

## Photography Contest Rules

1. This contest is open to photographers of all ages.
2. Photographs of nesting birds or baby birds in the nests will be disqualified.
3. NO photograph of domesticated or caged birds will be allowed.
4. All photographs should be taken in Nandur Madhameshwar Wildlife Sanctuary during first two days of festival i.e on 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> January, 2018.
5. The photographs must be a single work of original material taken by the Contest entrant.
6. Each participant may submit a maximum of 3 entries and must be captioned.
7. EXIF information for the image must be intact to prove the date taken.
8. Images must be submitted with no borders and no watermarks. All submitted images must be with 300 dpi to maintain width of 36" on the long side.
9. The images must be submitted at photography contest counter located in conference hall of Nature Interpretation Centre, Khangaon Thadi by 20<sup>th</sup> Jan, 2018 personally.
10. The file name has to be in the following format e.g. Bharat Shinde\_Marsh Harrier
11. The photos must be high resolution and can be printable on 24" × 36" print.
12. The details of the photographer (Name, contact No. & email id), location, date, time and caption should be given at registration form available at contest counter.
13. All entries must be original (must show original RAW or JPG image file). Optimization of images or color correction, color contrast, brightness is acceptable, as is cropping. Digital manipulation that distorts the reality of the images will not be allowed.
14. The entries are non-returnable. Participants retain the copyright of the photographs submitted. However, the entries may be used or reproduced by the organizers for promotional and educational purposes and Photo credits will be acknowledged.
15. The organizers will not be held responsible for any loss or damage to an entry.
16. The photos will be judged by panel of Wildlife Photographers and Bird experts based on the following Judging Criteria:(1) Interesting Behavior (2)Photographic quality (Sharpness, colors, exposure, etc).Decisions of the Judges are final and binding. Winners will be notified at the prize giving ceremony.
17. The panel of judges reserves the right to call for original JPEG or RAW files for the purpose of authentication. An image maybe disregarded if the original files cannot be provided.

### PRIZES:

1st : Rs. 10,000/-

2nd : Rs. 7, 000/-

3rd : Rs. 5,000/-