

BANK OF NAMIBIA NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL COMPETITION 2019

Participate in the Bank of Namibia National High School Competition and walk away with massive prizes for you and your school!

All secondary schools registered with the Ministry of Education in Namibia, may participate in the Bank of Namibia National High School Competition 2019.

Schools that are interested in participating in the competition should register online by visiting the Bank of Namibia's website at <u>www.bon.com.na</u> before **15 March 2019**. Alternatively, schools which do not have internet access should contact the regional liaison person at the respective regional education offices.

HOW DO I PREPARE?

The Bank will compile and distribute relevant learning materials focused on the basic principals of economics. The materials consist of relevant chapters from the latest Bank of Namibia Annual Report, extracts from the Bank's 20th Anniversary book, Monetary Policy Framework, Relevant chapters from the prescribed Economic text book and Financial Literacy Initiative materials. The manual will be distributed to the registered schools.

GENERAL COMPETITION INFORMATION:

All secondary schools registered with the Ministry of Education may register to take part in the Bank of Namibia National High School Competition 2019.

All learners from Grades 8 to Grade 12 may participate.

The deadline for intention to participate in the regional competition is 15 March 2019.

The regional competition will take place in May 2019 (exact dates will be communicated in due course).

The national competition will take place in July 2019 (exact dates will be communicated in due course).

Each learner participating in the national competition will receive a prestigious certificate of participation.

COMPETITION FORMAT

REGIONAL COMPETITION:

- Learners will form <u>four-member</u> teams that will gather at the selected venue together with their teacher.
- Teams will wait in a holding area whilst the competition is in progress.
- During the regional phase of the competition, only one team together with their teacher will be allowed to enter the questioning area to appear before judges and they will be required to answer a set of 10 questions orally within 30 seconds per question.
- Learners may work together within their teams to derive at the correct answer, but only one team captain may respond or present the answer to the judges.
- Points will be given for the number of questions answered correctly within the time limits.
- After questioning time, the learners will be kept in a separate holding area where they are not allowed to come into contact with learners that have not been questioned yet.
- The next team will then enter and the same process will be continued.
- Once all the scores have been calculated and verified, in the event that teams end up with equal scores, they will then compete in sudden death. A new set of questions will be used and the team with the highest total score will be declared the winner of the regional competition.

NATIONAL COMPETITION

The thirteen regional winning teams will participate in the semi-final and final competition in Windhoek. The relevant teams will therefore travel to the capital (Windhoek), in order to partake in these events over two days.

Day 1 – Semi-Final:

The semi-final round of the competition will take place in the same format as the Regional Competition format at the Bank of Namibia.

The top four teams will go through to compete in the final round of the Competition the next day.

Day 2 – Finale:

- The Grande Finale will take place during a prestigious evening event and buzzers will be built into this event.
- The top four teams that emerged from the semi-final leg of this competition will compete for the winning position in the final round.
- The competition will commence in the form of a game show with typical quiz questions. Teams will be tested in front of a panel of judges and a live audience.

- During this phase of the competition, two teams will now compete at the same time for the same questions.
- The team that hits the buzzer first gets the question first.
- Other two teams will be in a holding area as the same questions will be posed to them.
- The time allocation to answer questions will be increased to 1 minute.
- Two teams with the same total number of points will have to go into sudden death; the same format will be used for sudden death until the tie is broken.
- Once the judges have calculated the points of each team, the top two teams will be identified and the winners will be announced.

Participation Criteria

Regional:

Schools that are interested in participating in the competition should contact the regional liaison person at the respective regional education offices in writing. Alternatively, they may also visit the Bank of Namibia website at www.bon.com.na and register online on or before 15 March 2019.

The participating school is responsible for its own selection of its top four learners to represent their school in this competition.

Learners from Grades 8 to 12 may participate.

The participating schools will be responsible for their own transport and accommodation fees to the regional competition venue.

National:

- Only the regional winners will form part of the schools representing each region.
- The Bank of Namibia will cover the travel, accommodation and meal expenses of the all regional winners travelling to Windhoek;
- The teams must be accompanied by one teacher per school only;
- Learners are required to wear school uniforms at the semi-final and grand finale competition;
- Each learner participating in the national competition must submit an indemnity form signed by their parents/legal guardians and headmaster(s). The form will be provided by the Bank of Namibia.

General Competition Rules:

- Mobile phones and other electronic devices are not allowed in the hall.
- No learner will be allowed to leave the hall whilst the assessment is in progress.
- Only BoN officials and regional liaison persons will serve as judges.
- The Bank of Namibia may disqualify a team if it breaks any of the rules.
- The judges' decision is final.
- It is an oral competition and all questions and answers will be posed in English.
- The Bank of Namibia reserves the right to adapt the rules and awards at any time.

• Notification of changes will be made in writing to the relevant parties and placed on the Bank of Namibia website, should it be necessary.

WINNING PRIZES!

Regional Competition Winning Prizes!

First prize: N\$1000.00 Waltons Gift Vouchers

Second prize: N\$500.00 Waltons Gift Vouchers

Third prize: N\$250.00 Waltons Gift Vouchers

National Competition Winning Prizes!

The top four schools for this year's Bank of Namibia National High School Competition will be contending for the following lucrative prizes!

First prize - N\$50,000.00

Second prize - N\$30,000

Third prize - N\$10,000

Fourth runner-up - Printer

All information pertaining to the Bank of Namibia National High School Competition 2019 including the resource materials are available on the Bank's website at: <u>www.bon.com.na</u>.

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