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To

The Director General & Inspector General of Police of all States/ UTs
The Heads of CPOs/ CAPFs

**Sub: Prime Minister's Silver Cup Case Study Competition–(PMSCCS-2026)-
Invitation of entries for the year 2026 - Regarding.**

Sir/Madam,

The Prime Minister's Silver Cup Competition is conducted every year by the Academy. The submissions have to be given in the Case Study Format. The competition is open to all the serving police personnel of all ranks in the country. A copy of the rules is enclosed herewith for favour of information.

2. The subject selected for the competition for this year is "Use of AI/ML in Policing – Challenges and Way Forward"

3. The last date for submission of entries is 30th April, 2026.

4. We shall be grateful if the rules and prescribed format of the competition and the subject selected for the year 2026 are circulated amongst all the serving police personnel of all ranks under your control.

5. It may please be ensured that both the soft copy and hard copy of the entries received at your end may kindly be sent to the Academy through e-mail to pmssc@svpnpa.gov.in and by post respectively in accordance with the prescribed rules, latest by 30th April, 2026. All entries must be routed through Head of the State Police/ UT / CPO / CAPF.

It is requested to consider the matter on priority, keeping the significance of the Competition in mind.

Encl: As Above

Yours faithfully,



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Assistant Director &
Conducting Officer, PMSC-2026

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PRIME MINISTER'S SILVER CUP CASE STUDY
COMPETITION RULES

1. The Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel National Police Academy will hold an all India Annual Competition for the award of the Prime Minister's Silver Cup in Case Study Format.
2. The Prime Minister's Silver Cup shall be awarded for the best Case Study. The topic for the Competition for the year 2026 shall be:

"Use of AI/ML in Policing - Challenges and Way Forward"

3. The competition is held annually and shall be open to all serving police officers / personnel of India including those serving in Central Police Organizations in India and abroad provided that an officer who has won the first prize for two successive years shall be debarred from taking part in the Competition for a period of three years at a stretch following the year in which the first prize was won by him for the second time.
4. The Committee of the Competition shall consist of the following members to be invited by the Director of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel National Police Academy:-
 - (i) An eminent jurist.
 - (ii) An eminent educationist.
 - (iii) An eminent journalist / public man.
 - (iv) One serving Inspector General of Police.
 - (vi) A nominee of the Prime Minister's Office.
5. Any question as to the eligibility of any Competitor shall be determined by the Committee of the Competition.
6. The document must be submitted in the **Case Study Format (Attached as Annexure - A)**. Assessment Criteria for Case Study Submission (Only indicative, not comprehensive)

The assessment of the submitted Case Study by the assessment committee will be based on the comprehensive coverage of the five fundamental "Ws"—Who, What, When, Where, and Why. As this is a descriptive case study, it is essential that the overall context and the broader perspective of the issue are clearly presented in the opening section, either as the Case Description or within the Background Information. The participant's ability to articulate the facts and drive the narrative towards the central point of discussion will be critically evaluated. Clear, logical progression of ideas and effective communication skills will be considered while assessing the quality of the submission.

The Case Study must include a thorough 360-degree impact analysis, detailing the effects of the actions or interventions described. The inclusion of innovative approaches or best practices adopted in managing the issue, along with a discussion on the potential for their scalability across the State or the entire country will be assessed. The assessment committee will also consider how effectively the participant anticipates and interprets the challenges and limitations inherent in the system or solutions employed. The ability to reflect critically on these anticipated drawbacks and address them within the Case Study will contribute significantly to the overall evaluation.

Case Study must be submitted in **ENGLISH**.

7. **The document must be submitted by registered post / courier and email.** A letter containing details about the competitor's name, rank and the official address should also be submitted along with the essay.
8. The Committee reserves the rights to disqualify any entry, which fails to conform to these rules. If any default comes to the notice of the committee after a prize has been awarded, the committee also reserves the right to take such action against the defaulter as may deem fit.
9. The Case Study may be submitted by the leader or any member of the team in case study format who has tackled the issue, to the Director General of Police / Head of Central Police Organization concerned. After due screening at the State / Central Police Organization level, the Director General of Police / Head of the Central Police Organization will forward **the Case Studies** to the Convener of the Committee of the Competition for final selection of the best Case Study.
10. The decision of the Committee shall be final. The Case Study submitted for the competition and adjudged as the prize-winning entry may be published by the Director of the Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel National Police Academy and the copy right for such published Case Study shall vested with the Director. The Case Studies that have not been accepted will not be returned to the competitors.
11. The Silver Cup is a running trophy & will be returned to the Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel National Police Academy, the Officer adjudged to have submitted the best-Case Study will be given a prize money of Rs.10,000/- and a replica of the Silver Cup. The Case Study considered next in order of merit will be awarded Rs.6,000/- and Rs.4,000/- respectively, along with medals and certificates of distinction. The Cup and the First Prize will be awarded on the occasion of the **Annual Passing Out Parade** at the Academy. Winner may be asked to briefly present best practices as part of the DGP conference.
12. The Case Studies shall be addressed by the Director General of Police / Head of Central Police Organization to the Director, Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel National Police Academy, Hyderabad.

CASE STUDY FORMAT

- (a) Title
- (b) Domain / Sub domain
- (c) Background / Case description / Problem Statement
- (d) Interventions include innovation or best practices part, if any.
- (e) Results / Outcomes
- (f) Impact Analysis /Implications
- (g) Discussions / Conclusion
- (h) Exhibits – Start on new page, ideally only one exhibit per page.

Exhibit 1 – Text / Data / Visuals / Table

- (i) References
 - *Source of the information about the experience / Best Practices in alphabetical Order
- (j) Designation & full address

FORMATTING FOR CASE STUDY

1. The maximum length of the submission is 20 pages (including title page and all figures, graphs, tables, appendices, and references).
2. Write in third person and past tense and avoid speculative or interpretative words.
3. 12 Point with font Time New Roman with the following
 - (a) Double spacing (b) Margin with 2.5 CM all around
 - (c) Page setting “5 X 11” (d) References may be single spaced
4. The entire paper submission (title page in Title Case, Abstract, main text, figures, graphs, tables, references etc.) must be in ONE document using one of the following formats.
 - (a) Portable document Format (.PDF) (b) Microsoft word (.doc, .docx)
5. Number the pages of the documents
6. Make sure that the file or documents uploaded is virus -free before submitting.