Global Commerce Quiz- 2025 Governor's Challenge Trophy



Invitation to compete for the most prestigious & coveted mind sports trophy in Sri Lanka

Registration will be on a first come, first served basis

The Quiz: Governor's Challenge Trophy for global commerce excellence

Wednesday 11th June 2025 from 1.30 pm onwards at the Galadari Hotel

Shippers' Academy Colombo (SAC) together with the Central Bank of Sri Lanka will organise the 6th Governor's Challenge Trophy quiz for global commerce excellence. This event is conducted as one of the most prestigious quiz programmes in the country covering all aspects of global commerce. The quiz will be conducted by International Quizzing Association (IQA) Sri Lanka branch under the leadership of Ruwan Senanayake-Country Representative of IQA.

The Purpose

By conducting the Global Commerce Quiz, the organizers aim to expand the knowledge and interest of the participants in the vast area of global commerce. The Quiz is also aimed at popularizing quizzing as a mind sport that is in par with other mind sports such as chess and bridge. During the quiz, contestants will be tested on the basis as to "how much they know "as well as how fast they can recall "what they know". Being a team contest, it will also promote teamwork and camaraderie amongst the participants.

The Format of the quiz

The Quiz will be conducted by the International Quizzing Association Sri Lanka branch as a Table Quiz in 5 rounds, each with 10 questions, covering mainly the following:

World Affairs (what has been in the news in the recent past)

History and Development of Global Commerce

International Trade regulations and procedures

Prominent personalities in global commerce

Leading global business firms and Institutions

Global transportation & logistics

General Knowledge (interesting trivia not related directly to global commerce)

Some questions will be based on visuals as well.

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Team Composition

A team should be comprised of a maximum of 5 members. The names of all team members must be declared prior to the commencement of the Quiz. No substitution shall be allowed after the commencement of the Quiz. The guestions shall be answered by the team members collectively.

The quiz will be open to teams from the following sectors:

- 1. Freight Forwarding & Logistics Service Providers
- 2. Banks & Financial institutions
- 3. Public Sector Institutions
- 4. Commodity Exports Sector
- 5. Apparel Sector
- 6. Higher Educational Institutions
- 7. Other Mercantile Establishments

The organizers reserve the right to classify a team under any of the above categories and will also reserve the right to delete any category if sufficient number of entries is not received under that category.

Answering

The quiz will be conducted in English and all answers should be written on the answer scripts provided by the organizers. Teams will be allowed 30 seconds to discuss and write down the answer after each question is read out by the Quiz Master twice over. At the end of each round an additional one minute will be given to review the answer.

All answer scripts should carry the team's name, the round number, the table number and should be signed by the team leader and handed over to the quiz officials immediately after the end of each round.

Scoring

Each correct answer shall earn the team one (1) mark. There will not be any partial marks awarded. No marks will be deducted for incorrect answers. The team that scores the highest marks at the end of all five rounds shall be declared the winner of the Governor's Challenge Trophy.

Breaking the ties

In the event of a tie there will be an additional round of three questions per round. Only the teams that are tied will be eligible to take part in the tie breaker round. Marks obtained at the tie breaker round will solely be used for breaking the tie and will not be added on to the team scores. If the tie is not resolved in the first tie breaker round there will be another two tie breaker rounds. If the tie is still not resolved, the prizes will be shared amongst the tied teams.

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Disqualification

If any contestant is found referring a book, smart phones or any other material while the quiz is in progress, the entire team will be disqualified. Use of mobile phones will not be allowed while the quiz is in progress. Contestants will not be allowed to leave their seats during the competition, without permission from the organizers.

Quiz Master and the Panel of Judges

In the event of any unprecedented occurrence or unforeseen circumstances arising during the course of the Quiz, the Quiz Master may give a ruling on the matter and his decision shall be final. The quiz will be conducted in front of an independent panel of judges.

The winners

The winner will walk away with the prestigious Governors' Challenge Trophy with an attractive cash price and other prices & rewards.

In addition to the first and second runners up, 8 other teams will be awarded sector category awards and certificates.

All participating teams will receive a certificate of participation.

Registration & fee

Registration fee is Rs 60,000/= per team
The teams will be selected on a first come first served basis
Please fill the registration form through the below link or the QR code and submit

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