

Information Brochure of 35th JNNSEC-2008

35TH Jawahar Lal Nehru National Science Exhibition for Children-2008 is being organised in Thodo Ground, Solan, Himachal Pradesh from 25th to 30th November 2008. Participants from all the States and Union Territories will take part.

About Solan:

Solan town is situated at a height of 1350 meters above sea level and it is well connected by railway as well as by road. A narrow gauge railway running between Kalka and Shimla passes through the city.

It takes about 3 hours from Kalka to reach Solan by train and about 2.30 hours from Shimla. Through road it takes about 1.30 hours each from Kalka as well as from Shimla . The nearest air linkages to the city are either Shimla (about 75 Kms) or Chandigarh (about 85 Kms).

The city has been named after Goddess Shoolini Devi and had been capital of the erstwhile state of Bhagal for many years. It is a picturesque town and is fast becoming educational hub of the state, as many educational as well as vocational institutions are running in and around the city. Being near to Chandigarh and Shimla it occupies an important place in the state.

The temperatures during the end of November is between 7-8* C during night to 15-18* C during the daytime. So it is comparatively cold during this period.

The place of exhibition for JNNSEC-2008, is Thodo ground, which is about 1 kilometre from Solan Railway Station and also from District Collectorate. It is about 3 Kilometres from Solan Bus Stand.

Nearby places worth visiting-

Jatoli temple (3 Kms), UHF, Nauni (15 Kms.), Karol Tibba (6-7 Kms) from Chambaghat to the top of Karol where a temple of local diety is located. There is also a Pandava Gufa 3 kms down to Karol. Famous Dolanji Tibetan monestry also known as Yungdrung Bon Monestry situated about 18 kms. from the city. The famous Cantonment Areas of Subathu which saw the first mutiny against the Britishers in Himachal Pradesh during the freedom struggle of 1857 is about 20 kms. from Solan. Another cantonment area as well as tourist place Kasauli is about 26 kms from Solan. Despite these Chail, Dagshai, Barog, are other places of visit in and around Solan.

Brief Information of the Exhibition: -

Venue of exhibition- Thodo Ground Solan

Period of Exhibition- **Six days from 25th to 30th November 2008**

Date of inauguration- **25th November, 2008 at 11 AM.by H.E. Governor of Himachal Pradesh Smt.. Prabha Rau**

Date of Closing- **30th November, 2008 at 2 PM (Prizes will be honoured by Hon'ble Chief Minister Himachal Pradesh Prof. Prem Kumar Dhumal)**

Venues for Stay Arrangement: –

1. **SCERT Solan at Rabon** : It is about 2kms from Railway station and Bus stand. It has its own hostel having staying capacity of about 80 persons.

How to reach?- A bus has been earmarked which will leave SCERT at 7.45 am and leave Thodo Ground at 9.30 pm

2. **UHF Nauni** - University of Horticulture and Forestry (UHF) is situated at Nauni about 15 kms from Solan towards Rajgarh.

a) Faculty Guest House- total capacity of 30 persons.

b) Kisan Bhawan- total capacity of 96 persons.

How to reach? – Three buses of UHF Nauni has been earmarked at Nauni These will leave Kishan Bhawan at 7 AM and leave Thodo ground at 9 AM.

3.Girls Hostel, Govt College Solan and DIET, Solan:

Both venues are located side by side.

Total stay arrangement at –

Girls Hostel- 80 persons

DIET, Solan-50 persons.

How to reach?- As both these venues are situated nearby from the main venue(about 1 km.) and is at walkable distance, therefore persons staying in these places have to walk on foot to reach Thodo ground.

4. **N R C M- (National Research Centre for Mushroom)**: Situated at Chambaghat about 3 kms from Thodo Ground .It has staying capacity of 45 persons.

How to reach?- A bus of B L Central Public School has been earmarked at Chambaghat. It will start from Chambaghat at 7.45 AM and will leave Thodo Ground at 9.30 PM every day on the days of exhibition.

5. Market committee Hall- About 3 kms on Bye Pass Road and has total capacity of about

- c) Dormitories- 21
 - d) VIP rooms-4
 - e) Other rooms - $6 \times 2 = 12$
- Total= 36

How to reach?- A bus from Geeta Adarsh Vidyalaya will start from Thodo Ground at 7.30 am and leave Thodo ground at ((9.30 PM)

Stay arrangement for NCERT Officers and other officials:

- 1) PWD Circuit House Solan
- 2) PWD Rest House Solan
- 3) UHF Nauni Guest House
- 4) SCERT HOSTEL

State Guests

Director NCERT
DY. Director NCERT
Prominent Scientists

Cotact nos. for Emergency:

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