

Vidya Setu – 2026 Urban School Manual & SOP

Date: 31 October 2026

Venue: Indian Museum, Kolkata – Central Courtyard

Occasion: Rashtriya Ekta Diwas

Hosted by: Indian Museum, Kolkata

Conducted by: Pathanam & The Education Trust

CORE PHILOSOPHY

This is not Urban India helping Rural India.
This is India Learning from India.

1. WHO CAN PARTICIPATE FROM YOUR SCHOOL

Students

- Classes 8 to 12
- 5 students per exhibition desk

Teachers

- 2 teachers per exhibition desk
- One teacher should be appointed as the School Coordinator for communication with the organisers.

Student Mentors

- Student Mentors with Each To Teach experience are preferred.
- Student Media & Journalism Team.
- Participation is optional but encouraged.

Parents

- Parents may visit the Vidya Setu, 2026 event as visitors.



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2. STEP-BY-STEP INSTRUCTIONS FOR URBAN SCHOOLS

STEP 1: REGISTER YOUR SCHOOL

Register your school through:

"VIDYA SETU 2026 Registration Form" (<https://reference-url-citation.invalid/0>)

Registration is compulsory.

After registration, your school will receive:

- Assigned Exhibition Topic

STEP 2: FORM YOUR SCHOOL TEAM

For each Exhibition Desk:

5 Students + 2 Teachers

Schools should also:

- Appoint one Teacher Coordinator for communication with Pathanam / The Education Trust.
- Identify Student Mentors, preferably with Each To Teach experience.
- Nominate a Student Media & Journalism Team, if applicable.

STEP 3: RECEIVE YOUR ASSIGNED TOPIC

Your school will be allotted one of the Urban Exhibition Desks.

The specific Exhibition Topic will be shared with your school after registration.

STEP 4: DEVELOP THE EXHIBITION PROJECT

Your exhibition project should be based on:

- Interactive Learning
- Demonstration-Based Learning
- Experiential Learning
- Art-Integrated Learning (AIL)

Remember:

Do not simply display — Demonstrate.

Do not only explain — Involve.

Do not only inform — Create an Experience.



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Schools are requested to share their project concept with Pathanam / The Education Trust for review and approval before final preparation.

STEP 5: PREPARE YOUR MATERIALS

Schools should bring all materials and resources required for their exhibition desk, including, where applicable:

- Models
- Working models and demonstration materials
- Charts and displays
- Digital content
- School banner / standee
- Desk labels
- Other required resources

Schools may bring a laptop for their presentation or demonstration.

3. DAY OF THE EVENT

All participating schools are requested to:

1. Report at the assigned reporting time.
2. Complete the exhibition desk setup before the programme begins.
3. Keep the exhibition desk attended at all times.
4. Ensure that students actively demonstrate, interact and explain their project.
5. Follow all Indian Museum rules and guidelines.
6. Students must carry their school ID Cards.
7. Students must attend the event strictly in their school uniform.
8. Please note that outside food is not permitted inside the Indian Museum.

4. IMPORTANT RULES

Food & Refreshments

- No outside food, food packets or tiffin are allowed inside the Indian Museum.
- Refreshments will be provided by the organisers for registered participants.

Photography & Media

- All photographs and media content intended for public use must be submitted to Pathanam for verification before publication or public use.



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5. AWARDS & RECOGNITION

Participation Certificates

Participation Certificates will be provided to:

- All registered students
- Participating teachers
- Student mentors

Best Urban Exhibition Recognition

🏆 Top 10 Urban Exhibition Desks will receive the:

“Best Vidya Setu Urban Exhibition Award”

6. A WALK ACROSS VIDYA SETU

We warmly invite your school to walk across the Vidya Setu - 2026 with us on 31st of October 2026.

Let Knowledge Meet Knowledge.
Let Urban Connect with Rural.
Let India Learn from India.

We look forward to your confirmation and active participation in VIDYA SETU, 2026.

DISCLAIMER

Schools are requested to inform the organiser in advance of any additional requirements for their exhibition table.

Warm regards,
Team Pathanam
The Education Trust

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