To,
The Principal,
All Central/State Govt./Aided/Unaided- High Schools in Goa

Sub: Science Talent Search (STS) Examination 2024-25

Sir/Madam,

The State Council of Educational Research & Training, Alto-Porvorim Goa will conduct Science Talent Search Examination on **19th January 2025 (Sunday)** from 10.00 a.m. to 12.00 noon for the students studying in Std. VIII, IX & X. The examination is in collaboration with Department of Science, Technology & Environment, Porvorim-Goa.

In all 50 Scholarships @ Rs. 2500/- will be awarded to the first 50 toppers each from Std. VIII, IX & X in the STS Examination. It is requested to bring this circular to the notice of the students of your school and recommend the names of the students who desire to appear for this Examination in the prescribed proforma enclosed herewith.

It is further requested to note the following points carefully before names of the students are recommended for this Examination:

1. Only the students studying in Std. VIII, IX & X during the academic year 2024-25 with the following percentage of Marks/Grade in Science and Mathematics in the previous annual examination i.e. Std. VII, VIII & IX respectively are eligible to appear for this examination.

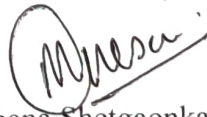| Category	For Std. VII and VIII	For Std. IX
Unreserved	Minimum C Grade	Minimum D Grade or 60% & above
SC/ST	Minimum D Grade	Minimum E Grade or 50% & above

2. The number of Scholarships will be as follows:

Category	Std. VIII	Std. IX	Std. X
Unreserved	40	40	40
SC/ST	10	10	10
Total	**50**	**50**	**50**

In case SC/ST students are not available, then scholarship will be awarded to the students from Unreserved Category. Every student who qualifies for the award of STSE scholarship shall get MERIT CERTIFICATE also.

3. Students belonging to SC/ST category should submit the details of the Caste Certificate through nomination form (excel format), and provide / submit attested copy the valid caste certificate issued by Dy. Collector/ SDM, Govt. of Goa, to this Council as and when required.

4. The Students appearing for STSE 2024-25 have to answer on **OMR Sheet** and **NOT** on question cum answer paper.

5. Examination will be conducted in Science and Mathematics.
    i) There will be in all 100 objective Questions with Science (75) and Mathematics (25).
    ii) Examination will be of 2 hours duration and it will be conducted in English medium only. Students must remain present 20 minutes before the start of the Examination.
    iii) Units prescribed for Science Talent Search Examination in both the subjects (Science and Mathematics) are as per the Syllabus of the first term of the respective Standard and entire syllabus of previous standard.

6. The student should compulsory have Valid ID Card issued by respective institution/s to be produced at the Examination Centre.

7. **The last date for receipt of online nominations to this office for the above examination is 13th December 2024.** The nominations received after this date will not be accepted.

8. Nominations should be sent in prescribed Excel sheet (soft copy only).

9. The Heads of the Institutes should submit the Nomination Form (Excel Sheet) through Goole Form Only through below mentioned link **https://forms.gle/o4YH7ucHTQHz5ptJ6** Hard copy/ Emails shall not be accepted in any case.

10. The Head of the Institution/s are hereby directed to provide all the relevant information in the attached prescribed Proforma on **specifically designated e-mail: scertstse@gmail.com** in Excel Format only.

Yours faithfully,

(Meghana Shetgaonkar)
Director, SCERT,
Porvorim-Goa

Encl:
1. Proforma for Nomination.
2. Admission Card

. Copy to:
    1. The Director of Education, Directorate of Education, Alto- Porvorim-Goa
    2. The Director, Department of Science, Technology & Environment, Porvorim-Goa
    3. The Dy/Asstt. Director of Education, North/Central/South Educational Zone, Mapusa/Panaji/Margao-Goa
    4. A.D.E.I.'s of all Talukas
    5. PA to Director SCERT
    6. Office File / Guard File