

TERMS & CONDITIONS
NGC Nilgiris Quiz Contest (“Contest”)

1. The Contest is organized by Jiostar India Private Limited (“**Organizer**”) and is open to all individual participant (the “**Participant(s)**”) who, as on May 27th, 2026:
 - (i) are above the age of 18 years,
 - (ii) have a valid proof of Indian citizenship,
 - (iii) be permanent residents of India,
 - (iv) Follow the official page/community/handle of NGC India on Instagram <https://www.instagram.com/natgeoindia/> (“**Social Media Page(s)**”);
2. This document is a legal agreement between the Participant and Organizer and shall be considered as an electronic record in terms of Information Technology Act, 2000 and rules there under as applicable and the amended provisions pertaining to electronic records in various statutes as amended by the Information Technology Act, 2000. This electronic record is generated by a computer system and does not require any physical or digital signatures.
3. Participant’s participation in the Contest constitutes an agreement by Participant to follow and be bound by these Terms and Conditions without modification, and all other operating rules, policies and procedures that may be published from time to time by the Company. If a Participant does not agree to these Terms and Conditions, they are advised not to participate in the Contest. Please be advised if a Participant chooses to continue to participate in the Contest, it shall be deemed that they have accepted the Terms and Conditions. The Terms and Conditions are personal to the Participant, and are not assignable, transferable or sub-licensable by the Participant.
4. The Contest shall commence on May 27th, 2026 at 06:00PM IST and shall conclude on June 5th, 2026 at 11:59PM IST, or any other date and time as decided by the Organizer (“**Contest Period**”). The Organizer reserves the right to vary, postpone and/ or re-schedule the date(s) of the Contest or extend the Contest Period at its sole discretion. Contest Entry received after the Contest Period shall not be entertained and shall be considered ineligible for the Contest.
5. **Modes of Participation:** To participate in the Contest, the Participant shall be required to do the following:
 - a) The Contest will be conducted through a quiz-based mechanism on Instagram during the Contest Period. Participants must look out for Nilgiris-related questions posted via a reel or a video carousel on the official Instagram page at the handle: @natgeoindia.
 - b) The Participants must answer the Nilgiris-related questions and submit their answers within the comments section of the Reel/post. (“**Contest Entry**”).
 - c) Only one entry per Participant will be considered valid. In case of multiple entries/comments from the same participant, the first valid entry submitted will be considered. Entries that are incomplete, incorrect, illegible, offensive, spam-based, or submitted after the contest period will be deemed invalid.
6. By participating in the Contest, the Participant agree to be bound by any rules, regulations, guidelines or policies (“**Rules**”) associated with the Contest and agree to be bound by any decisions made by the Organizer, including any interpretations of such Rules by the Organizer.
7. **Specific Representations and Warranties**

Each Participant represents and warrants that:

 - a. his/her participation is voluntary with his/her own free will and consent and is not forced to participate in this Contest;
 - b. all the personal information, detail, statement provided to the Organizer are true, correct, accurate and complete;
 - c. he/she have read and accepted these Terms and Conditions.
 - d. that he/she will comply with all the Rules associated with the Contest including but not limited to the Terms & Conditions mentioned herein and such other rules and regulations set out therein which the Participant by virtue of participation in this Contest is bound by and agree to be bound by any decisions made by the Organizer, including any interpretations of such Rules by the Organizer and associated with the Prize (if applicable), and the Participant shall be liable for any breaches/violation/non-compliance.
 - e. any decisions made by the Organizer, including any interpretations of such Rules by the Organizer and associated with the Gratification (if applicable), and the Participant shall be liable for any breaches/violation/non-compliance.
 - f. the Contest Entry is and will be in adherence and compliance to all the, rules, terms, policy that have been published by Organizer along with any additions, modifications, renewals, revisions to such terms that may come into existence in the future.

- g. the Contest Entry provided by the Participant shall not defame/offend any person, sect, caste, etc. and it shall not be obscene, vulgar, indecent, defaming, denigrating women, offensive/insensitive to animals, pets and/or to any person/human (whether living or dead), artist, celebrity or children, hurting religious/moral/social/political sentiments, depicting violence, or against the morality/public policy of India or/and the internal policies of the Organizer.
 - h. the Contest Entry shall be original and shall not be in breach of any third-party rights including but not limited to any rights in any copyrighted works and underlying works, that it shall in no manner infringe any rights including but not limited to the copyright trademark, privacy, publicity or other personal or proprietary rights of the Organizer and/or any third person/party.
 - i. the participant is the authorized holder of the social media account used to participate in the Contest.
 - j. the participant acknowledges and agrees that the Organizer reserves the right to disqualify any participant suspected of cheating, manipulation, use of bots/fake accounts, comment spamming, or any conduct deemed contrary to the spirit of the Contest.
 - k. the participant agrees to cooperate with the Organizer for verification purposes, including providing reasonable proof of identity, eligibility, or ownership of the participating social media account, if requested.
 - l. the Participant will be solely responsible and liable to ensure that any and all comments, replies, reposts, made to their respective Contest Entry by any third Party (except the Organizer), is in compliance and adherence with these Terms and Conditions applicable on the Contest Entry.
8. In the event of any violation/breach to any of the aforementioned representations and warranties and any other term or condition, the Participant(s) shall at the discretion of the Organizer be disqualified from the Contest with immediate effect. The Organizer reserves the right to delete/remove any Contest Entry that violates these Terms and Conditions. By participating in the Contest, the Participant also agrees that they shall solely be liable for any and all actions (criminal/civil), claims arising therefrom and shall also be liable to indemnify the Organizer, its affiliate and group companies and their respective officers directors, employees, partners of the Organizer for any loss, expense, liability, claim, dispute, disrepute, disruption caused to any of them, including attorney fees.
9. The Terms and Conditions of and in relation to this Contest as stated herein, is an electronic record in terms of Information Technology Act, 2000 ("Act") and rules thereunder as applicable and the amended provisions pertaining to electronic records in various statutes as amended by the Information Technology (Amendment) Act, 2008 and Digital Personal Data Protection Act 2023. This is a legal and binding agreement between the Participant and Organizer, that states the terms that govern the Participant's participation in the Contest. By making the Contest Entry, the Participant agrees to have read and understood the terms and conditions and hereby unconditionally consents, agrees and undertakes to abide, be bound by and adhere to the terms and conditions stated herein.
10. The Organizer reserves the right to disqualify the Participants immediately from the Contest if the Organizer is of the view that Participants have supplied untruthful, inaccurate, incorrect or misleading details and/or information, of any nature and/or have failed to abide by the Rules and/or are in breach of the terms hereof.
11. **Selection of a Winner:** At the end of the Contest Period, the Organizer shall review all eligible entries submitted in the comments section of the Contest post. Participants must correctly answer all **three (3) questions** featured in the contest post to qualify for winner selection **Three (3) eligible participants** who correctly answer all three questions in the comments section will be declared winners ("Winners"), subject to verification by the Organizer. Subject to the terms and conditions mentioned herein, the number of Winners shall be determined by Organizer at its sole discretion based on the promptness of the participation/Contest Entry received for the Contest subject to final verification. Only entries submitted in accordance with these Terms and Conditions shall be considered valid. In the event of a tie, technical discrepancy, inability to verify a participant, or any dispute relating to the timing or validity of entries, the Organizer's decision shall be final and binding.
12. Winners may be required to share valid identification, contact details, or any other information reasonably requested by the Organizer for verification and prize fulfilment purposes. If a selected Winner: (a) is found to be ineligible; (b) fails to respond within the timeline communicated by the Organizer; (c) fails to provide the required information or documentation; or (d) breaches these Terms and Conditions, the Organizer reserves the right to disqualify such Participant and select the next eligible Participant with the next earliest valid entry.
13. The Organizer reserves the right to withhold, cancel, or reclaim any prize awarded in the event of fraud, misrepresentation, or breach of these Terms and Conditions. The Organizer's determination of winners and all decisions relating to the Contest shall be final, conclusive, and binding on all participants. It is hereby clarified that in the event the Organizer is of the opinion that none of the Contest Entry is eligible to be selected, then the Organizer may exercise its discretion not select any Participant as a Shortlisted Participant. The decision of the Organizer shall be final on this regard and no questions or communications shall be entertained in this regard

14. The Winners shall be communicated via Instagram direct message (DM) by the Organizer and the Winners may be required to send an email to the Organizer ngtindia.social@jiostar.com during the verification process. In order to be eligible for being selected as a Winner, the Winner shall be mandatorily required to agree to these Terms and Conditions along with other consent requirements of the Organizer.
15. Organizer reserves the right to disqualify a Participant /Shortlisted Participant/Winner at any time, if Organizer is of the opinion that the details and/or documents provided by the Shortlisted Participant/ Winner is not to the Organizer's satisfaction.
16. The Personal Information of the Participant/Winner shall be provided by the Organizer to the extent allowed by law, to others assisting the Organizer in this regard, including its affiliates, associates, authorities, agents, sponsors, employees, prize suppliers, distributors, deliverers and service providers (as applicable).
17. **Gratification:** As gratification for this Contest, each Winner shall receive a hamper containing National Geographic merchandise, including but not limited to diaries/bags/sippers/caps etc., worth approximately INR 5,000/- (Indian Rupees Five Thousand only) per hamper, hence the total value for the 3 (three) Winners will be INR 15,000/- (Indian Rupees Fifteen Thousand only) ("Gratification"), on such timelines as determined by Organizer at its sole discretion. Income tax or any other statutory taxes, duties or levies as may be applicable from time-to-time, shall be payable by the Participant. In case the Participant fails to comply with the applicable laws or pay the requisite taxes, costs, levies, charges, expenses, etc., if any, the Participant shall indemnify the Organizer of any losses, expenses, costs, actions, claims, etc. for the same
18. Participants hereby acknowledge and agree that the decision of the Organizer in this regard particularly with respect to timelines for selecting and declaring the Winners and the manner of announcing the Winners shall be final and binding and no questions shall be raised in this regard.
19. Any statutory taxes, duties or levies as may be applicable from time-to-time, arising out of the Gratification, shall be borne and paid by the Organizer. In case the Winner fails to comply with the applicable laws or pay the requisite taxes, duties or levies, if any, the Winner shall indemnify the Organizer of any losses, claims, expenses, costs and actions for the same.
20. The Gratification shall not be negotiable and/or redeemable for cash. No request shall be entertained by the Organizer in this behalf.
21. All costs and expenses shall be solely borne by the Winner and no monies will be reimbursed by the Organizer. Organizer takes no responsibility, liability to reimburse or compensate in any manner, towards the Winner's expenses including without limitation any expenses incurred towards travel, lodging, boarding, food, beverages and/or any other cost that may be incurred by the Winner to avail the Gratification, in any, or to utilize the Gratification. The Organizer shall not be responsible or liable in any manner whatsoever for any incident, accident that may occur during the course of the Winner's participation and/or otherwise in relation to the Contest or during the collection of the Gratification.
22. Mere participation in the Contest and making the Contest Entry does not entitle the Participants to win the Contest or the Gratification. The selection process may vary and shall be as per the Organizer's sole discretion. The Participants/ Winner and/or any third party shall have no right to question the process of selection.
23. It is hereby clarified that the Organizer shall have the right, at its sole discretion, to change/modify/replace or omit the Gratification and the Winner shall not have the right to claim any damages or monies from the Organizer.
24. The Winner hereby represents and warrant that they will comply with all the Rules associated with the Contest including but not limited to the Terms & Conditions mentioned herein and associated with the Gratification, and that the Winner shall personally be liable for any breach thereto. Selection of a Participant as a Winner shall not relieve them of the Terms and Conditions applicable on Participants. For avoidance of doubt the Terms and Conditions shall be applicable on the Winner irrespective of the change in their status from a Participant. In addition to the aforementioned, the Winner acknowledges and agrees that the availability of the Gratification and redemption thereof may be subject to the discretion and the associated rules/terms of the third-party providers (as applicable). The Winners agree that the Organizer shall not be, in any manner, responsible for the availability, redemption, cancellation or modification made by a third-party provider of such Gratification and the Winner shall be solely responsible for adherence to any additional terms and conditions attached to the Gratification.
25. The Organizer, or any of its respective parent companies, subsidiaries, affiliates, directors, officers, professional advisors, employees and agencies shall not be responsible for any loss of entries for any reason, whatsoever

including, due to any problems caused by telephone lines, service providers, network breakdowns, computer service delays, interruptions, network failures or overloads, or for lost, misdirected or misplaced entries, or for entries received after the Contest Period or for any reasons beyond the control of the Organizer. Any dispute in connection to the same shall be settled between the Participant and the service provider without involving Organizer. The internet charges etc that may arise from participating in the Contest will be borne by the Participant. All incidental costs, if any, that may arise from participating in the Contest will be borne by the Participant solely. The Organizer reserves the right to remove any post or other material from the Social Media Page(s) that the Organizer considers, in its sole discretion, to be off-topic, inappropriate or objectionable.

26. In addition to the above, the Participants agree that Meta Platforms Inc., Alphabet Inc. or any of its respective parent companies, subsidiaries, affiliates, directors, officers, professional advisors, employees and agencies shall not be responsible for any loss, damages, claims or liabilities resulting from the Participants' participation in the Contest.
27. In the event of unforeseen circumstances beyond the control of the Organizer, and the Gratification not being made available to the Winner or the said Contest/ Gratification being cancelled, the Winner shall not have the right to claim any damages or monies from the Organizer and by participating in this Contest, the Winner waive their right to make any such claims against the Organizer.
28. The Participants/Winner acknowledge that they do not have any medical, physical and/or emotional condition which can jeopardize their eligibility for participation in the Contest.
29. The Winner acknowledges that the Organizer shall not be liable for any mishap, injury, accident, untoward incident, physical harm of any nature, death, loss of life or limb, etc., caused to them including, either before, during or after availing the Gratification; or before, during or after the Contest and no such accident (etc.) will be attributed to the Organizer and the Organizer shall not be held responsible for the same nor shall the Organizer be liable to indemnify or make good any claim being raised against it, for whatsoever nature.
30. Employees (including their immediate family) of the Organizer, its affiliates and associates and sponsors (if any), are not permitted to participate in the Contest.
31. The Participants hereby agree and undertake that mere announcement/declaration of being announced as a Winner shall not entitle him/her to the Gratification. Only upon fulfilling all Rules mentioned herein, to the satisfaction of the Organizer, including compliance with all precautionary measures and agreeing to the terms of the release letter, or such other document, shall the winning be validated. It is the Participants'/ Winners' responsibility to ensure that their Personal Information is always updated and accurate in order to be able to receive the Gratification/ notification in time.
32. The Participants hereby agree and undertake that they shall not accept or undertake to accept/give or undertake to give, either directly or indirectly, any gifts, commission or other favor, of any kind whatsoever, to facilitate their winning the Contest. Any knowledge of such an act shall lead to immediate disqualification of such Participants and the Organizer shall be entitled to take any/all actions against such Participants, as deemed fit by it.
33. The Organizer shall not be responsible for the quality or deficiency of the Gratification and no claim or request, whatsoever, in this respect shall be entertained by the Organizer.
34. It is clarified that the Winner/Participant shall, in no circumstance, have any rights or claims against the Organizer.
35. The Organizer is not responsible for any errors or omissions in the Terms & Conditions contained herein. All information provided in the Contest is provided "as is" without warranty of any kind. The Organizer makes no representations and disclaims all express, implied and statutory warranties of any kind to the Participants and/or the Winner and/or any third party including, without limitation, warranties as to accuracy, timeliness, completeness, merchantability, or fitness for any particular purpose.
36. Under no circumstance, shall the Organizer and/or its parent, subsidiaries, associates, affiliates and group entities, and their respective directors, employees, officers, agents or representatives be liable to the Participants and/or the Winner or any third party for any lost profits or lost opportunities, indirect, special, consequential, incidental, or punitive damages whatsoever, even if the Organizer has been advised of the possibility of such damages. The Participants and the Winner specifically agree not to file in person/through any family member and/or any third party, any applications, criminal and/or civil proceedings in any courts or forum in India against the Organizer, its parents, subsidiaries, associates, affiliates and group entities, and their respective directors, employees, officers, agents or representatives to claim any damages or relief in connection with the Contest.

37. The Organizer may, at any time, at its discretion, cancel/extend/suspend the Contest, change these Terms & Conditions, the Rules mentioned herein, and/or alter/change/modify the mechanism of the Contest and/or selection process and/or the Gratification and/or the number of Winner(s) for the Contest, at any time, without prior notice, and the Participants/Winner acknowledge that such change shall be final, binding and irrevocable upon them.
38. The Participants/ Winner acknowledge that they will not hold the Organizer and/or any of its affiliates or agencies engaged by it with regard to this Contest liable for any loss of opportunity and/or monetary loss due to their participation in the Contest.
39. By participating in the Contest and accepting the Gratification, the Participants and/or Winner waive all copyrights and any related rights. The Participant consents to the Organizer's right to click photographs, take pictures, shoot audio-visuals, tape, record, exhibit or portray them as the Winner/Participant and/or publish any Contest Entry content submitted by them, feature them in video shoot/recording if any. The Participants and/or the Winner further grant irrevocable consent to the Organizer in perpetuity to use, edit, exhibit, publish and/or exploit the aforementioned including the Contest Entry submitted by Participant in any and all applications including advertising, commercials, promotion, stories, text, illustrations, articles and commercial exploitation, throughout the world, in any and all media, mode or format whether now existing or hereinafter developed, including but not limited to radio, broadcast and television, newspapers, magazines, and electronic media, at any time without the Participants' and/or Winners' further knowledge or consent and without any compensation whatsoever.
40. The invalidity or unenforceability for any reason of any part of these Terms & Conditions shall not prejudice or affect the validity or enforceability of the remaining parts and each part of these Terms & Conditions is distinct and at all times severable from the rest of the Terms & Conditions.
41. No waiver of any rights by the Organizer will be taken as a waiver of any other rights it may have. For instance, if the Organizer waives its right to object to a particular breach of these terms and conditions by a Participant/Winner, it does not prevent the Organizer from objecting to any other breaches by that Participant/Winner and/or any other /Participant/Winner.
42. The Contest shall be subject to the exclusive jurisdiction of competent Courts at Mumbai and the law applicable shall be Indian Law. In the event any individual belongs to any state which specifically prohibits him/her from participating in such contests, such individual shall not be deemed a valid Participant and be ineligible to be selected as the Winner for the Contest.

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