Video Competition

« When disaster strikes… What Should You Do? »

FAQ

1. **Who can participate?**

Young people aged 18 to 26 (at the time of submitting their video) residing in the Comoros, Madagascar, Mauritius, Réunion, or Seychelles.

2. **What should the video be about?**

Your video should focus on the most appropriate actions to take when faced with natural disasters in your region (cyclones, floods, etc.). The theme is: "When disaster strikes… What Should You Do?"

Your video must offer useful tips on how to respond before, during, or after a natural disaster, with messages adapted to your local context.

3. **Does it have to be about a cyclone?**

No. You may focus on any natural hazard relevant to your area—flooding, landslides, etc...

4. **Can I submit two videos?**

No. Only one video is allowed per person.

5. **Can I participate as a group?**

No. This is an individual competition—one video per participant.

6. **What should I submit along with my video?**

- Title of the video
- Short explanatory text
- Full name
- Proof of identity
- Signed consent from anyone appearing in the video (if applicable)

7. **When is the submission deadline?**

September 10, 2025. Entries submitted after this date will not be accepted.

8. **Can I use my phone for filming?**

Yes, provided the video is of good quality (clear image, good sound, horizontal format).

9. **How long should the video be?**

Between 1 minute and 1 minute 30 seconds.

10. **What formats are accepted?**

Only mp4, landscape format, maximum file size 100 MB.

11. Can I film in vertical (portrait) format?

No. Only horizontal (landscape) videos will be accepted.

12. Can I use music or images found online?

No, unless you have written permission. You are encouraged to use your creations or royalty-free content.

13.In which language can I submit my video?

In French or English.

14. Can I add subtitles or on-screen text?

Yes, you may, but it is not mandatory.

15. Is artificial intelligence (AI) allowed?

Yes, but only if you cannot access real footage of a natural disaster. The AI-generated sequence must be realistic, clearly identified as AI-generated, and only used to illustrate disasters, not to create characters, fake scenes, or mislead viewers. This must be indicated in the submission form.

16.Can I submit an animated video (drawings, stop motion, etc.)?

Yes. All creative formats are allowed, as long as they meet the technical requirements and the theme.

17. Can I submit a video I already posted on Instagram or another platform?

No. The video must be original and unpublished before its submission to the contest.

18. Can I send my video by email or WhatsApp?

No. Submissions will only be accepted via the official online form : https://www.commissionoceanindien.org/concours-video-quand-la-nature-se-fache-que-faire. Other methods will not be considered.

19.What are the judging criteria?

- Originality and creativity (30%)
- Relevance to the theme (30%)
- Technical quality (20%)
- Emotional impact and engagement (20%)

20.What is the People's Choice Award?

The jury will shortlist certain videos, which will be posted on YouTube. Public votes (likes) will count for 30% of the final score. The jury will account for the remaining 70%.

21.How will winners receive their prizes?

Prizes will be sent by secure delivery service (e.g., DHL) to the address you provide after the results are announced.

22. Can I exchange my prize for cash or something else?

No. Prizes are non-exchangeable and cannot be converted into cash.

23. Will I get feedback if I am not selected?

No. The jury's decisions are final and no individual feedback will be provided.

24. Can the IOC use my video?

Yes, but only in these cases:

• If your video wins, it may be used by the IOC for non-commercial purposes (promotion, awareness campaigns, public communication, social media, events, exhibitions, etc.).

• If your video is shortlisted for the public vote, it will be published on the IOC's YouTube channel for voting purposes.

Your video will never be sold or used for commercial gain, and you will not receive payment for its use.

25. Will my data be protected?

Yes. Your data will be used strictly for this competition.