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To,

The Headmasters of all Central and State Govt., Govt. Aided & Unaided High Schools in Goa.

Sub: Science Talent Search Examination (STSE) 2025-26

Sir/Madam,

The Goa State Council of Educational Research & Training, Alto-Porvorim Goa will hold Science Talent Search Examination: 2025-26 for the students studying in Classes VIII, IX & X. The examination is in collaboration with Department of Science, Technology & Environment, Government of Goa, Porvorim. In all 50 Scholarships @ Rs.2500/- will be awarded to the first 50 rankers from each of the Classes VIII, IX & X respectively at the STSE 2025-26.

The exact date of examination will be communicated in due course of time.

It is requested to bring this to the notice of the students of your school and recommend the name of the students who desire to appear at the Examination, in the prescribed proforma enclosed herewith. It is further requested to note the following points carefully before recommending names of the students for this Examination.

1. Only the students studying in Classes VIII, IX and X during the year 2025-26 with the following percentage of Marks/Grades in Science and Mathematics in the previous annual examination i.e. Classes VII, VIII & IX respectively are eligible to appear for this examination.

Category	Class - VIII	Class - IX	Classes - X
Unreserved	Minimum 61% marks or equivalent Grade each in Science and Mathematics in Class – VII	Minimum 61% marks or 'D' Grade in a 9-point Scale each in Science and Mathematics in Class – VIII	Minimum 61% marks or 'D' Grade in a 9-point Scale each in Science and Mathematics in Class – IX
SC/ST	Minimum 51% marks or equivalent Grade each in Science and Mathematics in Class – VII	Minimum 51% marks or 'E' Grade in a 9-point Scale each in Science and Mathematics in Class – VIII	Minimum 51% marks or 'E' Grade in a 9-point Scale each in Science and Mathematics in Class – IX

2. Students belonging to SC/ST category should provide the valid caste certificate details in the nomination form (excel format), and should submit an attested copy of the valid Caste Certificate issued by Dy. Collector/SDM, Govt. of Goa to this Council as and when asked for.
3. The students appearing for STSE 2025 – 26 have to answer on OMR Sheet and NOT on test booklet (question cum answer paper).

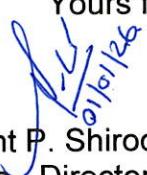
4. Examination will be conducted at Taluka/Block Headquarters. Exact venue of the examination will be communicated later to the schools along with seat numbers of students in due course of time.
5. Examination will be conducted in English Medium. There will be in all 100 objective questions (all MCQs) out of which 75 in Science and 25 in Mathematics.
6. Students must have Valid ID issued by the respective schools to be produced at the examination center.
7. The last date for receipt of online nominations to this Council for the STSE 2025-26 is **14th January 2026 (Wednesday) 1.00PM**. The nomination window shall be closed on **14th January 2026 (Wednesday) at 1.00 PM**.
8. **Nominations must be sent in prescribed Excel sheet (soft copy) only.** The Heads of Schools have to submit the Nomination Form (Excel Sheet) through Google Form only through the below mentioned link. There is no provision for receiving of nomination in other mode (off-line mode/hard copy or through e-mail).

Link for submission of nomination:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfH1FpaifAfxvxmO1zek7ty50t5GsFrXxmOJb11ouSUbAQta/viewform?usp=dialog>

9. The Heads of Institutes have to ensure that the nominated students fulfill the prescribed conditions. **For any discrepancy /inaccuracy of information provided, the Heads of Schools shall be solely responsible.** GSCERT shall have no responsibility for any such discrepancy/inaccuracy of information about any student nominated by the schools.
10. Other details about the STSE: 2025-26 will be shared separately in due course of time.



Yours faithfully,

 (Prashant P. Shirodkar)
 Link Charge-Director, GSCERT

Encl: Excel Sheet for Nomination of students.

Copy to:

1. The Director of Education, Directorate of Education, Alto-Porvorim-Goa.
2. The Director, Department of Science, Technology & Environment, Porvorim.
3. The State Project Director, Goa Smagra Shiksha Porvorim.
4. Secretary, Goa Board of Sec. & Hr. Sec. Education, Porvorim.
5. The Dy. Director of Education of NEZ, CEZ and SEZ at Mapusa, Panaji & Margao.
6. A.D.E. I.'s of all Talukas.
7. MIS, GSCERT (for uploading at the official website)
8. PA to Director of GSCERT
9. Office File
10. Guard File

Link for submitting nomination of students for STSE 25-26:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfH1FpaifAfxvxmO1zek7ty50t5GsFrXxmOJb11ouSUbAQtTA/viewform?usp=dilog>