtures their talents to help them become agents of positive change in the society. Any student from class VIII to XII can participate in this event.

This year's **Olympiad is supported** by the **international environmental organization [Pure Earth Bangladesh](#)**. Independent University Bangladesh and Department of Geology, Dhaka University are the strategic and knowledge partners, and Kishore Alo is the media partner of this initiative.

The preliminary qualifying round of the Olympiad will be conducted online until May 1st. Following this, the divisional round will take place on May 3rd. Subsequently, an enriching day-long training program named 'Green Day Training' will be organized across all eight divisions. The divisional toppers will then participate in the National Round and Bangladesh team selection test, the national toppers will be recognized in an Award ceremony in June.

In addition, after participating in the Olympiad and winning the Bangladesh national team, there is an opportunity to represent Bangladesh in the International Earth Science Olympiad (IESO) 2024 to be held in China.

For details and to register, visit [**www.byei.org/neo2024**](http://www.byei.org/neo2024)