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CAG Organises National Online Essay Writing Competition

The Comptroller and Auditor General of India (CAG) is organising the 2nd National Online Essay Writing Competition as part of its Audit Diwas celebrations this year. Being held for the second successive year, the aim of the competition is to make the youths of the country aware of the workings of the CAG as an institution, its constitutional mandate, and its prime role and responsibilities in promoting public accountability and good governance. This year's competitive essay title is 'Celebrating the Resilience of Indian Democracy and the Role of CAG of India'. Participants can submit their writings in either Hindi or English language.

The CAG will begin accepting the essays from 21 July 2023. The last date of acceptance is 20 August 2023. Detailed competition guidelines are available on CAG's official website, <https://cag.gov.in/en>. Any student who is an Indian citizen, less than 25 years of age as on 20 July 2023, and enrolled in a recognised university program, is eligible to apply. The essays will be evaluated for original thinking, depth of knowledge, clear reasoning and quality of argument. They will also be judged on writing fluency and critical presentation. The evaluation committee will declare the results on 27 October 2023.

The winning candidates will receive cash awards of ₹30,000 (first prize), ₹20,000 (second prize) and ₹15,000 (third prize). The prizes will be formally awarded at a special Audit Diwas function, which falls on 15 November 2023.

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