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All Heads of Schools Affiliated to CBSE

Subject: Implementation of INSPIRE Award - MANAK Scheme 2021-22

Dear Principal,

The INSPIRE Awards - MANAK (Million Minds Augmenting National Aspirations and Knowledge), being executed by DST with National Innovation Foundation – India (NIF), an autonomous body of DST, aims to motivate students in studying in classes 6 to 10. The objective of the scheme is to target one million original ideas/innovations rooted in science and societal applications to foster a culture of creativity and innovative thinking among school children

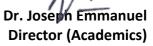
Students in the age group of 10 - 15 years and studying in classes 6 to 10 are invited to submit their ideas to their schools, which in turn should shortlist and submit the top 5 ideas through the E-MIAS web portal www.inspireawards-dst.gov.in in any Indian language.

MANAK is aiming to target one million original ideas / innovations rooted in science and societal applications which will enable nation to foster a culture of creativity and innovative thinking among school children.

The best one lakh ideas / innovations will receive Rs. 10,000/- each and will get a chance to participate in District Level Competition. Ten per cent students will be shortlisted further to participate in State Level Competition. One thousand students will showcase their innovations at National level and finally, sixty innovative projects will be incubated completely (patent filing, value addition in technology and product development etc.) by NIF and will be displayed at the annual Festival of Innovation and Entrepreneurship (FINE). The scheme is aligned with the Action Plan for "Start-up India" initiative launched by the Hon'ble Prime Minister of India.

You are requested to encourage your students to actively participate in the INSPIRE Awards-MANAK program. The online nominations for the year 2021-22 will remain open till 15th October, 2021.

With Best Wishes,









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Copy to the respective Heads of Directorates, Organizations and Institutions as indicated below with a request to disseminate the information to all the schools under their jurisdiction:

- 1. The Secretary, Eklavya Model Residential Schools (EMRS), Ministry of Tribal Affairs, Government of India
- 2. The Secretary, Sainik Schools Society, Room No. 101, D-1 Wing, Sena Bhawan, New Delhi-110001.
- 3. The Chairman, Odisha Adarsha Vidyalaya Sangathan, N-1/9, Near Doordarshan Kendra, PO Sainik School Nayapalli, Bhubaneswar, Odhisha-751005.
- 4. The Commissioner, Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan, 18 Institutional Area, Shaheed Jeet Singh Marg, New Delhi-16
- 5. The Commissioner, Navodaya Vidyalaya Samiti, B-15, Sector-62, Institutional Area, Noida201309
- 6. The Director of Education, Directorate of Education, Govt. of NCT of Delhi, Old Secretariat, Delhi-110
- 7. The Director of Public Instructions (Schools), Union Territory Secretariat, Sector 9, Chandigarh-160017
- 8. The Director of Education, Govt. of Sikkim, Gangtok, Sikkim –737101
- 9. The Director of School Education, Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh, Itanagar -791 111
- 10. The Director of Education, Govt. of A&N Islands, Port Blair 744101
- 11. The Director of Education, S.I.E., CBSE Cell, VIP Road, Junglee Ghat, P.O. 744103, A&N Island
- 12. The Director, Central Tibetan School Administration, ESSESS Plaza, Community Centre, Sector -3, Rohini, Delhi
- 13. The Additional Director General of Army Education, A –Wing, Sena Bhawan, DHQ, PO, New Delhi-110001
- 14. The Secretary AWES, Integrated Headquarters of MoD (Army), FDRC Building No. 202, Shankar Vihar (Near APS), Delhi Cantt-110010
- 15. All Regional Directors/Regional Officers of CBSE with the request to send this circular to all the Heads of the affiliated schools of the Board in their respective Regions
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