

Embassy of India  
Thimphu

Press Release: **Prize Distribution ceremony of the essay writing competition held to celebrate International Women's Day 2022**

In collaboration with the Royal Thimphu College, the Embassy of India had launched an essay writing/video recording competition to celebrate International Women's Day 2022, as part of the ongoing #AmritMahotsav celebrations in Bhutan. Young Bhutanese women belonging to the age 16-25 years were invited to record videos and write essays on the theme "Women then and women now in India and Bhutan." Almost a hundred essay and video entries were received in response to the announcement of the IWD 2022 competition.

2. The prize distribution ceremony for the International Women's Day 2022 competition was held at the Embassy of India on 18 May 2022. DashoTshewangTandin, President, Royal Thimphu College was the Chief Guest at this function.

3. Along with DashoTshewangTandin, Ambassador Ruchira Kamboj gave away the following prizes and merit certificates to the winners of the International Women's Day competition: -

1st prize	-	Prasansa Sharma	-	Nu 30,000
2 <sup>nd</sup> prize	-	SangayChoezom	-	Nu 25,000
3 <sup>rd</sup> prize	-	YesheyPelden	-	Nu 20,000
Consolation prize	-	Lekzin P Lhamo	-	Nu 15,000

4. Speaking at the function, Ambassador RuchiraKamboj said that "The essay writing competition held to celebrate International Women's Day was one of a multitude of initiatives in which the Embassy had collaborated with the Royal Thimphu College over the last few years. The enthusiasm and the volume of responses that we received from young Bhutanese women in this competition

reflects the youth connect and strong people-to-people ties between our two countries.”

Here are the winners of the International Women’s Day essay writing competition:



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