



INSPECTORATE OF GOVERNMENT

Zero Tolerance to Corruption

ANTI-CORRUPTION ESSAY WRITING COMPETITION; "LET YOUR VOICE COUNT"

The Inspectorate of Government (IG) is the lead anti-corruption Agency in Uganda, established under **Article 223** of the **1995 Constitution**, with the mandate to promote the rule of law, and eliminate and foster the elimination of corruption, abuse of authority and of public office (Article 225).

Under Article 225(1) (f) of the Constitution, the Inspectorate of Government is further mandated to "**stimulate public awareness about the values of constitutionalism in general and the activities of its office, in particular, through any media and other means it considers appropriate**".

In context of the above, the IG annually leads the Nation in marking the **International Anti-Corruption Day** every 9th December. This day was designated by the United Nations (UN) General Assembly by resolution 58/4 of 31st October 2003, for global observance to promote awareness about corruption, its dangers and how to combat and prevent it.

For over a decade anti-corruption groups, organizations and individual actors in Uganda have remodeled the anti - corruption day into a series of annual multi-activity advocacy event called the Anti Corruption Week; one week preceding the 9th December.

This year the IG has organized an Anti-Corruption Essay Writing Competition as one of the activities to mark the Anti-corruption week celebrations.

LET YOUR VOICE COUNT!!

Are you a Ugandan youth concerned about corruption in your country? Would you want your voice to be heard on the issue of corruption?

Then air out your voice by participating in the **Anti-corruption Essay Writing Competition** organized by the Inspectorate of Government for all the youth in institutions of learning on the **THEME: "Corruption an evil we all must fight"**

PURPOSE

The purpose of the Anti-corruption Essay writing competition is twofold; raising awareness among the youth about the evil of corruption in Uganda and giving them an opportunity to express their views on effective anti-corruption strategies.

WHO CAN PARTICIPATE?

The anti-corruption essay writing competition is open to all the youth (between the age of 18 and 30 years) in Institutions of learning across the country.

TOPIC:

Participants will write an essay on the following:

Why corruption has thrived in Uganda and strategies that should be used to curb it effectively.

PRIZES:

The authors of the best rated three essays will be recognized and will be invited to directly take part in the activities to mark the International Anti-corruption week of 2014 celebrations. More significantly, the three top winners will receive **special awards**. The overall winner will make an oral presentation of his/her essay to the commemoration conference on 9th December, 2014.

DEADLINES:

All submissions must not be later than 30th September, 2014. The winners will be announced in November, 2014.

GUIDELINES:

- Essays must be in English, typed or hand written and should be between 800 and 1000 words (Times New Roman, single line spacing for typed essays).
- The essays must be original, unpublished online/offline and not previously submitted to any other contests.
- The selection criteria will be based on; originality, personal vision, relevance and responsiveness to the theme, quality of analysis and quality of language (writing style, spelling and grammar).
- All submissions must detail the author's; Name, Age, University or School and contact information (e-mail address, telephone number).
- Submissions must be the unaided work of participants. Proof of such aid will lead to automatic disqualification.

The Essay Should Have the Following Structure:

1. **Introduction:** Introduce the subject and state your theory.
2. **Body:** Develop your arguments and assertions using research and analysis. (Remember to identify the sources of your information or ideas using a standard citation method).
3. **Conclusion**
4. **Recommendations**

SUBMISSIONS:

The essays may be submitted in any of the following modes:

1. Personal submission to the **Director of Education and Prevention of Corruption** at the Head Office; **Jubilee Insurance Centre, Plot 14, Parliament Avenue, Kampala** or any of the **IG Regional Offices**.
2. Email via: jrwereza@igg.go.ug Or: akiiza@igg.go.ug

INQUIRIES:

For any query, send an email to akiiza@igg.go.ug

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