

International Mother Language Day Monument Design Specification

The design of the first **IMLD Monument** is based on

- The International Mother Language Day, 21st February Concept
- Focusing on Mother Language conservation
- Ekushe Academy Australia's mission to promote Mother language conservation awareness by upholding the dignity of the Ekushe Concept & the sacrifice of Martyrs among all linguistic people.
- Target of reaching 6 billion people

The size/shape of the monument considered the limitations, restrictions and obligations of heritage characteristics recommended by the government and existing Memorials at Ashfield Park.

Specification Details:

- To signify 6 billion people both foundations base and height are respectively: 3m X 3m, & 3m.
- The Base Slab is 1952mmX 1952mm to signify 1952, on which the International Mother Language stands on. The main Stone will be at the centre of the slab indicating the International Mother Language Day Concept holding on to the foundation basis of 1952.
- The main stone is Slate Stone, has been selected to symbolise the 1st writing media of language learning, guiding human beings towards life-term development in literature and education. The Slate width of 900mm relates 6 billion people in the world.
- The golden plated imprint of Shahid Minar 'ICON' will be at the lower part of the front side of the stone. This will represent our strength and lesson on which the International Mother Language Day Concept. Below the Shahid Minar, "*Amar Bhaiyer Rokte Rangano Ekushe February Ami Ki Bhulite Pari*" will be written and below this "We will remember the Martyrs of 21st February" will be written to express a commitment towards Mother Language conservation.
- Above the Imprint of Shahid Minar five Alphabets from five Languages will be written in the form of stone cutting to symbolise the deepest respect to mother language for sustainable conservation. The Bangla will be at the top, signifying it as the leading language of the internationally recognised language movement. The five alphabets from each language have been selected to represent people from five continents.
- To represent globalisation, a Globe will be placed at the top facing Bangladesh and Australia to signify the origin of the IML Day and the point of this Language Conservation movement. The globe will be surrounded by "*Conserve Your Mother Language*" message of the Academy. The size of the Globe will also correspond 6 billion people to whom the statement is addressed. The position of the globe beyond the stone will signify the unlimited extended future of the organization's message, '*Conserve your Mother Language*'. The rest of the globe will be placed in the other side of the stone with the message '*Conserve your Mother Language*' below the globe.
- Five alphabets from seven other languages will be written bellow the message opposite the five languages in the front.
- The historical information along with the Martyr's names, date, year and location will by written underneath the alphabets opposite of the Shahid Minar in the front.
- The Historical information of UNESCO resolution will also be written below the above information.
- Below the UNESCO resolution, the recognition of the Founder, Unveiling etc will be recorded.
- All other recognitions will be placed on a separate plaque adjacent to the Monument.